## **The Proprietors**

Cyd and Deb Zeigler met in 1970 and married on Nov. 3, 1972. They soon had three children, Cyd Jr. ('73), Jessica ('75) and Greg ('77). They lived in Harwich, Mass., from the day they were married and raised their children there.

In the early '80s, Deb's grandmother gave the couple 35 acres of land in Washington, Maine, where the Bed and Breakfast now sits. They built a cabin at the edge of the blueberry field, from which they watched many beautiful sunsets over the field.



Once the kids were all gone, Cyd and Deb set their sites on moving to Washington, Maine. They built a big, beautiful barn to house all of Cyd's plumbing and construction materials.

## The Bed & Breakfast

The B&B is more than an inn, it is a passion for Deb; and soon after the family began vacationing in Maine, she realized it was the perfect place to share her passion with visitors. They moved to Maine in 2006 and began erecting the bed and breakfast in 2007.

#### Autumn Update, 2023

Greetings! The summer was wet, but we had a spectacular day for our Independence Day celebration. It was well attended, and we look forward to next year!

We are looking forward to the cool weather of Autumn. Cyd built a new shed for more sugaring equipment. He's always happiest in the woods and creating something. Now he is recovering from a total knee replacement and is doing very well.

We continue to enjoy our favorite time of year and look forward to hosting our guests as they bless us with their support and patronage.

Peace to your hearts ~ Cyd and Deb

## Summer Update, 2023

The summer is starting out on a cool note and very wet! At least we don't have to be concerned about a drought during Fourth of July! We are very excited to have our daughter, Jessica, visiting for over 3 weeks this summer. She is always a big help! We look forward to the return of our many guests and all the new travelers that will join our "family." We wish you happiness and joy in your lives and peace to your hearts. ~ Deb & Cyd

#### Spring Update, 2023

We survived another winter!...LOL! It was full of "weather"...warm, cold, rain, snow. We, now, look forward to the snow melt and the re-growth of our gardens. Thank you to all who came out for Maine Maple Weekend. As always, it's such fun serving up those pancakes and tasting that golden elixir. We continue with our popular Pub Nights and breakfast to the public. We love offering these two social events for our "neighbors". We anticipate a busy summer with guests from near and far. We welcome you with joy in our hearts and wishing peace to yours. ~Deb & Cyd

## Winter Update, 2022

What an eventful year we have had! Maple sugaring was a great season, our son and son-in-law helped with the pancake breakfast! Our youngest son, and his wife, joined us for Mother's Day! Our daughter and grand-daughter spent Fourth of July with us as over 500 attended the event, with food trucks and fireworks! Then, our family all came back to celebrate our 50th wedding anniversary with us and many of our friends, of old and new! Our oldest grandson, and his wife, made us great-grandparents in December, with their beautiful baby girl! A lot of family events amongst an amazing year of travelers, yogi retreats, weddings and others' family gatherings! Thank you, everyone, and we look forward to hosting your next visit to Maine in 2023! --Peace to your Hearts ~ Deb & Cyd

## Summer Update, 2022

The hummingbirds are back with our beautiful summer weather! We're gearing up for another well-attended Fourth of July, in celebration of America's Independence! We hope you can join us. We continue to enjoy, in our 13th year, welcoming so many to our piece of Heaven and to offer a clean, peaceful respite for travelers coming and going. Enjoy your summer and know we appreciate each and everyone of you! ~Cyd & Deb

## Spring Update, 2022

We had a great winter...enjoyed the holidays with our children in California and Florida. Continued our breakfasts to the public and continue to make new friends. Spring is a welcome reprieve from the cold, snow and wind. As the flowers peak their heads through the soil and the birds arrive with their awakening chirps, we prepare for the warmer weather. Sugaring season was very busy and successful.

We look forward to welcoming the return of guests and the arrival of those who have yet to grace our piece of Heaven. Safe travels...see you soon! ~Deb & Cyd

## Winter Update, 2021

Happy Holidays and a very Happy 2022! Winter is upon us, 16 degrees!, as we get back into the rhythm after a delightful trip visiting our children for the holidays...all warm weather! Business has been great, and we continue to be in awe of our patrons...breakfast and lodging guests. You all make this so easy! Our breakfasts continue to be successful, and we are planning a dinner for all you sweethearts on Monday, February 14, 2022! Cyd's gearing up for a good syrup season...keep our fingers crossed that Mother Nature comes through for all of us producers! We hope you all enjoy the year and that we get to host your stay in Maine during your travels....Enjoy the journey~ Deb & Cyd

#### Summer Update-2021

Welcome Summer and returning travelers after a very challenging year of Covid! We hope you are all well and enjoying the warmer weather. We are booking up quickly and are delighted to offer a new garden area in our serene back yard....complete with firepit. Our new bar is being enjoyed by the guests as another gathering spot to share stories of life's journeys. We look forward to treating you to a comfortable place to rest as you travel, or visit with family. Peace to your hearts ~ Deb & Cyd

#### Spring Update, 2021

We welcome Spring with a warm embrace and a sigh of relief as, along with the gardens, the gathering of friends and family are showing new growth. We had a very well attended Maine Maple weekend and look forward to a busy summer as restrictions are being lifted and reservations are coming in.

