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Our Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be held on March 18, 2021 at Christ Church Butterfield, 2S361 Glen Park Rd. The meeting will start at 7:30 p.m., come early to do some socializing!



Butterfield News

C O R P O R A T E

Big Changes at the BHA

At the fall meeting of the BHA, several very important issues were discussed. They have been discussed previously in this newsletter recently, but they are so important to the association that they need to be reviewed again multiple times to make sure everyone is aware of them, and that they are well understood. These topics were all discussed at the October meeting, and will be thoroughly reviewed and possibly voted on at the March meeting next year, so please understand these topics and be prepared to discuss them at the March meeting, which will take place on March 18th.

1. Corporate Communications in Times of Crisis (COVID)
Due to COVID-19, more commonly known as Coronavirus, the BHA was forced to cancel two meetings in a row, the March meeting and the June meeting, due to the fact that all non-essential meetings were canceled until further notice. That restriction has lifted somewhat since that time, but it could be reinstated at any time. So, we are developing a process to allow for electronic/Internet communications to allow for meetings and related things to continue to be held during emergencies like the COVID-19 crisis.

2. Raising Membership Dues & Cost-Cutting Measures
Due to increases in printing, postage, landscaping, insurance, and many other costs, it has been determined that a combination of membership rate increases and cost-cutting measures will be needed in order for us to meet our budgets going forward. There has been discussion about raising the annual dues to as high as \$50/year, but so far the more popular number is \$35 a year, starting in 2022.

3. Questions Regarding BHA Corporate Legal Status
Recent research into our corporation's history and current status indicate that the BHA is no longer completely in compliance with Illinois state guidelines regarding standards for corporate compliance. In other words, the BHA may no longer be a truly compliant non-profit corporation, legally speaking. So, it has been decided to do some due diligence into how to make sure the BHA becomes and remains compliant with state regulations for now and the foreseeable future.

We will be discussing these three important topics and more at the next meeting in March, please attend and bring friends. ●

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Letter from the President



Christmas Vacation

By Doug Elwell, President
Butterfield Homeowners Association

"We're gonna press on and we're gonna have the hap-hap-happiest Christmas since Bing Crosby tapdanced with Danny Kaye!"
~ Clark Griswold, Christmas Vacation

This year I will be spending my Christmas vacation cleaning, up, organizing, and prepping for the new year, and the big things that are likely to come with it. I am also implementing major upgrades for my home business, upgrades that will not only benefit my company, but also the BHA's ability to better serve Butterfield, as I also donate use of my company assets to help the BHA.

We have upgraded our computer, audio and video capabilities so we can communicate more effectively to newer generations to whom "the Facebook" is seen as somewhat old fashioned. We are also planning on upgrading our website and related corporate communications methods so we can continue to improve our ability to communicate

with our members, and also invite people to become members.

Besides technology, we are also upgrading our ability to communicate with people face to face. Now that we've settled in to the "new normal" of COVID-19 and all the other wonderful things going on now, we need to continue pressing forward with our agenda of making Butterfield a great place to live. This means being more mindful of the changes going on in society. To that end we are working to make sure we are able to hold meetings on schedule, with electronic options in case we are not allowed to meet in person.

But all of this costs us money. Though everyone in Butterfield is receiving this edition of our new magazine for free as part of our annual membership drive, unless you pay your very reasonable annual dues, you will stop receiving any newsletters, including the winter issue (this one) which we have been sending out for free for several years now. Paying your membership dues today will also allow you to enjoy all membership benefits!

To register, you can either fill out the form on the back of this issue, or a copy of the form (please print clearly), cut out along the dotted line, and return with your \$25 check payable to: "Butterfield Homeowners Association" using the envelope attached to this page. You can also pay online at <http://mybhoa.com>.

