



AROUND THE WORLD IN ONE EVENING

Where else but at Longboat Harbour could one dine on culinary specialties from many countries all in one evening!! Our hosts, **the Drugans and Dohertys** assisted by their sister **Linda Sellinger, Bart and Jean Wassmansdorf, Melanie Johnson** and our roving photographer **Christina Filkins** treated eighty-seven guests to a fun-filled evening. When they signed up to attend, guests selected a country which they would represent in table decorations, costumes and food for the buffet table. Music provided by the talented **Daniel Fugazzotto** featured international selections such as the Mexican Hat Dance, the Tarantella, When Irish Eyes Are Smiling, an Irish Jig and traditional American songs to name a few.



Brian & Jan Doherty, Linda Sellinger & Mary & Tom Drugan

After all had their fill of international foods from pasta to paella, from bratwurst and stuffed cabbage to crepes, from spaetzle (german noodles) to Chirashizushi (a Japanese rice dish), to name just a few of the delicious and plentiful dishes, prizes were given to the following:

Best Table Decorations
First Prize was awarded to the **Japanese Table** tastefully decorated with a “noren” (a hanging cloth traditionally hung in the doorway of a restaurant during business hours) which contained a poem by the poet Miyakawa Kenji. Guests at this table were **Kimura-san tachi (Yoshito and Mary), Simpson-san tachi (Ken and MaryAnn)** and **Bateman-san tachi (Larry and Ann)** many of whom were authentically garbed in “yukatas”. **Yoshito** finished off his outfit with “geta”, his father’s wooden shoes. “Omedeto” to the Japanese table!
Second Prize was awarded to the **Mexican Table** decorated by **Senor y Senora Stamp, Senor y Senora Winter, Senor y Senora Davin, Senora Bellamente y**

Senora Johnson with a bright tablecloth, balloons, maracas and “pequenos sombreros” at each place. “Felicidades!”

Honorable Mention went to the **Italian Table** decorated with plastic flowers arranged elegantly in tomato puree cans, and wine bottles with candle drippings placed on a bright tablecloth by **Signore e Signora Troup, Signore e Signora Mazurek, Signora Ford, Signora Waldman e Signore Comeforo** (The only authentic “paisan”). The women portrayed the old Italian mammas dressed in black long dresses complete with aprons and mantillas or babushkas to cover their hair while the men all looked like cast members from the “Godfather:” Even though they all looked like guests in a small town “trattoria”, it was disappointing that they didn’t rise to dance the Tarantella. “Gratulazioni!”

Best Costumes

First Prize went to **Pam and Ken Euerle** for their authentic Swedish outfits complete with braids, suspenders and Viking hats. “Gratulera!”



Second Prize was awarded to **Sheila Weiser and Joe Longtin** wearing o’ the green jackets, hats and boas representing Ireland, of course. They are all ready for St. Pat’s Day! “Comhghairdeas”



Third Prize winners were **Signora e Signore Mazurek** who looked the part of a couple straight from old Italia.”Gratulazioni”

Wonderful hosts, creative chefs, effective group planning and appropriate music combined to provide a lively, fun-filled evening for all.



Frau Geraci

A few more “Around the World” pictures..



Alice Jorgensen & Christina Filkins



Donna Winter & Barbara Bellamente



**Mexican Table
2nd Prize Winner**



Barbara Janssen & Yo Kimura

FROM CLASSICS TO BROADWAY

concert was held on March 5 at the LBH Recreation Hall. **Jan Ort-mann** played piano & **Bob Geraci** played clarinet to a full house. The Classics portion of the concert included compositions by Mozart, Zdenko



Fibich and N. Rimsky-Korsakov. At intermission, coffee & delicious desserts were served. Following intermission, selections from the Rodgers & Hammerstein Collection were played including favorites from Oklahoma, South Pacific, The King and I, and the Sound of Music. Audience members were encouraged to sing along. A grand time was had by all! Residents showed their appreciation by giving **Jan & Bob** a standing ovation. **Jan & Bob** thanked the Recreation Committee, **Marcia Deitrich** for making the flyers and concert bill, their spouses, and all those who helped to make it a beautiful and successful evening.

Barbara Bellamente

DANCE TRIVIA PARTY



There was an air of mystery as the posters went up announcing this event. Questions were asked

of the hosts **Bonnie and Bill Coughlin, Carole Shaw and Stuart Sinai** as to what



Carole & Stuart

this party would entail. On the evening of March 11, one hundred five guests arrived to find the Recreation Hall colorfully decorated with red and gold balloons, gem-studded wine bottles bearing the name Hotel Moscow and sleeves from various old records.

