## **RESIDENT EVENTS MEETING 01/08/24**

**MEMBERSHIP:** All present except for excused members: Judith West, Cathy Styles, Pat Crytser, Bonnie Gee and Nancy Peters. Kim Hamilton has resigned. Gary gave Laurie Decker's application to HGRD Board as a replacement for Kim.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**: Gary, reporting for Cathy, informed the committee that we are now in the black with a current balance of \$1613.00. There are some small outstanding invoices still to deduct. Gary asked anyone needing reimbursement to send their request asap. Barbara donated the 2 NYE banners. The banner with the year on it will need to be replaced before NYE 2024. It is expected that the next 2 dances will show a profit. Gary asked members to make suggestions for items needing to be bought. Will discuss again at future meetings.

**NYE DANCE WRAP UP**: 282 tickets were sold but only 242 attended. The difference was likely due to illness. The committee overwhelmingly expressed much appreciation for the help given by Nate. He went beyond to help with the stage decoration and the balloon drop netting. Everyone had high praise for his organizational skills, competence, cooperation, initiative, and pleasant nature.

The dance was successful, and the band was wonderful. Some issues were discussed for change next year. Residents left their tables covered with food which made cleaning up difficult. Committee members will need to ask attendees to help pick up their area before leaving the dance. Another issue was that the band kept playing so attendees were slow to leave the ballroom. This caused the clean-up to be prolonged with many members not getting home until after 2am. Next year the band will need to stop right after midnight. We discussed potentially ending the dance before midnight but decided against that.

**FOOD TRUCK EVENT**: Denise reported that the owner of Mon Paris food truck has not returned calls and other attempts to reach him. He has not sent the required paperwork either. Gary will inform him in writing that his participation is canceled for the upcoming event on Jan 15. Denise is trying to find a replacement so we will have 4 food trucks and 1 ice cream truck. Set-up will begin at 3pm. Nate will be informed that we need 6 long tables for outside. The Vanover's will supply music outdoors. We will get flyers put up at the sports center and on golf carts. Another email blast will go out with details for preordering food once the info is completed. Gary will talk with management about the possibility of changing the day of the week from Monday to Sunday so more residents can take part. Schedules for Food Trucks & Ice Cream Trucks are attached.

**ACTIVITY FAIR:** Four members have volunteered to take part and make a display explaining what our committee does. They are Candace, Nancy P, Nancy T and Shelley.

**BEN ALLEN DANCE:** The event is Feb 21 and tickets go on sale for the glen on 1/23/24. Cost \$25pp. Committee members requesting tickets must let Martie know by 1/17/24. Decorating will happen on 2/21/24 starting at 10am. Jean has asked for empty liquor bottles and will check the loft for all other needed supplies that we saved from last year. If you have any empty bottles, leave them at her house at 2111 Palo Duro. Janine will offer a separate country buffet in the dining room prior to the dance. Doors open at 6pm so committee members should arrive before then. Pat C will collect tickets at the door. The dance will be 6:30-9:30pm.

**HALLOWEEN 2024:** Halloween falls on a Thursday this year. We discussed whether the dance should be on the 31<sup>st</sup> or the prior Sat night. Gary will talk to Janine as this would affect the regular Thursday night entertainment. He will also ask if she will be supplying a buffet prior to the dance.

**DAZZLING DELRAY'S:** Time 6:30-9:30pm. Tickets \$20. No food included.

**SIZZLING SUMMER NIGHT:** Will be held on 7/6/24 and the theme will be Red, White & Blue. The band is From the Edge. It is predicted that by July we will have a significant surplus in our account, and we could potentially reduce the ticket price and supply snacks. No decisions were made at this time.

**NEXT MEETING IS MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2024, IN ACTIVITY ROOM A** 

Respectfully submitted,

Marla Pierce, secretary

# **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 Delrays:** 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

#### **RESIDENT EVENTS MINUTES 03/04/24**

**Attendance:** all present except Judith, Cathy, Barb, Susan & Bonnie who were excused; absent Patty.

**Treasurer's Report:** Gary reported in place of Cathy. Please submit any outstanding receipts. Ben Allen Dance yielded a profit of \$2624.49 (amended after the meeting.) Janine did not charge us for the 2 bussers but did charge for meals for the band members.

Balance to date: \$4133.00

**Ben Allen Dance review:** Discussion ensured regarding ticket taking. A decision was made to try the following procedure at the next dance. Ticket takers will make a slash mark on each ticket presented; the ticket will be returned to the attendee; the new clicker will be used to keep count of those entering; if someone does not have their ticket, they will proceed to the table where they will be looked up on the list of ticket purchasers.

A discussion about attendees entering the dance with containers led to the following decision. No outside containers will be permitted, even if they contain water. All outside containers must be dumped out. Janine has committed to having 2 bussers at the next dance. They will clear all glassware, including wine & beer bottles. Let Gary know if you see tables not being bussed promptly. Any resident bringing glassware in from the dining room will be permitted to keep it until it is empty. Then they will be bussed by the staff.

**Oldies Night:** 322 tickets have been sold. There will be 35 tables. Table decorations will be black & white checkered tablecloths, an ice cream soda glass will hold pink carnations. The stage will have 2 new banners, hopefully of a jukebox theme, but no moon. Decorating will begin at 10am on 3/37/24. Doors open at 6pm. Dave T. will contact the Classic Car Club to find out if they would like to park in the regular handicapped area before the dance. If so, the handicapped parking will be moved to the spots near the golf cart lot. Marla & Candace requested that taller committee members help with the higher placed decorations on the stage and several volunteered.

