

THE MOORINGS AT LEWES RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION
General Meeting Minutes
Monday, December 16, 2019; 3:30 PM in the Auditorium

CALL TO ORDER: President Jim McMullen called the meeting to order. There were 56 members present. A moment of silence was observed.

MINUTES: The minutes of the November 11, 2019 Board of Directors' Meeting and November 18, 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 13 cards. Please let her know of anyone who needs one.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Tom Reed reported that the account balance as of October 31, 2019 was \$43,169 less the Employee Appreciation Fund of \$31,921, leaving an operating balance of \$11,248. Income for November was \$501 and expenses were \$840, leaving a deficit of (\$339). The operating balance as of November 30, 2019 was \$10,909. To date, the Employee Appreciation Fund is \$56,095, leaving an account balance of \$67,004. The 2020 Budget report was distributed and the Board of Directors approved it at \$9,800.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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

- 12/10 – Lights of Love
- 12/11 – Matinee at Midway and lunch
- 12/14 – Winterfest of Lights
- 12/15 – The Cadbury Chorus Christmas Concert – 7 pm
- 12/16 – Dinner at 1776
- 12/17 – Lunch at The Palate
- 12/19 – Milton Elementary School Chorus in the auditorium at 11 am
- 12/20 – White Elephant Happy Hour 2 pm
- 12/21 – Second bus to Winterfest of Lights
- 12/22 – Rehoboth Concert Band Christmas Concert at the High School (\$20 cash at door)
- 12/24 – Christmas Eve Buffet
- 12/25 – Christmas Day Lunch with carols with Nancy Krail 12 Noon
- 12/31 – New Year's Eve Celebration with the Baytones

Shuffleboard is running smoothly and Bill Dunn would like to know if the participants want to continue it another six weeks. Please let him know.

On Saturday afternoon, golf shuffleboard has been replaced with Three Strikes.

Coffee House seems to have a future under the guidance of Bruce Chapelle.

The Committee is planning to award Andy Able a certificate of thanks for all his time spent on planning our Mystery Trips. This will take place at the next Afternoon Exchange.

The following activities are scheduled for January:

- 1/3 – Birthday Happy Hour
- 1/4 – Three Strikes Shuffleboard
- 1/5 – Dinner at Harvest Tide Steak House
- 1/7 – Lunch at Big Oyster Brewery
- 1/7 – Afternoon Exchange at 3:30

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1/10 – Movie
1/14 – Lunch at Villa Sorentto
1/15 – Trip to Byler’s Country Store with lunch in area
1/17 – Happy Hour and Movie
1/18 – Coastal Concert “Tom Gallant, Oboe and Telsa String Quartet” \$35 at door
1/20 – Dinner at Touch of Italy
1/21 – Men’s Lunch at Henlopen Oyster House
1/22 – Lunch and Movie at Midway
1/24 - Happy Hour and Movie
1/26 – Clear Space “Clue” \$27 check to Clear Space
1/28 – Lunch at The Pickled Pig
1/29 – Trip to Dover Downs and the Mall
1/31 – Happy Hour and a Movie

Dining: Corinne Lehman reported that the Committee met on December 5th. Lauri Weeks announced that a new Director of Dining Services has been hired and is expected to start work in early January. The name of the new person was not announced.

Comment cards were not reported as there is a new form being developed. Discussed were the placement of tables for buffets, “always available” menu cards on all dining room tables, the availability of ice cream, and the availability of food money for use of catering items. Presently there are five cooks and more servers are needed.

Employee Appreciation: Carol Lader was not present. She reported at the December 9th Board Meeting that the campaign concluded with the distribution of checks on Wednesday, December 4 2019. The employees were genuinely pleased with their gifts and expressed their appreciation.

Many residents donated a delicious array of goodies that were enjoyed and appreciated by the employees. All leftover goodies were plated and distributed to the nurses’ stations, assisted living, and the front desk.

The success of this event was made possible by the Committee members, Nancy Krail, Rebecca Rogers, Gary Showers, Jim McMullen, and contributors Tom Reed and Mike Bair

Gift Shop: Gil Kaufman reported that the Christmas décor sold well in November so the Gift Shop had another good month. Income was \$501 and expenses were \$120, so the net contribution to the Treasury was \$381. Total contributions for the year are about \$3,453. Income from Bingo alone was around \$260 last month, thanks primarily to the good work of Vivian and Hector selling twice a month in AL. Unfortunately, the Bedoyas are moving away and will be greatly missed. Perhaps some of our newer residents might be interested in working with us on some part of the Gift Shop operation. Please let Gil Kaufman know in person, by E-mail, or by phone if you are interested. It is more of a social interaction than a job or real work and it makes things run much smoother.