We welcome you as your journey brings you to our door and look forward to making your visit to Maine a memorable one. Peace to your hearts and joy in the journey ~ Deb & Cyd

#### Autumn Update, 2020

Well, Summer of 2020 sure has been a challenge, and we have rallied with added breakfast hours for the public. We will be open all winter and hope to continue that through the spring. Watch for our dinner announcements on Facebook, as we add them to our offerings. We pray for this pandemic to come to an end in 2021; however, no matter how it plays out, we are here for all of the travelers and diners out there whose journey brings them to our doors. Happy Autumn! Cyd & Deb

## Summer Update, 2020

WE ARE OPEN!! We have done many things to make our rooms safe from germs and practicing social distancing. For your safety we have installed hepa filters with uv light, we have removed all unnecessary, common touch items (magazines, coasters, trinkets, etc.). If you want a one stop vacation, we are doing dinners, lunch...lobster rolls!, and of course, our famous breakfasts are always included! We have improved our trails for nature walks. The fire pit is always available for outdoor fun. We know how difficult these past few months have been, and we are here for you. Peace to your Hearts ~ Cyd & Deb

#### Spring Update, 2020

We rejoice with the coming of Spring and the beginning of new life in the flowers, birds, trees in bloom. During these difficult times of social distancing and fighting the Covid-19 virus, we have been doing deep cleaning, disinfecting between each guest, spacing our dining tables 6' apart, eliminating self-service and remaining hopeful and positive that we will all come through this challenge, as strong and more united than we were before it struck. We are open for anyone who needs to be in the area for any reason...work, check on loved ones, need a break from home.

Wishing everyone good health, peace to your hearts and love! ~Cyd & Deb

#### Winter Update, 2019

We had a very busy Autumn having had our whole place rented by a production crew! They are filming a reality show in a nearby town, and we are all very excited to see the first airing this

spring!

In the meantime, Deb did get the house all decorated for the holidays. We have a little New England Christmas to share with the crew.

We did have to put our Sunday brunches and monthly dinners on hold until after the New Year, but hope you will find your way back to enjoy those meals, again, starting in January. Thank you to all who have graced us with your presence...we feel truly blessed. Merry Christmas and Happy Hanukkah to all~ Cyd & Deb

#### Autumn Update, 2019

A wonderful summer it was! We were able to finish the gazebo in time for a beautiful wedding. Our granddaughter was even here for a bit to help "Bumpa" build it! The colors are coming out and we are enjoying our favorite time of the year! Thank you to all of you who have traveled from near and far to be a part of our ever-growing dream. We continue to work towards making your journey a bit more special and look forward to those who choose to have a respite in our piece of Heaven. Peace to your Hearts!! ~Cyd & Deb

#### Summer Update, 2019

Welcome Summer!!! The hummingbirds have arrived...the flowers are in bloom...the porch rockers are out and the guests are arriving! We look forward to a very busy season and making each and everyone of you comfortable and well fed as you choose us for your lodging and dining needs during your travels to our piece of Heaven!

Cyd is preparing for his spectacular fireworks display that is always held on the Fourth, and it warms our hearts that so many are able to enjoy them! His "project" for this summer is to build a gazebo in the field overlooking the rolling hills.

We wish you all a wonderful summer! Enjoy your journey, wherever it may take you. ~Cyd & Deb

## Spring Update, 2019

What a very "wintery" winter we have had....lots of snow and lots of *cold*!!! As I sit to write this, it is April 9th and after getting 5 inches of snow yesterday..it is snowing, again, as I write! We look forward to the rebirth of our plants, baby animals and the glory of enjoying the outdoors with warmth and sunshine. The maple syrup season is coming to a close and it was a good year for producing that golden elixir! \*\*Remember, if you would like some sent to you, we do ship. We have had a restful winter and look forward to servicing you as you travel and enjoy our beautiful Maine this spring and summer.

Enjoy your journey and Peace to your hearts ~Cyd & Deb

#### Winter Update, 2018

We wish for all a joyous holiday season! We have had a busy autumn...spent a weekend in Florida to celebrate our grandson's wedding. What a glorious occasion!

