

BARNSTABLE NEWCOMERS – DECEMBER, 2020 MINUTES



December thoughts from the sleigh of the President

I hope you are as excited as I am about the holiday season. Only comes once a year and it becomes more precious every time. I wish you health and happiness and the promise of better times ahead. Most of us have been and continue to be cautious about gathering, especially indoors, with anyone we don't currently live with. The vaccine has the potential to change that dynamic and I expect it will. The question is when and we pray it is before infections and fatalities keep increasing. I know I am ready for a dose of

hope. 

Speaking of hope, this is the season of giving and BNC has made a donation to a local charity. This year we have made a one hundred fifty dollar donation to the Cape Cod Times Needy Fund. Thanks to all members as your dues make this possible. The Needy Fund has been helping Cape Cod residents for a very long time. All donations provide basic human needs for residents needing temporary help. An additional and independent donation has been made by the members of Book Club 4 and I

applaud them. 

ACTIVITIES



Joanne O'Connell reported that Book Club 4 met (mostly) outside on a regular basis over the past year all the way through to November. They will continue meeting via ZOOM in the Winter. She also coordinated Kayaking which met in small groups as weather permitted nearly a dozen times. That activity will not continue in the

Winter!



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Ron Lyons has done a fantastic job coordinating our annual dine-out event at Albertos in Hyannis until we had to cancel due to Covid this past April. We look forward to having this activity again but not this April.



I have been told I am being a bit pessimistic but I cannot imagine live meetings as a large group before the Fall. In any event we will have to wait until the Governor declares the moratorium on events like that are over and the Council on Aging

is reopened.



That's it for now.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Charlie Sroczyński - BNC President