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President's Message:

I am writing this section on December 21st, the beginning of winter and the shortest day of the month. Now we can look forward to the slow but steady process of increasingly longer days even though our worst weather is still ahead of us.



Our long awaited gutter cleaning is underway and should be completed well before this Tidings is distributed. WSSC has completed the finished patches on Lindsey, Bigby, Elmhan and Hallaton and the patches were well done and will last us through the winter. In the spring,

WSSC will overlay the affected areas with a continuous layer of asphalt which will give the roads a finished look.

Although I have been away much of the month I understand from our vice president that things have been rather quiet except for two adjacent units in one of our duplexes whose sewers backed up and made a very unpleasant mess. A company was brought in to do restoration work. The problem seems to have been caused by tree roots which penetrated and clogged the sewer lines. I sincerely regret that the residents of the affected homes had to endure this mess. Although the problem was caused by roots, it is a good time to remind all residents to flush only toilet paper down the toilets. Toilet paper dissolves while other foreign materials tend to stay in one piece and can eventually clog drains by building up until the drain was clogged. Even something as seemingly innocuous as a Kleenex does not disintegrated. Recently we accidentally left a Kleenex in one of our pieces of laundry and it came through the entire was cycle intact.

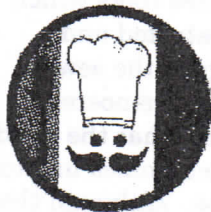


I missed the Pot Luck dinner earlier this month because I was out of town but understand the dinner was well attended. I hope everyone enjoyed the event. Our social events are intended to give residents a chance to have a good meal, catch up on things with the neighbors they know and meet ones they don't know.

Hopefully we will make it through the remainder of the winter without any major incidents. As always, if you experience a problem let Dora Pugliese or me know and we will respond to your problem as quickly as possible.

I would like to bring your attention to the article about Recycling at the back of the newsletter. It will answer questions you might have about what to recycle and when the pickups occur.

Later in the newsletter, there is an article by one of our residents, Bob Blumberg, who writes briefly about his experiences as a bomber crewman during WW-2. I want to thank Bob for his article and hope it will be the catalyst to get others to write about any special parts of their lives which would be of interest in our community. We have residents with widely varying backgrounds and a wealth of life experiences that would be of interest to the community. We invite them to write about any particularly interesting part of their lives, either work- or personal-experiences and share them with us.

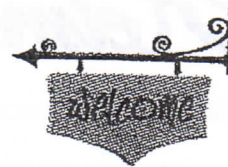


POTLUCK DINNER

By Dotty VanScoyoc

Our second annual Potluck Dinner was held on December 4th and Mutual 10 has great cooks. A great time was had by all who attended. If you missed this event you won't want to miss the next one. There was an air of festivity, as Sherry Houser provided beautiful holiday decorations for the tables. Special thanks for all who helped in setting up and taking down.

WELCOME NEW RESIDENT



Robert Walsh, 14803 Lindsey Lane

LANDSCAPING



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December is usually our slow month. Gutter cleaning was done during the done during the last couple of weeks. The gutters may have left some dirt on your siding or fence but the cleaners could not wash it off since the outside spigots were turned off. However, the next rains should wash everything off.

We planted 3 Ginko trees and 3 Cherry trees to replace the dying ones and we are looking at benches for our Central Park and also a gazebo so that we can have some social events during spring in our Mutual .

In January we'll also do some tree work -- weather permitting

Have a beautiful holiday !

-Dora-



LWCC BOD Summary

By Paul Eisenhour

Summary of 11/25 LWCC BOD Meeting:

Medstar's 2014 Q3 Report was presented and showed very positive activity.