Winter weather did arrive quite early this year; but we are ready for it! The fires are burning, the wood is cut, split and stored, and we are preparing for our holiday guests.

Come and experience our own "Hallmark" setting and enjoy our homemade goodies and "fabulous meals". Thank you to all who have graced us with your presence...we feel truly blessed.

Merry Christmas and Happy Hanukkah to all~ Peace to your Hearts~ Deb & Cyd

## Autumn Update, 2018

We hope you had a wonderful summer, as did we! It was extremely humid and hot; so, we welcome the cooler temps and warmth of the woodstove.

Cyd built a new ramp to assist our guests who find the stairs a challenge. It has been well received and looks great!

Our Sunday Brunch has begun, and we are preparing for our annual fundraiser, and monthly dinners to start up in November. Check out our meal schedule for the dinners on our "food" tab. Thank you to all who made our summer another success...without you we would not be able to do what we do. With warmest regards ~Deb & Cyd

## Spring Update, 2018

Spring has arrived, and we welcome it with open arms! As always, we love the springing of new life...the flowers, the birds (the hummingbirds are back in full!) and the glory of going outside without a heavy coat!!

We have had a very busy Spring starting with a 2 week vacation driving from Portland, Oregon to home. What a gorgeous country we live in!

We were back just 4 days and attended an awards gala for the Maine Family Business Awards, in Portland, Maine. We were chosen to receive the "Chalmers Insurance Group Customer Service Award". It was a very special night, over 400 attendees. Thank you to all of you who gave us the opportunity to service you and be eligible for such an award.

We do have a few projects planned for the 2018 season...handicap ramp, gazebo, 4th of July fireworks!

We hope your journey brings you to our humble doorstep, if not, enjoy the road you have chosen and the beauty that surrounds you.

Peace to your hearts ~ Deb & Cyd

## WINTER UPDATE, 2017

*Merry Christmas and a Happy Hanukkah* to our guests from near and far! We are all decorated for our holiday season and look forward to sharing it with our travelers.

The summer and fall seasons were very busy. Thank you to every one of you who chose to stay with us! We are beyond grateful.

The quiet of the "off-season" is now here. It's time for us to catch our breath and do some catch up on projects. Cyd is growing his maple syrup supply and loving being in the woods! Deb is thinking of new recipes and enjoying preparing for our monthly dinners and Sunday brunches....and, as always, we welcome the folks who grace us with their presence as they visit Maine, for whatever reason, in this peaceful, serene off-season. Peace to you and may you enjoy the journey. ~Cyd & Deb~

## Summer Update, 2017

HAPPY SUMMER!!! We are so excited about the warmer weather, the hummingbirds, the peonies in bloom and our wonderful guests who make this all possible!

We look forward to greeting our return "friends" and meeting our new ones! We wish a very happy summer to all, and we hope you enjoy the journey....wherever it may take you.

Peace to your hearts ~ Cyd & Deb

#### Spring Update, 2017

Spring has arrived; however, winter does not want to give up! We welcome the supply of water this snowy spell will add to our water tables, and it helps to keep the maple sugaring season alive. How sweet it will be when those warmer temps arrive, the snow melts and we get to see the new life growing in the gardens.

We always enjoy the many guests who find their way to Blueberry Fields during the winter months. It was wonderful making new memories with many of you. Deb traveled to California for a few days to spend time with our children while Cyd prepared to ready the lines for sugaring. We have had an amazing season of syrup production, and we hope you enjoy that golden elixir on your blueberry pancakes, waffles or French toast at breakfast.

Please consider staying with us for a respite on your journey, as we welcome the opportunity to pamper you. With peace to your hearts and song in your souls....see you at Blueberry Fields in 2017. ~*Cyd & Deb* 

#### Winter Update, 2016

The New Year has arrived...welcome 2017!! We hope you enjoyed the holiday season of 2016, as did we. We always love sharing our cozy fires with guests over the holidays as they come to spend special moments with their families in the area.

We are having a more "wintery" start to our winter and, although it's a little more work, we love the white coating of snow on all the landscape!

The trails are ready for some great snowshoeing, or cross-country skiing...whichever is your pleasure. Our breakfasts are going well, and we will be having our Valentine Package weekend the weekend *after* Valentine's Day...February 17 & 18, with the special dinner for 2 on Saturday, the 18th.

We hope you all have a happy and healthy 2017!

Peace to Your Hearts!!....with warmest regards, Cyd & Deb

#### Autumn Update, 2016

A very busy summer has come to a close, and we are enjoying the brilliant colors of Autumn! With the Fall we bring back our public breakfasts, and our special monthly dinners! We hope you can join us for some great food and a warm, inviting dining experience.