#### **New Business:**

- 1. Thank you to Jean for the Ben Allen decor and Martie for organizing committee tickets requests.
- 2. Residents want Ben Allen back in 2025. The band price has increased to \$5500. The tickets will remain at \$25pp.
- 3. Sizzling Summer Nights is still being planned regarding food offerings. The goal is to have BBQ style foods available for purchase. The ticket price of \$20pp will not include food. The band price is \$1800. The dance will be held in the ballroom.
- 4. Double Dare has been booked for the Halloween Dance on Thursday, 10/31/24, if the ballroom renovation is completed. The band cost is \$1600. No food will be included but the ticket price has not been set.

- 5. The summer ballroom renovation may have an impact on our activities. There is an ice cream truck scheduled for 7/21/24 that may have to be moved to the parking lot. Gary will check on that. Another concern is that the existing dance floor may be somehow included in the renovation. Replacing it with the type of material used when the dining room/lounge renovation occurred would have a serious negative effect. Gary will remind the HGRD Board.
- 6. NYE 2024 ticket price has been set at \$20pp and the Band, From the Edge, has been booked for \$3000. A new banner with the 2025 date will be ordered for the stage.
- 7. Gary requested we start coming up with ideas for the summer months. Another golf cart rally was discussed but there is no volunteer to take it on. A pool party with music by a duo called High Tide is a possibility.
- 8. Now is the time to start thinking about and ordering any new supplies or items needed for future events. Any excess funds in our account will go back to the HGRD in September. The Ballroom renovation may include a rear projection screen for backdrops. Gary will check with Karen Jessop to see what, if any, our committee could purchase to enhance our stage backdrop and if we will be able to utilize this new feature.
- 9. A new vendor will be at the Farmer's Market for 2 more times this month. The company specializing in seasonings and spices is Epicure.
- 10. There will be an ice cream truck here this coming Sunday weather permitting.

The next meeting is at 1pm, Activity Room A, on 4/1/24. You must contact Gary if you will not be there.

Respectfully submitted,

Marla Pierce, Secretary

#### RESIDENT EVENTS MEETING 040124 MINUTES

ATTENDANCE: All present except for excused members (Laurie, Judith, Pat C) and one absent (Candace.)

TREASURER'S REPORT: Cathy reported the Dazzling Delray's dance brought in \$6460 minus expenses so yielded \$3206.39. There are some outstanding reimbursement requests. Please submit those asap. The current balance in our account is \$7444.76.

DAZZLING DELRAY DANCE: 323 tickets were sold and approximately 300 attended. The new method of marking off tickets worked well though there were some minor issues with counting guests due to many entering & exiting to restroom, photo booth and DR. It was decided to keep this method of check in for the time being. Another issue was the limited staffing of dining services. Only one bar was open, only one busser was available, and there were not enough trash bins. Gary will discuss those issues with Janine. Some residents found the floor plan difficult to negotiate due to the lack of a center aisle. Marty will speak with Nate to see if tables can be spaced differently. On the positive side, the classic car display was a big hit with residents and car owners. The dance floor, plus space in the back, was full of dancers all night. Many residents dressed for the period and raved about the band.

HGRD VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION: The HGRD has decided not to have a party and will instead present each volunteer with a gift card. HOA will have their party though.

BEN ALLEN DANCE 2025: This has been booked for 2/19/25, a Wed evening, from 6:30-9:30 pm. Cost is \$25 per ticket and food will be available through the dining room separately.

DAZZLING DELRAYS 2025: Much discussion ensured. Some members would prefer a band that plays less 50's music and more 70-80's music. The Dazzling Delray's can play that type of music; so, does Double Dare and the musicians who play on Thursday nights. Due to the number of standing events held in March, it was suggested we move the dance to early April. The Dazzling Delray's are available on Thursday, April 3, 2025.

HGRD MONTHLY ANNOUNCEMENT: Karon Bennett has put out a summary of our committee's coming events and will do so monthly going forward.

HGRD SURVEY: The Resident Events committee has been offered a section in the annual resident survey. The survey typically comes out in the Fall. Denise and Shelly agreed to work on questions to put into the survey such as what kind of events residents would like.

SIZZLING SUMMER NIGHTS: Tickets go on sale for all residents on June 4. Get your pre-sale requests to Martie before the next meeting. The dance hours will be 6:30-9:30 pm. Tickets will be \$20pp. The decorations will be red, white, and blue. Food will be offered by the restaurant though details are not yet known. It was decided that all tables can seat 10 people except for those along the dance floor which will be limited to 8 seats. It is expected that the head count will be lower due to absent seasonal residents. If needed, we will open ticket sales to other local communities.

HALLOWEEN 2024: Double Dare is booked to play 6:30-9:30 pm. Tickets \$20pp. There was some discussion about adding a Glow-in-the-Dark component to the usual Halloween decorations. More research is needed. Nancy P will invite Don Lynch &/or Nancy Odom to our June meeting to explain how they manage that type of lighting for the pickleball events.

NYE 2024: From the Edge is playing, 8-12pm, Tickets \$20pp.

LIGHTED EVENTS SIGN: Pat S will be away for the summer and will need to leave the special markers with Gary. A volunteer is needed to keep the board updated for the summer.

NEWSPAPER ARTICLES: Jean will also be away for the summer and will need a back-up writer for the newspaper. Martie will write a pre- Sizzling Summer Dance announcement. Gary took an informal poll, and 14 committee members are full-time residents. Note- after meeting decision- Marla will write the post Sizzling Summer Dance article.

NEW PROPS/SUPPLIES: We need a 2025 Happy New Year banner. Marla has been looking on Amazon but 2025 is not yet available. We also need new table numbers and holders. Holders are being ordered & Shelly is making themed numbers.

