



**CADBURY AT LEWES
AFTERNOON EXCHANGE
September 5, 2017**

Carol Holzman, Executive Director, opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and thanking them for coming.

Carol introduced Stephanie Manning from the American Heart Association. Stephanie advised that the Heart Walk is fast approaching and is the American Heart Association's biggest fundraiser. She thanked everyone at Cadbury for their support over the past 11 years, and said the results have provided thousands of dollars for research and heart disease. The Walk will be held at Delaware Technical & Community College in Georgetown on October 21st. Registration starts at 8:00 am and the Walk begins at 9:00 am. The Cadbury Choir will be singing the National Anthem and Carol Holzman will be leading the warm up exercise. The Walk consists of either a 3 or 1 mile non-competitive walk. Carol added that Lauri Weeks will be speaking about her experience, so it will be a Cadbury day and she encouraged residents to come out and support the event.

Chuck Rendulic, Director of Support Services, thanked residents for their cooperation during the fire alarm testing. It's a necessary exercise and is completed once a year. During the annual inspection every smoke detector and pull station is tested. The sprinkler system is also tested to ensure it's in good working order.

Work orders received for August totaled 138. All have been completed and 83% were completed within 24 hours.

Chuck said that Carol received a PMI this morning about the temperature in the Living Room. He said the thermostat is controlled by Maintenance and is set at 74 degrees. The temperature is monitored from the building control panel. There were some problems with the vents so they will add deflectors and see if that helps.

Chuck reminded cottage residents that recyclables are picked up on Mondays and they must be in clear bags. If the items are not in clear bags, they go in with the regular trash.

He received a complaint that the replacing of the damaged siding had not been done yet. Weed whackers damaged the siding. Chuck was able to find some replacement siding and will complete the cottages first. He will buy some more siding to replace on the main building, but advised residents that the color may not match perfectly.

We are using a new company, Solitude Lake Management Company, to maintain the ponds. He wasn't happy with the previous company. Solitude is a better company and is cheaper. Breakwater also uses them.

Maintenance is trying to keep up with the grounds work and trimming of bushes. They started down Friends Way first and will get the rest in due time.

Another PMI was received regarding the water along the East Wing. Chuck explained that water builds up when we get heavy downpours. We did put in some French drains, but there's nowhere for the water to go when the rain is torrential.

Nancy Krail asked if the dead rose bushes by the West Wing Pond were going to be replaced. Chuck said that they will pull them out and replace them with Knock Out Roses this fall.

Bunny Guerrin said there is only one surviving milkweed plant in the Butterfly Garden and the butterfly larvae need them. Fall is the best time of year to plant them. Milkweed seeds are available on-line. Bunny and Chuck will discuss it.

Ed Carter advised that the State flag was tattered and needs to be replaced. Chuck will take care of it.

Carol said that it's been 3 weeks since Lauri Weeks, the new Director of Resident Services, started and she wanted to give her an opportunity to talk about what she's planning. Carol said that Lauri spent 7 years at the YMCA as the Executive Director and has a Master's Degree in Communications. She has melded into the Community.

Lauri thanked everyone for a truly wonderful welcome and said this is the single greatest transition she's experienced to a new job. She was welcomed at the picnic and feels blessed to have this opportunity. She said the value of Cadbury is the residents – they make Cadbury what it is and it is a special place.

She encouraged residents to get tickets to see the Delaware Symphony Orchestra at Cape Henlopen High School on September 27th.

Lauri said she received a phone call about the Lewes Library having a Shakespeare Festival. She has flyers with additional information about the event.

On September 9th, we're heading to the Chocolate Festival at the State Park. The cost is \$6 for tastings.

On Friday, September 15th, Hopkins Ice Cream truck will be outside of Assisted Living. There will also be hot rod vehicles to see in celebration of Assisted Living Week.

On September 20th, there is a Doll Collection display at Delaware Tech, which will be followed by lunch at J.D. Shucker's.

Join Lauri on Wednesday, September 27th for the Fifer's Orchard and Corn Maze Festival. Let us know if you need assistance.

Lauri said that her office is downstairs and asked residents to come by and visit.

Carol added a few words about the American Heart Association and that it is such an important organization. She is asking Carol Cascone to send out a letter requesting contributions/donations. Carol said that she takes all donations received to the Heart Walk with her. She advised that we will do a local walk on September 22. We will walk around the Community at 10:30. Residents may use their scooters! Carol added that employees are permitted to wear blue jeans, but must donate money to wear them.

The current census in Independent Living is 116. We had two recent deaths and Karen is working hard to get prospects in. There are two expected move-ins for October. The Assisted Living occupancy is at 69%. We have a model set up and appointments scheduled this week. The Skilled census is down due to the Labor Day holiday. The current census is 34 today, but we are confident it will be right back up.

There is no new information regarding the affiliation, but it is going to happen. There were some changes to the agreement that pertained to Cadbury Consulting, but nothing to do with Lewes. The agreement had to be restructured and go between both legal teams, then back to the State of NJ & DE.

Carol reviewed PMI's she had received:

- The new carts are difficult to push around corners and to retrieve packages from. Carol explained that that cart was not one that Cadbury had purchased. All Cadbury carts have the 2-tiered baskets.
- Can anything be done to control the freezing AC in the Living Room when we play bridge? Chuck will have some deflectors installed to see if that will help.
- Why has our Welcome Home light on the cupola not been lit for months? I miss the invitation to home again. We will get it lit again.
- I am writing to alert you to the water problem outside the back of our apartments in the East Wing. We heard about it 3 years ago when we moved in and it has only gotten worse. The drainage of rain water is non-existent. (See response from Chuck above).
- I went into the Activity Room to play scrabble and found a living room set up. Carol explained that a team of residents got together to redesign the space. They wanted a place to go to have conversations. Residents may reach out to Bunny Guerrin with additional suggestions.
- A big thank you to Charlie and JoAnn who fixed a resident's outside door lock. They made sure she won't be able to lock herself out. Both were efficient, friendly and neat. Very much appreciated!

Carol then opened the floor for questions/comments.

Regarding the furniture, Sharon Hoover said she realizes it's important to have common areas look and feel like home, but there ought to be a chair or something at the end of the East Wing. She hopes that as we move forward we will make it a welcoming place for anyone coming in. Carol said that we are looking to move some furniture back there. Bunny said that the Creative Arts space was originally designed for needle workers. Years ago the fireplace was taken and they wanted to return the room to its original state. A note was put in everyone's box that it was intended to be used as a good hideaway or to socialize when no

meeting was scheduled there. She was assured that there was furniture available and that the other furniture will be restored. The painting group will resume on Thursday mornings in the Creative Arts Room. The following Thursday, Bunny will lead a greeting card making class at 10:30 every month. Lauri Weeks said that the couch will be removed and she plans to put 4 individual chairs with a smaller coffee table there. She is looking for the 4th chair.

Mildred Wiedmann said that even though it's after the fact, it would be nice to have some additional blue chairs brought out to the patio for special events (like the BBQ). Carol said that we will take that into consideration.

Ron Trupp said, with the recent tragedy in Texas, our evacuation plan used to be to go to Cadbury at Cherry Hill. What's our new plan? Chuck explained that we have agreements with other facilities and with the State. We are working to get more agreements, but the plan is the same. If residents have the capability to evacuate, they should. They should stay with family or have family members come and get them. Someone asked why Cape Henlopen High School isn't suitable. They are not suitable because they are in the same flood zone.

At that time, Carol told everyone to try and get outside and enjoy the good weather, and the meeting was ended.

Barbara White, Recorder
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