MINUTES CADBURY AT LEWES RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEETING

Monday, November 18, 2013; 10:00 am in the Auditorium

Prior to the meeting, Doug Trout presented CALRA with an inscribed gavel and wood block to be used at its meetings and to be passed from President to President in the coming years. He was thanked for his gift.

The program was a presentation on The League of Women Voters, by League President Jane Lord.

President Adele Hudson Trout called the meeting to order. A moment of silence was observed. There were 67 residents present.

MINUTES: The minutes of the October 14, 2013 Board of Directors' Meeting and the October 21, 2013 General Meeting were accepted as posted and will be filed.

Doug Trout reported the death of one of our new residents, Tom Nye, and that his widow, Pat, suffered a fall and has been hospitalized. She will be back at Cadbury to recover shortly and would welcome well-wishers.

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

TREASURER'S REPORT: Gil Kaufman reported that the balance as of October 21, 2013 was \$19, 811. Since then, income was \$21,875 and expenses were \$1,170, leaving a balance of \$40,516. Of that, the Employee Appreciation amount is 34,286, so the actual balance as of November 11, 2013 is \$6,230.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

<u>Activities</u>: Don Burgess apologized for scheduling lunches and/or dinners on Mondays and Tuesdays at restaurants that are closed on those days. In December we will use chain restaurants.

- There is an ongoing problem with scheduled bus trips being cancelled due to not enough people interested in going or cancelling out at the last minute. We will circulate a sign-up sheet with a list of places residents have requested to visit at our December 16th General Meeting.
- The Mid-Atlantic Symphony Orchestra will hold its Christmas Concert at Cape Henlopen High School for the first time on December 7th at 7:30. We are being offered a reduced rate of \$25 per ticket if we have at least 30 people attending. Please consider taking advantage of this offer. If it is successful, the Symphony will continue to perform at the High School.

Also, Lucienne Wolfe has arranged for a group of about four musicians to perform in our Auditorium for us and Assisted Living residents between 4 and 5 pm on December 7th at no cost to us.

- December 4th The Swing Notables will perform in the auditorium.
- December 10th The Cadbury Chorus' Christmas Program.
- December 13th The Singers of Note will perform.
- December 17th David Zipse will perform in the Bistro.
- December 19th Lights of Love Festivities.
- New Year's Eve Celebration with champagne to welcome in the New Year.

<u>Dining</u>: Bill Peterson reported that the following changes have resulted from comment cards that have been received:

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- As of December 1st, phone-in orders will be accepted at the Reception Desk at any time. That will be the contact point for Dining Services' phone-in service. They will contact the dining staff.
- Upgrade meals will still be available only on Mondays and Tuesdays.
- Staff training is being improved.
- Menu planning is still a work-in-progress and "Healthy Choice" cannot be done at this time.
- "No substitutions" will continue due to cost differences.
- Menus problems on the computer are a technical problem and Curt Christensen has volunteered to take over the job.
- We currently have three managers and six cooks in the kitchen.
- Macaroni and cheese and stuffed cabbages are the only menu items that are not prepared inhouse.
- Bill Peterson has resigned as Chair of the Dining Committee.

Employee Appreciation: Ron Trupp reported that so far residents have contributed \$38,674. This is 90% of what we received last year at this time, so we need to send in more money.

- The campaign will end November 29th.
- Employee checks will be distributed December 11 in the bistro from 1 to 5 pm and all residents are invited to share in the joy of showing our appreciation to our employees.
- We have received a preliminary list of employees for 2013 and we have 12 more than last year and 8 more residents.
- Residents will be requested to provide baked goods for refreshments—some sugar-free, too, and have them at the Bistro table by 12:30 on December 11th.
- Thank you letters will be placed in all residents' cubby hole mail slots on December 16th and thank you notes will be mailed to those who contributed via power of attorney.

<u>Gift Shop</u>: Jack Sparks reported that the income for October, 2013 was \$378 and expenses were \$64. The net profit as of November 11, 2013 is \$314. The total net profit for the year is \$2,461.

- Christmas items will be on sale shortly including boxed cards.
- Jeanne and Jack Sparks have retired as the managers of the gift shop.

<u>Library</u>: Mildred Wiedmann reported that the removal of the "Mystery" books from the "Fiction" category may have caused problems and they will be returned to where they were.

- The Library will not accept any fiction published before 1990.
- There are new books in the Quiet Room.

<u>Newsletter</u>: Pat O'Hanlon reported that the next issue will be in February and thanked everyone for their articles.

Nominating: Doug Trout reported that the following is to be voted upon at the December 16th General Meeting. He reported that: "After due consideration and consulting with possible candidates as to their willingness to serve if elected to fill these vacancies, the Committee nominates ELSIE GOULD to succeed Woody Seamone as a Cottage Representative and JIM McMULLEN to replace Diantha Pack as Assistant Treasurer. In addition, the Committee nominates to serve another two-year term BINKY TOMPKINS as Corresponding Secretary and JANE LORD as Vice President"

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Program: Nancy Krail reported the following short programs:

• December 16th – Frank Meredith, Osher Lifelong Learning.

The long programs will be as follows at 7:30 pm:

- November 19th Overfalls Lightship,by Ray Glick.
- December 10th Cadbury Chorus Christmas Program.
- January 21st Pilots of the Bay and River Delaware, by Dick Buckaloo.

Woodworking: Ron Trupp reported that:

- The three regular members of the Woodshop Committee are Dean Hoover, Gary Showers, and Ron Trupp. We are still helping organize the shop and improve its appearance.
- Dean has done many repair or construction jobs for residents which help fund the woodshop.
- Many items have been made for sale at our Foundation event.
- More hand-made bird houses are being built.
- We have replaced our jointer and it is now set up.

WING AND COTTAGE REPORTS:

- West Wing, 1st floor Karen Consolini reported that Dan and Joan Abbot have moved into apartment 101.
- Cottages Mildred Wiedmann reported that the cottage doors are being painted.

NEW BUSINESS: Vi Cribb reported that she and Jeane Wampler are still accepting money for the Cape Henlopen Food Basket and to place the checks in the boxes of Vi Cribb (207) or Jeane Wampler (102) to be delivered by Thanksgiving. All were thanked for their contributions.

Bunny Guerrin reminded residents that the Foundation is accepting stuffed bears to decorate the building for Christmas They are to be labeled with your name and apartment number and delivered to the Arts and Crafts Room by December 2nd. They can be picked up the first week in January.

Adele Trout called Bill Peterson and Jack and Jeane Sparks to the front of the room where she thanked them for their dedicated leadership and service during their years as Dining Committee Chair and Gift-Shop Managers, respectively. Their efforts were applauded by the residents.

ADJOURNMENT: Gil Kaufman moved that: "The meeting be adjourned at 11:30 am." The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Holstrom, Secretary