FARMER'S MARKET: Due to reduced business, Veggie Vendors will not be coming anymore. Gary is looking for a replacement. Business has been down for all vendors. One plausible reason may be residents are eating at our restaurant more often, especially on Thursday nights. There was a suggestion that Wednesdays might work better. Gary will check into that. The spice vendor will be out of our area until next February.

SUNDAY, MAY 19<sup>TH</sup> EVENT: The committee has received permission to have 1 food truck, 1 ice cream truck and cornhole games in the parking lot on this date from 3:30-6:30pm. The ballroom will be open as well. Team co-leaders are Denise & Shelly. Bonnie, Cathy, Nancy P, & Sue volunteered for the cornhole crew. Over 100 residents responded to the email inquiry for players though the exact number who will be available is not yet known. Paul & Tom will provide music. Cornhole boards are available, but a scoreboard is yet to be found. There was discussion about what to call the event, but no decision was made.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1. Jigsaw puzzle competition- Marla explained how this could be run as a mid-summer activity. There is much information online about how to run such an event and many puzzlers in the glen. A room such as Activity Room A or a card room would have tables of 4 player teams. Each team would be given the same unopened, 750 piece jigsaw puzzle to assemble. Two committee members would serve as moderators/judges. At the end of the 2 hour limit any remaining puzzle pieces would be counted. The team that has the least number of unattached pieces would win. We could charge an entry fee to cover the cost of puzzles and have gift cards for 1st, 2nd,3rd place teams. Marla will put an inquiry on the google page to see if there is interest among the full-time residents.
- 2. Glow-in-the-Dark dance- Nancy P suggested this theme based on the success of the pickleball glow-in-the-dark events. There was discussion about the safety of this kind of lighting indoors so she will invite Don Lynch & Nancy Odom to our June meeting. If it is do-able in the ballroom, we may consider supplementing the usual Halloween decorations with some glow-in-the dark decorations.

NEXT MEETING: May 6, 1:00pm in Activity room A. Gary & Nancy A will be unavailable so Martie has volunteered to chair the meeting.

## **RESIDENT EVENTS MEETING MAY 6, 2024**

Martie Shea presided in place of Gary.

ATTENDANCE: All present except 5 excused (Gary, Nancy A, John, Pat C, Nancy T) and one absent (Barb C.)

TREASURER'S REPORT: Cathy reported our balance is \$7209.92. Members need to turn in receipts ASAP. Any ideas for decoration or supplies needed for coming events should be brought to the next 2 meetings.

SIZZLING SUMMER NIGHTS DANCE: Committee members needing reserved tickets must contact Martie by 5/15/24. Doors open at 6pm; band plays 6:30-9:30pm. The group discussed the color scheme for this dance and voted to change it to a tropical theme to go along with the dance name. Candace & Marla will do the stage. Nancy P & Bonnie will do centerpieces. We already have tablecloths in tropical colors and there may be some other decorations along that line in the loft. The restaurant will be having a buffet prior to the dance and will offer a \$5 discount to diners who show their dance ticket. The dance is scheduled for 6-9pm. Members should encourage residents to attend the dance. Martie informed us that Janine has planned several other holiday events around the 4<sup>th</sup> of July and there will be plenty for residents to do within the Glen.

EVENT SIGN: Patty will update it before she leaves for the summer and will leave the markers with Martie for any updates needed.

CORNHOLE EVENT: Denise and Shelly informed us that 88 residents are registered. There is no entrance fee. Volunteers signed up for judging and other needed tasks. Registration will be at 2pm and the games will run 2:30-5:30 pm. Eight lanes will be in the main parking lot and 1 judge will be stationed at each lane. Each game will last until 21 points are achieved or 20 minutes, whichever happens first. Nest gift cards will be given to first, second & third place participants (Gary has them already) and each person of the winning teams will receive a gift card (\$50, \$30, \$20 respectively.) There will be a practice area for newbies. Tablecloths will be blue & yellow, and Nancy P & Bonnie will put them on. Music will be under the portico in front of the ballroom. The event will be canceled if it is raining. Denise has a meeting scheduled with Nate for set-up.

The restaurant will be selling hotdogs in the ballroom and the bar will be open from 2:30-6:30 pm. The food truck and ice cream truck will be here from 3:30-6:30 pm. There was discussion of ways to let participants know about the food and beverage in the ballroom. Martie will ask Janine if we can put up a sign and if so, Marla will make it. Martie will also ask if there can be a bucket of beer (cans & Solo cups) special.

DAZZLING DELRAY DANCE: The contract has been signed for Thursday, April 3, 2025. Tickets will be \$20 each. There was discussion about how this dance has become known as the Oldies dance and that is unappealing to some members/residents. Alternate names were brainstormed. Some ideas played off the words "Dazzling" and "Decades." Postscript from Marla: "Dazzling Decades?" No decisions made yet.

SURVEY QUESTIONS: Denise & Shelly submitted the questions to Gary who plans to add some about the Farmer's Market & Food Trucks.

JIGSAW PUZZLE COMPETITION: Marla reported 26 residents expressed interest and that is enough to hold the event. Marla will meet with Wendy Shea to arrange a date and time for some time in June or July. The event needs to happen in Activity Room A as the tables are the appropriate size. Teams of 4 players will be randomly made up depending on how many residents are available on the decided date. The event will be timed, 2-3 hours, and 2 volunteer judges will count the unattached pieces at the end of the contest. Gift cards will be awarded to the first, second & third place teams. Puzzles will be 750 pieces each and will be ordered once the date, time and number of teams playing are known. If contestants enjoy the concept/event, it could be repeated with a modified format.

FUTURE BANDS & DANCES for 2025: Halloween is Double Dare; NYE is From the Edge; Country is Ben Allen; Dazzling DelRays dance will be renamed. Martie explained the process of finding bands.