Whether you are traveling through, or here for some rest & relaxation...you are the reason we are here.

We embrace your arrival as we do the seasons...with bright anticipation of what each and everyone of you will bring to our piece of heaven.

May peace be with you on your journey through life.

#### Summer Update, 2016

Happy first day of Summer! What beautiful weather we have been having! The flowers are ahead of schedule and absolutely magnanimous!!

Deb is having fun sharing some of her new recipes with the guests, and basking in their

enjoyment of the baked goodies. Cyd is busy keeping the grounds manicured, and he is enjoying the company of our new "residents" in the lower field...the cows from our neighbor farmer. We are preparing for our Fourth of July celebration and looking forward to sharing the cookout and fireworks with our guests and friends.

We anticipate another wonderful season and welcome all of you who find your way to our door. Enjoy the journey, and we'll see you soon!

## Spring Update, 2016!

The daffodils are in bloom and the grass is getting so green and lush! We are excited to welcome spring and prepare for our busy season to welcome the travelers who find their way to our door on their travel journey.

Maple syrup season went well and all of Cyd's hard work paid off.

We had such a success with our monthly dinners during the off season, that we are offering dinner to anyone, whether you are able to rest at Blueberry Fields or just want to dine with us. Check out our menu, call for a reservation and you will be treated to fine dining at it's finest!

We welcome all who find their way to our piece of heaven and hope you find respite in our peaceful abode.

## Winter Update, 2015

As the holidays are coming to a close we continue to count our blessings for all the amazing people in our lives.

It was a very mild, unseasonably snow free autumn and start to our winter season. We have just received our first plow-able snowfall of 5 inches and, as always, we are enjoying the beauty of the sparkling snow!

Our warm, inviting fires are constantly stoked, and we are enjoying our visits with our guests, keeping warm while the winter weather continues outside.

Our Valentine Dinner will be Saturday, February 13, 2016, and we will have a total package available. Check out the details in our calendar tab.

In addition to our monthly dinners, we have opened our dining room to the dining pleasure of anyone who would like to join us for breakfast. We are open Thursday to Sunday, 7:00-10:00, January, February and March.

We wish all of you a Healthy, Happy and Prosperous New Year, and we endeavor to provide a warm, friendly and comfortable place to rest upon your journey.

Peace to your hearts and blessings on your journey, where ever it may take you.

# Autumn Update, 2015!

The summer of 2015 was a great season! Thank you to all who continue to make our dream a reality!

The Autumn is full of beautiful weather, vibrant colors and walks in the woods.

Cyd has been busy during the summer and early fall preparing for the syruping season. As you enjoy the trails you can see the many taps and tubing that he has installed.

We have added, for the fall, winter & spring, dinners open to the public. We are very excited about this; whereas, it will bring our community together during those long, chilly nights! We hope you choose to stay at Blueberry Fields for your next visit to Maine! We await your

arrival with hot cider and our, continued, baked goodies! Peace to your hearts! ~Cyd & Deb

# Summer 2015 Update!

The lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer are upon us! The hummingbirds are busy buzzing around and entertaining the guests...the flowers are blooming and adorning our grounds...and Cyd & Deb are excited about another wonderful season with all of our guests. Whether you are here to attend a wedding, visit family/friends or to tour the beautiful area, we offer a peaceful respite for you to relax in.

We had the pleasure of catering a beautiful wedding in June, and we hope you would consider Blueberry Fields as your venue for your special day.

As you plan your summer get a way, please consider staying at Blueberry Fields, where you will arrive a stranger and leave as family.

Enjoy the journey! Peace to your hearts.

## Winter 2014 Update!

The bed & breakfast is brimming with holiday spirit and the relaxing atmosphere that the guests seek this time of year, in spite of the snow and cold that seems to have found it's way to Maine a little early.

The fires are keeping the inn warm and the all-inclusive, 4-course dinners have become a favorite alternative to seeking a meal elsewhere.

The National Toboggan Championships are the second weekend in February, and we would love to accommodate you after a fun day at the slopes.

Our Valentine's Day Special was such a hit last year, so we decided to make it available again this year! <u>Check out the package on our website calendar</u>.

Cyd has the tubing in place for a great maple syrup season. Another event to plan for is Maine's Maple Syrup Sunday, fourth Sunday in March. We plan to participate and have a pancake breakfast available to the public.

We look forward to your arrival and to sharing your journey with you.

Autumn 2014 Update! The summer came with so many wonderful travelers from around the world. We are still in awe of those who find our little piece of heaven and return year after year. We had a momentous family event in July, as our son was married in Los Angeles, and we were fortunate to be able to share in that event.

