

THE MOORINGS AT LEWES RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION
General Meeting Minutes
Monday, October 21, 2019; 3:30 PM in the Auditorium

CALL TO ORDER: President Jim McMullen called the meeting to order. There were 52 members present. A moment of silence was observed.

MINUTES: The minutes of the September 9, 2019 Board of Directors' Meeting and September 16, 2019 General Meetings were posted in the Mail Room, the Library, and on the website. There were no errors found and they will be filed.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT: Marianne Jarvis reported that she sent 12 cards. Please let her know of anyone who needs one.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Tom Reed reported that the account balance as of August 31, 2019 was \$12,486 less the Employee Appreciation Fund of \$1,535, leaving an operating balance of \$10,952. Income for September was \$685 and expenses were \$236, leaving a surplus of \$449. The operating balance as of September 30, 2019 was \$11,401. Uncashed checks of \$1,640 from last year's Employees Appreciation Campaign were added back to the fund. To date, the Employee Appreciation Fund is \$3,176, leaving an account balance of \$14,576.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Activities: Carol Bishop reported that the remaining October activities are as follows:

- 10/22 – Men's lunch at Striper Bites
- 10/23 – Midway for lunch and a movie
- 10/28 – Dinner at Baywood
- 10/29 – Lunch at Matt's Fish Camp
- 10/30 – Trip to The Seaside Country Store in Fenwick Island and lunch at Harpoon Hannah's
- 10/31 – Halloween buffet at dinner hour after cocktails and costume judging at 4:30

Bill Dunn reported that there are now 18 teams signed up for the indoor shuffleboard tournament and the third week of play has been completed. It is important to fill out the score sheet with your name and team number at the bottom.

The Chorus Christmas Concert will be Sunday, December 15th.

The first Friday of the month's Happy Hour will include a birthday cake and a photo of the celebrants taken by Hector Bedoya.

The Coffee House will continue on the first Tuesday of each month at 7 pm.

The activities for November are as follows:

- 11/1 – Birthday Happy Hour
- 11/3 – Remember to turn the clocks back one hour
- 11/5 – The bus will run two trips to the polls on Election Day. The first trip at 11 am will allow anyone who wishes to walk to Honey's for lunch. The second trip at 12:30 will pick up folks at Honey's before returning
- 11/6 – Outlet Adventure: At 10 am the bus will leave here to stop at the first outlet. It will stay on site until the appointed time and then will go to Applebee's for lunch. Then it will go to the second outlet.
- 11/9 – Mid-Atlantic Symphony at Ocean View Church of Christ. Checks for \$30 to the Symphony.
- 11/11 – Dinner at Summer House

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11/12 – Lunch at Arena’s in Georgetown
11/13 – Trip to area thrift shops
11/16 – Coastal Concerts, Benjamin Hochman at the piano. Tickets at the door.
11/19 – Lunch at Bethany Blues
11/20 – Trip to Dover Downs and the Mall
11/25 – Dinner at The Henlopen Oyster House
11/26 – Men’s lunch at Dog Fish Head
11/27 – Movie and lunch at Midway
11/28 – Thanksgiving Day Dinner in the Chart Room. Reservations are necessary.

Communication: Sallie Corbishley reported that the website is being upgraded. The Newsletter deadline is November 1. Web site issues were discussed. All Committees are current on the website.

Dining: Corinne Lehman reported that at the meeting on October 3rd Nicole Butler showed the satisfaction scores for September of 3.33. The previous month’s score was 3.53. Forty-five comment cards were received. There was a lot of discussion regarding the Luau dinner and how it might be done better in the future.

Many area schools will be contacted to find servers who might be able to help the dining staff.

There was a question about the different sizes of dessert offerings.

Lauri Weeks will set up a small group of people to help prepare for upcoming events. Training of staff and food preparation are still ongoing as well as hiring. Comment cards are very important.

Employee Appreciation: Carol Lader reported that a work session was held on September 25th.

- The Committee stuffed envelopes containing the campaign kick-off letter, the return envelope, and, as needed, a part-year donation chart to all independent and assisted living residents.
- Letters and envelopes were provided to the Director of Resident Services for distribution to Skilled Care and Safe Harbor residents.
- The kick-off letter was distributed on October 1st.
- Donation boxes have been placed in the IL mail room and the AL mailbox area.
- The key to the donation boxes was provided to the TMALRA Treasurer, Tom Reed.