BLUE LIGHT DANCE IDEA: Nancy P reported that she asked Don Lynch to contact Gary. That has not happened to her knowledge. She also reported there are enough concerns about using this type of lighting indoors that she recommends we do not pursue it. The group agreed.

IDEAS FOR NEW DECORATIONS/PROPS: "Happy New Year 2025" banner/props still not available. Marla & Candace will continue to monitor that. Ideas were brainstormed for transforming the Dazzling Delray dance (formerly known as Oldies and focused on pink/black color scheme) by switching to dazzling decor or tie-dyed accents. For the Sizzling Summer Nights, we will go with more tropical decor like palm trees and beachy things.

NEXT MEETING: June 3rd

## **RESIDENT EVENTS MEETING JUNE 3, 2024**

**ATTENDANCE:** all present except excused members (Patty, Pat C, Barb, Dave, Nancy, Jean, Shelly)

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Our current balance is \$7025.56. Gary reminded us that a new process is in place for ordering from Amazon. Because the HGRD has tax deferred status, as well as free delivery from Prime, we are now to place our Amazon orders through Purchasing. Item(s) information should be sent to <a href="https://purchasing.english.com">PURCHASING@HGRDNFM.com</a>. All deliveries will be made to the HGRD office and you will be notified to pick it up. Note: this only applies to Amazon orders. If ordering from other sources, follow the usual process of paying and submitting for reimbursement.

**CORRECTION TO COMMITTEE ROSTER:** Laurie Decker's correct email address is 84Ldecker@gmail.com

**PRE-ORDERED TICKETS FOR JULY 6<sup>TH</sup> DANCE**: If you haven't picked them up yet, please, wait until after 6/5/24 now as they go on sale on the 4<sup>th</sup>.

**SIZZLING SUMMER NIGHT DANCE:** The restaurant will be offering a separate buffet with a tropical theme. Ticket holders for the dance may show their ticket for a \$5 discount. The actual menu has not yet been decided. For the dance, we need 90 tickets sold to break even. Some discussion ensued regarding opening the dance up to outsiders. No decision was made at this time.

**RESIDENT EVENTS CHARTER CHANGES:** The board has made two changes.

- 1. Our fiscal year has been changed to Oct 1 thru Sept 30 to align with the HGRD fiscal year.
- 2. Any excess funds we raise could be used by our committee to purchase something for the HGRD, could be rolled over for a larger purchase by our committee, or could be added to the general fund at the end of the fiscal year.

The following is the exact wording from the charter:

- "12. All purchases are to be completed by August with goods received by September 30th, or as an alternative, the committee may request funds be allocated for future larger items that benefit Food & Beverage or Facilities Maintenance.
- 13. If the money is not spent or allocated by Sept 30 of each year it will be recorded as income to the District and be unavailable to the committee."

We brainstormed some potential purchases. One idea is a beer cart. Janine is researching whether that would be allowable. We also discussed programmable signage to advertise our events. Other ideas are welcome.

**RECAP OF CORNHOLE EVENT:** Fantastic event, well organized and well received by residents. Big thanks to Denise, Shelly and all their helpers. Possible changes suggested if this is held again are moving the garbage bins & food trucks closer to the playing area. A mini committee has been formed towards the goal of making this a sanctioned amenity. They are putting together a business plan and then will present

it to the Facilities & Amenities Committee. Ron Decker has volunteered to champion this cause with the help of Steve Christiansen.

**CHAIRPERSON:** Gary opened discussion on possibly changing leadership for the coming year. No one volunteered and Gary was requested to continue. He accepted.

**JUNE 9 FOOD TRUCK EVENT:** Nickle City Red Hots, Rita's Italian Ice, Island Time Clothing will all be present. Janine will open the ballroom bar for drinks & hot dogs. Tom will provide live music.

We discussed thanking our volunteer musicians. After the cornhole event, Paul was given a \$50 HG gift card. The committee has decided to do the same for volunteer musicians at our future events.

Ten tables should be sufficient for tablecloths. Nate has been informed to block off the parking lot. Committee volunteers should arrive at 4pm. The event runs from 4:30-7:30pm. No food preordering is available for this event.

JIGSAW PUZZLE COMPETITION: The event is scheduled for Thursday, June 20, from 1:30-4:00pm in Activity Room A. Eight teams of 3 will compete. Marla is ordering the food truck themed puzzles tomorrow. Volunteers were requested to help with judging. First, second & third place winners will receive HG gift cards each in the amounts of \$25, \$15, \$10 respectively. Feedback from residents has been positive. Residents are happy that events are being planned for the full-timers and that we are planning non-weather dependent/non-athletic events, too.

**SURVEY:** Gary has sent initial questions in and asked for any other ideas.

**FARMER'S MARKET:** There has been less foot traffic at the market and several vendors have cut back. Gary is working with Fresh Catch to settle on an off-season schedule.

**SUMMER MEETINGS:** Since we have events scheduled in June, we will have a meeting in July. August is dependent on whether we have anything else planned after the July 6<sup>th</sup> dance. Some committee members would like to have something for residents in August. Possible Hand-Knee Foot tournament or another jigsaw competition were briefly discussed.

**NEXT MEETING: JULY 1<sup>ST</sup>.** 

FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES: Martie informed us of other dances scheduled for the Fall.

Resident Events will have the Halloween dance on Oct 31 with Double Dare.

Veterans of the Glen will have their Veterans dinner dance on Nov 9 with the Traveling Wilburys.

The restaurant will have a season kick-off on Nov.15 with Deb & the Dynamics.

Littleton EE will have their fundraiser on Nov 20 with the Boots Band.

## RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Marla Pierce, Sec.

#### RESIDENT EVENTS COMMITTEE MINUTES

### **JULY 1,2024**

**ATTENDANCE:** All present except those excused- Nancy T, Dave T, Patty, Shelly, Barbara, Pat C, Jean, Candace, Denise.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Cathy reported we have a \$6395.34 balance.

PUZZLE COMPETITION: Marla reported the 24 participants had a great time. Of the 8 teams of 3 players, the first-place team finished in 1 hour 50 mins, second-place in 2 hour 10 minutes, third in 2 hour 30 minutes; the latter taking third by a 10 sec difference over the fourth team. Consensus was that the location, time, puzzle size, time of year & team size were all good. The event cost \$248.72 (puzzles & prizes.) Most players wanted to have this type of event repeated. The committee decided to plan another for August and then maybe one in season. Marla thanked Sue, Denise and Gary for their help judging. Marla will arrange the next date.

**SIZZLING SUMMER NIGHTS DANCE:** Martie reported that 223 tickets have been sold and she expects we will get 230. We have permission to open it up to local communities & friends of the band, as well as sell tickets at the door. The band will set up at 4pm on the 6<sup>th</sup>. Decorating will begin at 10 am. There will be a photo booth. The stage has been problematic since construction is in process. Gary will talk with JB about that. Nancy P will check off tickets, John will count heads, Martie will have the back-up check list for those who forgot their tickets. The floor plan will be changed due to one row of usual tables not being needed. Nate is on vacation so Martie will follow-up to discuss with maintenance staff.

**FOOD TRUCK WEEK:** Denise and Gary put together a daily food truck line-up for when the kitchen is closed for cleaning (7/8-7/17.) Denise or Gary will put all the trucks into Dwelling Live and make sure they have extra take-out containers. He has ordered 3 signs that should be up for the whole 9 days. There will be no ballroom access so other signs will be placed on the ballroom doors explaining that. There will be no hot dogs or alcohol sold in the ballroom either. This is a rain or shine event week but if a truck cancels, Denise or Gary will let assigned volunteers know. One –two volunteers have been assigned each day. Their responsibilities include being present 1 hour before so the truck(s) know where to set up, being available to enter more food truck employees to Dwelling Live as needed, checking the area after the event for trash, tying trash bags, moving the stanchions so trucks can exit & replacing them. Anticipate wrapping things up around 7pm.

## **NEW EVENTS FOR NEXT YEAR:**

- 1. Support the cornhole group; possibly hold another competition.
- 2. Have one in-season puzzle competition.
- 3. Future bands might include Pure Country who have added a fiddle player.
- 4. Farmer's Market- flyer circulated for a new vendor who does fairy hair extensions, permanent jewelry among other things. The group voted to try it. Fish, knife sharpening & Island Girl continue on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs of the month. Fish will resume weekly in the Fall.

### **POSSIBLE PURCHASES:**

- 1. The committee was polled, and the majority were in favor of giving financial support towards efforts to make cornhole an amenity. Amount undecided.
- 2. Janine is proposing buying a food/beverage trailer to use for outdoor events. This will go before the board.
  - 3. HGRD Board is still looking for volunteers to do Christmas decorations in the lobby, ballroom and dining areas. Martie has volunteered temporarily to help with transition and Mary Lou Pierozzi will help her. Most members of the Resident Events Committee feel this should not be added to our responsibilities.

THERE IS NO AUGUST MEETING.

THE NEXT MEETING IS SEPTEMBER 9, 1pm, ACTIVITY ROOM A

Respectfully submitted,

Marla Pierce, Secretary

#### **RESIDENT EVENTS MEETING 9/9/24**

**EXCUSED:** Bonnie, Denise, Laurie, Jean, Cathy, Judith, Dave, Nancy T, Shelly, Patty & Barbara.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Treasurer not present. Gary reported there was approximately an \$8,000 surplus after all expenses were paid, so roughly \$6,000 was given to the restaurant for some items that were identified by the new chef. Those items were a sneeze guard & platters for the buffet, and some accessories for the bar. Gary bought new traffic cones with retractable barrier tape for use in the parking lot for several of our events such as the farmer's market, food trucks and cornhole tournaments.

UPDATE FROM JB BELKNAP & HGRD BOARD VP PETER OVERS: JB & Peters thanked our committee profusely for all our efforts and successful events on behalf of the residents and for the donations that made the above purchases possible. JB told us that the county permitting process is about 3 months behind so the ballroom bar renovation may be delayed another 5 months. A portable bar has also been ordered with the money mentioned in the treasurer's report. Peter further said that the curtain has been ordered for the stage, ductwork has been added there & in the AV area to prevent overheating, and the projection screen is in. There will be a training session on how to access and use the new screen that Gary will attend. It is expected that we will be able to project images or videos on that screen for our dances. We will no longer be using the skirting around the stage. All the electrical work has been upgraded and the dressing rooms are done. The backstage bathroom is still being discussed as putting one in has turned out to be more problematic and costly than previously thought. A portable handicap lift has been ordered for ADA access to the stage.

JB informed us that online ticket ordering for events is still being worked out with North Star & the HGRD staff. It is not expected that it will be operational by the Halloween dance. Once it is operational, residents will have the choice to buy tickets online or go to the HGRD office to buy them in person.

Those committee members present expressed gratitude to both gentlemen for coming to the meeting and keeping us informed.

JIGSAW COMPETITION REPORT: Marla thanked Susan, Gary and Shelly for their help with the last competition; and to Gary for designing the spreadsheet to help keep all player info organized. Twenty-four residents took part in the second competition on 8/22/24. Feedback was positive from the players. The cost of the event was \$201.52; \$150 of that was for the prizes. The puzzles for the next competition have already been bought and those were \$103.92 because we plan to have 12 teams in-season. Also planned is a harder Tournament of Champions at the end of the season. We discussed when to hold the next 2 competitions and decided to have the 12 team one in January and the Tournament of Champions in March. Marla will arrange dates with Wendy.

