



INNKEEPERS' THOUGHTS AND NEW BEGINNINGS...

Last summer was full of sadness and tremendous loss. Many of you knew of my pain as I drifted in and out of my duties at Oakland House Seaside Resort. My mother Elizabeth Middleton Nystedt passed away quietly on July 16th, 2005 leaving a void that I did not anticipate. I thank you for your kindnesses as I helped her through her final journey.



This season ushers in a bright new phase for us (me in particular) as Jim and I have nearly completed the addition to my workshop, where I restore and repair all of our vintage furnishings. Until now I've operated our marketing and renovations operations and washed and repaired many of the finer linens used in rooms and cottages in my home office, laundry and sewing rooms. We finally moved my office into my new digs, created a studio in which I can paint (art) and a sizable laundry. My shop is now divided into a paint shop and a woodshop. That's the loading door to the wood shop. My old shop (in which I did both woodworking and painting) is the smaller side of the structure above. Inside, the colors are in shades of muted greens, slate grey and blue highlighted by russet, warm beige and rosy golds. It's a lovely place to work. My new office is big enough for an assistant, too. Yea!



Sally M. Littlefield

A FRESH, RELAXING, AND EXCITING APPROACH TO "GETTING MARRIED!"

Oakland House Seaside Resort has been the wedding destination for hundreds of happy couples. With our half-mile of oceanfront along with fields, beaches, woodlands, and overlooks, it is the picture

perfect setting in which to gather friends and family for your special day. We have ten beautifully appointed rooms at Shore Oaks Seaside Inn, gracious accommodations for the wedding party, and fifteen enchanting cottages dotting the shore and hidden amongst the trees, offering elegantly relaxed space for families of all sizes.

From barefoot picnics on the beach to stylish sit-down dinners, and everything in between, we can



accommodate any reception your heart may desire. We specialize in weddings of 80-180 guests, but we can arrange for larger or smaller parties and elopements as well. Our main goal is to make sure everything is tailored to your specific wishes. This is what sets us apart; we go the extra mile to ensure you are happy and free to enjoy the day without worrying about details. We are well respected in the wedding community for our attentiveness to the particular plans of each individual couple.

We are more than happy to help with things like obtaining a marriage license, local official, band, flowers, DJ, photographer, tent, dance floor, etc.



Our staff is well respected for their welcoming Downeast hospitality, and would love to help you put together the wedding you have always dreamed of! Reservations for 2007 have already begun; book



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early and reserve our piece of paradise for your special day!



Your Guests will love your Party! We'll help you make sure they do. We'll give you all the assistance you deserve. Please call to discuss your plans and to book your wedding for 2006, 2007, and 2008.

"Oakland House may be out of the way, but that doesn't mean you have to settle for less than fabulous food, flowers or entertainment. [The] innkeepers...have extensive practice in the art of intimate weddings."
Boston Magazine's Elegant Wedding
Summer 2004.

"...One of our favorite hideaways is the Oakland House Seaside Resort located on Eggemoggin Reach on East Penobscot Bay."
Southern Bride Summer/Fall 2004

WHAT DOES A CARVED WOODEN OWL HAVE IN COMMON WITH A 500 MILLION YEAR-OLD ROCK?

Ever read Rudyard Kipling's "An Elephant's Child?"

Or, what does a man fishing with his son on the lake have to do with taking children for a hike to Lookout Rock? Past guest (quite past) Charlie Kirschner was head of the New Haven, CT School system. He spent many, many happy summers at Oakland House with his family, wife, son and grandson in Grindstone cottage. He adored leading groups of children off on an adventure: to Lookout Rock, to Sunset Rock, and so on. When the gang got bored Mr. Kirschner would announce that he'd hidden coins along the path so the children would pick up renewed interest in their hike. Like Rudyard Kipling's Elephant's Child with an insatiable desire to discover all it could, curiosity and learning were key elements in Mr. Kirschner's life. His will designated several items to be given to Grindstone Cottage: his andirons with owls



on the fronts, his hearth set with the owl handles, and a carved wooden owl perched atop a book. The iron has rusted and melted to ruin but the carved owl remains strong and wise...a monument to education and learning.

