

# Chatter

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The  
**CLIFF HOUSE**  
 Resort & Spa

## SURE SIGNS OF SPRING! *Welcome to Our 139<sup>th</sup> Season*

The ducks that wintered off the ledges are returning home to Canada, and the crocuses and daffodils are sleeping in their flowerbeds as we write our annual newsletter to all of you. There is something exhilarating about opening for a new season and presenting a new look to our guests. The carpet in Ocean Terrace has been replaced; new flat-screen TVs now reside in our Cliffscape guestrooms; cork floors have been installed in all Spa treatment rooms; we've increased wireless access points to include all meeting rooms and guestrooms in Cliffscape; and walls everywhere are freshly painted! We've made lots of improvements to make your experience even better.

Another sign of spring is opening the season with our traditional **WINE TASTING WEEKEND!** This year our four-course, five-wine gourmet dinner will feature the fine wines of Fess Parker Winery (*Daniel Boone hats are optional*). Prepare to be wine and dined!



## *It's a Spa Thing*

For guests who believe too much of a good thing is indeed a good thing, we offer a new treatment: **CLIFF HOUSE SIGNATURE DAY AT THE SPA**. This is the ultimate in pampering – four hours of bliss! Or try our new **VITAMIN C PEEL** or **WARMING MUD MASSAGE**. For a complete list of spa treatments, download our 2011 **SPA MENU OF SERVICES**. Ah... a spa thing is a good thing.

## *Reservations Made Simpler*

Until recently, reservations made online were “reservation requests” that needed to be confirmed in writing. Now, with our new **ONLINE RESERVATION SYSTEM**, guests receive instantaneous confirmations! And dining reservations are also easier with **OPEN TABLE**. We are, of course, always happy to make your reservation by phone at **207-361-1000**. We are waiting to welcome you this season.



## *The \$100 Question*

In 1946, Charles Weare placed an ad in the Wall Street Journal offering The Cliff House for sale. Our contest question is: What was the asking price? Send your best guess to **CONTEST @ THE CLIFF HOUSE, P.O. Box 2274, Ogunquit, ME 03907**. Or e-mail us at **info@cliffhousemaine.com** and put **CONTEST** in the subject line. Deadline for receiving entries is April 15th, the opening day of our 139th Season. If there are multiple correct answers we will draw one name as the winner of the \$100 Cliff House gift certificate.



## HISTORY REVISTED

We came upon this letter dated May 19, 1942 sent to announce the 70th season opening. Reading it today and placing it in the context of that time, we were deeply moved. The world had plunged into war. Maurice Weare would join the Army. The Cliff House would be drafted by the US Army Corps of Engineers and shuttered for the duration. A radar station would be built and manned 24-hours a day. We echo across the years, "It seems mighty good to be back preparing for another year".

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## THE LEDGES

Last spring a wind shear clocked at 150 mph hit the Ledges full force and compromised the center of the structure. It had to be razed in December. This was one of the last motels built by Maurice Weare, and it was on the exact site of the old radar station. We will remember this link with our history while looking forward to the future multi-story addition to be built there on the ledges.

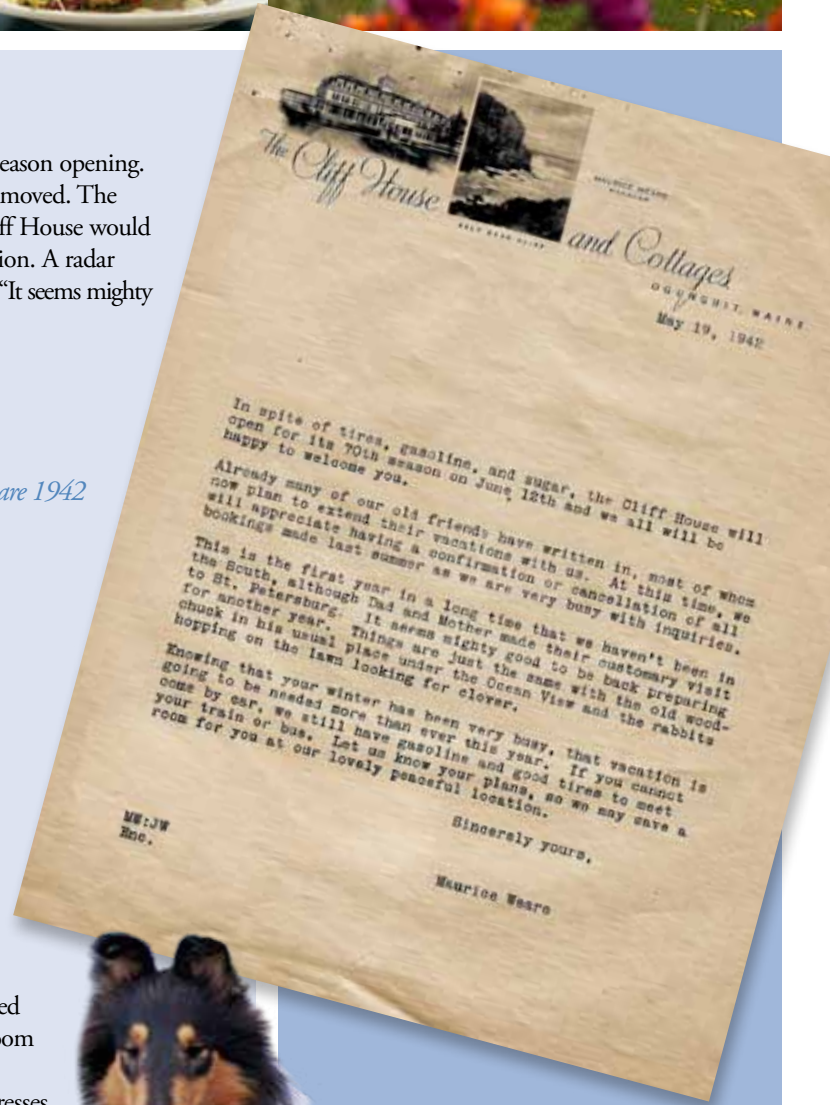
## GUESTS SHARE FAVORITE CLIFF HOUSE MOMENTS

My children gave me a gift certificate for my birthday. Our spa room allowed us to view and hear the roar of the ocean waves. The meals in the dining room were delicious, and we were treated like special guests by the staff. We have returned several times since and always had an enjoyable retreat from life stresses.  
*Mary Ann M. – Hooksett, NH*

My five daughters and I spent a wonderful women's weekend with you soaking up the sun, swimming in the pool, eating great food, and most of all, sharing good times.  
*Judith K. – Sarasota, FL*

## DOGS IN THE NEWS

Many guests comment on the beautiful collies that can often be seen on the balcony above the front desk. Most are show dogs and many are in agility training. Thorn, a tri-color two year old, participated in a competition in Florida and is now PT Herding Certified by Collie Club of America. Will you see sheep on the cliff? Probably not! But, you will see some of our award-winning dogs: Eve, Ester and her dad, Sam.



Above: Maurice Weare's opening letter welcomed guests in 1942.

Left: Thorn relaxes at The Cliff House after returning from his recent trip to Florida.