As we were sampling the assorted mini croissant and sub sandwiches, salads and fruit set out for us, each group was asked to select a humorous name for the participants at their table. Names ranged from “Oldies But Goodies” to “Sweet Sixteen ” with “Long Islanders” and “Seven Deadly Sins” in between, to name a few of the fifteen teams. Before the game began, our DJs, Barry and Nancy, admonished the players not to use any electronic devices to aid them in the game. As short parts of twenty songs from years which spanned the generations of the attendees were heard, players were asked to write down the title, artist and next line from each. One group, whose name will not be mentioned, got so “into” the game that they could not restrain from singing out the next line, instead of quietly writing it down on the paper.

In between the segments of “Name That Tune”, a variety of dance tunes kept attendees on the dance floor while the DJs tallied up the scores from the game. At the end of the evening, we were given the correct information and the following winners were announced. “The Replacements” which included **Carolyn and Russ Varnum, Barb and Bill Stamp, Barb and Jim Fox, Sharyn Ford and Ken Comeforo** won first prize. Second prize was awarded to “The Pirates” – **Mary and Yoshito Kimura, Cory and Mike Walther and Maureen and John Shea** with “The Marauders” and “Kool Kats” following closely behind. Lucky **Don Thomson** took home a bundle from the 50/50 drawing !!

As the evening progressed, comments were heard such as, “Oh, that song was from 1961, I was in high school then.” or from those a bit older, “I wasn’t listening to the radio, I was too busy changing diapers.” The wonderful songs such as “I Wanna Hold Your Hand”, “Rhinstone Cowboy”, “Great Balls of Fire” and “It’s Not For Me To Say” with artists such as the Beatles, Elvis, Johnny

Mathis and “Old Blue Eyes” brought back so many memories of “old flames”, favorite movies and special events from our younger years. Thanks to the **Coughlins, Carol Shaw and Stuart Sinai** for this wonderful evening of fun, teamwork and nostalgia.

Pat Geraci



ANCHOVIES OR PEPPERONI

On April 14, one hundred thirty-one LbH residents, walked or rode across the street to the beach house to attend the last social event of the year. It was good to even see a few young lads in attendance. All were greeted by **Gretchen Burns** and **Marge Geiger** as they were given a name tag and a ticket for ice cream. A welcome addition to the annual Pizza Party was Ned Gray, a singer and guitarist, whose wonderful music provided an opportunity for residents to participate in their favorite pastime – dancing, of course.

Our meal began with the famous salad filled with nuts, cranberries, cheese, etc. complete with the renowned dressing provided by **Beth and Herman Waldman**. The forty-five pizzas from both Fire and Stone and Oma’s included everything from white pizza to pepperoni, sausage, anchovy and gluten-free- something for everyone’s taste and dietary restrictions. Looks like anchovies won first prize as the doubled order was wiped out instantly! Everyone cheered when the ice cream truck arrived with a wonderful selection of sweet things to finish off our meal. Did it bring back fond memories of running to greet the Skippy Truck in your neighborhood many years ago?

This fun evening chaired by **Carole Shaw, Stuart Sinai, Linda Reilly and Alan Ross** was truly a community effort as the chairs cited the following as contributing to its success: **the Coughlins, Mazureks, Waldmans, Barbara Bellamente, Tom Vitro, Gail Gilvey, Graham Sampson, Ken Comeforo, Suzanne Schwing, Pam Newton, Pat Marschke, Gretchen Burns, Marge Geiger, LbH Staff** and , of course, our Rec Committee chairs, **the Drugans and Dohertys**. Sorry that you had to be in Michigan dealing with a recently sold condo, **Carole Shaw**. However, we were told that your “ amazing organizational skills” beforehand had much to do with the party’s success. You do the math-- forty-five pizzas, one hundred thirty-one eaters and five pieces re-

maining at the end of the evening. Do LbHers like pizza?

Besides having a good time and being well-fed, we enjoyed greeting some new residents, found it sad to say good-bye to some who have their units on the market and shared information about departure and return dates with friends who we look forward to seeing again. Most were so busy chatting that they forgot to watch the sunset, let alone the green flash. Looking forward to next season and all the fun times provided by our Rec Committee.

