

THE MOORINGS AT LEWES RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION
General Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 20, 2020; 3:30 PM in the Auditorium

CALL TO ORDER: President Jim McMullen called the meeting to order. There were 45 members present. A moment of silence was observed.

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

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT: Marianne Jarvis reported that she sent 14 cards. Please let her know of anyone who needs one.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Tom Reed reported that the account balance as of November 30, 2019 was \$66,204 less the Employee Appreciation Fund of \$55,295, leaving an operating balance of \$10,909. Income for December was \$910 and expenses were \$849, leaving a surplus of \$61. The operating balance as of December 31, 2019 was \$10,970. To date, the Employee Appreciation Fund is \$3,146, leaving an account balance of \$14,116. 2019 was a good year and \$2,800 were returned to the reserves.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Activities: Carol Bishop reported that Shuffleboard is running smoothly. She passed around a sheet for current team players to sign if they no longer wish to continue the games for the second half of the indoor season. On Saturday afternoon, golf shuffleboard has been replaced with Three Strikes and is expected to become popular

A new change will take place at least once a month on the calendar regarding dinners out. There will be one Saturday evening dinner each month so the residents who play bridge on Mondays can attend. The first will be on February 8th at the 2nd Street Tavern.

Still left on the January calendar are tonight's dinner at Touch of Italy and tomorrow the men are going for lunch at the Henlopen Oyster House.

Clear Space Theater is presenting "Clue" and the next musical in March is "The King and I". Sign up early if you want to go. January 28th is lunch at the Pickled Pig and the 29th is Dover Downs and the Mall.

February's Calendar includes:

2-2 – Super Bowl in the auditorium at 6:15 pm BYO and a snack to share

2-3 – Lunch at Thompson Island

2-6 – Poldark continues in the auditorium at 7 pm

2-7 – Birthday Happy Hour especially for Ed Carter (101) and Ellie Shafer (100)

2-8 – Dinner at 2nd Street Tavern

2-11 – Lunch at The Crust and Craft

2-12 – Trip to the Lydia Cannon Museum in Milton to see the exhibit "Walking Into Greatness: Bryan Stevenson" and lunch at Irish Eyes

2-14 – Valentine's Day dinner

2-15 – Coastal Concerts – "Trio Valtorna" \$35 at door

2-16 – Camp Rehoboth Chorus "Legends"

2-17 – Dinner at Pig and Publican

2-18 – Lunch at Summer House

- 2-19 – Trip to the Briggs Museum in Dover
- 2-23 – Southern Delaware Chorale \$25 in advance
- 2-25 – Men’s lunch at Rosenfeld’s Deli
- 2-26 – Lunch and Movies at Midway

Communication: Sallie Corbishley sent a report that February 1 is the deadline for newsletter articles and Jim McMullen will be in charge of the Resident Directory from now on.

Dining: Corinne Lehman reported that the Committee met on January 9, 2020. The new Director of Dining Services, Pam Barnett, was present. Fourteen comment cards were reviewed and scored an overall rating of 4.3. The cards are available near the hostess desk at the entrance to the dining room. Topics discussed were menu variety, cleanliness, table settings, putting foods together that complement each other, the dietician’s role in menu planning, a 5-week rotation for the menu instead of 4-week, and how the glasses are now being washed.

Pam would like to have more selections of snack-sized foods in the Bistro refrigerator. She is looking forward to working with the staff and the residents to keep all happy and satisfied.

Gift Shop: Gil Kaufman reported that December was a bumper month for the Gift Shop with a record-setting \$910 income versus \$86 inventory building costs, leading to a net for the Treasury of \$824, also a record. Much of the total was due to recouping Bingo revenue from October and November, but even the cash income for December was a record \$404.

Interestingly the December bonanza brought the net income for the year up to \$4,272, very close to the budgeted target of \$4,300 for the year. Earlier in the year it was doubted that the Shop would come close to this target.

Gil thanked the volunteers for a job well done whose year-long dedication held things together. Vivian and Hector contributed for a time, also. He then invited others, particularly newer residents, to get involved with the fun of volunteering for the Gift Shop. Please let him know, if interested.

Please remember the option of donating to the Gift Shop all those items you no longer have room for in your apartment or cottage. All proceeds from the sales go directly into the TMALRA Treasury to support activities for residents’ enjoyment.