Action Items:

1. The proposed access road between the new Administration Bldg. and the restaurant section of clubhouse I (as shown in site plan 3A) has been eliminated by resolution by the BOD. However, the architect will continue to address other accessibility options in the planning.
2. Resolution was passed to increase the initial amount of \$50k to \$65k to explore additional options to improve accessibility to the North Wing of Clubhouse I. The source of these funds is the Resales Fund, and has already been budgeted for.
3. Resolution was passed to allocate \$35k from the Resales Fund to complete the programming phase for refining the actual square footage needs for the Administration Bldg. Funds previously budgeted.
4. A motion was put forth to engage an independent engineering and architectural firm to complete an invasive facility conditions assessment of the existing Admin Building, not to exceed \$150k. This resolution failed.
5. Resolution was passed to increase from \$60k to \$80k for the Design Development phase of the North Wing of Clubhouse I. The source of these funds is the Resales Fund, and has already been budgeted for.
6. Resolution passed to keep the crystal chandelier in its current location in the Ballroom.
7. Resolution was passed to increase from \$20k to \$50k the money for the Design Development phase of the Crystal Ballroom project. The source of these funds is the Resales Fund, and has already been budgeted for.
8. Resolutions were passed to approve both a new Janitorial And Pool contract for LW. (The pool contractor is new)
9. A resolution passed to accept 2015 advisory committee appointments.
10. A resolution passed to delegate authority to the Executive Cmte to review the fiber optics contract in December. (since the BOD does not meet in December, it was deemed a delay to wait until the January meeting for approval).
11. Resolutions were passed to take no action at the current time regarding deer management. The LW Security Department will continue to monitor activity and to log incident reports. These reports were logged for the past year, 1% of the LW residents reporting incidents... this was deemed inadequate to take any action.
12. A resolution was passed to approve the modified Leisure World New Ad Rates.
13. A resolution was passed to not allow non-golfers to walk on the golf course from 7am to 7pm. The current policy allows walking on the back 9 until 10am ... from an insurance liability standpoint to LW, it was thought best to modify the hours.

There will be no schedule BOD meeting in December. At the January Organizational Meeting, a new Chair will be chosen as Barbara Cronin's current term as Chair has ended.



Treasurer's Report

By Janet Martin



As the year comes to a close, we continue to be in solid financial shape. We will end the year approximately \$30,000 better than we anticipated, largely due to savings in electricity. I know you hear it over and over and over again but conservation of electricity is not only good for the planet but has a very positive financial impact on us all.

This time of year is a good time to check on your insurance coverage. I suggest you check with your agent to ensure that you have an H06 policy that will cover the \$5,000 deductible of the Mutual 10 insurance, in case of a significant loss. It is also necessary that you have a condo policy that covers your personal belongings. The Mutual 10 insurance only covers the structure itself.

Our finances through November, 2014 are as follows:

Income	\$ 1,326,479
Expenses	\$ 1,325,847
Gain	\$ 632

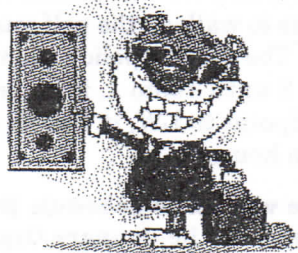
Variance under Budget \$31,539

Reserve Balance 11/30/14
\$ 699,870

Best wishes for a happy and healthy 2015.



As always, please feel free to call me at any time if you have a question about our finances. I can be reached at 240-669-8954 or via e-mail at janetlmartin@earthlink.net



Thoughts brought back by Veteran's Day

By Robert Blumberg



The many events, shows, tributes and the wonderful Veteran's Day's Lunch brought back memories of my WW-2 experience that I would like to share with my neighbors in our Mutual. First let me tell you what I was not. I was not and probably never will be a hero. In the Army Air Force I was trained as an Aerial Gunner on B-29 Bombers and flew on 35 missions to (and thankfully back from) Japan. On many different situations I was scared, immature 19 years old kid, doing the job he was trained for, but certainly not a hero.



The crew I flew with for the most of the 35 missions was commanded by a pilot named George T. Irby, from Lubbock, Texas, who because he was such a good pilot and air plane commander, I trusted him to take care of the plane and crew; I thought of him as God. Fifty years after the war I made contact with him and his wife and at their invitation flew to Lubbock, Texas and spent several days as their guest. We spent a lot of time talking about the missions, the crew, and our lives since the war. We both got out the military as soon as we could. The Army offered him an advancement from captain to major, but he would be taken off flying status which was not financially acceptable. I

got out simply because I was tired of military regulations. I also found out that during the war he was 26 years old, only seven years older than I.

