

TUXEDO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

April 2nd, 2008
MINUTES

Members Present: Heather Bowie, Allstate of Nanuet
Dale Mottola, Applied Systems Group
Judith Adamson and Halina Dagele, Elant at Tuxedo Place
Gary Phelps, Gary Phelps Carpentry
Kirre Caiazza, HSBC
Jerry Mottola, Jerico/ U.S.P.S
Natalie Pearson, Keeper Stores
Gina Blomkamp, Live Technology
Greg Duffy, Sterling Portfolio Management
Rev. Betty McWhorter, St Mary's Episcopal Church
Andrew Berish, Tuxedo Silver Dollars
Bob Thompson, Tuxedo Park Preferred Properties
Jim Burger, Tuxedo Park School

Call to Order:

Dale Mottola, President, called the regular monthly meeting of the Tuxedo Chamber of Commerce to order at 5:39PM on Wednesday, April 2nd, 2008 at Elant at Tuxedo Place.

Approval of Minutes:

Minutes from the March meeting were reviewed and approved by a unanimous vote.

Spotlight on Business: Elant at Tuxedo Place

Halina Dagele and Judith Adamson of Elant provided a tour of the facility. Halina explained that the facility is now part of the Elant system. Elant @ Tuxedo Place offers both assisted and independent living accommodations, and helps fill the needs of people that can't live alone. Residents must meet the minimum age requirement of 55 years for those who want an apartment or for those who have specialty needs. There is dining room and a beauty shop on premise, as well as a laundry facility and a billiard room. Halina also provided brochures of the facility and requested that the members "spread the word" about their upcoming open house in May. Currently there are vacancies. You can visit their website at www.elant.org or by phone at 1-800-501-3936.

2008 Membership Update:

Dale reported that there are 43 paid members and 23 unpaid for 2008. Dale will be sending an email reminder to those who have not yet paid.

Golf Outing:

Jerry reported on the 3rd Annual Golf Outing scheduled for September 4th at The Tuxedo Club. The first sign sponsor is on board, the Sons of Italy. Jerry also mentioned that he has acquired 2 golf course prizes: West Point and Villa Roma. Jerry states that letters are out to other courses that said they would participate with prizes. He is also in the process of getting the logo design this year. Jerry showed the members the golf umbrella with the event logo. The umbrella will be given away as a gift to the golfers participating in the outing. Jerry will be attending other golf trade shows to solicit other sponsors. Dale noted that she will be sending brochures to the Goshen and Warwick Chambers as well as Orange County Tourism.

Tuxedo Clean Sweep:

Dale announced that on April 19th clean sweep will take place. Dale provided the members with the budget of all the sponsors and expenses. AMD Factory will finalize the t-shirt design recognizing the 15 event sponsors, and will arrange for t-shirt printing. There is an organizational meeting on the 5th of April at the Tuxedo Park Firehouse to discuss the event. The registration table will be in front of Town Hall. Dale is also preparing a press release that will jointly announce Clean Sweep events in Tuxedo, Monroe and Warwick.

Decorative Banners:

Dale passed out a spreadsheet to the chamber members listing banner sponsors. Currently there are 8 sponsors with 9 spots for downtown. There is still one opportunity left for the hamlet and still opportunities left for Southfields.

Business News:

Dale remarked that the K9 Suites is moving into Arden and that the Duck Cedar finally received planning board approvals for retail and office space.

Dale also noted that the Hudson Valley Council of the Boys Scouts of America are having a golf outing on March 12th and they are looking for raffle items. Contact Donna Coogan if you are interested in donating.

Adjournment: 7:05PM