Library: Judy Burgess reported that some categories of music CDs have been relocated to the small-book shelf system, near the bee hive. Lists of all the DVDs and CDs have been attached to another book shelf in the Library. These lists will be updated as more videos and music discs are received. Thank you Mike Bair for all the work in listing these collections. Thank you also to other residents who are not on the Library Committee who shelve the books that have been borrowed. Please remember to let the Committee shelve all books and discs.

The Committee is planning another “housekeeping session.” Unwanted books and discs will be put again on a table in the hall to be taken by residents who are interested. Any leftovers will be taken to the Lewes Library for their periodic sales.

Judy added another entry in the series “Authors Among Us.” Gil Kaufman has written 7 books and 1,250+ technical articles on aluminum and its alloys, most notably its strength and toughness in a range of temperatures. Judy quoted from one of his books:

Aluminum – the word is from the Latin – ALUMEN meaning bitter salt. It is a silvery metal. Eight percent of earth's crust, but often combined with other minerals.

The United States used to produce quantities of aluminum and alloys of the metal (ALCOA). Now China now manufactures about 40 times more than this country. Russia and Canada also produce aluminum.

It is comparatively light metal. It is able to resist corrosion. It is fire resistant. It may be recycled.

The uses of this metal:

Transportation: first in WW I, and automobiles

Packaging: 1956 the first aluminum can. We know about aluminum foil.

Building: Windows, wiring, roofing mirrors, etc.

Other uses: Dental cement, water purification, waterproofing of fabrics, make-up, deodorant, paper-making, leather tanning, some medications, and many vaccines.

“Normal exposure to AL presents no risk to healthy individuals”

For 40 years medical researchers have tried to establish a connection between the absorption of AL and Alzheimer's disease. These studies continue.

Other problems, the production of AL releases Sulphur dioxide contributing to acid rain.

Judy says “but AL is so much a part of our world, that I really can't conceive of our life without this metal and all its alloys.”

Thank you, Gil

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:

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 February 5, 2020 at 1 pm in the Welcome Room.

Wellness: Sarah Cook reported that the Committee has been very busy working on a handout which covers the important aspects of Wellness here at The Moorings. It is a one-page collection of all the activities that fall under Springpoint's seven areas of wellness: Physical, Emotional, Social, Vocational, Spiritual, Environmental, and Intellectual. Sarah handed out the page and requested members to let her know if anything else could be included in an area. She also handed out a one page listing of what to do if a resident hurts oneself, needs to talk to a nurse, or thinks he or she is having a stroke or a heart attack. It is small and can be posted on a wall in an apartment or cottage. The next Wellness

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Committee meeting will be February 21st at 2 pm in the Quiet Room and all are welcome to attend.

Wood Shop: Ron Trupp reported that the Shop made a handle for a knife, reupholstered 8 chair seats, repaired a chair, made several tables and bowls, and continued the repair and refinishing of two tables. All residents are welcome to use the Shop as long as they follow the rules posted on the Shop door.

AREA REPORTS:

West Wing, 1st floor – Nancy Krail reported that Don Smith has moved into Apartment 107;
no vacancies

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

East Wing, 1st Floor – Bunny Guerrin reported that Joan Gunther has moved into Apartment 130
three vacancies

East Wing, 2nd floor – Diane Bair reported that there has been no change; four vacancies

Cottages – Elsie Gould reported that Marie Jachowski has moved into Cottage 23; eight vacancies

Assisted Living – Gil Kaufman reported that in AL there are 96% residents; SH 96%, and Skilled 96%

OPEN FORUM: President McMullen reported the following issues:

The 2020 census is due and all are required to provide the information requested. Sandy Spence explained the importance of doing so in order for the state of Delaware to receive the Federal funds. It can be done by mail, telephone, or computer. Help will be made available.

Jim McMullen reported that the Membership Drive will begin in early February and the Membership Handbook is being completed.

Bunny Guerrin stated that she has a very nice book on learning to draw that she would like to share with members and possibly form a group using it.

Sharon Hoover remarked that there are very few new members coming to the General TMALRA Meetings and suggested that invitations be made for them to attend and be part of the Residents' Association.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Holstrom, Secretary