We have added beer to our ever-expanding offers and added a few items to our dinner menu. We hope you will join us this autumn to walk the trails that Cyd has been busy grooming and making easier to meander through the woods and enjoy the scenery and wildlife.

We look forward to our <u>2nd annual Wine & Cheese Reception</u> to benefit the Good Shepherd Food Bank. If you plan to stay with us that weekend we will donate \$10 of your room fee towards feeding the hungry.

Whenever you visit Blueberry Fields we thank you for sharing your journey with us.

# Spring 2014 Update!

Spring has sprung! The daffodils, crocuses and tulips are showing themselves at Blueberry Fields!

Cyd had fun learning the ropes of maple sugaring. He christened his new sugar house, and we

made a good supply of syrup to add to our gift shop.

We rejoice in the wonder of spring, as the birds return and the flowers push their way through the thawed out gardens. Debbie's getting the porch cleaned up and ready for our traveling guests to sit, relax and enjoy that glass of wine amongst fellow travelers.

We look forward to sharing our home with you as your journey brings you to Maine. Peace to your heart and joy on your travels.

## Winter 2014 Update!

The holidays are upon us and, as usual, Deb is having fun decorating! So many memories with the decorations acquired over the decades. The cookies are baking and the inn smells like an old-fashioned Christmas.

We acquired a wine license this summer, and our guests have been enjoying that with the fine dining we started in the evenings. The license has opened our doors to endless possibilities. We had our first, annual Wine & Cheese Reception to benefit the <u>Good Shepherd Food Bank</u>. It was well attended and we raised over \$600, enough to provide 2,460 meals to the hungry.

The cold weather came early and the snow has followed! If you're planning on coming to Maine for the <u>National Toboggan Championship</u>, the second weekend in February, be sure to call soon because we are filling up quickly.

Cyd's sugar house is all built and he has his "mule" to help him haul all that great sap out of the woods to make the sweet, delectable syrup that you will enjoy with your breakfast. Come on over for Maine Maple Syrup Sunday, fourth Sunday in March. We would love to share our experience with you.

When you need that little get-a-way this winter, please be sure to book with us and enjoy the warmth of our hospitality and mesmerizing glow of the fire. We continue to be awed by the love we have of this life we have created, and feel so blessed to have so many wonderful guests to share it with.

Peace to your hearts and blessings on your journey, where ever it may take you.

## Autumn 2013 Update!

Welcome Autumn!! The summer heat, sun and humidity makes us so glad to feel the cooler temperatures that always come with the Autumn days! The leaves are turning and it looks to be a spectacular leaf-peeping season! We look forward to welcoming you around our fireside.

Our dining room has been abuzz with diners enjoying Deb's creative dinners and that delectable glass of wine to compliment their meal. It's the perfect addition for the traveler who just wants to stay in upon arrival. Check out our new menu and wine list section.

We're looking forward to hosting your special retreat as you choose to enjoy the peaceful surroundings and fantastic cuisine at Blueberry Fields.

We embrace your arrival as we do the seasons...with bright anticipation of what each and everyone of you will bring to our fireside chats.

May peace be with you on your journey through life.

*Summer 2013 Update!* Summer is here and we are ready for our busy season. We're looking forward to welcoming you to our piece of heaven. The grounds are looking so beautiful with the many flowers in bloom and the grassy field Cyd has been manicuring for your enjoyment, whether it be a function tent for that perfect wedding, anniversary or family reunion or just to sit in the gazebo to enjoy the view.

4th of July is just around the corner, and again Cyd has a fabulous fireworks display planned after our cookout for guests. Deb has added dinners to her offerings this summer for guests and upon request; Reservations are a must. You can have a lobster dinner or chicken barbecue, with sides, and a yummy blueberry dessert.

As you plan your travels through Maine, please consider staying at Blueberry Fields, where the peace and tranquility will allow you to take a breath amongst all the hustle and bustle of the summer frolic. Arrive a stranger and leave as family.

May you always have peace in your heart..

*Spring 2013 Update!* Spring is here and, as always, we welcome it in all it's glory.....the rebirth of the flowers, the return of the birds and the travelers who find their way to Blueberry Fields.

New to the bed & breakfast this year is the addition of some new tables that Cyd has crafted, from the tree to furniture. He plans to build a gazebo in the field for weddings starting at the end of July, and a sugar house for maple-syruping next winter.

As things warm up and we welcome our guests, we do so with a wonder and awe of being able to share with so many wonderful people. Let us be a part of YOUR journey as you visit beautiful Maine.

Peace to your hearts and joy in the new year...

*Winter 2013 Update.* The holidays are behind us for 2012 and the new year is here! Wishing all of you a very healthy, happy 2013!