On one low-level night raid with incendiary bombs we were picked by searchlights almost as soon as we passed over land. As we went toward the target we saw another B-29 caught in the searchlights flying parallel to us. The search lights lit up the inside of the plane like day light. I noticed the plane flying parallel to us was receiving anti-craft from the ground. They were flying along in a fountain of tracer bullets. I couldn't take my eyes off the sight, and couldn't take my mind off the potential of what was happening to the other plane. Finally they received a fatal shot and headed down to the ground. Somehow my bomber flew out of the searchlights and anti-aircraft attention and we resumed our mission. The total of my experience during the war have remained in my memories, but the one I described above is the most vivid. My life and those of my crew were purchased by the loss of the other crew, with the remainder of the 11 families who lost a loved one back home.



WW-2, with the GI bill, gave me an opportunity to get an engineering degree which provided a good living for wife and family. The experiences in the war gave me a measure of self-confidence and the courage to take risks for desired rewards. Ultimately WW-2 was a good experience.

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Victor Cordova 240 643-1665
ID: Pink Badge #4

Saul Ramos Pineda 240 481-7403
ID: Pink Badge #5

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Thomas Bladen 301 305-2141
ID Pink Badge #9

Taken from M-15's November Newsletter

HELPFUL HINTS FOR RECYCLING FROM THE DIRECTOR OF SANITATION

MATERIALS YOU MUST RECYCLE

Leisure World does not take newspapers to Montgomery County for recycling. Instead, as a cost saving measure, newspapers are sold to an alternate recycling facility. As a result, the Community saves the expense of paying to dispose of newsprint and receives payment from the recycler of approximately \$4,000 - \$5,000 per month.

1. Newspapers, junk mail, including inserts (pick up on each Wednesday of the month).
2. Magazines (pick up on the first Wednesday of the month).
3. Aluminum, bi-metal (steel/tin) cans, and aluminum foil products. **** Note: Please place Magazines and Newspaper in separate bundles in paper bags or tied with string outside for pick up. NO PLASTIC BAGS PLEASE!**

Montgomery County Department of Public Works, Solid Waste Services sent us our second friendly reminder not to include plastic bags with the recycling materials. According to the county we are over the limit of contaminants. Many residents fill the plastic bags with recyclables and include the bag in the recycling container. Plastic bags are non recyclable in Montgomery County. Please notify your residents and janitorial staff not to include plastic bags with recyclable materials. If you could include this information in your next newsletter and post this information so everyone is made aware, it would be appreciated. Thank you.

4. Glass bottles and jars (green, clear and amber).

5. **Acceptable Types of Plastics:**

Plastic bottles, containers, lids, jars, pails, buckets (with metal and plastic handles, and food grade tubs. Narrow-neck bottles that contained food, drink and household products (milk, juice, soda, water, salad dressing, cooking oil, shampoo/conditioner, and cleaning and detergent bottles) butter, margarine tubs, yogurt containers, cottage cheese containers, sour cream containers, mayonnaise jars, peanut butter jars, whipped topping containers, prescription bottles, deli containers and trays (plastic tubs with lids and platter trays, ice cream buckets, plastic beverage cups, laundry detergent tubs and buckets, kitty litter containers, painting buckets (up to 5 gallons), plastic lids and plastic flower pots.

Unacceptable Types of Plastics:

No container that held automotive or garden products (motor oil, antifreeze, and pesticide containers), plastic bags, plastic wrap, styrofoam/polystyrene cups, trays and packaging, clamshell packaging (marked #1 or #6), microwavable trays, toys, kiddie pools, plastic flower tray packs (marked #6), other large plastic items. -

Note: Aluminum, bi-metal (steel/tin) cans, glass, plastic and aluminum foil products that go into your blue recycling bucket will be picked up on the same day as your trash schedule.

6. Yard trimmings (grass, leaves, brush and Christmas trees).

Call Grounds Department at 301-598-1314 to arrange for pick up.
NO PLASTIC BAGS PLEASE!!!

HOW TO RECYCLE/DISPOSE OF SMOKE ALARMS

While there is indeed radioactive material in a smoke alarm, it is extremely weak. Therefore, it may be safely disposed of in the regular household trash.

Some smoke alarm manufacturers will take their own products back, but will not take alarms made by other companies. The postage is at the consumer's expense.

HOW TO RECYCLE/DISPOSE OF FLUORESCENT LIGHT TUBES AND BULBS

The concern with fluorescent bulbs is that they contain a thin mercury layer, rendering them household hazardous waste when they burn out and require disposal.