Pat Geraci



Tom Vitro, & Bonnie & Bill Coughlin



Pat Marschke & Mary Drugan



Stuart Sinai & Alan Ross



Bonnie Coughlin & Barbara Bellamente



Ann Bateman, Kay Owen, Sue Troup & Maureen Shea



Jim & Joann Vinci & Pat & George Crocco

"Luncheon at Tiffany's"



Gwen Wallin, Mary Drugan, Gretchen Burns, Janice Doherty, Heide Berry, Connie Jones, Sue Silver, Maureen Shea, Donna Winter and Barbara Bellamente



Harbourettes biannual fashion show hosted by the very creative and energetic trio of **Marge Geiger, Deborah O'Connor** and **Pat Marschke** was a huge success on February 24, attended by over 100 people. "Bling" decorations displayed on each table reflected the main focus and theme of "Luncheon at Tiffany's". Fashions were presented by Chicco and Soma and our models- **Barbara Bellamente, Heidi Berry, Gretchen Burns, Jan Doherty, Mary Drugan, Connie Jones, Maureen Shea, Sue Silver, Gwen Wallin and Donna Winter** did a superb and elegant job of displaying the outfits. Comments such as "all the styles were just perfect and beautifully worn by the models" were heard throughout the complex for many days after the event.

Luncheon began with Brie en Croute and artichoke dip followed by a delicious pear salad and a choice of scallops or filet mignon. The delicious meal was topped off with carrot cake and a cake with chocolate frosting. After dessert, over 40 prizes were raffled off as people lingered to chat with their friends. A 50/50 raffle was held from which a \$250.00 donation was sent to St. Jude's Children's Research Center.

The selfless donation of time and hard work given by all of the wonderful volunteers and hard-working staff members contributed to a very successful event. Last, but certainly not least, a special thanks to our wonderful pianist, **Jan Ortmann** for the beautiful Mancini medley which she played throughout the show.

The committee is very appreciative of all the phone calls, flowers and notes that they received from guests congratulating them for "the best fashion show we've ever had." Thank you all for everything.

Pat Marschke

Exercise Group

Monday through Friday from 8:15 to 9 AM, in the gym, a group of 10 to 20 people start their day by exercising to a Leslie Sansone video. There is a different workout tape each day. **Jeannie McIvor** is the group leader.



We all enjoy the friendship, camaraderie and conversations before and after the workout. All Longboat Harbour residents are welcome and encouraged to join us for a healthy and fun time.

Pam Euerle



LbH SPRING GOLF OUTING

Eight LbH foursomes arrived at Manatee County Golf Course where they were greeted with cool, windy weather and difficult course conditions. Undaunted, our hearty golfers braved the high winds and nasty greens for eighteen long holes and claimed victory over Mother Nature and chemically burned putting surfaces.

Each team had to predict their likely score (the number of times they would hit the ball in a “best ball format” to compete for the precious prize of a sleeve of golf balls. Two teams predicted their score accurately so a “putt off” was held on our own putting green here at



LbH. After all, there are only so many sleeves of golf balls we can afford!

The winners were: **Jim Fox, Jim Vinci, Graham Sampson, and Carol Lineham.**, The other accurate predictors were: **Ian and Karen MacIntosh and Joe and Kathy Sever.**



Steve Kasden, Ken Comeforo, Bob Mazurek and Rich Pellegrino achieved the lowest gross score of the day – 67. Wow!! Congrats to them. The closest to the pin prize for the men went to **Ian MacIntosh**. Unfortunately, no woman could find the green. It must have been the wind! Longest drive for the men went to **Ted Janssen** and **Susan Claudio** won the same category for the women.

After we battled the proverbial traffic returning to LbH, a mouthwatering barbeque was awaiting us thanks to the culinary talents of **Chef Dennis McIvor**. A team putting contest was held during lunch and we watched with awe



Ian MacIntosh & Ted Janssen

as **Keith O’Conner** sunk three long putts making him the champion putter of the day. Many thanks go to **Joe and Kathy Sever and Ian**

and **Karen MacIntosh** who chaired and hosted the event, did the shopping, prepared the area and did the cleanup. Our tireless Rec Committee Chairpeople, the **Drogans** and the **Dohertys**, also pitched in to help make the day a success. Thanks so much to everyone who contributed to the event..



Kathy Sever & Karen MacIntosh

Get ready for the next outing in November. Hit the driving range!