A “reminder letter” to all residents who have not yet made their contribution will be distributed on October 29th. (Four weeks after kick-off)

A final “reminder letter” will be distributed on November 18th. (Campaign ends on November 27th)

Information for all participating Moorings employees will be provided to the Committee on or about October 18th. Employee names will also be share with the TMALRA Treasurer at this same time. After compilation of award amounts by the Committee, this information will be provided to the TMALRA Treasurer for preparation of award checks sometime over the weekend of November 29th

Once checks are received from the TMALRA Treasurer, envelopes will be stuffed for all award recipients. Presentation of the awards will be held December 4th.

Gift Shop: Gil Kaufman reported that thanks to the recovery of all funds for previous bingo and charge purchases, the Gift Shop made out well in September. The income was \$685 and expenses were \$107, making the contribution to the Treasury \$578—the highest of the year to date. This was aided greatly by the special sale of “antique” Cadbury logo merchandise. They are all gone now if you missed them.

Vivian and Hector continue to make positive contributions to the Gift Shop. There is more open space and the storeroom is organized better than ever. It has been great having them pick up more of the load of running the shop. Also, some excellent donations have been trickling in. Stop in to see.

Library: Judy Burgess reported that Sharon Hoover presented another “Writers’ Evening” on October 1. Three local writers read from pieces they have had published, all very different from each other.

Bill Kennedy, emcee for the evening, introduced Walt Curran first. Walt read stories based on his experiences at sea: relating these memories was a grandfather speaking to his granddaughter. The audience experienced strolling around the deck at night surrounded by the moonlit sea. It learned about a shipwreck off the Delaware coast with descriptions of the deck hands saving as much as they were able.

Next, Mary Ann Hoyt read from her book: “In Heaven There’s No Money, No Stuff—and No Porta-Potties.” These are stories of ordinary family encounters told in a most humorous way.

Bill Kennedy claims to be a story teller rather than a writer. This evening his story took place in Britain. It concerned a very successful medical researcher, winner of a Nobel Prize, and Margaret Thatcher, and their problems with the established ways of business.

It was a truly enjoyable evening. Thank you Sharon, Bill, Mary Ann, and Walt.
On Saturday, the Committee had a “housekeeping session” during which several books, duplicates and others, were gathered to be given away. These are on a table in the second-floor hall to take, if interested,

Nominating: Gil Kaufman reported that the Nominating Committee has completed its work and will be ready to report the slate of officers representing Independent Living for 2020-2021 at next month’s meeting. The election follows at the December meeting.

Identification of a replacement for Gail Nolting representing Assisted Living is still pending.

Program: Rich Woolley listed the movies that are scheduled which are on the website and reported that the monthly Tuesday 7 pm programs will be: (He stated that the new system is wonderful)

10/22 Cycling and Hiking thru Scotland – David Biel

11/15 Food Presentation – Denise Clemons “A culinary History of Sothern Delaware”

12/17 Rehoboth Quartet

The next Committee meeting will be November 6th at 1 pm in the Welcome Room.

Wellness: Sarah Cook reported that the Committee met September 20th after a summer hiatus. An error in the committee membership list was corrected with the addition of Sandy Spence. Considerable discussion ensued about the Springpoint Livewell Program. No one seems to know exactly what it is except for the six areas of wellness previously delineated (physical, emotional, intellectual, spiritual, nutritional, and social). Many suggestions were made about subjects that could/should be included in a wellness program

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including things like a specific booklet for new residents about what to do about wellness concerns: for example, what to do if one feels ill, delineation of services offered at the Wellness Center, etc.

Discussion will continue. The chair will attempt to find out exactly what Livwell is.

Wood Shop: Ron Trupp reported that Dean Hoover had built a bathroom vanity for a family member and is now building a bookcase for the same member. Richard continues to build various bowl designs and Ron has rebuilt a transporter dolly that rolls over the floor to move heavy objects for Floyd Cook.

AREA REPORTS:

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

West Wing, 2nd floor – Pat Cummings reported that there has been no change; two vacancies

East Wing, 1st Floor – Bunny Guerrin reported that there has been no change; three vacancies

East Wing, 2nd floor – Adele Trout reported that there has been no change; two vacancies. She introduced newcomer Jerry Green.

Cottages – Francis Mason reported that Bruce and Sherry Chappelle have moved into Cottage 46; seven vacancies

Assisted Living – Gil Kaufman reported that in AL there are 25 of 29 residents; SH 12 of 14, and Skilled 38 of 46

OPEN FORUM: President McMullen asked for issues to be addressed and the following were brought up:

- The Coffee House will continue the first Tuesday of each month at 7 pm
- There will be no Holiday Craft Fair this year
- For questions regarding cottage repairs, speak to Lauri Weeks
- The polling place for The Moorings is the Fire House in Lewes

OLD BUSINESS: Shredding will continue twice a year

NEW BUSINESS: None

ADJOURMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Holstrom, Secretary

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