**FOOD TRUCK WEEK REVIEW:** Feedback has been positive, and the trucks did good business. We plan to repeat this event next summer when the kitchen is closed for cleaning.

**FARMER'S MARKET UPDATE:** Gary reported the bread and fish trucks are coming weekly but the veggie vendor has gone out of business. He is looking for a replacement. On the third Thursday of each month, knife sharpening, fairy hair and island clothing vendors will also be present. In 2 weeks, the pierogi vendor will begin attending weekly.

**CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT:** We will be having another competition on November 10 from 1-6:30pm. Volunteers are needed to keep score and will be trained. Gary reported that as a committee we cannot donated funds to help cornhole become an amenity. We can hold the tournament to generate interest, and we can buy items needed for that. Once there is proven sustained interest by the residents, then they can go before the Facilities & Amenities committee to request amenity status. Much discussion ensued and it was decided that we would buy water for the participants and scoring flip cards for the score keepers. Another suggestion was to buy a speaker & microphone.

FOOD TRUCK & ICE CREAM TRUCK UPDATE: Deferred until Denise is available.

**DANCES:** Discussion ensued about possibly lowering ticket prices, but no changes made. Halloween will be \$20pp. Our breakeven point is \$1,600 for that dance. Double Dare is booked.

New Years Eve will be \$20pp. From the Edge is booked.

Ben Allen dance will be \$25pp. Booked.

Dazzling Delray's also booked and will be \$20 pp.

None of the dances will have food included in the price. Food will be offered by the restaurant.

The summer dance band has not been booked. Martie is considering the Collaboration Band or the Trop Rock Junkies. She asked that members go to Fisherman's Village on 9/21/24, 5-9pm, to hear Trop Rock Junkies play. She also informed us that Janine has planned but not yet announced the season opening dance on Nov 15<sup>th</sup> with Deb & the Dynamics.

NEXT MEETING: Monday, October 7, 2024, 1pm in Activity Room A

**Submitted by Marla Pierce** 

## Resident Events Meeting Oct 7, 2024

**Attendance:** all present with 1 absentee (John) and 5 excused (Judith, Bonnie, Nancy A, Shelly & Jean.)

**Treasurer's Report:** Cathy said that the HGRD office could not provide a report because of the storm closure. Due to the start of the new fiscal year, our balance is currently zero with several outstanding expenditures.

**Update on Farmer's Market:** Gary reported that there is still no veggie vendor available and is actively pursuing one. The Pierogi Boutique has been well received. Cutco Cutlery will be starting on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday each month (beginning in November due to the storm) and will take appointments for those who need their Cutco knives sharpened.

Fresh Catch, European Bread, and Pierogi Boutique will continue weekly. Island Time, Divas & Dolls and Cowboy Sharpening will continue on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday monthly.

**Halloween Dance:** To date 131 tickets have been sold but we have capacity for 32 tables. Martie expects more tickets will sell has snowbirds return to the Glen. Tickets will be available at the door should we not reach maximum capacity by the 31<sup>st</sup>. Martie has a form available to record resident account info should that be needed.

Due to the ongoing renovation, the photo booth will need to be in the lobby for this dance.

Nancy P reported that the tablecloths will be orange and napkins will be black. She has lanterns, spider webs and tealights for the centerpieces. She will get batteries for all the decorations needing them. She will also get wrapped candy for the tables.

The maintenance crew will be short staffed, so Barbara volunteered herself and several friends to bring decorations down from the loft. Martie and Barbara will begin that process at 9:15am on the 31<sup>st</sup>. All other decorating will begin at 10am. The ballroom has been reserved for us beginning at 8:30am.

The door will be manned by Pat C, Marla & John. Tickets will just get a slash mark, and heads will be counted. If someone forgets their ticket, the list will be available to cross check. If attendees arrive with wine bottles or glasses from the dining room, we will allow them in. Bussers will be available.

Gary will get gift cards for costume prizes and Martie will ask the band to judge the best single, couple and group costumes.

The stage backdrop will depend on the instructional meeting for use of the new projection system. Gary will attend that on Friday at 1pm. Interested committee members may attend. The backdrops are digital and downloadable. Suggested theme was ghosts and Gary will investigate. Purple lighting around the perimeter was also suggested so Gary will check with Paul Koenig. The big witch needs assembly and Dave T volunteered to do that. The witch will be part of the photo booth design.

**Jigsaw Puzzle Competitions:** Marla has not chosen a date yet due to the need for larger space and ongoing ballroom renovations. She will meet with Janine to find dates in 2025. All the puzzles for the next one are bought and 12 teams are planned instead of the usual 8. By the spring of 2025, we should have enough players to hold a Tournament of Champions with a harder puzzle.

**Cornhole:** Denise reported that all slots were filled within 1 ½ days of announcement and there is a list of 20 subs. The event is scheduled for November 10<sup>th</sup> from 1-6:30pm in the parking lot. She needs 8 volunteer judges, and some members did step forward. Training will be provided. They should arrive at 12:30pm. Janine will set up a tent for food/ beverage sales and should provide her own signage. Gary has gift cards for prizes.

Gary provided the following for informational purposes. There are 2 men, not on our committee, who are working to eventually make cornhole an amenity. The process requires cornhole to start as an activity and prove community interest. A question about interest in cornhole will be added to the long-range planning survey sent to all residents. The Resident Events Committee will not be part of the activity to amenity process, but we can hold tournaments periodically.