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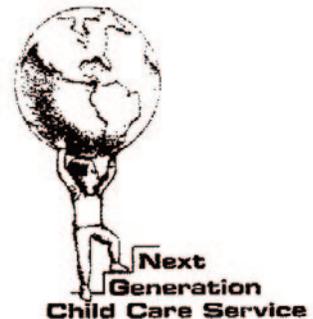
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WELCOME TO OUR SPECIAL ANNUAL CHRISTMAS SECTION! EVERY YEAR WE SHOWCASE THE BEST OF CHRISTMAS FROM THE CHICAGO AREA AND AROUND THE WORLD, INCLUDING CHRISTMAS-THEMED PLACES TO VISIT, MOVIES TO WATCH, AND MUSIC TO LISTEN TO TO GET INTO THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT!

THE 12 BEST THINGS TO DO DURING THE HOLIDAYS IN CHICAGO



CONNIE'S CHRISTMAS CORNER

By *Connie Poulos Loos*,
Vice President, *Butterfield Homeowners Association*

berg, Germany, this year's edition of Christkindlmarket won't take place in the Loop or Wrigleyville. Instead, the holiday event is being retooled as an online marketplace, giving Chicagoans (and anyone else) the ability to purchase ornaments, German treats and mugs that you can fill with Glühwein. The virtual market also comes with a lineup of online events, including a streaming Christkind Story Time every Saturday afternoon from November 20–December 24.

Experience the holidays in Chicago with beautiful lights, festive theater productions and online events.

1. Virtual Christkindlmarket

Location: Various locations throughout Chicago

Dates: Through December 31st

Website: <https://www.timeout.com/chicago/things-to-do/virtual-christkindlmarket>

Event Website: <https://www.christkindlmarket.com>

Traditionally a giant open-air market inspired by a similar seasonal tradition in Nurem-



The 2020 Christkindlmarket, usually held in various locations around Chicago, will be a virtual market this year.

<https://www.christkindlmarket.com>

Photograph: *Jaelyn Rivas*

2. ZooLights

Location: Lincoln Park Zoo, Lincoln Park, Chicago

Dates: Through January 3rd

Website: <https://www.timeout.com/chicago/things-to-do/zoolights>

Event Website: <https://www.lpzoo.org/zoolights-presented-comed-and-invesco-qqq>

Unless you've got a big budget, your Christmas light display won't hold an LED candle to the 2.5 million bulbs that festoon Lincoln Park Zoo during the annual ZooLights event. While most of the animals will be in-

side, guests are free to wander through the park, snap photos of the display and take part in a variety of activities throughout the holiday season. This year's exhibit—which, for the first time in more than 20 years, requires a \$5 entry fee—will open on November 20 and run through January 3. In addition to the regular ZooLights admission, guests will also be able to snag tickets for an adults-only night out (complete with mulled wine and hot chocolate) and *A Charlie Brown Christmas* tribute concert from the Chris White Trio.

3. A Christmas Carol: An Audio Play

Location: Theater Drama, Various locations throughout Chicago
Dates: Through December 31st
Website: <https://www.timeout.com/chicago/theater/a-christmas-carol-an-audio-play>

Event Website: <https://www.goodmantheatre.org/Carol>
 The Goodman Theatre's annual holiday production of the Charles Dickens classic won't take place on a stage in 2020—instead, you'll be able to experience the seasonal tale in your own home. During the entire month of December, the Goodman's website will host a free streaming audio version of *A Christmas Carol*, starring Larry Yando as Ebenezer Scrooge.

4. The Great Tree at Macy's Walnut Room

Location: Macy's, 111 N State St., Chicago
Dates: Through December 31st
Website: <https://www.timeout.com/chicago/attractions/the-great-tree-at-macys-walnut-room>
Event Website: <https://macysrestaurants.com/walnut-room/>
 Macy's planned on taking reservations in its Walnut Room restaurant on the department store's seventh floor this year, but Gov. J.B. Pritzker's ban on indoor dining means that you'll need to settle for takeout and glimpse of the Great Tree. Admire the over-the-top decor when you stop by to pick up your order—and good luck choosing between the Walnut Room's legendary chicken pot pie and the Frango ice cream pie.