Mary Bock

GENERATION TO GENERATION

We look forward to hearing from sons, daughters or any relatives of original owners or former owners at LbH who are now here because they enjoyed their visits to our spot in “Paradise”. Thank you so much for sharing your story with us. Are there any others? We would enjoy hearing from you too! MLD-NY@earthlink.net

In the summer of 1969, **Al Fischbein's** parents, **Cora and Mel**, purchased unit B - 303 directly from the builder's plans. They moved in the following January and that spring **Carol and Al** and their three small children made the first of many visits to Longboat Harbour. It was love at first sight!! After **Carol's** retirement in 1998, she and **Al** moved here permanently and have enjoyed 18 wonderful years. They both have been active in our community. **Al** served on the Board of Directors for 8 years and has actively pursued his love of athletics playing golf, tennis, softball and ping pong in addition to biking, walking and relaxing at the pool. **Carol** is a long-time Harbourette and has served as both vice-president and president. She, too, enjoys the many activities available.

Carol Fischbein

My parents were the first owners of L303 in 1971. They were **Mary Louise and Herb Whitacre**. They came down with two other Indianapolis, Indiana couples. They were **Pat and Larry Sogard and Charolette and Russ Priest**. They were all in L, 3rd floor. When the Sogards went to Freedom Village my parents bought L303. After my parents passed I bought it from the trust. My daughter started coming here too when she was one. Thus, I have been coming about 50 years (a snow bird) and now my granddaughters have been coming yearly too. We have a lot of combined memories here and have seen so many changes in Sarasota and Longboat. BUT, it is STILL our favorite place to be.

Judith Hershberger, Indianapolis

Men's Club 2016 Season

With a great deal of anticipation, the Men's Club began its 2016 season on February 16th. Our members were excited to learn that in addition to an enjoyable lunch and each other's company, a well known speaker, Michael Geary, owner of the Lazy Lobster would be on hand as our opening speaker.

Nearly 50 members showed up and were not disappointed with the day's festivities. Members enjoyed choosing lunch from lasagna prepared by **Herman Waldman** or sandwiches from Publix along with a mixed salad. The beverages were served by our fabulous recreation committee of **Brian Doherty** and **Tom Drugan**. A light dessert followed.

After lunch **Ken Euerle** introduced our speaker Michael Geary who spoke of his life and the business of running the Lazy Lobster. All who heard him were impressed with his life story and how he became the owner of such a popular restaurant. He said one of the key ingredients to the success of his restaurant was his concept of "Happy Dollars". Rather than advertise, he chooses to keep his customers very happy so they tell people about their good dining experience.



The second meeting of the year took place on March 15. It was our "March Madness" meeting which featured a tasty lunch, a competitive golf putting contest and an awesome speaker, **Milt Harr**. After some lively competition, **Al Fishbien** ended up the winner by dropping a 15 foot putt. Following the contest we feasted on hotdogs, sausages, salad and mac and cheese prepared once again by "**Chef Herman**". He was ably assisted by **Bob Mazurek**, **Brian Doherty** and **Tom Drugan**. Our publicity was ably produced by **Marcia Deitrich** and our members were greeted by **Joe Callahan**, **Ron McReavy** and **Jim Vinci**.



Our headline speaker was our own member, professor and WWII veteran **Milt Harr**. What a treat to have such an interesting, world renown individual address us. **Milt**

was in great form as he told of two life threatening experiences and one life sustaining experience in his life.

When **Milt** was 17, he entered the Navy and was sent to fight in Europe with our troops on D-Day. After surviving D-Day, he was transferred to the Marines as a medical corpsman. He was sent to Iwo Jima where he was severely injured while caring for our soldiers a few days after arriving on the island. He woke up blind in a hospital on Hawaii not knowing what happened to him, how he got there or the extent of his injuries.

Milt humbly showed his purple heart from his injuries at Iwo Jima and his recent medal, the Napoleonic Legion of Honor chevalier from the French government for his efforts on D-Day. The 3rd important item he displayed was his wedding ring from his wife **Florence**. They will celebrate their 71st anniversary on May 23rd this year.

Ken Euerle ended the meeting by thanking the members for their support over the past 3 years as we tried to bring the Men's Club back. **Ken** is stepping down. He announced that **Bill Coughlin** would be taking the role that **Ken** had developed as leader of the Men's Club for 2017. We are looking forward to our next meeting in 2017.