**Food Truck Week 2025:** The maiden event this year was well received, and we plan to do it again in 2025. Dates to be decided based on the deep cleaning schedule for the kitchen.

**Ballroom Renovation:** This is still incomplete pending permits and inspections. It is now expected to be completed around February of 2025.

**Summer Dance:** There was feedback from residents that the band's first set was not recognizable music, and that clarity of the vocals was lacking. Martie will relay that to the band since they will be back for New Years Eve. Candance suggested we contact Jack Mosley as an alternative for a trop rock performer. Marla recommended Clive Live. Martie will check into both. We are looking towards June 2025 for the summer dance.

**Food Trucks & Ice Cream Trucks:** Denise will arrange ice cream trucks to come monthly on Sundays but will hold off on a Food Truck night pending the ballroom status.

Next Meeting: November 4, 2024, in Activity Room A at 1pm.

#### RESIDENT EVENTS MEETING MINUTES

#### **NOVEMBER 4, 2024**

**ATTENDANCE:** All present except for excused members Jean & Martie, and the following resigned members- Nancy Peters, Bonnie Gee, & Susan Darcy. Two potential new members attended-Michelle Lary & Stephanie Meierhofer.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Cathy reported our estimated balance following the Halloween dance is \$400.00. There are still some outstanding receipts that make the accounting approximate.

HALLOWEEN DANCE REVIEW: 161 tickets were sold at \$20 each so we are now in the black.

Bob Mc Coy has volunteered to take photos of Resident Events activities to replace the late Dan Lim. Candance volunteered to write a brief article for the Heron digital newspaper & will include photos of the costume contest winners.

The decorations were good considering construction limitations in the ballroom. Lighting for the entryway and photo booth were insufficient. Gary will investigate more lighting for the coming dance since the ballroom renovation is not expected to be completed for several months. Everyone loved the scrolling graphics on the back wall of the stage.

The costume parade and judging were discussed. Most found it to be chaotic with several guests crowding the dance floor and joining more than one category of judging. We brainstormed some ideas to make the process smoother for next Halloween and will continue this discussion.

**PURCHASES:** Gary reminded the committee that all Resident Events purchases made on Amazon need to go through HGRD Purchasing (Jayne Schwarz) at <a href="mailto:purchasing@hgrdnfm.com">purchasing@hgrdnfm.com</a>. We get free shipping and tax-exempt status on that site.

**JIGSAW COMPETITION:** Marla reported that room availability is an issue during season but has decided with the help of the committee and puzzlers to go with a Saturday morning in mid to late January 2025. Will try to fit 10-12 banquet tables in Activity Room A with an alternate floor plan to what has previously been used. All the puzzles are bought. Will begin the sign-up process soon.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Gary announced the resignations of 3 members: Nancy Peters, Bonnie Gee and Susan Darcy. He has applications for replacements and 2 of those potential members were in attendance today: Michelle Lary who has been volunteering at our dances for some time now & Stephanie Meierhofer. Gary will contact one other potential member, Teresa Pipal, who has applied and then present the resignations & applications to the Board for approval.

**CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT:** Denise reported 96 residents have signed up and been confirmed for the competition on November 10 from 1-6:30pm. Gift card prizes have been bought. Tom Foster will set up a speaker for music at the event. There will be a practice session on Saturday not associated with our committee but following the same rules. Food & Beverage will set up a tent and sell hamburgers, hot dogs, beer, water & soft drinks. Extra garbage cans will be placed throughout the area. Volunteer judges and clean-up crews should contact Denise or Shelly.

BREAKFAST TRAILER: Gary reported the board approved K&B's Shack to set up every morning in the parking lot where the pods were. They will sell breakfast items & coffee Tuesday-Saturday from 7-11am. They will take cash or credit. This offering is currently approved by the Board under Resident Events Committee. If the offering is successful, picnic table(s) may eventually be place in that area on the grass and a second site may be available on the golf course.

**NEW YEARS EVE DANCE:** Volunteers were requested to replace those members who previously decorated the tables & just resigned. Barbara C, & Laurie, with the help of potential new members Stephanie & Michelle, will take this on. After discussion & vote, it was decided to skip the balloon drop this year as it has been very time consuming during both set-up and clean-up. We will use the tabletop balloon arrays that we already have in storage. Laurie volunteered to find a graphic to scroll on the back wall of the stage. Tickets will be \$20 each and it is uncertain if ordering online will be up and running before tickets go on sale. The band is From the Edge.

**FOOD TRUCK WEEK:** We are approved to have food trucks in everyday during the restaurant shut down for deep cleaning in the summer. Those dates are not known yet. If the new breakfast truck is successful, that vendor may be willing to extend their hours during that week so that lunch can be available for purchase.

**FUTURE BANDS:** Martie was not present, so this topic was deferred. Gary did mention that the summer dance may be in June.

**FARMER'S MARKET:** Gary reported the current vendors seem to be doing a fair amount of business. He is still trying to find a veggie vendor. The Cutco Knife vendor is scheduled to be here this Thursday (first Thursday of the month) but has not been responding to messages and has not yet turned in his required paperwork.

**FOOD TRUCK NIGHT:** Denise reported she will begin planning this after Christmas for a potential date in February 2025.

**ICE CREAM TRUCK SCHEDULE:** Ice cream vendors are scheduled to be in the parking lot on 12/1/24, 1/19/25, 2/16/25 from 3-6pm and on 3/30/25, 4/13/25, 5/18/25, 6/8/25 & 7/6/25 from 4-7pm.

**SPECIAL REQUEST:** Cathy & Judith reported that the Ad Hoc committee appointed by the HGRD Board to decorate the lobby, restaurant & ballroom for Christmas is still in need of more volunteers. If you can help, that committee will meet in the lobby on the Friday after Thanksgiving. Contact Judith or Cathy for details.