As winter settles in around us we are enjoying the snowy start. Looking forward to sharing our trails with the guests who like to snowshoe and cross-country ski. Don't forget the National Toboggan Races, held at the Camden Snow Bowl, February 8-10. Last year was a great time for those who attended!

We're excited to be expanding our services to include functions... kinitting/spinning groups, music groups, birthday celebrations, family reunions and weddings. If you're interested in booking here, please call for more details.

Whether you're traveling, visiting family and friends or just want a place to re-group, re-energize and re-lax, we hope you'll choose Blueberry Fields.

Peace to your hearts and joy in the new year...

Autumn 2012. The summer was an amazing time! The weather couldn't have been more perfect, and the many guests who shared their journey with us brightened our days.

The days are getting shorter and mother nature is at work turning the leaves into their yearly majestic colors of fall. We at Blueberry Fields are decorated for the autumn with our beautiful pumpkins that Cyd grew in the garden. We hope to see many of you for some leaf-peeping or apple-picking this fall; It seems to be a good year for both!

Cyd is busy building his sawmill shed and it's bringing back many memories of our "masterpiece"... We're sure it will bring him as many hours of pleasure as the bed & breakfast is bringing for Deb.

We thank all who have shared your stories and time with us. We look forward to meeting those who have not yet arrived. And we wish you all happiness, love and peace to your hearts.

*Summer 2012.* Summer is upon us and we are gearing up, excited for the busy season. Brianna will be here to take your breakfast orders and cheer you in the morning. Our gardens are growing beautifully...already getting fresh lettuce, and the flowers are adorning the tables.

We have a chicken barbecue planned for the 4th of July, along with a magnificent fireworks display! Be sure to book your holiday with us soon.

The hummingbirds are entertaining us...they arrived a little early this year due to the unusually warm weather. They are just as delightful as last year! Thank you to all of you who sent us pictures of these little visitors.

We look forward to seeing our guests returning and to meeting those that haven't been here before. May you all travel with peace in your hearts and joy on your journey.

*Spring 2012.* Spring has arrived with all its awe and splendid weather! After such an unseasonably warm and snowless winter, we think the flowers will be blooming a little earlier this year. Cyd built a stone wall on the east side of the driveway entrance, and Deb's got new daffodils and chrysanthemums planted to welcome you.

We have enjoyed the many guests who found their way to Blueberry Fields during the winter months. It was wonderful making new memories with many of you. The newest addition to our entertainment was the passing of the legality to set off fireworks. We had beautiful displays twice, and the guests really enjoyed them. Look for our Fourth of July weekend celebration...Cyd is planning quite a show!

We are still in awe of this wonderful life we live and the graciousness of the guests who share their journeys with us. With peace to your hearts and song in your souls....we hope to see you at Blueberry Fields in 2012.

*Winter 2011.* December is here, which means getting ready for the holidays and keeping the home fires burning! We had a great response to the "Maine Deals" that we participated in in

November. Thank you to all who purchased the vouchers and are willing to try something new. We strive to make your stay the best you've ever had.

We've had a very mild autumn, in spite of the two large snowfalls we received. We hope for snow to cover the trails to give you a good surface to snowshoe or cross-country ski this winter.

The new addition we made this fall is a basketball game in the game room. We certainly have a lot of fun playing it and wish the same for you!

Whether you want a place to just sit in front of the fire and relax, or a place to explore and see the outdoors...give us a call, hop in your car and come stay at Blueberry Fields Bed & Breakfast!

Peace to your hearts and blessings on your journey, wherever it may take you....

*Autumn 2011.* WOW!!! That best describes the summer of 2011. We were so blessed to have so many new and returning guests share their journey with us. It's always wonderful to see a familiar face and particularly exciting to make new friends! Thank you to all who stayed with us and continue to be in awe of our piece of heaven!

The hummingbirds followed suit and the population increased by at least a dozen! They were wonderful entertainment on the front porch or from the dining room tables at breakfast. Thank you to those who sent me pictures of them...I never tire of seeing those amazing little birds!

We have added a ping-pong table to the game room. It's a real hit and it's great hearing the guests enjoying their game! Also, new this year, are the many rockers on the porch. I have finally got the "look" I've been desiring. I hope you all enjoy it!

The cooler weather is fast approaching (40 degrees yesterday morning) and the wood is stacked ready for those warm, inviting fires in the living room. We hope you find your way to Blueberry Fields and partake in the walks in the woods, apple picking in the local orchards and beautiful foliage that surrounds us this time of year.

Peace to your hearts and blessings on your journey, wherever it may take you.

*Summer 2011.* Summer is here and we're very excited! It's been a long, cold winter and spring, and now the flowers are in bloom, the grass is green and the sky is blue! We are loving life and looking forward to sharing it with you.