This is a wonderful place for such pursuits. Last summer a fisherman and his son explored the calm water of the lake. His other son spent days combing the beach looking for interesting rocks. Innkeeper Jim, who gets to know just about everybody in the dining room at night, put the rock



collector together with another guest, a geologist who estimated one type of rock the boy had found was about 500 million years old!

Oakland House is not only a relaxing and enjoyable place to come for vacation, it can also be seen as a gateway for lifelong learning.



**GREAT FOR FAMILIES,
GREAT FOR LOVERS!**
Play and relax together away from all your cares. Let the days and nights drift together and dream!

Imagine lying on a lush green lawn looking up at the star strewn heavens, a cool evening sea breeze blowing by. Imagine your children, flashlights in hand, romping across the same lawn in search of lightning bugs and the Big Dipper. Envision you and your loved one sitting by the peaceful ocean watching the sunset together with only the sound of an occasional seal in the background. Imagine watching your children on the beach building sandcastles and sifting through tide-pools. Picture a quiet evening with just the two of you snuggled up by the crackling fire, a glass of wine or a good book in hand. At Oakland House Seaside Resort dreams come true...

**COTTAGE MINIMUM
STAY REQUIREMENT
JUST THREE DAYS
THROUGH DEPARTURES
AUGUST 26TH AND KIDS
STAY FREE...An Intro-
duction to the Delights of an
Oakland House Seaside Resort
Cottage Vacation.**

During July and August we're offering full service cottage vacations to families with children. The more children you bring, the more you save! This special deal includes plentiful buffet breakfasts each morning and 5-course dinners each evening. Housekeeping service and wood delivery is



all part of the deal. Enjoy swimming and boating on either lake or ocean beach or go for a peaceful row just as the sun is rising!

The terms of this special: Cottage mini-

mum charges apply, and then kids under 12 stay free. The more children under 12 that stay with you, the more you save. Most cottages have hide-a-bed couches* to accommodate additional family members. Bask in the luxury of a cottage vacation with plenty of space to roam, dream and relax. Extend your stay to 4, 5, 6 or 7 days and get the same benefits. Our Short Stay Getaways are **great values** and meet the demands of today's more mobile vacation traveler.

*Rollaway portable beds cannot be used with this offer. This cannot be combined with other discounts

PLANNING YOUR HONEY-MOON?

Oakland House Seaside Resort's cottages offer privacy and comfort in a lazy out of the way setting. Central to Blue Hill (just 11 miles away), Deer Isle (5 miles away), Stonington (13 miles away), Castine (22 miles away), and a sprinkling of other costal towns and villages, there is plenty to do if you want to venture out. With advance notice we would be able to deliver breakfast to your cottage, even prepare a delicious dinner and deliver it to you. Ask ahead for a boxed lunch and we can do that, too.

When you arrive at your cottage a fire will have already been laid in the fireplace just waiting for you to light the match. Extra firewood will be in the wood box for your evening by the fire. Cozy!

Our "Rusticator" dining rooms feature the Porch Dining Room just for adults. Lit by

candles, with fresh flowers on the tables, this dining room just oozes romance and casual elegance. No dinner jackets required here. Great dining, extensive wine list and cordial and attentive staff. Your first evening's dinner will be accompanied by a complementary split bottle of champagne to celebrate your union. This is the place for this special, special time of your lives!

MEETINGS: UNCONVENTIONAL, FUN, EFFECTIVE!

Our quiet nooks and expansive lawns are great informal meeting places, other places too!

Oakland House Seaside Resort is the perfect destination for small meetings, educational seminars, or company retreats. It is conveniently located just 50 miles from Bangor airport, and 15 minutes from the small coastal town of Blue Hill.