5. Art on theMART

Location: Merchandise Mart
Dates: Through December 30th
Website: <https://www.timeout.com/chicago/art/art-on-themart>
Event Website: <https://www.artonthemart.com/>
 The Joffrey Ballet's beloved adaptation of *The Nutcracker* won't be performed live in Chicago this year, but you can still see some iconic

scenes projected during the nightly 25-story-tall video installation on the side of the Merchandise Mart. The 30-minute program features animated production images from *The Joffrey's Nutcracker* set to Tchaikovsky's festive score as well as works from the Art Institute of Chicago's "Monet and Chicago" and "Bisa Butler: Portraits" exhibitions.



The Great Tree at Macy's Walnut Room
 Photograph: Jaclyn Rivas

6. Illumination: Tree Lights at Morton Arboretum

Location: Morton Arboretum, 4100 IL-53, Lisle
Dates: Through January 3rd
Website: <https://www.timeout.com/chicago/things-to-do/illumination-tree-lights-at-morton-arboretum>

Event Website: <http://www.mortonarb.org/events/illumination-tree-lights-morton-arboretum>

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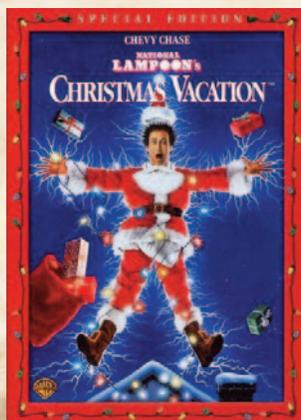
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FEATURED CHRISTMAS FILM: NATIONAL LAMPOON'S CHRISTMAS VACATION



National Lampoon's *Christmas Vacation* is the king of “low brow” Christmas movies, a tragicomedy of errors featuring a variety of sight gags, oddball characters, and lowball humor that appeals to a wide audience. Despite the oftimes gross humor and common slapstick bits, *National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation* manages to pull it all together and deliver an entertaining film that most audi-

ences will enjoy. This is true because most audiences will recognize themselves in this movie, which is part of its charm. The movie manages to pull together most of the experiences and misadventures that most people experience during the holiday season, and then put them together into a coherent narrative where, like life itself, most of the characters are barely hanging on for dear life as the mayhem ensues.

The Story Begins

The plot revolves around the misadventures of one Clark Griswold, a mid-level executive at a chemical company that develops additives and preservatives for food products. Though his job is fairly dull, his imagination is not, so he tries to make his ordinary suburban Chicago life into an extraordinary one by putting on a “fun old-fashioned family Christmas” for his family and all their in-laws, whether they were invited or not.

The opening scene is a classic Christmas situation where Clark is driving the family out to cut down a real Christmas tree. Unfortunately, while his family is literally freezing to death in the near-arctic cold weather, Clark discovers that he has forgotten to bring a saw or axe, so they somehow manage to uproot



The Griswold House in all its glory. In the movie, the National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation house is located in a snowy Chicago suburb, but the true location of the property is on the backlot of the Warner Bros. Ranch facility in Burbank, Los Angeles.



Clark and Ellen Griswold, the two heroes of the story who battle valiantly against all odds to put together a traditional Christmas family gathering — and failing catastrophically with comic results. National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation deftly combines a variety of comic genres into a non-stop romp of comic tropes. Originally part of the National Lampoon Vacation series, it has since broken out as a Christmas classic all its own.

this huge pine tree and strap it to the top of their station wagon.

The Griswolds having made their preparations for their “fun old-fashioned family Christmas”, the relatives arrive in due course and the comic tropes begin.

A Fun Old-Fashioned Family Christmas

First Clark's and Ellen's parents arrive, and immediately begin bickering with each other. Clark then finishes up putting up 25,000 twinkle-style Christmas lights all over his house and invites everyone to see the grand lighting ceremony. However, after a big buildup, they fail to light. The problem is eventually resolved, however, and the resulting light show creates a light so powerful that it can be seen from space!