Ken Euerle

B - I - N - G - O



Sue Silver, Pat Geraci, Ken Simpson, Bob Silver, Mary Ann Simpson, & Donna Birnbaum

The 2016 Bingo season began on January 19 as guests were greeted by **Ken Simpson**, our capable and humorous caller with his wife **Mary Ann** who graciously welcomed all as they arrived. Money was paid for cards to **Bob "the Banker" Silver** while "**Vanna**" **Sue Silver** did various jobs to facilitate the evening. **Pat Geraci**, the checker, made sure that all the winning numbers were valid. As the first 5 games were played, all patiently awaited the intermission when the crowd could storm the large platter of goodies from **Donna Birnbaum's** pastry kitchen. Throughout the year, monetary prizes

ranged from \$6.00 to \$21.00 depending on the size of the group. Other prizes consisted of wine, chocolate bars and LBK tee shirts awarded for certain games. The famous “roll-over” continued for several weeks until it was won by **Bob Geraci** who yelled Bingo so loud that he shook the table at which he was sitting.



As the year progressed, **Ken** mysteriously announced that there would be no Bingo on March 15. Many surmised that **the Simpsons** were involved with many of their other volunteer activities that evening. Who would have suspected that **Mary Ann** was scheduled to have back surgery that day? The following week, **Mary Ann**, as peppy as ever and with a smile on her face, divulged the secret. Such devotion from our leaders and a miracle of modern medicine!!

How about a little trivia!! Did you know that Bingo, then called Lotto, began in Italy in 1530 and is still played every Saturday there? By the 1770s, “Le Lotto” had spread to France where it was a game of the wealthy. By 1929 it had spread to the States as “Beano”, a carnival game in which the dealer selected numbered discs from a cigar box and players marked their cards with beans. In Germany, it was used as a child’s game to help students learn various subjects and a variation called “ole” is now used at LbH to help in the learning of Spanish vocabulary. The name was changed to “Bingo” by a NY toy salesman after which a Columbia professor was hired to devise six thousand different boards. By 1934, it was estimated that ten thousand games were played weekly with ten million dollars spent on Bingo in North America. (Isn’t Google great !!)

The 2016 Bingo season ended with a record crowd of fifty-three in attendance. As the season progressed, the word had spread and everyone wanted to get in on the Tuesday night fun, goodies and prizes. The final evening of March 22 was filled with munchies and appreciation as **the Drugans and Dohertys** from the Recreation Committee presented gifts to the Bingo Committee members. It was a wonderful season in which all were winners. Many made new friends, camaraderie abounded, all enjoyed wonderful goodies and some even won monetary prizes.

Pat Geraci



Let’s Dine Out - Pattigeorge

It’s been about 6 years since we dined at Pattigeorge. On a recent evening when we just wanted some small plates and not a full meal we were turned away by 3 other restaurants on LBK due to the crowds here for Spring vacation. This at 4:30 PM. Coming back home to see what we might pull together we came up to Pattigeorges to find plenty of parking spaces and decided to give it a try. They do not open until 5:30 each evening but we are so happy, we waited.

They have half price small plates at the bar from 5:30 to 6:30 then again from 8 to 9 PM. Wine and well drinks are \$5.00.

We found one of the best calamari dishes we have had in a long time. We then tried the Spring Rolls and Tuna Tartar Wonton Tacos. 5-stars on all selections.

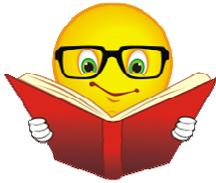
The other day we made reservations to go back for dinner. My nephew was here visiting and we wanted to go someplace on the Island where he has not been. WOW, we were so pleased with our decision. We started off with the Calamari and it was large enough to split among us. Jim, my husband ordered the Palermo Pad Thai – Fettuccine Noodles, Chicken, Shrimp and vegetables with a Spicy Tamarind-Peanut sauce. With the help of a good bread there was no sign that a meal had been on the plate when the server took it away. Jim, my nephew, and I ordered the Paella A La Valencia. This dish included Snapper, Shrimp, Chorizo, Chicken, Shitake Mushrooms and a Saffron Risotto. We both agreed it was excellent and I gave some of mine to my husband to taste. He also agreed it was very good. The restaurant was full and everyone seemed to be enjoying their family and friends as well as the food they were eating. Did not see any “doggie” boxes going home. There are lots of side dishes to choose from. All looked good but we felt we did not need them. Great desserts on the menu as well but just did not have the room to eat one this time. This gem is practically in our back yard and I understand it was the “go to” place back in the day. I am so glad we decided to stop in and give it a try again. Even happier that we went back for dinner. The room is surrounded by glass windows so there isn’t a bad seat in the house. Beautiful views of the Sarasota Bay.

Reservations a must for dinner in season.

Have a safe summer everyone - see you in the Fall.