While fluorescent bulbs may be disposed of in the normal household trash, it is better to bring them to PPD for recycling.

HOW TO RECYCLE/DISPOSE OF ALUMINUM FOIL PRODUCTS

WE ACCEPT

All metal food, beverage, and pet food cans.

Aluminum foil products. (Examples: foil wrap, pie plates, and other food trays). Please clean and wipe off foil.

Tins from cookies, fruit cakes, popcorn, and similar items.

Place these in your blue bin for collection.

WE DO NOT ACCEPT

Aerosol cans. Please dispose of these in your regular trash.

HOW TO RECYCLE/DISPOSE OF BATTERIES – HOUSEHOLD VS. RECHARGEABLE

Dry cell and alkaline batteries used in flashlights, toys and appliances are no longer considered to be hazardous waste. Manufacturers responded to environmental concerns and now produce dry cell and alkaline batteries that are virtually free of mercury. Therefore, these batteries may be disposed of in your household trash.

Button batteries, nickel-cadmium (rechargeable) batteries, uninterruptible power supplies and lead acid (car) batteries continue to contain metals that are valuable or must be disposed of properly.

HOW TO RECYCLE/DISPOSE OF FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

Aerosol type : Dispose of aerosol-type fire extinguishers in your normal household trash.

Cylinder type : discharge your cylinder-type fire extinguisher in an open outdoor location into a moistened paper grocery bag until it is completely empty. Put the bag into your trash. Unscrew the top valve from the empty cylinder. Put the top and cylinder into your trash. The metal components are not recyclable in the blue bin. However, they are accepted at the hazardous materials drop off once a year at Clubhouse II.

HOW TO RECYCLE/DISPOSE OF BOOKS

To prepare hardback books for recycling:

Tear off the rigid book covers to separate the covers from the book's pages.

Bundle the separated covers and pages for collection with your other paper recyclables. Remember; do not use plastic bags.

SUMMATION :

With your assistance, Leisure World can maintain our ranking as one of the leaders in recycling in the State. Thank you for your continuing support of our recycling program. The Leisure World of Maryland, Sanitation Department, would like to thank our residents for an outstanding job in 2009 for recycling. Because of your commitment to recycling, Leisure World collected over **two million pounds** of scrap metal, cardboard, newspaper and co-mingled materials. Our environment over the years will benefit greatly from your recycling. Please keep up the good job in 2010. Thank you.

Note: Please do not package your newspaper in plastic bags, as the plastic does not mix with the newspaper for recycling. If you are concerned that the newspaper is going to get wet, just wait until the next pick-up. Thank you for your cooperation.

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WEDNESDAY

OUTSIDE SHUTTLE BUS RUNS OLNEY AND ASPEN HILL SHOPPING CENTERS

DEPART CLUBHOUSE I	9:40	11:00	12:20	1:40	3:00
OLNEY SAFEWAY	9:46	11:06	12:26	1:46	3:06
OLNEY MEDSTAR HOSPITAL	9:50	11:10	12:30	1:50	3:10
OLNEY FAIR HILL SHOPPING CENTER	9:57	11:17	12:37	1:57	3:17
OLNEY VILLAGE MART	10:00	11:20	12:40	2:00	3:20
OLNEY SHOPPING CENTER ON REQUEST	10:05	11:25	12:45	2:05	3:25
RETURN CLUBHOUSE I	10:15	11:35	12:55	2:15	3:35
DEPART CLUBHOUSE I	10:20	11:40	1:00	2:20	3:40
ASPEN HILL K-MART	10:26	11:46	1:06	2:26	3:46
ASPEN HILL SUN TRUST BLDG.	10:30	11:50	1:10	2:30	3:50
ASPEN HILL RITE AID PHARMACY	10:32	11:52	1:12	2:32	3:52
ASPEN HILL KOHLS	10:33	11:54	1:16	2:33	3:56
ASPEN HILL SHOPPING CENTER	10:35	11:59	1:20	2:35	3:59
ASPEN HILL LOTTA PLAZA	10:45	12:07	1:27	2:45	4:07
RETURN CLUBHOUSE I	10:55	12:15	1:35	2:55	4:15
DEPART CH I/EXPRESS COMMUNITY RUN					4:20