

BARNSTABLE NEWCOMERS CLUB – NOVEMBER, 2020



**FROM THE PRESIDENT’S DESK:**

Fellow Newcomers,

Here’s wishing a Happy Thanksgiving to you and your loved ones. It is one we will celebrate at a distance and shall not soon forget. Distancing, social and otherwise, has become a fabric of our lives. I, for one, miss live meetings. The Adult Community Center remains under lockdown with no imminent change expected. As was predicted months ago by Doctor Fauci, the second wave is upon us. Who might have imagined it could be more severe and widespread than the first wave as it continues to grow exponentially. A return to normalcy is coming as drug companies race to reap the PR and monetary benefit that comes with being the one to produce a vaccine for COVID. Now all we need is to overcome widespread cynicism for science and a reluctance to be inoculated with any vaccine that has been propagated by the real “fake news” in our modern culture. Let’s hope these attitudes do not overcome our power to think reasonably and independently.

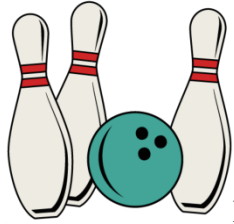
Stay safe and persevere,  
Charlie Sroczynski  
President BNC



**ACTIVITY UPDATES:**



Book Club I reported that they held their Book Club meeting outdoors from June through October.. Each meeting was held on the hostess’ outside deck distancing 6’ apart as well as wearing masks. Weather held for each of those months on their meeting day. Each member brought their own bottle of water. As reported, these meetings turned out to be a success.



Bowling has not been able to meet. As the new year approaches, members will be surveyed to look into the possibility of holding an abbreviated season.



Dine-In activities are currently suspended and are not expected to restart until the Fall.



Bridge has likewise been unable to meet. This will be reevaluated in the Spring.



The Movie group had a good year! All but one meeting was held virtually. The in-person meeting followed necessary precautions with distancing and face masks. Monthly Zoom meeting will continue.

Have a great Thanksgiving!  
Respectfully Submitted –  
Bette Silva  
Secretary