

MINUTES
THE MOORINGS AT LEWES RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION
GENERAL MEETING
Monday, December 17, 2018; 3:30 PM in the Auditorium

CALL TO ORDER: President Gil Kaufman called the meeting to order. There were 64 members present. A moment of silence was observed.

MINUTES: The minutes of the November 12, 2018 Board of Directors' Meeting and the November 19, 2018 General Meeting were posted in the Mail Room and the Library. There were no corrections or additions and they will be filed.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT: Marianne Jarvis reported that she sent 11 cards. Please let her know of anyone who needs one.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Jim McMullen reported that the account balance as of October 31, 2018 was \$38,917 less the Employee Appreciation Fund of \$30,354, leaving an operating balance of \$8,563. Income for November was \$415 and expenses were \$702, leaving a deficit of (\$287). The operating balance as of November 30, 2018 was \$8,276. The Employee Appreciation Fund was \$55,919, leaving an account balance Of \$64,195.

Jim also reported the budget vs actual expenses:
Revenue is expected to be over budget. Membership contributions were \$1,000 better than budget. The Gift Shop was a major contributor.

Expenses should be well under budget. Activities was reimbursed \$700 for the New Year's Eve and St. Patricks' Day band expenses and, as a result, is well under budget.

Board is a new budget category this year and is designed to accommodate office expenses of Officers. Board will be over budget by about \$200 owing to Springpoint's mandate that Moorings quarterly results be published to the membership.

All other budget categories are either on or under budget so there will be a healthy balance in operating funds to start the new year.

REPORTS FROM THE MOORINGS AT LEWES MANAGEMENT: Gil Kaufman reported that the Third Quarterly financial review with our Financial Working Group held no significant surprises, but The Moorings continues to run at a larger-than-budgeted deficit because of lower-than-budgeted census during the period.

Also, the Third Quarter meeting of The Moorings Board of Trustees was held. All residents got a summary of the proceedings of that meeting, as has happened after each of these Trustees meetings. The most significant item was the discussion of the new New Jersey law governing contractual refund payments to estates of residents passing in CCRCs. The new law mandates that payouts be made in a sequence of the units being vacated rather than pending the units' resale, as it was before. We have felt the old system was flawed and were able to reinforce that point with Springpoint management.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Activities: Vi Cribb for Carol Bishop reported the following activities:
12/19 – Holiday Tea, Trivia, Caroling, Cookies and Hot chocolate in the Bistro
12/21 – Happy Hour with the White Elephant Party
12/24 – Christmas Eve Dinner
12/25 – Lunch in Bistro and at 1 pm Caroling with Nancy Krail

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12/26 – La Traviata at the Rehoboth Beach Film Society – tickets \$22 in advance

12/31 – New Years’ Eve Dinner and Dance with the Baytones

In January, activities will be:

1/1 – 7 pm the first “Coffee House” in the Bistro hosted by George Maxey.

1/4 – Birthday Happy Hour

1/7 – Dinner at Just in Thyme

1/8 – Lunch at Go Brit Fish and Chips

1/9 – Trip to Big Lots in Milford and lunch

1/15 & 1/16 – Andy’s Mystery Trips

1/19 – Coastal Concerts, “Musica Pacifica & David Greenberg, Violin” Tickets \$35 at door

1/21 – Dinner at Outback Steakhouse

1/22 – Men’s lunch at Rosenfeld’s Jewish Deli

1/23 – Trip to local thrift shops

1/27 – Possum Point, “Sleuth” Tickets \$21 to Carol Bishop

1//29 – Lunch at Irish Eyes

1/30 – Trip to Dover Dows and Mall

The Committee will miss Vi Cribb who has been with them for 10 years who is retiring.

George Maxey reported on the Winter Table Shuffleboard League which continues to do well. To date, all scheduled matches have been played through week 8 of 13. The 14 teams participating will continue until December 17. The weekly standings are posted on The Moorings’ TV display. For phase 2, a Kick-off meeting is planned for January 2, 2019 for play starting January 19th.

Communication: Sallie Corbishley reported that the main focus is the backing up of website responsibilities and documents, craft-room computer checking, and the new Residents’ Pictorial Directory to be out in January 2019. The newsletter will be out in March and articles are due by February 1st. Residents’ Handbooks are prepared as needed for area representatives to give to new residents.

Dining: Corinne Lehman reported that the comment card average for meals was 4.1. All kitchen staff positions are filled at the present. Kevin left December 7th to work closer to his home and Tim will be taking two months’ leave for personal reasons. Training will continue with servers. In January a wine and food pairing dinner will be tried with certain foods and certain wines. Tapas Night will also be tried. Remember, when food is not satisfactory, call a manager to come to your table.

Employee Appreciation: George Maxey reported that the Drive was a big success. We collected \$52,270, exceeding last year by \$1,141. Ninety two percent of residents contributed this year. We also has a tremendous response from off-campus sponsors who contributed 35 gifts. Including last years’ carryover, we gifted \$56,043 to 193 employees. There were 47 gifts greater than \$500 and 14 gifts of the minimum of \$25

Checks were distributed on December 5th and a wonderful array of deserts were donated for the event. Thank you to the former Chair, Jim McMullen, for guiding us through the transition and to the Committee members, Nancy Krail, Rebecca Rogers, and Gary Showers, who made this year’s successful group effort possible.

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Gift Shop: Elsie Gould reported that the income from November 2018 was \$415 and expenses were \$104. The net for the month was \$311, bringing the Gift Shop contribution to the TMALRA treasury for the year so far to \$4,128.

