

RESIDENT EVENTS MINUTES 2/5/24

Excused: Barbara C, Nancy P, Candace, Pat C, Denise, John, Shelly, Dave T

Welcome new member Laurie Decker.

HGRD Board Meeting Report: Martie attended for Gary. She reported that the ballroom will be closed for renovations for 2 months this summer. It was tentatively scheduled to begin on July 6th, but we have a dance booked, and a band under contract for that date. There was discussion at the HGRD Board meeting about the value of having the volunteer appreciation gathering. It has been a costly event even when shared with the HOA Board. An informal poll was taken of our committee and the majority did not feel a gathering was necessary. We would prefer a gift card to the restaurant as it would be more cost effective since spouses/SO would not be involved and would increase usage of that amenity. Our opinions will be shared with the Board.

Treasurer's Report: Cathy reported that the New Year's Eve dance cleared \$2281.45. There are not outstanding bills from that dance. Our current balance is \$1508.01. The analysis is on file but not attached.

Food Truck Event Review: Denise's report was given by Gary. Attendance at the event was low due to extremely inclement weather. The cheesesteak and the Greek vendors were pleased but the Polish vendor had overstocked. The ice cream vendor arrived late due to the harsh weather. It is uncertain if we will have another food truck event this season but there is a pizza vendor interested in joining our rallies.

Activities Fair: Our display was staffed by Candace, Shelly and Nancy T. Nancy reported that there were more participants than ever this year and the displays were much more interesting. Many people stopped at our display to thank us for all the wonderful events we organized, and to ask questions about the difference between Resident Events and the HOA Activities Committee. It was the first time Residents Events has taken part and the consensus was to do it again next year as it had low cost and big exposure for us.

Ben Allen Dance: The event sold out by 10:30 am on the day of ticket sales. A wait list was started and all of those on it were accommodated by adding 3 tables. There will be 35 tables. Discussion ensued about table decorations, stage, and photo booth. Jean described the table decor and printed photos of how it will look. She also printed lists of attendees by table. The stage already has the skirting in place and will be embellished with bandanas. The yellow moon and the cowboy/girl silhouettes will need to be taken care of by Nate. The photo booth will move to the lobby and the backdrop may be framed by the HG Ranch/Boots cardboard display. No hay will be used this year. Decorating will begin at 10am on the day of the dance, Feb 21.

There was much discussion about the clean-up problems at the NYE dance and how to avoid them for this dance. Gary will check with Janine about having 2 bussers, several bussing stations, and more trash barrels as recommended by the committee. Since the restaurant is having a buffet prior to the dance, issues with glassware being brought into the ballroom will

also need to be resolved. The committee members do not want to be put in the position of policing residents. This will also be discussed with Janine.

The dance is scheduled from 6:30-9:30pm. The band must stop playing by 9:35pm to encourage residents so clean-up can begin. Residents should be encouraged to tidy up their area so the committee can complete the clean-up and breakdown of decorations. Someone on the committee is needed to organize the decorations before they are stored in the loft.

Dazzling Delays: Dance is scheduled for 6:30-9:30pm on March 27. No food other than what is offered that night in the restaurant. Bonnie would prefer to not be a lead table decorator. Jean volunteered to help but a lead table decorator is still needed. Will check with Nancy P when she returns.

Sizzling Summer Nights: Scheduled for July 6. From The Edge is under contract to perform. Martie hopes to write an article for the HG newspaper about this dance as it is something new and in the off-season.

Ice Cream Trucks: The following dates are Sundays from 3:30-6:30pm. February and March are in the parking lot. The others are scheduled for the Ballroom though planned renovations may affect on the location for some dates.

Feb 18- Rita's Ice & Custard

March 10- Scoop Me Up

May 19- Scoops Me Up

June 9- Rita's Ice & Custard

July 21- Scoops on First

Other events:

The restaurant is having an end-of-season party/dance with Kat Orlando on April 13. They are also having a St Patrick's Day special with just CD music.

Resident Events committee discussed having a free pool party with live music, but more thought and discussion is needed.

Bands are booked for next Halloween (Double Dare) and New Year's Eve (From the Edge.)

Respectfully submitted,

Marla Pierce, Sec