

## Report from the Social Committee to the BOD 20191209

Since our last report the Social Committee sponsored a Movie Night featuring *The Music Man*, on Saturday, November 16<sup>th</sup> with attendance of 25 and *Holiday Cheer*, presented, with live harp music, on Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup> with an attendance of 140 people, who really enjoyed themselves and it was a wonderful variety of people, too, that live and work in the building: singles, couples, children, parents, seniors, a mix of races, ethnicities and cultures. Did you catch our Board President, Michael Parrie, in his fun Santa's hat? What a nice surprise it was for Tim Patricio, our Property Manager, to join us!

Thanks to the following volunteers who helped publicize the event, prepare food trays, prepare the room, move supplies, help resupply and serve food and drink, make punch, welcome guests, remove trash, and clean up: Betty Terry-Lundy, Bob Shamo, Carol Erlbach, Catherine Kestler, David Folkes, Eve Brownstone, Greg Nigosian, Jean Shamo, Mary Toosi, Monique Fouant, Rachita Gupta, Steve Weiss, Sue Burke, Terry Gorman. What a great team of people to work with, a group of people all of whom are individually enjoyable, responsible and thoughtful.

Thank you for the food donations: Bob and Jean Shamo – Springerle Cookies; Eve Brownstone – Latkes; Georgie and Mike Nowak – spinach pies, coffee cake and honey walnut cookies from Le Café; Carol Erlbach – Marzipan Stollen; Bea Steiber – Carrot cake cupcakes; Laura Carl – Cheese tray; Rita and Lloyd Allison – Skewers of cucumbers, kalamata olives, tomatoes, feta cheese, marinated in olive oil and Greek seasonings; Catherine Kestler - Brownies; Donna - star raspberry cookies. All were yummy additions to our buffet and were enjoyed by all.

More thanks – Tim Patricio and the office management staff for great help with event publicity and organization; Jason Delgado and the maintenance staff, especially Leo Jimenez, Alejandro Lopez and Lino, for making all of the arrangements to use this space, to completely rearrange the space, clean it and to provide tables and chairs and to George Solayman for the complete post-party clean up and restoration of the carpet, pad and furniture to the space.

The mission of the Social Committee is to help foster a sense of community and to make Park Tower a friendlier place in which to live. I believe that *Holiday Cheer* has fulfilled that mission and that the proof is in the number of attendees and their enjoyment.

The committee, on behalf of the Association, has also received several donations which we would like to recognize and for which we are very grateful:

- from Betty Terry-Lundy and Sherman Lundy we have received a pair of two (or three) gallon glass, cold beverage, serving dispensers with spigots; we look forward to using these in the future;
- from Jean and Bob Shamo we have received 7 black rectangular wash and wear tablecloths and 3 burgundy round wash and wear tablecloths, which we used at our *Fall Potluck*; and

- from Stephen Weiss we have received an Apple MacBook Pro Retina 13 inch laptop, which has been used at several Movie Nights and other events in the past year.

Coming in the New Year are an Animated Movie Night, featuring *Aladdin*, on January 11<sup>th</sup> and a *Winter Potluck* on February 23<sup>rd</sup>. Management will be sponsoring their fantastic *Superbowl Party* on February 2<sup>nd</sup> for which we are happy to provide some support.

We report with deep regret the resignation of Jean Shamo from our committee. Jean spearheaded the revival of the committee in 2016, personally guided me onto the committee and into its leadership role, set a high bar for how to run events, has donated countless hours in planning, shopping, and volunteering at events. Jean's model of leadership, cooperation and support are exemplary. We are deeply indebted to her and honor her with great appreciation. She has agreed to continue to act as a volunteer for which we are grateful and as such we will continue to benefit from her wisdom and energy as we have in the past. Thank you, Jean.

We report with great happiness that Monique Fouant, who valiantly acted as our Board Liaison until October, will remain with us as a committee member. Monique's enthusiasm is infectious.

Our next meeting is this Wednesday, December 11, at 6:15 pm, in the Party Room. Join us. All are welcome.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sheldon Atovsky, Chair