

BNC Meeting Minutes March 20, 2013

Barnstable Senior Center, Hyannis MA

The social time was from 7:00pm to 7:35pm

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The business meeting was called to order by President Ron Lyons..

Secretary

Helen McWilliams emailed the February minutes on February 24th. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the minutes. ***(see BNC website below for additional information)

Guest and new member introductions

Joe and Rosemary had no new members or guest to introduce.

Sign up sheets for club activities and copies of the Winter/Spring Bulletin were available on the back table.

Treasurer's report

Jack Strudwick gave the Treasurer's Report, including paid up members. February began with a balance of \$3508 and ended with \$3271, with 198 members. The report was seconded and accepted.

Events

Muriel and Ron Glantz are coordinating a trip to Providence on December 1, 2013 to see the 25th anniversary production of Phantom of the Opera. All the tickets have been sold but Muriel will take names for a waiting list.

Activity Coordinators

The Round Robin bridge spring luncheon will be Wednesday, May 15 at Harbor Point. Ron Glantz mentioned that the Cribbage group will now be meeting at a permanent location at Village at Fawcett's Pond, 148 West Main Road, Centerville, MA. There are now over 30 people playing cribbage once a month. Snacks and drinks will be provided by the members on a rolling basis.

Joanne O'Connell stated that kyacking will start up again in May. Please notify her if you would like to join.

BNC website (www.barnstablnewcomers.com)

Frank McIntosh updated everyone regarding the new Website. It is hoped that the new format will do three things: be a resource for people not in the club, reflect the dates for all events, meetings, etc. for members, and show all updated activities. The internet search engines (google, etc) will give this site whenever any of the villages are referenced. Frank asked that activity coordinators regularly send information to him (frank.mcintosh@gmail.com) to update the site. THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT TO MAKE THIS A VALUABLE TOOL INFORMING THE MEMBERSHIP AND ATTRACTING NEW MEMBERS. Hopefully all members will check this site often.

***since the meeting minutes will be on the site they will no longer be sent via email after May.

Nominations for club officers for 2013-2014

Still needed are nomination/volunteers for:

VICE-PRESIDENT?

SECRETARY?

TREASURER?

Please consider volunteering. This is the best way to get truly involved and enjoy the club, and does not take a great deal of time. During the April meeting, an election of Officers will be held if needed. Otherwise, if there is only one volunteer for a position, the membership can offer a motion to accept the nominee for that position. Rosemary and Joe Mooney will remain as Membership.

Sunshine fund

Please send information to MaryJane Melia

Safe Harbor Spring and Summer Needs

At the moment, they need "gently used" spring/summer children's clothes. They have sufficient clothes for the women, and space is a major concern. Gift cards are always welcome. Cleaning supplies (brooms, mops, cleaners, trash bags, paper towels). toiletries (shampoo, toilet paper, toothpaste, etc), miscellaneous (lightbulbs, batteries, stamps), twin size sheets, comforters. Please call Best Fontes (508-790-2933) or Ann Reeves (508-419-1814).

Sign up for deserts

A sign up sheet for April 17 was available at the desert table.

Next Meeting

Barnstable Town Manager, Tom Lynch, will give a presentation on the Kennedy Legacy Trail on Wednesday, April 17.

Adjournment

At 8:00pm a motion was made to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded and passed.

Speaker

Our speaker was Roland 'Bud' Breault, Barnstable Airport Manager. "Bud" served in the U.S. Coast Guard for 30 years, was a qualified pilot of helicopters and sea planes and retired with the rank of Captain. After military retirement, he served as the Truro Town Administrator. Most recently, he was the Assistant Director of Public Works for the Town of Barnstable "Bud" has been the Barnstable Airport Manager for the past four years. Discussed was the "sequestration" issue. As a result 220 towers in the country (not Barnstable) are being closed. He believes this could create a safety issue. Furloughs for the FAA may affect the airport. Barnstable airport has existed since 1928. "Bud" explained the history and current economic initiatives, both existing and planned. The BNC members thoroughly enjoyed the evening, which ended at 8:30pm.