During all this, Ellen's “red-neck” cousin Catherine arrives unannounced (and apparently uninvited) with her husband Eddie

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in a rather dilapidated RV. Eddie, played by Randy Quaid, was amusing but a bit over the top in the lowbrow and occasionally scatological humor he was forced to act out, which brought the tone of the movie down somewhat. Later, the senile grandmother “Aunt Bethany” (played by Mae Questel, the same actress who voiced Betty Boop, Olive Oyl, and numerous other characters) steals the show, along with “Uncle Lewis”, whose bad toupee quickly leaves his head as Clark fumbles with hanging up his hat.

Christmas Dinner Disaster

All the characters now in place, the traditional Thanksgiving dinner can now take place. Eddie proceeds to say some more uncomfortably gross things while his dog proceeds to cough up a bone under the table. That part of the experience completed, Clark then begins to carve the turkey, prepared by Ellen’s country cousin Catherine. The turkey fails catastrophically, however, so badly overcooked that it actually collapses, spewing out dust as it caves in. The effect is such that one has to admire how the effects department made the turkey look so unappetizing, yet somehow edible.



The classic Christmas Dinner scene with a turkey so dry and overcooked that it literally collapsed!

After dinner Clark discovers that Uncle Lewis has set the Christmas tree on fire with his cigar, while meanwhile the cat has been “comically” electrocuted by chewing on some electrical wire. To top it off, Clark received his Christmas bonus, which had switched from a large, cash bonus to a subscription to the “Jelly of the Month Club” This is the last straw for Clark, who then goes off into a tirade about how he just wanted to put on a great Christmas experience for everyone. He also wishes his boss was right there so he could tell him off as well. Taking Clark too seriously, Eddie takes off and abducts Clark’s boss and brings him back to the house. However, after a discussion, all is resolved and Clark finally gets his Christmas bonus.

National Lampoon’s Christmas Vacation is one of the better Christmas movies to come out in the last few decades and, despite some of the lowbrow humor, still delivers the Christmas cheer. ●

CHRISTMAS MUSIC REVIEWS

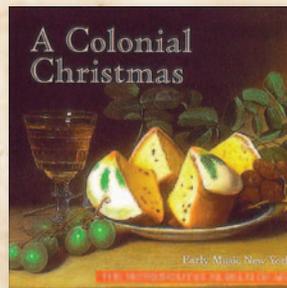


Someday at Christmas

Artist: Jackie Evancho

Rating: ●●●●●

For Christmas of 2016, platinum-selling teenage singing sensation Jackie Evancho released her first Christmas album, *Someday at Christmas*. What takes this excellent album from four to five stars is not only her excellent voice, but also the accompanying vocal artists, such as YouTube sensation Peter Hollens, Italian tenor Vittorio Grigolo, and the legendary tenor Plácido Domingo. The songs are fresh and delightful new takes on old classics, such as “Do You Hear What I Hear”, “Little Drummer Boy”, and many more. Jackie’s voice particularly shines on “It Came Upon a Midnight Clear” and “O Holy Night”, where her voice shines out as if she were singing outside on a clear, crisp winter night. Most impressive is the duet with Plácido Domingo, whose presence on the album really takes the song, and album, over the top. *Someday at Christmas* is definitely a new Christmas classic. ●



A Colonial Christmas

Artist:

Early Music New York

Rating: ●●●●●

EARLY MUSIC NEW YORK (EM/NY) is an orchestra based in New York City that is known throughout the world for vibrant and provocative performances of historically informed repertoire from the medieval through the classical eras.

