

Merrymeeting Board Newsletter

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January 4, 2008



A Message from President Kyle Rogers:

Happy New Year Everyone,
I hope everyone had a wonderful Holiday season! I would like to take a moment to thank Tom Cole for a great 2007 and welcome our new directors, Wende Chapman and Elinda Bones. I am looking forward to working with you over the next year. It is going to be a "Great 08"!

In the coming year as your President, I hope to implement some changes in order to make our time together more effective and efficient. Here are just a few of the changes I am going to propose to the Board at the next meeting on January 7th.

1. Reduce the number of membership meetings from 9 to 6. In doing this I hope to make the meetings we have more productive and innovative.
2. Appoint committee chairs for the Golf Tournament, Lobster Bake and Christmas Party. The chair of each committee will be a member of the Board of Directors and be charged with getting volunteer members from the membership to fill the committee seats. I feel by doing this it gets our membership more involved with the large events we hold each year.
3. Appoint an Education Chairperson. This person will be charged with coordinating 2 or 3 educational events over the course of the year. My goal here is to get more involved with our neighboring boards to combine assets to hold more educational seminars.

At the January meeting, I hope to be able to report to you some of the changes that are taking place. If you have any suggestions, please do not hesitate to give me a call or send me an email.

I am counting on all of you to participate in these committees and become more active or stay active in our wonderful board. I am always proud of our membership when I am approached by the MAR staff and told that "The Merrymeeting Board is always well represented" at the, annual REALTOR® Rally, Midyear meetings in Washington or at the National convention.

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A Message from President Kyle Rogers (continued):

I would also like to thank everyone who so graciously donated to our Adopt a Family over the Holidays. It was a huge success. Heather Gottlieb reports to me that all of the gifts were delivered to the families just in time for Santa’s visit. Another job well done by each and everyone who donated.

If you would like to contact me, with ideas or comments, please do so at kyle@courtstreetrealty.com or call me at 841-5953. I look forward to seeing you at the January 24, 2008 Membership Meeting at the United 8 Masonic Lodge in Brunswick.

Upcoming Membership Meeting: The next meeting of the Merrymeeting Board Membership is scheduled for Thursday, January 24th. Our meeting agenda will include check presentations to Tedford Shelter, MAR Update, MREIS Update and New Member Induction. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m.; Buffet Breakfast & Membership Meeting begins at 8:00. A registration form is enclosed.

New Members: In order to become a member, an individual must complete the membership application and pay an application fee to the MBOR. Because we have provisional membership, new REALTOR® applicants become members as soon as they pay dues (they must, however, take new member orientation when offered to keep their membership privileges active!).

Meeting Schedule: The schedule for the year is printed below.

January 24	Breakfast	United 8 Masonic Lodge	Speakers: Cindy Butts & Ken Duke
March 27	Breakfast	TBA	Speaker & Education Course
April 24	Lunch	Taste of Maine Restaurant	Speaker & Education Course
May 22	Breakfast	Winter Street Center	Speaker: Linda Gifford
June 26	Golf	Bath Country Club	Annual Habitat for Humanity Golf Tournament
June 26	Dinner	Bath Country Club	ROTY & AOTY Awards
August 28	Dinner	Cook’s Lobster House	Annual Lobster Bake
September 25	Lunch	United 8 Masonic Lodge	Speaker & Education Course
October 23	Dinner	Taste of Maine Restaurant	Annual Membership Meeting
December 5	Dinner	TBA	Holiday Party & Fundraising Auction

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∞ **Plan to Attend the Membership Meeting on Thursday, January 24th** ∞