

MINUTES
CADBURY AT LEWES RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION
GENERAL MEETING
Monday, December 16, 2013; 10:00 am in the Auditorium

The Program this morning was by Frank Meredith on "Osher Lifelong Learning."

Prior to the meeting, Adele Trout presented the CALRA Board with a bag that was handmade by Ruth Barnett to hold the inscribed gavel and wood block which will be passed from President to President in the coming years. Ruth was thanked for her gift.

President Adele Hudson Trout called the meeting to order. A moment of silence was observed. There were 59 residents present.

MINUTES: The minutes of the November 11, 2013 Board of Directors' Meeting and the November 18, 2013 General Meeting were accepted as posted and will be filed.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT: Binky Tompkins reported that she sent six cards.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Gil Kaufman reported that the balance as of November 11, 2013 was \$40,516. Since then, income was \$13,014 and expenses were \$1,426, leaving a balance of \$52,104. Of that, the Employee Appreciation amount is \$44,852, so the actual balance as of December 9, 2013 is \$7,252.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Activities: Don Burgess reported that the marvelous residents' attendance at the Mid-Atlantic Symphony performance on December 7th was appreciated by both him and the Symphony which is now willing to return to Lewes for their other programs when space is available.

- Dec. 24th – there will be an upscale buffet in the Chart Room from 2 – 4pm.
- Dec. 25th – there will be caroling around the piano in the bistro at 2 pm after lunch.
- Dec. 31st – there will be an upscale plated meal in the Chart Room from 4:30 – 7 pm, followed by a New Year's Eve party in the auditorium with champagne, music, and dancing from 7-9 pm.
- Jan. 1st – The TV in the Bistro will be tuned to the Mummers' Parade and Rose Bowl Parade for all of us to watch together, if desired.
- In January, there will be lunches and dinners at Just In Thyme, Villa Sorrento, The Café on 26, Touch of Italy, The Kitchen, and Summer House.
- There will be one trip to the Ward Museum in Salisbury with lunch at the Market Street Inn.
- There will be five Friday Happy Hours in January with cheese and crackers and drinks.

Dining: Bill Peterson reported that Gil Kaufman and Sharon Britton have resigned from the Committee and thanked them for their service.

- Jeff reported that the comment cards (24) rated overall satisfaction of 4.18 on a scale of 1 to 5.
- It was re emphasized that the cards are very important. Server comments are needed (the servers do not see the comment cards.)
- Jeff presented 23 new or returned items to menus and residents are invited to submit suggestions until the end of December. New menus will be out by the end of January.
- It was suggested that larger dinner plates be used for special dinners.
- Upgrade will be available only on Dec. 26, 27, and 28.
- A new computer program is being considered that will include dietary information. It is very expensive and will impact the budget.

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Adele thanked Bill Peterson for his years as the Dining Committee Chair and introduced Alan Ward as the new Chairperson. Bill thanked Adele for her support of his efforts in that position.

Employee Appreciation: Ron Trupp reported that the Program is now complete and checks were distributed December 11th. Residents contributed \$44,586, including last year's carry-over of \$316. We were able to give each employee 25 cents per hour worked, with an average check of \$234.

- The Committee members were thanked for their hard work.
- Employees were provided with wonderful baked goods for refreshments—some sugar-free, too.
- Thank you letters were placed in all residents' cubby hole mail slots and thank you notes will be mailed to those who contributed via power of attorney.

Gift Shop: Ruth and Gil Kaufman are the new co-chairs of this Committee. Gil reported that the income for November, 2013 was \$484 and expenses were \$103. The net profit was \$381. The total net profit for the year is \$2,842. The Shop needs more costume jewelry.

Library: Mildred Wiedmann reported that:

- The "Mystery" books have been put back into the "Fiction" category. The shelves have been relabeled.
- A plan is being developed for giving new residents in AL a tour of the library with directions on how to use the facility.
- More display holders will be bought and a new bookcase will be added near the non-fiction section.
- Sharon Hoover will write an article about poetry for the next Newsletter.
- Thanks were given to all who helped shelve books.

Newsletter: Adele for Pat O'Hanlon reported that the next issue will be in February and she is requesting articles.

Nominating: Doug Trout reported that the CALRA By Laws direct that one-half of CALRA Board Officers and one-half of Area Representatives shall be elected at the Annual (December) General Meeting each year to provide staggered two-year terms and continuity of Board service. Board Committee Chairs are appointed by the President of CALRA.

Accordingly, the Nominating Committee presents the following slate of Nominees for consideration for election:

Vice President – Jane Lord to serve another term

Assistant Treasurer – Jim McMullen

Corresponding Secretary – Binky Tompkins to serve another term

Area Representative, 2nd floor, East Wing – Lois Wills to serve another term

Area Representative, 2nd floor, West Wing – Ruth Olsen to serve another term

Area Representative, Cottages – Elsie Gould

There were no nominations from the floor. Don Burgess moved that: "The slate of nominees be accepted as presented." The motion was seconded and passed unanimously. Jim McMullen, Elsie Gould, and Alan Ward were introduced as new Board members as of January 2014.

Program: Nancy Krail reported the following short program:

- January 20th – Presentation of pending CAL land acquisition, by Gil Kaufman.
The long program will be as follows at 7:30 pm:
- January 21st – Pilots of the Bay and River Delaware, by Dick Buckaloo.

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Woodworking: Ron Trupp reported that:

- They are still helping organize the shop and improve its appearance, as encouraged by Gary Showers.
- A new cabinet is being used to safely house paints, solvents, and flammables.
- The old cabinet is being used to store power tools and other small equipment.

WING AND COTTAGE REPORTS:

- West Wing, 1st floor – Karen Consolini reported that new residents will be moving into 121.
- Cottages – Don Wiedmann reported that Joe Boyle and Jane Hood have moved into Cottage 32.

OLD BUSINESS: Vi Cribb and Jeane Wampler thanked everyone for their \$1,300 contribution to the Cape Henlopen Food Basket this year.

NEW BUSINESS: Adele Trout reported that Dick Cleaveland has been selected as an “unsung hero” for his tireless work as the webmaster. He and Curt Christensen will be putting the menus on the website from now on.

Ruth Folta reported that at the Board Meeting, she requested that CALRA send 50% of its existing funds to the Philippines to help the recovery efforts. This request was denied, as CALRA funds are already designated for special purposes in the By Laws. Instead, she asked the residents if they want to contribute on an individual basis and, if so, gave them three addresses to which to send their donations.

Bob Hein reported that participation in Wii bowling is dropping and asked that new residents try it in the auditorium on Thursdays from 1 to 3 pm and Saturdays from 1 to 3 pm. He was able to only form one team for the National Championship this year.

ADJOURNMENT: Gil Kaufman moved that: “The meeting be adjourned at 11:15 am.” The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Holstrom, Secretary