Our granddaughter Brianna is returning for the summer! She always adds such a welcome shine to our mornings – for all of those who remember her, she will again be serving breakfast! Our grandson Jordan will be arriving in August; We love to share some outdoor activities with him, and Cyd enjoys having me in the minority for a change!

Deb has discovered new recipes this winter and can't wait to share them with you. The guests are still enjoying the coffee cake, muffins and cinnamon rolls....blueberry pie, chocolate chip

cookies, peach pie and many other afternoon treats. If you have a favorite let me know and I'll be sure to have it prepared for you.

Cyd's been planting a new vegetable garden, caring for the old apple trees in the field and keeping an eye on the blueberry fields (this is a harvest year for us!). We're planning on doing a "pick-your-own" the end of July, beginning of August; so, if that's your thing, be sure to get your reservations in soon.

The town of Washington is celebrating it's <u>200th anniversary this summer</u> (August 6th). It will be a lot of fun with parades, exhibits, food & fireworks. We have been decorating with flags and buntings around the town and on buildings.

We anticipate a successful second season and look forward to sharing our dream with all who choose to rest and relax with us at Blueberry Fields B&B!

**Spring 2011.** Spring is in the air and we are so ready for it!! Debbie planted tulips indoors and they are now in bloom...what a treat!! What a winter we have had with all the snow and cold temperatures. The bed & breakfast did very well keeping warm with our new wood stove. Many nights were enjoyed around the new round coffee table that Cyd made.

We truly enjoyed the outdoors this winter with snowshoeing and skiing. Even shoveling isn't so bad when we consider it our work-out (it's nicer than the gym, because we can be outdoors!).

We look forward to our second year of welcoming guests into our home. The first year was so memorable...everything we anticipated and more!

Whether you are coming to Maine for vacation, to take your loved ones to camp, a family event, <u>the Washington Bicentennial celebration</u>, one of the many fairs or any of the many other events going on, we hope you find your way to Blueberry Fields Bed & Breakfast.

As we welcome Spring and welcome our guests, we do so with a wonder and awe of being able to share with so many wonderful people. We never know who will walk through the doors next, and we anticipate the discovery of you as you share your journey with us!

*Holidays 2010.* We welcome the arrival of the holidays and the winter season. After enjoying a Thanksgiving with Deb's brothers and sisters-in-law we are ready to decorate for Christmas! We have picked out our 15-foot tree and Debbie is taking her time figuring out where all the special (some over 30 years old!) decorations would look best for our first Christmas as a bed & breakfast. When you visit be sure to check out the "little lady" that was her Mom's!

Cyd has been working on our residence area that we have yet to complete. It is wonderful to have closet rods in our closets and our private stairs now have a railing! Now that Deb has gotten the walls painted, the mud room will be done soon.

We are already getting bookings for next year...the <u>Town of Washington is celebrating its 200th</u> <u>anniversary</u> in August with special events all summer...very exciting!

We are hoping for lots of snow for those snowmobilers who need a place to rest while traveling the many trails across Maine, and for the cross-country skiers and snowshoers who would like to use the trails while staying with us.

Whichever holiday you celebrate we wish you much happiness, joy and memorable family gatherings. May peace be with you wherever the journey leads you, and if you're in the neighborhood, come on in and get warm.

May peace be with you wherever the road takes you!

Autumn 2010. Let us start by thanking all of you who have chosen to stay with us for our first season. It was wonderful meeting all of you and sharing our moments and memories!

After the fabulous summer we had...welcoming guests and making new friends...we now look forward to the cooler temps. Hiking, leaf peeping, apple picking and pumpkin harvesting are our favorite things to do in the fall.

We have added a woodstove, set on a fieldstone hearth, to the center of the first floor. It is a great addition to the comfort and warmth of the bed & breakfast. Between the warmth of the fire and the smell of an apple pie and apple cake baking (Deb's apple cake is amazing!), you couldn't feel more welcomed.

Cyd is busy keeping the trails cleared of fallen branches and has done a great job clearly marking it so it is very easy to follow. He is already talking of putting in an additional trail a little lower down for some added viewing of the ledge.

We look forward to welcoming you, whether it be in our cozy living room around the woodstove or on our spacious porch on a warm autumn afternoon.

May peace be with you wherever the road takes you!

**Summer 2010.** Welcome Summer!!! We have enjoyed a very beautiful Spring and look forward to the Summer season with all it's warm temps, local activities, swimming and boating on the lakes, granddaughter arriving and making new friends of the guests we have coming to stay with us.