**NEXT MEETING: Monday, Dec 2, 2024, 1pm, Activity Room A.** 

Respectfully submitted by,

Marla Pierce, Sec.

#### RESIDENT EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING

#### **DECEMBER 2, 2024**

ATTENDANCE: All present except excused Jean R & Cathy S; absent Stephanie M.

**WELCOME NEW MEMBER:** Teresa Pipal. All new members have been approved by the Board-Teresa, Stephanie & Michelle. Copies of our charter were given to new members.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Update received after the meeting. Per Gary, the account has \$792.41 but expenses for NYE dance are not included. Gary reminded the committee that Amazon purchases must go through Jayne at <a href="mailto:purchasing@hgrdnfm.com">purchasing@hgrdnfm.com</a>.

**ACTIVITIES FAIR:** The Fair will be on Sunday, January 26, 2025, from noon to 2pm. The committee agreed to take part again this year as it helps our resident's understand our role in the community. Visual aids can be updated to include our newer activities such as Jigsaw Puzzle Competitions, Cornhole Tournaments and the Summer Dance. We will also have candy for those who stop at the table. Pat S, Judith, Shelly, & Candace volunteered to man the table which will not need an electrical outlet this year.

MEMBER RESERVED TICKETS FOR DANCES: Gary reminded members that the committee is only allowed to reserve up to 10 tables for each dance. Members may need to limit their guest numbers and/or share a table with other members. Martie will continue to organize these requests and asked for cooperation from the members in communicating their requests. She will send an email to the committee and prefers we respond to that (no texts or phone calls). Indicate which table you would like, how many guests, their names and account numbers, and prioritize the guests in case she cannot accommodate all of them. Please send your requests to her for the Ben Allen dance (Feb 2025) by January 6, 2025. Any conflicts will be addressed at the committee meeting scheduled for that date.

excited for more competitions. Shelly & Denise have put an enormous amount for work into registering, organizing the players into teams/ brackets and calling all players the day before to confirm their participation. Unfortunately, there were many last-minute cancelations and filling those spots caused considerable stress. Some suggestions were shared to minimize this problem. Gary will discuss with JB the possibility of charging participants. Since we cannot fundraise, all entry fee money would have to go to prizes. Additionally, registration would need to go through HGRD office for charging house accounts. Will discuss the plan for future events at the next meeting based on the feedback from JB.

Shelly & Denise thanked committee members who helped and reported that the Food & Beverage staff were pleased with the amount of business generated by the event.

**BREAKFAST TRUCK:** Reviews for the food and prices have been positive. Menus have been published on HG sites. Other feedback included ideas to make service & paying a quicker process especially for the golfers who have time constraints. The vendor seems flexible about meeting our

needs and has made some adjustments in menu items already. Hot tea would be a welcomed addition.

NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE: Color palette is royal blue, silver, and gold. Barb has ordered tablecloths and napkins and will also order balloons. Gary will check the loft for the tabletop balloon holders and get back to Barb with that. There will be no balloon drop this year. The balloon pumps will need to be picked up from the HGRD office. Shelly has the table numbers & Martie will check with Janine about her order to supplement those. Martie reported the dance is almost sold out. Gary reports there will be a photo booth in the same location as for the Halloween dance. Laurie is working on the electronic graphics for the back of the stage. Gary will try to synchronize the background graphics to the live Times Square ball drop at midnight. If that does not work, the back-up plan is the turn on the TV's. Martie will talk to Paul Koenig about adjusting the lighting on the stage, so it does not bother the performers. Pat C & John will handle tickets at the door. This is the only dance where outside snacks are allowed. Gary reminded the group that last year the volume of food brought in was excessive and guests did not clean up after themselves. He asked that members tell their guests to limit the snacks and clean up after. Those members staffing the door will need to stop coolers, and drink containers from being brought in. Any problems with that should be brought to Gary's attention.

**JIGSAW PUZZLE COMPETITON:** Marla has booked Saturday, January 25, from 9:30am-12:30pm for the next competition. There will be between 10-12 teams of 3. Registration is in progress and so far, there are 7 teams filled. At least 1/3 of the participants are new and more are expected as snowbirds return after January 1<sup>st</sup>. The Tournament of Champions is planned for end of season.

**FOOD TRUCK NIGHT:** Denise has scheduled the event for Monday, March 24, 2025, from 4-7pm. She hopes to have 4 entree trucks and 1 dessert truck. To date the Italian food truck and the Lunch Box have been confirmed.

**FOOD TRUCK WEEK:** Still awaiting dates from Food & Beverage.

**FARMER'S MARKET:** Gary reports all is going well but he has had no response from the latest veggie vendor contact.

**SUMMER DANCE:** We are looking at sometime in June for this dance. Band suggestions are needed. Marla recently saw Tropical Avenue, a SWFL group, that she highly recommends and gave their card to Martie.

FUTURE BANDS: Discussed alternative bands for next Halloween & NYE.

**ICE CREAM TRUCKS:** Denise has scheduled trucks for 1/19/25 & 2/18/25 at 3-6pm; and 3/30/25, 4/13/25, 5/18/25, 6/8/25 & 7/6/25 at 4-7pm.

**SIGNS FOR FARMER'S MARKET:** Gary asked for help putting out the signs on Thursday morning and Dave T volunteered to take over in January with back-up from John.

**LADDER WAIVERS:** Gary reviewed which members have signed waivers, asked for more volunteers and several members signed them at the meeting.

**NEXT MEETING:** Monday, January 6, 2025, 1pm in Activity Rm A.

Respectfully submitted,

Marla Pierce