

THE MOORINGS AT LEWES RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION
General Meeting Minutes
Monday, April 18, 2022; 3:30 PM in the Auditorium

WELCOME: President Jim McMullen welcomed everyone to the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER: President McMullen called the meeting to order. There were 63 members present.

A moment of silence was observed.

OPENING REMARKS: President McMullen announced that the shred machines are empty in the coat room off the lobby.

MINUTES: Kathy Holstrom reported that the minutes of the March 14, 2022 Board of Directors' Meeting and March 21, 2022 General Meeting were posted in the Mail Room, the Library, and on the website. If there are any additions or corrections needed please put them in writing and place them in Kathy's cubby 135 and she will add them. Otherwise, the minutes will be filed.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT: Marianne Jarvis reported that she sent 13 cards. Please let her know of anyone who needs one, even residents who are not necessarily sick but those who are struggling with life's circumstances. If you need to get a card to a resident in Skilled Nursing, take it to the front desk and it will be delivered.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Tom Reed reported that last month the account balance was \$27,995 less the Employee Appreciation Fund of \$5,842, leaving an operating balance of \$22,153. The income for March was \$801 and expenses were \$872, leaving a deficit of (\$71). As of March 31, 2022, the account balance was \$27,924 less the Employee Appreciation Fund of \$5,842, leaving an operating balance of \$22,082.

ASSISTANT TREASURER'S REPORT: No report

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Activities: Carol Bishop reported that the Committee met April 11th to prepare the May Calendar. Julie Piolunek was welcomed as a new member of the Committee.

Outdoor shuffleboard will resume May 7th. Upgrading and painting of the court tiles are underway.

Dates are set for the Cadbury Chorus' "The Wizard of Oz." It will debut on Saturday, June 4th at 3:00 pm and Sunday e, June 5th at 7:00 pm.

April 21st at 3 pm you can go back in time with the Tin Pan Alley music of Notes on the Beach. The Mid-Atlantic Symphony will be at the Cape High School on April 23rd with "A Gloriously Radiant Finale. Tickets are still available. Men's Lunch will be at The Crooked Hammock on April 26th.

Our Monthly Dinner Out will be at Mariachi's Mexican cuisine on April 28th. At the moment the bus is full, but often a few from the wait list gets on.

Saturday April 30th, the Mispillion Performance Series presents Seith Kibel Quartet in a free concert at First Presbyterian Church in Milford. These four talented folks will entertain you with new renditions of familiar melodies.

We begin the May calendar with the Southern Delaware Choral on Sunday, May 1st. Tickets are \$25.00 and may be purchased at the door.

Lunch Out will be at "The Backyard" in Milton on May 3rd. Coastal Concerts will have their Wild Card performance on May 7th.

Dinner Out is at "Black Wall Hitch" on May 12th. May 15th will be Cape Rehoboth Chorus at Epworth Church. Please sign up early because at the moment there are only 13 tickets on hold but with early sign up we may be able to get more.

Clear Space will present "The Lightening Thief" on May 22nd. It is a musical.

Men's Lunch will be at Big Oyster on May 24th. On May 31st a bus will run to Rehoboth Beach for time to shop, see the ocean, and have lunch on your own

The Wandering Wayfarers will be going to Cape May on Thursday, May 19th via our bus and the Lewes Ferry. We will depart from here at 8 am and the cost will be \$11 per person. This activity will be at the discretion of the Committee depending on weather. A waiting list will be established for another trip--only one trip per person.

Bylaws: No report

Communication: Jim McMullen reported that the deadline for Newsletter articles is May 1st.

Dining: Claire Thomas reported that the Committee met on April 7th. Plans for Cinco de Mayo are in process and will include a photo booth. Mothers' Day brunch is being planned as well as a Memorial Day picnic. Tentative plans are to have a barbeque meal approximately once a month during the summer months.

The Chart Room will be open seven days a week starting on April 11th. Paper menus will be distributed for a few weeks so the dining staff can get an idea of the number of people who will be eating in the Chart Room. Eventually they will be discontinued. The Livwell menu will continue to be offered on Wednesdays.

Pam says that she still needs two full-time employees for the wait staff. Their hours will be from 11:30 to 8 and they will be considered full-time. In the meantime, Pam, herself, will be waitressing two or three nights a week and on those days will come in at 11 am.

The Always Available Menu will be updated. The salad will be changed from Fall Salad to Spring Salad and grilled chicken Caesar salad will be added. Copies will be distributed to everyone. It was suggested that a link to send in dining comments via email be added to the Community App and Pam will ask Lauri to help with that process. The subject of tough beef

and veal was discussed and Pam said she will discuss it with Mary and try to solve the problem by possibly ordering a different quality of meat.

A resident asked if a salt substitute could be offered on the table along with salt and pepper and Pam said packets of Mrs. Dash will be put in the dish on the table that contains artificial sweetener products.

The spring and summer menus should be out by the first week of May.

The subject of Springpoint possibly outsourcing our dining service was discussed and Pam said that Springpoint mentioned this briefly six months ago but nothing more has been heard about it until recently. So far nothing is definite regarding these plans and if Pam

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learns anything she will pass it on to us. She did say that if this were to happen we would probably be dealing with Morrison Living in Atlanta, Georgia. I checked their website and it said they provide a variety of restaurant styles from quick service to fine dining, plus special events and programs.

The next Dining Committee meeting will be held on May 5th at 3 pm in The Welcome Room.