While holiday items have thinned out a bit, there are still many good articles left so please stop in and look for those last minute items or gifts you forgot. Please also keep your left-over items flowing into the Shop.

Library: Judy Burgess reported that the collection of Christmas books has again been displayed on one of the shelves in the Library. An assortment of these seasonal books has also been placed on the AL cart.

The Committee will meet on December 12th at 4 pm. There will be a discussion on how best to use the CD cabinet donated by Ron Gerber's daughter. A list of recent DVD's has been sent to the Program Committee. This list and the list of the new CD's will be made available to all. An attachment to the edge of one of the shelves seems to be the most appropriate location for these.

Several people have expressed an interest in the Who's Who at the Moorings at Lewes booklet found on the round table in the Library. To date, 40 residents have biographical articles written about them. Some people have written autobiographical sketches. Sharon Hoover is writing one about Allison Dench. There is more interest needed from residents in order to add to the collection.

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:

12/17 Rehoboth Quartet (four woodwind instruments)

12/19 – Showing of DVD “Chanticleer” concert in the auditorium at 3:30 pm

Tentative programs:

1/21 - Fort Miles/German Prisoners

2/18 – Diane Lane (true story book)

3/17 – du Pont Nature Center

4/21 – Apollo 13 – Jack Clemons

5/19 – Dennis Forney – Cape Gazette

The next Committee meeting will be January 9, 2020 at 1 pm in the Welcome Room.

Wood Shop: Ron Trupp gave a summary report of work done by the Shop during 2019.

The Shop repaired the following items: a knife storage block, four chairs, a sewing cabinet, a table, a wooden porch glider, a lamp, an art work, a garden dolly, a chair seat, a cane, three gardening work tables, and a walker. In addition to this list, there were numerous other small repairs made. The following items were also made: a step stool, several shelves for the Library, three large cases for the auditorium for Chorus music, and personal items for the workers and their relatives. All in all, the Shop had a very productive year and made good contributions to life here at The Moorings.

AREA REPORTS:

West Wing, 1st floor – Nancy Krail reported that Don and Carol Smith have moved into Apartment 107; one vacancy

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

East Wing, 1st Floor – Bunny Guerrin reported that Rosemary Letinoff has moved into Apartment 126 two vacancies

East Wing, 2nd floor – Adele Trout reported that there has been no change; three vacancies

Cottages – Elsie Gould reported that Carol Wilkenson has moved into Cottage 7; nine vacancies

Assisted Living – Gil Kaufman reported that in AL there are 90% residents; SH 73%, and Skilled 92%

Nominating: Gil Kaufman reported that the Nominating Committee is pleased to place the following names in nomination for the respective offices:

Treasurer: Renominate Tom Reed (whose name was inadvertently omitted from last week's report)

Assistant Treasurer: Renominate Mike Bair

Corresponding Secretary: Renominate Marianne Jarvis

East Wing, 2nd Floor Representative: Diane Bair

West Wing, 2nd Floor Representative: Renominate Pat Cummings

Cottage Representative: Renominate Elsie Gould

AL Representative: No candidate (Gil Kaufman will be the reporter)

The floor was opened for nominations. There were none and the floor was closed.

Jane Lord moved that the slate be approved as presented. The motion was seconded and was unanimously passed.

OPEN FORUM: President McMullen reported the following issues:

1. Use of Dining Dollars for Catering menu items: This topic will be taken up with the new Dining Services Director.
2. Main building closets: Much of the space is filled with business and medical records. Annette now has Springpoint's Records Retention Policy and will purge obsolete records. The Library Committee has use of one closet and offers open space to other TMALRA activities.
3. We may be paying less for shred events: Annette has found a lower-cost service provider.
4. The issue of IL residents moving from cottage to apartment is under management review.
5. Jim Sylvanus has elected to resign from the Safety Committee after 10 plus years of service. Thank you Jim. See Jim McMullen if you would like to replace him.
6. Vivian Bedoya resigns as Vice President of TMALRA effective January 2, 2020. Thank you Vivian for all you have done and thanks to you Hector for your contributions. In accordance with the Bylaws, the President will appoint a replacement subject to Board approval. This will take place at the January 13, 2020 Board Meeting.

In addition,

7. Mildred Wiedmann announced a change in Comcast channels and residents can buy a Sports Net Package for \$10 per month, if desired. Call Comcast.
8. Several people take a 3-mile walk around the Cape on January 1 of each year at 10:30 am, weather permitting. Let Mildred or Rebecca Rogers know if you would like to participate.
9. Corinne Lehman requested that holiday decorations be placed at the front of The Moorings buildings.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:26 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Holstrom, Secretary