Barbara Fox

BOOK “N” BUDDIES 2016
FAREWELL



It's that time again. Sadly, our year has come to an end. Our dinner meeting was pushed up to March 29th at Lazy Lobster to accommodate those leaving shortly. We will introduce next year's titles for discussion. Since our winter INFO introduced some of our titles from the beginning of the year, the balance of our season will be discussed herein.

The Devil in the White City by Erik Larson. the true story of the first World's Fair in 1893 being built while a diabolical killer is on the loose. The fair brought many new creations such as the Ferris Wheel and, a favorite with every child in America, "Jack in the Box" popcorn, one of my favorites. Our discussion was lively and informative. Diane Vanderpoel brought her computer and we were able to watch some of the marvels of American ingenuity being created by famous architects in the 19th century. As for the Devil, after he was finally apprehended, the city chose not to publicize this diabolical serial killer of young women. His hotel was built at the edge of the 1893 World's Fair and many of his victims were his guests. A great read, agreed by all.

Big Little Lies by Lian Moriarty - A present time novel of a life lesson among friends. A contemporary story about young mothers, telling big little lies that impact their lives and ends in tragedy. An interesting scenario of young mothers, comparisons and finally a tragic accident. A good read, best read by their contemporaries. A good life lesson.

Alice I have Been by Melanie Benjamin - Our official last meeting will meet in the lounge on April 13th when we will discuss Alice I Have Been by Melanie Benjamin; a return to her childhood home and the memories of the man who created Alice in Wonderland. Very interesting.

Our 2017 titles will be: The Girl I Left Behind by Jojo Moyes, Goldfinch by Donna Tartt, Nightingale by Kristin Hannah, After You (a sequel to Me Before You) by Jojo Moyes, Boys in a Boat by Daniel James Brown, Plain Truth by Jodi Picoult, and The Loveliest Chocolate Shop in Paris by Jenny Colgan.

We continue to encourage any of our residents to join us in the lounge on the second and fourth Wednesdays at 7 PM, beginning January.

I personally want to thank all our members for the interesting discussions, camaraderie and laughter we've en-

joyed together.

A special thanks to **Diane Vanderpoel** for her generosity of spirit and leadership.

We wish everyone at Longboat Harbour a wonderful summer season and we will see you again next season.

Marge Geiger

L Building “Meet the Neighbors”



Gary Wallin, Bob Ortmann, Joyce Mazurek & Jan Ortmann

On March 6th, building L held a wonderful gathering on the first floor entry way. Almost all the L building residents came to enjoy appetizers and beverages and getting to know one another. The people we see in the laundry room and say "hi" to in the carport area – we now actually know their names. Everyone, upon arrival, wrote an interesting fact about themselves. These facts and guesses who they were about were revealed mid-party.

It seemed that we all enjoyed our time together and now know our neighbors better.

Ken Euerle

WELCOME NEW OWNERS

We look forward to meeting all of you and hope that you will enjoy Longboat Harbour and all that it has to offer.

E - 204 Doreen & Bruce Linick, Osprey, FL

G -106 Emilia & Sean Davis, Warren, OH

H - 204 Susan & Slade Cargill, Athens, NY

J -102 Patricia & Thomas Guido, Manorville, NY

L-305 Anne & Donald McKinnon, Sarasota, FL

J-108 Kristina & Albert Dixon, Stafford, VA

TRASH TALK (and recycling too)



We contract for single stream recycling with our waste hauler. Single stream does not

mean everything. Some things either cannot be recycled or cannot be handled by the sorting machinery. Cans, glass, paper, cardboard, and plastic containers are the best candidates. You can learn more about recycling on our website under Recycling.

Wet and dirty items can send a whole one ton bale of sorted material to the landfill. Plastic bags should never go into the recycling bins even when filled with good recyclables. How can a machine sort a plastic bag full of mixed items?

Items that should never go into our recycling bins include:

Plastic bags and plastic film (Publix has a bin for plastic bags near the door.)

Anything wet

Food

Dirty items, for example used pizza boxes and dirty food containers

Composite items, for example containers made with metal and plastic or paper.

Foam rubber, foam packing, foam egg cartons

More Trash Talk

Remember to flatten boxes before putting them in either the trash or recycling to leave room for your fellow residents. (Cardboard has long fibers for strength and is good for recycling.) Wet paint is considered hazardous waste and it is against the law to put it into the trash. A can of dried paint on the other hand can be discarded, so let cans dry before discarding. Never discard highly combustible material in the trash because hundreds of garbage trucks catch fire each year doing millions of dollars of damage.