Three more of the Wood Shop's canes were sold last month which will lead to a contribution of \$112.50 to the Resident Reserve Fund.

As always, the Shop continues to need donations for resale, in particular, more jewelry. Please look over your collection and consider donating some. With the holiday season approaching, please watch the Gift Shop for an amazing variety of Christmas decor. Take advantage of our excellent prices for quality merchandise. Thank you to those who have been heeding our requests for donations.

A new addition to the Gift Shop is a book written by Bill Gehron, Historical Vignettes In & About Lewes. All profits will be given to the Resident Reserve Fund—thank you Bill.

Library: Judy Burgess reported that the collection of Christmas books has been brought out and is on the shelf below the map.

No suggestions have been placed in the suggestion box, so the Library seems to be meeting the needs of the residents. Comments or ideas are welcomed and donations of books and magazines are appreciated.

Residents are needed who are willing to write reviews for books they have read and enjoyed or otherwise to be contributed to the Newsletter, The free Press.

The Library has two new members, Carolyn Sargent and Joan Hayes. Mildred Wiedmann has asked to step away from directing the Library Committee and she will be sorely missed. The next Committee Meeting will be held March 14th at 4 pm.

Program: Gil Kaufman for Rich Woolley reported that the monthly Tuesday 7 pm programs will be: December 18th – “Blood Diamond” – Murder Mystery Group from Zwanandael

January 15, 2019 – “Kalmar Nyckel The Forgotten Journey” A PBS documentary that depicts the epic adventure that launched the colony of New Sweden in the Delaware Valley

February 19, 2019 – Tom (from the Zwanandael Museum) and his wife will come in 1700's and 1800's costume to discuss sea life and sing chanties of the era.

Wellness: Sharon Hoover reported that the Committee met on November 16th and talked about the new procedures at the skilled nursing door, a charge to an IL resident from Safe Harbor, semiannual cleaning schedules, questions for the Dining Committee, and some safety measures such as grab bars in cottages between the kitchen and garage, a repeat of the balance clinic, the specifications of walkers and rollators, and the outlook for new hires especially in nursing.

Carol Holzman reported that when The Moorings completes its “plan of correction” prompted by the report of the latest Medicare inspection, a copy will be posted on the internet and in skilled care.

Safe Harbor has not instituted a plan of charges. If a resident brings a doctor's order (like a change of dressing), there will be a charge. If the need is simple first aid, there is no charge. It is recommended that a resident try to see Sandy, either in Wellness or Safe Harbor.

The new people hired are on track to be worked into the staff. Carol said she does not think any benefits have been cut. The organization is interested in cutting back expenses in general.

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Wood Shop: Ron Trupp reported that the current balance in the treasury is \$157. Members had been making items for the November Arts and Crafts sale. Other than that, Dean is making more tables and Richard is making bowls and a longer walking stick to be used in walking on trails. The Shop's belt sander is making strange sounds and is over 40 years old and **should** be replaced. When a replacement is decided upon it will be purchased from the 2019 budget.

Comment [KH1]:

Nominating: Jane Lord reported:

In accordance with the TMALRA Bylaws, the Nominating Committee presented the slate of officers and representatives for the December 2018 elections at the November Residents' Meeting and today we put our slate of nominees before you for a vote.

Our Bylaws call for one set of officers and representatives to be elected in odd years and another set to be elected in even years. Although the Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer are normally elected in odd years, the current office holders are being nominated for other positions. Thus, the new Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer will serve a one-year term to bring us in line with the Bylaws. All others on the slate will be elected for a two-year term.

December 2018 Slate of Nominees:

President – Jim McMullen

Vice President – George Maxey

Secretary – Kathy Holstrom

Treasurer (1-year term) – Tom Reed

Assistant Treasurer (1-year term) – Mike Bair

East Wing 1st Floor Representative – Bunny Guerrin

West Wing 1st Floor Representative – Nancy Krail

Cottage Representative – Frances Mason

We are grateful to all our nominees for their willingness to serve.

Residents may also make nominations from the floor, provided that the nominee has agreed to accept the nomination in advance.

2018 Nominating Committee Members:

Jane Lord Chair

Elsie Gould Cottage Rep

Frances Mason Cottage Rep

Bunny Guerrin East Wing Rep

Adele Trout East Wing Rep

Pat Cummings West Wing Rep

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Nancy Krail West Wing Rep

Bill Dunn At Large

Jim Sylvanus At Large

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There were no nominations from the floor. Adele Trout moved that the slate of officers put before the residents be accepted as submitted. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously by voice vote.

Jane and the Committee were thanked for their hard work preparing the slate.

President Kaufman was given a standing ovation for his outstanding service during the last two years.

AREA REPORTS:

West Wing, 1st floor – Nancy Krail reported that there has been no change

West Wing, 2nd floor – Pat Cummings reported that Donna Blomquest has moved into Apartment 217

East Wing, 1st Floor – Bunny Guerrin reported that Patty Canby has moved into Apartment 122 and Pat O'Hanlan has moved into Apartment 138

East Wing, 2nd floor – Adele Trout reported that there has been no change except Apartment 242 has been made into a sample model apartment with upgrades

Cottages – Frances Mason reported that there has been no change

Assisted Living – Dick Kauffman reported that there has been no change

Comment [KH2]:

Comment [KH3]:

Comment [KH4]:

Comment [KH5]:

Comment [KH6]:

OLD BUSINESS: Jack Chapin requested a financial report of the Lights of Love held December 11th.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 pm

Comment [KH7]:

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Holstrom, Secretary