

## Village Members Holiday Party Coming

It's one of the Village's most popular events, so put it on your calendar now! This year we're gathering on **Thursday, December 12, from 6 to 8 pm**, at the Portside Waterfront Restaurant and Bar. Be our guest and join us to help bring in the holidays with your Village friends. Complimentary drinks and appetizers will be served. We had so much fun last year with our Yankee swap, we'll do it again this year! Find something unusual or interesting that you are not using (please do not purchase anything), and wrap it and join the Yankee Swapping Fun.

## Villagers Enjoying Field Trips

Here are a few comments from Villagers who enjoyed two recent Village field trips.

### **Boston Greenway and Carousel:**

Eleven Villagers enjoyed a ride on the Carousel designed by Jeff Briggs of Newburyport. All the animals on the ride are native to New England. After a stroll down the lush Greenway, we had lunch under the trees. It was a glorious day!

What fun it was to hop on top of one of the beautiful Carousel animals created for the Rose Kennedy Greenway! The ride was so relaxing, going round and round to lively tunes and seeing the smiles of my fellow Villagers! Afterwards, some of us walked the rest of the Greenway, through the nearby labyrinth, or through Chinatown. It was a lovely, informal afternoon. Glad I went along!

A wonderful day in Boston with Village friends to ride the Carousel and walk the beautiful Greenway... so many great things to see and topped off with a walk through bustling Chinatown.

### **Nature Walk in Maudslay:**

David Moon, Director of Mass Audubon's Joppa Flats center, led ten of us Villagers on a fascinating walk in Maudslay State Park. David focused on the interrelatedness of all living organisms in the park.

I wish everyone could have been on David Moon's walk with us through the woods. He taught us the nature of trees and their friends the mushrooms and even answered my question about how corn fields are irrigated. He is a delight and his

knowledge and curious spirit are a true gift to behold! I was grateful for the time he carved out to be with us. We are surely lucky to have him!

A great walk in the woods with David Moon and a group of Village friends... so much to see and absorb with an expert guide. The information just flowed out of him... I loved seeing the wooly caterpillar and even the slugs were a treat to see.

*(More photos on page 2.)*



## Upcoming Events

**See Website for more info!**

***Village Talks Open to the Public at Newburyport Senior/Community Center:***

**November 20, 1-2 pm. "Shady Talk... Everything You Wanted to Know About Trees But Were Afraid to Ask" with Jean Berger and Cris Miller.**

**December 18, 1-2 pm. Village Talk Turns to Song with the Greater Newburyport Children's Chorus with some sing-along opportunities!**

***For Village Members and Volunteers:***

**November 19, 12-1:30 pm, Village Lunch at Park Lunch, 181 Merrimac Street, Newburyport. (Separate checks as usual.) RSVP by November 15.**

***For Village Members Only:***

**December 12, 6-8 pm, Village Holiday Party at Portside Waterfront Restaurant and Bar, 175 Bridge Road, Salisbury. RSVP by November 25.**

### **To Contact the Village**

#### ***For information:***

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## Upcoming Village Talk

On November 20, Jean Berger and Cris Miller will give their Shady Talk—everything we wanted to know about trees and were afraid to ask. Trees by the numbers, the value of trees, what trees do for us—and Newburyport trees in a nutshell. You'll learn too about the organizations

supporting the enhancement of our city's urban forest. If you ever wondered who looks after the trees in our city, now's the time to find out. There will be a question and answer session after the talk, so please do not be afraid to ask!

### A Haiku Moment



rolling tires hum  
soft then loud then soft  
droning on and on

Donna Franz



More photos from Villager Field Trips

## News from Members

Villagers **Barbara Dowd and Jane Tuohy** along with Frances McLaughlin will present a program on Oct. 28 at 7 pm in the Newburyport Senior/Community Center with photos and stories on their trip to Tanzania. They will also explain about the Asante Africa Foundation ([asanteafrica.org](http://asanteafrica.org)).

Villager **Ann McCrea**, who not long ago held a Village haiku writing workshop, is having a show of accordion books, prints, and cards at the Tiny Gallery in the Unitarian Church lower level, Unicorn Street off Pleasant Street. The show is entitled "People & Places – From Image to Word." She invites us all to a reception at the gallery on Nov. 3 from 11:30 to 3, or meet the artist on Nov. 24 from 12 to 3. The show runs until Nov. 30. Gallery hours are 10-2 M-F and 10-1 Sundays.

Villager **Sherry Rogers**, who is on the board of the Newburyport Chamber Music Festival, would like to share some information for those who appreciate chamber music and would like to learn more. David Yang, Artistic Director, is putting out a free monthly newsletter about NCMF programs, artists, and composers. Stop by their website at [www.newburyportchambermusic.org](http://www.newburyportchambermusic.org) and under the About tab click on News for "Notes from David Yang." On Dec. 15 the NCMF will have its Winter Baroque concert.

*If you are a member or volunteer of the Greater Newburyport Village, we'd like to hear and share what else you're up to! Send a brief description (max. 80 words) to [services@greaternewburyportvillage.org](mailto:services@greaternewburyportvillage.org) and as space allows, we'll include it here in our monthly newsletter.*

## Our Village's Mission

**To promote living well and independently for a lifetime through community engagement and a network of neighborly support.**

### Do you need to update your Emergency Contact Information?

When you joined the Village, you gave us the name and contact information of a friend or relative in case of an emergency and we needed to reach out to someone. If you would like to update this contact information, or if you've forgotten who your emergency contact is, please call 978-206-1821 and we will update your file.

**We Want To Know** If you know a member or volunteer who is facing surgery, a loss, or an **important milestone**, let the Village know so we can acknowledge it appropriately and offer help as needed. Please call 978-206-1821 or email [membership@greaternewburyportvillage.org](mailto:membership@greaternewburyportvillage.org).

*Village Members: Need some help this fall getting ready for winter?*

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WITH THAT  
WINDOW  
AC UNIT.  
(and more!)  
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