Continuing its series of historical, seasonal repertoire from the Middle Ages through the baroque eras in association with The Metropolitan Museum, EARLY MUSIC NEW YORK presents 18th-century, New England Shape-Note anthems and fusing tunes by William Billings and his contemporaries. These include such old world holiday favorites as “Christmas Cheer”, “The Merry Wassail”, “New Year’s Eve”, “New Year’s Day in the Morning”, and “Twelfth Eve”. A medley of Dances, Marches, Airs and Song Tunes collected by colonial soldier, Captain George Bush, from his notebook dated 1779, round out this album of seasonal music from the Colonies. Though an older style, these songs are refreshingly lively and will bring a classical air to your Christmas ambiance. ●

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>> *The Holidays in Chicago (Continued from page 7)*

The Morton Arboretum's annual tree lights display—normally a mile-long walking path amid trees covered in festive lights—will get the drive-through treatment this year, with a longer route and new light designs to boot. Guests can experience a nearly two-mile stretch of colorful lights from their cars, featuring an accompanying musical soundtrack that can be listened to via car radio. Riders will pass through a glittering tunnel of lights and other tree-focused spectacles, like Symphony Woods, Woodland Wonder and the Crystal Promenade, plus five new displays (all LED and eco-friendly). This year, you'll be able to see the show for longer, as the exhibit will remain open until 10pm Sunday through Thursday and until 11pm on the weekends; it'll also stay open on holidays like Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

7. Manual Cinema's Christmas Carol

Location: Theater Puppet shows, various locations throughout Chicago

Dates: December 3rd 2020 – December 20th, 2020

Website: <https://www.timeout.com/chicago/theater/manual-cinemas-christmas-carol>

Event Website: <http://manualcinema.com/christmascarol>

Innovative interdisciplinary performance collective Manual Cinema tackles Charles Dickens's famous holiday story, using hundreds of paper puppets, miniatures, silhouettes and a live original score to bring the classic narrative to life. In this timely (and appropriately meta) interpretation, holiday skeptic Aunt Trudy decides to stage a Christmas Carol puppet show for her family over Zoom. Eventually, the puppets begin to make choices of their own, steering the story and leading Trudy toward a realization of her Scrooge-like tendencies. Streaming throughout December, viewers can buy tickets for themselves, duos, trios or the entire family at various price points. Each performance concludes with a "Puppet Time" live chat with the artists behind the show.

8. Let It Shine Drive-Thru Lightshow

Location: Northbrook Court, 1515 Lake Cook Rd, Northbrook

Dates: Through January 9th

Website: <https://www.timeout.com/chicago/things-to-do/let-it-shine-drive-thru-lightshow>

Event Website: <https://shinelightshow.com/>

The halls are decked at Let It Shine, a drive-thru light show that takes over Northbrook Court, located about 25 miles north of downtown Chicago. Guests are invited to stay in their cars and immerse themselves in a wonderland of light displays that are

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synchronized to holiday classics. There's no denying the holiday cheer as you cruise past dazzling archways, sparkling candy canes, glowing snowmen and more illuminated installations.

9. Ice Skating at Maggie Daley Park

Location: Maggie Daley Park, Millennium Park, Chicago

Dates: Through January 3rd

Website:

<https://www.timeout.com/chicago/things-to-do/ice-skating-at-maggie-daley-park>

Event Website:

<https://maggiedaley.com/things-to-do-see/skating-ribbon/>

Situated in the heart of downtown Chicago, with the city's sweeping skyline as a backdrop, the Skating Ribbon at Maggie Daley Park is a winter attraction unlike any other. Skaters can lace up and wind around a winding ice-covered path that's twice the length of a lap around a traditional rink. Admission to the Skating Ribbon is always free, but this year you'll need a reservation in order to adhere to social distancing guidelines—a max of 180 skaters will be allowed on the ice at any given time. Skate rentals are available for \$16–\$20. The Ribbon stays open through March (weather permitting) and even offers limited hours on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.