We are finished with the construction of the bed and breakfast and have taken a lot of pride in our accomplishment. We are thrilled with the reactions we get from people who are seeing it for the first time. The most common reaction is..."WOW!...this is beautiful!"

The flower gardens are in their second year and are doing very well. We marvel at every new bloom and enjoy the fragrances of our roses and peonies.

Deb is enjoying the cooking, while always looking for <u>new recipes</u> to dazzle her guests with. Come and relax with us...the summer evenings are beautiful on the front porch (even the bugs are being especially kind and ignoring us...for the most part!), and the morning sun shines through the dining room while enjoying those fabulous breakfasts (or treat yourself and have your breakfast served on the porch while watching the hummingbirds and other wildlife).

Whatever your pleasure...Camden and Rockland are gearing up for a very busy season (<u>check</u> <u>out our "calendar" page</u>)...come relax with us at the end of the day, or enjoy a peaceful get-a-way that is not effected by the hustle and bustle of neighboring towns.

**March 2010.** Spring is certainly in the air! We have been blessed with a fairly mild winter and not much snow. The frost is out of the ground and the daffodils are popping up everywhere...places I had forgotten I had them!

We have been staying very busy with the finish work on the inn. The main staircase is done and Cyd has done a tremendous job on them. We had a beech tree delivered last fall and he milled it with his own sawmill, and it is now our stair treads. He hand hewn them to perfection and Deb applied the finish to give them a freshly polished look. The rails are all done to code and fit the décor perfectly. The floors are awaiting their final coats of polyurethane, and then we can start putting the furniture out. Deb looks forward to bringing her grandmother's piano out of storage and having that in the living room; Also, she can't wait to fill the beautiful new bookcase Cyd built with the many boxes of books she has been storing!

We look forward to welcoming our first guests at the inn this spring!

**December 2009.** We have had a fabulous autumn and are prepared for whatever old man winter sends our way. We have been diligently working on the b&b: The walls are being painted and the ceilings are getting their final boarding (all walls and ceilings are well insulated to ensure a peaceful slumber). Debbie is trying to keep up with the varnish and paint while Cyd is getting the fine-finish work done. The heat will be going in before Christmas. Our children are joining us for Christmas and we are very excited about that. They will be our first "guests" in the guestrooms.

We have decided on May 1, 2010 as our opening date. We will be having an open house on Sunday, April 25, 2010 for anyone who wants to get a sneak preview! We became the 100<sup>th</sup> member of the <u>Union Chamber of Commerce</u>.

We hope this finds you all well and ready for the upcoming holidays and cold weather. Peace to your hearts and joy in your life.

**August 2009.** The summer is waning and we are still busy at it! In spite of all the rain, the blueberries did very well. The pickers were here last week and did a fine job of harvesting the crop. It is always such an amazing, and welcoming, sight to see them come. The majority of them are Jamaican and they get to chanting in their native tongue and it is fascinating. They are very polite, friendly and most of them speak very good English.

The wiring, fire-sprinkler system, plumbing, heat and smoke/fire alarms are all in the walls, and we are ready for insulation! The plan is to have that done within the next couple of weeks and then we will be having a sheetrocking party to get that done in a couple of days. We are looking forward to the transformation!

Deb has been busy designing and planting a new garden in the circle in front of the b&b. She is very excited with the project and enjoyed having help from her grand-daughter, Brianna, in the lay-out and plantings. The plantings are growing well and she hopes that by next year they will fill out and we will enjoy much of the flowers indoors as well as out!

We have enjoyed renting our cottage this summer to wonderful guests. Thank you to all of you have chosen to stay with us. We look forward to those who are going to stay here during foliage and hunting seasons. We already have some bookings and know it is a sign of the enthusiasm for the bed & breakfast.

The firewood is stacked and ready for our fall/winter. It will keep us warm and cozy when we come in from those wonderful hikes and skiing!

Peace to you all and thank you for your continued interest in our progress.

**June 2009.** We are working diligently to provide the comfort and peaceful surroundings that we would enjoy if we were guests at the inn. We appreciate all of you who have inquired for availability this coming summer and hope that you will keep us in mind for next summer and your future vacation needs. Keep in mind that although the B&B is not available right now, <u>the</u> <u>cottage is available</u>. There is still availability for the waning summer days of August, the beautiful autumn leaf-viewing in September and October and hunting in November.

Cyd has been busy installing the fire-sprinkler system, running the wires for electric, smoke alarm, television and AC units so that all of that "technical" stuff will be hidden from view! Meanwhile, Deb has been varnishing ceilings, kitchen stools and doors. She has been watching the gardens grow and knows that by next season they will be brilliant! We planted a couple of new rose bushes, rhododendrons and lupin this spring. And the hummingbirds are everywhere!