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Club news

Sandpipers members celebrate at holiday party

J. Brian O'Neill, president and founder of O'Neill Properties Group, developer of The Tower and Royal Cottages at Carnegie Abbey, was host of a Christmas party for members of the Sandpipers Club.

The Sandpipers Club is a Newport women's organization that encourages intellectual and professional interaction, promotes fellowship, supports local women's and children's programs, and sponsors luncheon speaker events for Newport area women.

Sandpipers and their guests were transported from the Lookout at the Carnegie Abbey Club through the Donald Steele-designed golf course to the festively decorated Sales Pavilion for the Tower and Cottages.

Guests dined on hors d'oeuvres, pad Thai and Christmas petits fours and cookies in the Ralph Lauren-designed office. Santa visited with gifts of chocolate 12-meter yachts by "Newport Chocolates" as well as posters of a painting of Trinity Church by Newport artist and Sandpipers President Evelyn Roberge.



Veronica Meletta sits with Santa Claus at the Sandpipers Club Christmas party.