Bob Ortmann

OPERATING COMMITTEE HIGHLIGHTS

- Painting of beach house is complete

- Benches have been installed in beach house bathrooms
- New bike racks have been installed at Building K
- Beach chairs and umbrellas without current tags have been removed from the beach house storage to the maintenance area
- Exterior entrance will be illuminated with white rope lighting
- One housekeeping employee has resigned, one has been terminated and one, Blanca, has been hired
- The damaged ping pong table in the gym will be replaced
- Inoperable Building J elevator is awaiting an emergency permit from the State of Florida before repairs can be made
- Contract with our current elevator company will not be renewed
- Florida Elevator will be our new elevator company
- Second phone line for gate is working well
- New parking stripes have been painted between G and H building
- Maintenance staff has installed new heater in Pool #1
- Reflectors have been installed on fire hydrants
- Bulk agreement with Comcast is up for renewal on 2/28/17.
- More lighting is being installed near the entrance of each building
- Pool #2 is being examined for cracks
- Bids are being received to replace roof pads
- The copy machine in owners' workroom is being adapted to include Faxing capabilities

Summer Projects

- Main pool will be resurfaced
- New sod and top soil will be placed behind Building H from the walkway between Building G to the walkway near the laundry room of Building H
- Six new white vinyl fencing enclosures will be installed around the garbage bins on the property
- Laundry rooms in Buildings J, G and N will be refurbished. Ample notice will be given to residents.
- Offices will be painted
- Saunas will be redone

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- Game room, locker rooms and gym will be painted and new carpets will be installed
- Painting of fourteen residential buildings will be "strongly considered" – A special Board meeting will be held on May 12 to discuss this, to award a contract to the painting contractor and to determine the special assessment that will be needed to cover the cost

Pat Geraci

HIGHLIGHTS FROM JANUARY BOD MEETING

- Total annual expenses for 2015 were under budget by \$148,195.
- Igor Solovyev appointed Manager of LBHOA.
- Non family guests may stay at LbH for up to 14 days as long as owner is present. No non family guests are allowed without owner present. Non family members who stay in a unit without the owner present will be considered a tenant and must have an approved lease, pay a rental application fee and submit to a background check.
- New roof in the common areas will withstand 150 mph winds and has a 50 year guarantee.
- New bike shed near intersection of Falmouth and Chatham will hold 24 bikes. Bikes on premises without current tags will be removed to area behind the Gym and held there until claimed but not longer than one year.
- New white vinyl fence will be installed on bay side of maintenance area including doors to the hall way which will have a common key lock.
- Seven raccoons trapped and relocated to Myakka State Park.
- All flyers must be approved by the Manager and will be placed on and removed from the BB only by LbH staff.
- All contractors must be interviewed and approved by the Manager who will share instructions, guidelines and regulations with the contractor. Application forms for this process are online at our website.
- ALL CARDBOARD BOXES MUST BE CRUSHED BEFORE BEING PLACED IN THE RECYCLE BIN.
- Beach house renovation is completed.
- Only overnight guests of residents may use LbH

common elements. LbH residents may not extend open invitations to non-residents to use LbH facilities. Daytime visitors may not use the common elements unless the owner is on site.

- LbHYC relieved from authority to rent docks or kayak racks which shall become the responsibility of the LBHOA.
- Thirty additional kayak racks to be built.

Mary Bock

HIGHLIGHTS FROM FEBRUARY BOD MEETING

- New carpet to be installed in Billiard/Card Room, Locker Rooms and Gym during the summer not to exceed \$16,000.
- Roof work on common area buildings completed. Roof work on residential buildings begins in March. Mansards will be completed by 2017-18.
- New motion sensor night lights at building entrances to be installed.
- Bike inventory found 50 bikes improperly tagged or stored. 17 people did not respond to repeated requests to tag and store bikes properly so bikes were removed to maintenance area behind Gym
- Beach chair inventory to begin in April. Improperly tagged or stored chairs will be removed.
- Emergency repairs to units by LbH staff which are not the responsibility of the LBHOA will be charged back to owners at the rate of \$50.00 per hour plus materials.
- Operational procedure for all checking and savings accounts using LBHOA EIN changed. See motion on LBHOA website for details.
- LbHYC officers' resignations accepted.
- Anyone interested in taking on leadership of LbHYC should see Bob Winter or Manager Igor Solovyev.
- Updated Contractor Application Form is available in the office or online.

