



NOVEMBER 2026

NEWS FROM THE FRIENDS

A message from the President – Marilyn Dearborn

November is that time when we reflect on our blessings, family, friends, good health, and being able to celebrate the season with those we love. Remember there are seniors in our community who will be spending **Thanksgiving** alone. Why not set an extra place at your table and ask a neighbor, who would otherwise be alone, to join you and your family. This small gesture could make a huge difference in their lives.

There are other important days like **November 1st**, when we switch back to Standard Time. Remember “Fall back; Spring forward; set all your clocks back one hour.” Then comes **November 3rd, Election Day**. Remember we live in a country where we have the right to choose who will represent our views in government. Don’t waste this right – get out and vote!!

November 11th – another very important day. Without our Veterans, we would not be enjoying the freedoms they sacrificed for us. If you have a Veteran or the family of a Veteran, in your neighborhood, take a moment to say **THANK YOU!!**

Will we see you on **December 15th** at the Old Yarmouth Inn for our Holiday/Christmas Luncheon (see page 2).

Lastly, on behalf of the Board of the Friends, I would like to thank all of you for your support as we continue our mission of helping Brewster seniors enjoy fun, healthy, and productive lives with dignity and security. We do this by offering programs and events to ensure they have social contact with others.

Enjoy Chatting with Folks...Who don't have anyone nearby? We're working on a satisfying opportunity for our members during this month of thanks. Interested? Keep reading.

Wingate Assisted Living reached out to us recently about expanding their community connections & volunteer programming that they offer their residents, some of whom are **Friends** and/or friends of ours, but all of whom are Brewster Seniors!

What they are looking for is the same thing the **Friends** are looking for, i.e. a way to enrich the lives of Brewster Seniors who may not be able to get out as much anymore. They are seeking volunteers who are willing to offer their time to come in and speak on a topic, play an instrument, teach a craft, or just visit with the residents for conversation, games or other social and educational programs.

Interested in connecting? Please contact Marilyn at brewsterfriends@gmail.com or 508-385-2881. We'll be sharing more information in the next newsletter and hope that some of our **Friends** will take us -- and Wingate -- up on this golden opportunity to show compassion for others, especially during this upcoming holiday season.

Need to get in touch?

Mail: Friends of Brewster Seniors, P.O. Box 2310, Brewster, MA 02631

Email: brewsterfriends@gmail.com

Website: <https://FriendsOfBrewsterSeniors.org>

The Presidential Phone: 508-385-2881

Visit: Sea Captains' Thrift Shop to meet some friends

COA: 508-896-2737



Sea Captains' Thrift Shop

66 Harwich Rd. ~ 508.896.8180

Donna P. Bowie, Manager

Important Information

Open: Mon-Sat 10AM-4PM

**Donations Accepted
11AM-2PM**

Cash or Local Check only

*"When chilly, autumn winds do blow
And the weather clearly foreshadows snow,
Sea Captains' is more than ready
To dress you smartly head to toe."*

November brings whirling leaves and cold winds blasting our shores. Ah, winter is coming on Cape Cod. Sea Captains' is ready with everything you'll need: boots to turtle necks, hooded jackets, corduroys, scarves, etc. Come in early for the best selection. Peruse the book and puzzle offerings and select something for those snowbound days ahead.

LOOKING AHEAD...

- ANNEX & TABLETOP ROOM - 50% OFF (over \$1) - Nov. 2-14
- CHRISTMAS/HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE opens Nov. 15
- CLOSED: Nov. 25 - OPEN Nov. 27 & 28
- CLOSED: Dec. 23 & 24 - OPEN . . . TBD.



November . . . a time to give thanks. THANK YOU to our fabulous thrift shop volunteers for their gifts of TIME and TALENT.

Holiday Christmas Luncheon, Tuesday, December 15th

Join us at the **Old Yarmouth Inn**! We'll begin seating at 11:30 AM, with a plated lunch served at noon. There will be cheese & crackers to start. Then you'll enjoy a Caesar salad before your chosen entrée. Apple crisp is on the menu to top off your meal. All lunches are served with freshly baked ciabatta with sweet cream butter, coffee or tea. There is a Cash Bar for those who enjoy something alcoholic with their meal.

Please print clearly on the form below & either drop it and your check (payable to FOBS) at Sea Captains' Thrift Shop, or mail to FOBS, PO Box 2310, Brewster MA 02631. Or even quicker, sign up and pay for your tickets online. Remember, it's always first come-first served and seating is limited! Cutoff date for reservations is Nov. 28, 2026.

Name: _____ (member or non-member?)

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Email: _____ Day of Event Phone: _____ (required)

Member price: \$ 35.00 per ticket

Non-Member price: \$ 50.00 per ticket

Honey Dijon Marinated Steak Tips, mashed potatoes, veggies # _____ member # _____ non-member

Seafood Trio, lemon beurre blanc sauce, herbed rice, veggies # _____ member # _____ non-member

Chicken Picatta, pasta w/ scallions, capers, lemon beurre sauce # _____ member # _____ non-member

Extra Donation: \$ _____

Total Amount Enclosed for Holiday Luncheon: \$ _____

Who Made A Taste of Crosby Mansion A Great Success?

YOU did, along with all of our **Silent Auction sponsors!** The auction alone raised over \$2,300 for the Mansion and we're not done with the accounting yet! Please support our local businesses and thank them for their contribution to this 2026 Fundraiser. Hope to see you again at another Friends event!



Membership: Just a reminder, our membership year is based on the calendar, so no matter when you pay in any given year, your membership is only good for that year. Since we've got some really great activities coming up, we may need to give **members first priority** for some of the more popular events. It is only \$15 per calendar year. What a deal!

Know someone who should be a member? Ask them to contact Kathy MacDonald (khelenmack@comcast.net) or any board member listed below for more information about the opportunities and benefits.

Some Upcoming Events

- ✚ **Holiday Concert (12/6)**
- ✚ **Holiday Luncheon (12/15)**
- ✚ **Happy New Year (2027!)**

2026 Board of Directors

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Open monthly meetings are held the 2nd Wednesday at 9:30 AM, Brewster Bible Alliance Church, Rte. 6A.
Contact Marilyn Dearborn, President (508-385-2881) for more info.

www.FriendsOfBrewsterSeniors.org ♦ email brewsterfriends@gmail.com ♦ visit our Facebook pages
Need to get in touch with the Council on Aging? Simply call 508-896-2737

The Friends of Brewster Seniors is a 501c3 nonprofit organization whose mission is to support, promote and enrich Brewster's senior residents and the Brewster COA through annual participant support, donations & fundraising. The Friends welcome you to become involved with our many activities and events. After all...

Everyone and Anyone Anywhere Can & Should be a Friend to Brewster Seniors!

A Few Taste of Crosby Mansion Pics