10. Lightscape

Location: Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe

Dates: Through December 31st

Website:

<https://www.timeout.com/chicago/things-to-do/lightscape>

Event Website:

<https://www.chicagobotanic.org/lightscape>

The Chicago Botanic Garden hosts this annual display of festive lights, giving guests a host of shimmering reasons to visit the forest preserve during the holiday season. Set along a one-mile path, the after-dark experience features a series of installations to explore, including a 110-foot tunnel made up of 100,000 lights and a group of trees festooned in bulbs that

"sing" holiday songs. New this year—in addition to one-way traffic and other safety precautions—are five installations from Chicago artists, like Tanner Woodford's "Pride and Promise," a tree decked with glowing stars inspired by the Chicago flag.

11. Holiday in the Park Lights

Location: Six Flags Great America, Gurnee

Dates: December 5–27

Website:

<https://www.timeout.com/chicago/things-to-do/holiday-in-the-park-lights>

Event Website:

<https://www.sixflags.com/greatamerica/events/holiday-in-the-park-lights>

Six Flags Great America is open for the holidays, though you won't be able to ride any roller coasters during your visit. Instead, the amusement park is stringing up more than 2.5 million lights for visitors to enjoy, along with seasonal entertainment, socially-distanced photo ops and some festive cuisine to indulge in along the way. Capacity is limited, masks are required and you'll need to go through a high-tech IR thermal imaging temperature screening before you set foot in the park.

12. Holiday Magic at Brookfield Zoo

Location:

Brookfield Zoo, Brookfield

Dates: Through December 31st

Website:

<https://www.timeout.com/chicago/things-to-do/holiday-magic-at-brookfield-zoo>

Event Website: <https://www.czs.org/HolidayMagic>

More than one million lights cover the trees, fences and structures in the Brookfield Zoo at this annual holiday event, which is open with limited capacity this season. Guests will be able to walk through a 600-foot-long tunnel featuring colored lights synchronized to music, spot larger-than-life illuminated animal sculptures and participate in a Game of Gnomes scavenger hunt. After taking in the lights, you'll also be able to warm up with concessions such as funnel cakes, pizza, spiced wine and hot cocoa. ●

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*Illumination: Tree Lights at Morton Arboretum
Photograph: Courtesy Morton Arboretum*



*Lightscape: The Chicago Botanic Garden hosts an annual display of festive lights
Photograph: Courtesy Chicago Botanic Garden*



Meeting Minutes: October 15th, 2020

2021 BHA Budget

Here is the approved Butterfield Homeowners Association budget for 2021:

REVENUE

Membership Dues (est. 250 members):.....\$6,250.00

Advertising

Newsletter\$2,000.00

Website:\$250.00

Subtotal Advertising\$2,250.00

Interest0.00

Miscellaneous\$0.00

Total Estimated Revenue\$8,500.00

EXPENSES

Marketing & Corp. Communications

Printing:\$3,500.00

• Four members-only full-color magazines:
.....\$650 x 4: \$2,600

• Membership Reminder Postcard x2: \$200

• Miscellaneous/extra printing costs: \$700

Postage:\$1,300.00

• Three members-only magazine: \$200 x 4: \$800

• Membership Reminder Postcard x2: \$500

Website:\$250.00

Welcome Wagon:\$250.00

Subtotal Marketing:\$5,300.00

Landscaping

Mowing and related landscaping needs:\$1,500.00

Lighting, Decorations & Miscellaneous:\$200.00

Subtotal Landscaping:\$1,700.00

Events

Picnic, Parties & Special Events:\$0

Subtotal Events:\$0

Miscellaneous

Insurance:\$750.00

Incorporation Fees:\$50.00

Office Supplies, Prizes & Miscellaneous:\$700.00

Subtotal Miscellaneous:\$1,500.00

Total Estimated Expenses:\$8,500.00

Net Income - Expenses end of year 2021:\$0

Attendees

President Doug Elwell, Vice President Connie Loos and 5 attendees.