Employee Appreciation: No report

Gift Shop: Diane Bair arrived with a box of puzzles under her arm and reported that March was another good month for the Shop. The Shop's total cash income was \$276 and that plus BINGO and CHARGES (when paid to us) makes our total \$535.. Monthly expenditures were \$23 for inventory.

Diane expressed her appreciation to those who supported the Shop by donating or purchasing. We have a puzzle sale going on and still have many attractive pieces of costume jewelry on display. We may have to have a "spring sparkle" and put the jewels on sale.

Please stop by and do some browsing and say "hello" to our terrific volunteers.

Library: Judy Burgess reported that they are finally able to visit Assisted Living. She contacted their Coordinator, Elissa Scharffenberger, to arrange for Eileen Cronin, an AL resident to come up with her to the Library. She helped to select books and magazines to be put on the Book Cart in the AL Hall. Helping with this activity were David Bleil and Mildred Wiedmann.

We have also had requests from IL residents for ordering books for the library. There is a box on the small circular table with forms for listing requests. Mildred uses her contacts to Alibris to order these books. We do have an allowance for such things, so Mildred is reimbursed.

Thank you, Tom Reed, for promptly seeing to these matters. Take advantage of this service, if there is a book you think residents would really enjoy.

Please look in your book shelves, bathrooms, and bedside tables, for any Library books you have had for a while and are no longer interested in reading. Members of the Library Committee are missing several books we have ordered several months/years ago. These include: Brian Stevenson's Just Mercy: A Story of Justice and Redemption; Lucy Foley's The Guest List; and Lynne Alson's Madame Foucade's Secret War, The Daring Young Woman Who Led France's Largest Spy Network Against Hitler. I hope these books will find their way to the "Return Box" in the Library. Thanks a bunch.

The next Committee meeting will be July 14th at 4 pm in the Library.

NOMINATING: No report

PROGRAM: Adele Trout reported that the movies for April were uploaded to the Website.

The programs planned are as follows:

4/19 Apollo 13 by Jack Clemons

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5/17 DuPont Nature Center by Lynne Pusey

There are no programs in June, July, and August since residents go to the concerts at Stango Park.

The next Committee meeting will be held on May 4th^h at 1 pm in the Welcome Room.

WELLNESS: Gail Bourassa reported that the Committee met on April 5th in the Quiet Room. There were eleven residents present.

Personal Alert Pendants that are available from The Moorings have a one-time cost of \$140. They work throughout the facility and grounds, but do not function off campus.

Sharon Hoover will be providing a schedule of religious services available to The Moorings Community.

Karen Kerstetter will be reminded of the need to provide new residents with information regarding the presence and use of the Emergency Pull Cords in each living space.

Some residents are concerned about losses that may affect our emotional status—losses like home, spouse, significant others. the ability to drive, and the ability to care for oneself. It has been suggested that we have a Support Group to help deal with this

There is a request for a procedure written to request transportation for various visits, medical and otherwise. There is also a request to learn the cost of transportation to the bus station in Wilmington and to the airport in Philadelphia.

There are questions concerning ID Cards and Drivers' Licenses.

Everyone should know where the Fire Alarm Pull Boxes are located in the building in the event of a fire. Pat Boch and Elaine Showers are determining these places and will report back at the next meeting.

There is a question regarding what to do in the case of a tornado here.

There is a concern that the lights in the common area bathrooms turn off after there is no detected movement for a few minutes. This has been a problem for residents who may need to use the facility for an extended period of time. Is there a way to allow the lights to stay on until one actually leaves the area? The last two issues will be addressed to The Facility Manager in order to determine what may be done to address these issues.

Don Smith mentioned there is a fire drill in the planning stages when the weather is warmer.

The Podiatrist will be here on May 4th. Please let Sandy know if you will not be keeping your appointment with him. The next meeting will be held on May 2nd

WOOD SHOP: Richard Thomas reported that work has been done to renew an antique rocker and work on a dining room chair.

AREA REPORTS:

West Wing, 1st floor – Peg Partlow reported no change; no vacancies (Apt. 110 will be made into two apartments)

West Wing, 2nd floor – Linda Trzyzewski reported no change no vacancies

East Wing, 1st floor – Bunny Guerrin reported no change; one vacancy

--- Cottages, Sherry Chappelle reported no change; one vacancy

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Cottages, Mildred Wiedmann reported no change; two vacancies

Health Care: Jack Shubert reported:

Health Care: the current census in AL is 92%
in Safe Harbor is 72%
in Skilled is 52%

There was a fire in the Skilled Kitchen and damage was done by water from the sprinklers in both the Skilled Dining Room and the AL Dining Room.

BUILDING AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE: No report

RESIDENT LIFE COMMITTEE: Don Smith reported that the DMV will have a vehicle registration at the Lewes Library in May.

FINANCIAL WORKING GROUP: No report

TRUSTEES REPORT: Tom Reed, the Resident Trustee for The Moorings at Lewes, put copies of the latest report in all residents' cubbies.

DEI COMMITTEE: No report

SAFETY COMMITTEE: No report

OPEN FORUM:

Fran Tobin asked about the AARP Safe Driving Course and was told it is being looked into.

Diane Bair read a thank-you note from the Milton Community Food Pantry for our donations in January and February ("Moorings Cares"). It mentioned that it was a good time to make donations in the future—after the holidays-- and they will keep us posted on what is needed.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:28 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Holstrom, Secretary