Located at the ocean's edge in Brooksville, Maine, Oakland House provides an exceptional setting, combining quiet meeting facilities with picture-perfect scenery and easy access to outdoor activities. Groups of up to 41 people can be comfortably accommodated. There are many local activities to explore such as whale watching tours, lobstering with a local lobsterman, kayaking, or visiting the Deer Isle Country Club's golf course. Our facilities can be reserved during off-season months (May, June, September, and

October). You can reserve one meeting room, or rent the entire compound depending on your needs. The 50-acre property offers many quiet nooks and expansive lawns to hold informal meetings



as well. Those seeking a change from the stuffy meeting rooms of city hotels will find clearness of mind and increased productivity amongst the natural beauty that surrounds us.

Our staff is friendly and willing to help with any requests you might have. No effort is too large, no detail too trivial!

GREAT NEWS: SALLY AND SEAN TO MOVE INTO THEIR NEW "HONEY-MOON" ECO-HOME.

Our daughter Sally and her husband Sean are looking forward to moving into their new house sometime later this summer.



They designed a modified saltbox and built almost the entire structure themselves, with a lot of help from their friends. By using pre-insulated panels, radiant heat throughout, and ENERGY STAR® rated appliances, their new home will be as energy efficient as possible. Their concern for the environment is also evident in their choice of building materials. The floors are bamboo, which is easily grown and renewed, and the trim is rough-cut pine. After 3 years of hard work, it is exciting to see everything coming together. Once it is totally complete, they will eagerly move in. Whoopee!

EVENTS, SHORT STAY & PACKAGE DEALS 2006 CALENDAR

BEST DEALS of the season!

Days	Arrive/Begin	Depart/End	Details	Event or occasion
✓ 3	Tues. July 5	Fri. July 8	Shore Oaks, 5-course dinners Lighthouse Sightseeing by land & sea. Ayuh!	3 day Shore Oaks stay incl.s breakfasts 5-course dinners, boat trip, lighthouse viewing & lighthouse book.
✓ 3+	Sun. July 2	Sat. Aug. 26	3-Day Cottage Minimums and KIDS STAY FREE, full service w/brkfst & dinners	Introduction to the delights of a Cottage vacation at Oakland House Seaside Resort
	April through	October	Lobsterboat and Puffin sighting cruises, "Boat 'N' Bike" Daytrips, kayaking, and guide service by Registered Maine Guide as available (cost of these tours not included in regular Oakland House rates)	
✓ 5	Sun. Sept. 3	Fri. Sept. 8	Stay 3 Nights, get 2 FREE Full service w/ 5 breakfasts, 3 dinners.	Labor Day Mid-Week Cottage Savor Summer 2 more days FREE GREAT VALUE! Reserve early!
✓ 3	Tue. Sept. 26	Fri. Sept. 29	5-Course dinner/Bay Tour	Fall in its glory (which goes and goes) Pinky Schooner/Capt. Brown
✓ 2	Fri. Sept. 29	Sun. Oct. 1	5-Course dinner/Bay Tour	All Breakfasts & 5-course dinners incl.
✓ 3	Sun. Oct. 1	Sun. Oct. 6	Shore Oaks "Three-Fer"	Stay 2 nights, get 3rd night (Chef's night off) FREE.
✓ 3	Fri. Oct. 6	Mon. Oct. 9	Columbus Day Long 3-day Weekend at Shore Oaks	Stay 2 nights, get 3rd night (Chef's night off) FREE.
✓ 3	Mon. Oct. 9	Sun. Oct. 15	Shore Oaks "Three-Fer"	Stay 2 nights, get 3rd night (Chef's night off) FREE.
✓ 2/3	Late Fall, 2006	Spring, 2007	Lone Pine/Boathouse Cottage Getaways	Weekend/Mid-Week Cottage Packages

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NEWS AND GREAT DEALS INSIDE...



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