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HIGHLIGHTS FROM MARCH BOD MEETING

- Pest control and gate expense over budget this

month due to raccoon removal and gate sticker replacement.

- Auditors report successfully completed with no discrepancies or material weaknesses.
- Bill Coughlin taking over Men's Club due to Ken Euerle's retirement.
- Concerns expressed by Men's Club and Harbourettes over use of staff to help out at meetings.
- Complaints received about barking dog in Building G.
- Sherwin Williams to engineer building painting project, a service that is included with purchase of paint, saving us \$48,000 in outside engineering costs.
- New chairpersons needed for Recreation Committee for 2017-2018 when current chairpersons will step down.
- New procedures and application form approved for Emotional Support Animals.
- Funds from the rental of docks and kayaks will be dedicated to maintain docks, sea walls and boating facilities.
- Lock on Woodshop will be changed. New Woodshop keys will cost \$25.00 which is refundable when key is turned in. A signed waiver will also be required.
- Owners who are selling should inform their realtors that LbH is a "no pet" community.
- New copy machine installed for owners' use.
- Camera purchased to diagnose pipe leaks.

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HIGHLIGHTS FROM APRIL BOD MEETING

- New housekeeper, Blanca working in H, I,J,K,L
- Women's bathroom at the beach having backup and flooding problems due to sand in drainage pipe and inappropriate items flushed down the toilet.
- Work will be done this summer to replace protective pads on roof.
- Concrete work continues in preparation for painting project this summer.
- New signage at beach to match existing signs on campus.
- Thermostats installed in elevator rooms for temperature control.

- Beach chairs not in compliance for storage removed; they can be found in maintenance area behind the Gym.
- Blue lights removed from entrance.
- Yacht Club refunds to be mailed out mid - April.
- Main pool will be closed in June for resurfacing.
- Next BOD meeting is May 12 when an assessment will be announced.

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Copies of the approved minutes and financial reports are available in the office and on our web site www.longboatharbour.net

ATTENTION ALL RESIDENTS

In case of an emergency, day or night, call the office number, **383-2126**. If the office is closed the message will give you an emergency number to call. There is someone on call 24/7.

DO NOT CALL A BOARD MEMBER OR THE OPERATING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN.

INFO If you know of someone who did not receive a paper copy of INFO and thinks that they should have or would prefer one in the future please contact me at MLD-NY@earthlink.net.

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Thank you to everyone who contributed articles or pictures for this issue of INFO. We hope that you will continue for future issues.

Mary Bock, Marcia Deitrich,
Christina Filkins, Pat Geraci, Marge Geiger,
Jean and Bart Wassmansdorf



LONGBOAT HARBOUR RECREATION CALENDAR

2016

NOV 5	SAT	5:30 P.M.	WELCOME BACK PARTY
NOV 9	WED	TBA	FALL GOLF OUTING
DEC 6	TUES	5:30 P.M.	DECORATE REC HALL & OFFICE /Sign up in office

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

For upcoming events *check the house channel 195, your bulletin board and our web site at www.longboatharbour.net*

2017

JAN	TUES	TBA	BINGO BEGINS
JAN	TUES	TBA	MENS CLUB
JAN 20	FRI	TBA	MARCY DOWNEY ED SULLIVAN CLIPS
FEB	TUES	TBA	MENS CLUB
FEB 18	SAT	5:30	ROCKIN' THRU THE AGES Daniel Fugazzotto
MAR	TUES	TBA	MENS CLUB
MAR 11	SAT	7 P.M.	COMEDY IMPROV SHOW
MAR 31	FRI	7 P.M.	ORTMANN/GERACI/ CONCERT /SING ALONG
APR 5	WED	TBA	SPRING GOLF OUTING
APR	TUES	TBA	MENS CLUB
APR 20	THURS	5:30	PIZZA PARTY

Board Meetings are the 3rd Thursday of the month. at 10 a.m.

Agenda Meetings are held at 10 a.m. on Wednesday a **full week** before a Board Meeting. If you wish to have something placed on the agenda for the board meeting either notify the board in writing prior to the agenda meeting or attend the agenda meeting.

Operating Committee Meetings are held at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday the week prior to and following a Board Meeting. All owners are invited to attend.

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE!!!
WE NEED HOSTS FOR THE EVENTS.

Contact Mary Drugan at 1-630-567-5414 or
Jan Doherty at 1-630-303-2618.
All new participants and ideas are welcome.

Mary, Tom, Jan and Brian
The Recreation Committee

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