Approved Motions

- The 2021 Budget was approved by the membership.
- A resolution was approved to allow meetings to be held via electronic media, such as the Internet, using applications such as Zoom, to make sure meetings can still be held at the regular times and dates year-round. Having face-to-face meetings are still preferred, however, and will still be held whenever possible.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

2020 Election

Due to COVID-19, the March and June 2020 meetings were canceled, and the election postponed twice. We were finally able to meet again in person in October, so we held the meeting then. The election yielded the same results as the previous year, with Doug Elwell being re-elected for President for one more year, and Connie Loos being re-elected for Vice President for one more year. Secretary Cindy Mazur was formally elected as Secretary for her first full term, also one year. The fall election was held to make sure there was a formal election for fiscal year 2020. Future elections will continue to be held every year at the March meeting, even if electronic communications media, such as the Internet, are required.

Minutes of the Last Meeting

The reading of the minutes was waived by the membership.

Officer and Committee Reports

TREASURER'S REPORT

All numbers are reported as of October 15th, 2020:

ASSETS

• Checking account.....\$11,918.99

• PayPal\$303.34

• Money Market Account\$3,869.70

• CD\$4,993.88

• Balance in postage acct.\$975.50 (est.)

TOTAL ASSETS\$22,061.41 (est.)

It was informally decided at the meeting to show only totals from now on in order to save time. Detailed breakdowns of all assets, income and expenditures can be made available to members upon request.

WELCOME WAGON COMMITTEE

• Sandy Henry from the Welcome Wagon Committee reported that she and Jean Paprocki had visited several houses, practicing appropriate social distancing.

LANDSCAPING COMMITTEE

• No report this meeting.

MARKETING COMMITTEE

The attendees discussed the new magazine (formerly newsletter) that the BHA is producing for Butterfield residents. It was decided that the three issues sent out to paid BHA members only would continue to be printed in full color, as the cost for full color is more affordable for the smaller number of BHA members. We will also be discontinuing sending out the winter newsletter to all of Butterfield to save on costs and allow an additional full-color issue to be sent to paid BHA members only. If you would like to join the BHA and are not currently a member, please join by following the instructions on the back of this newsletter. If you have any questions or ideas about what you would like to appear in your newsletter, please contact us at 630-627-4845, butterfieldhomeownersassoc@gmail.com.

ANNUAL BEST-DECORATED CHRISTMAS HOUSE CONTEST

After a hiatus last year, the Annual Best-Decorated Christmas House Contest is on again this year! Please submit the addresses of any house that you feel should be nominated for one of three cash prizes, including your own. Here are the cash prizes:

- 1st Place: \$100.00
- 2nd Place: \$50.00
- 3rd Place: \$25.00

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

2021 BUDGET

The 2021 budget was discussed and approved as presented.

INTERNET MEETINGS

Use of Electronic Media for holding meetings and voting was also discussed. This was deemed necessary due to the spring and summer 2020 meeting being canceled due to COVID-19. A motion was forwarded and approved to allow meetings to be held using electronic means such as the Internet in case of future situations where meeting in person is not possible. Discussion regarding adding electronic meetings, voting, and related needs will be discussed at the spring 2021 meeting and a formal proposal will presented for vote in order to amend the bylaws to accomodate these new needs at the summer 2021 meeting.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

There was also a discussion regarding raising the membership dues, as well as how to cut costs in order to make sure we make our budgets. The need to raise the membership dues and do cost-cutting is becoming necessary in order to meet the increasing costs of printing, postage, landscaping, insurance, and many other needs that our annual income is barely able to cover. Our lack of sufficient income is due partly to inflation, which has reduced the value of the dollar by 50% since 1990. So, in order to compensate for inflation, the dues, which have remained \$25/year since at least 1990, would have to be raised up to \$50. Most members felt that a raise to \$50 might be too much for some, but that a small increase to \$35/year may be justified. More discussion and a formal vote will be held at the Spring 2021 meeting to decide whether or not we will be raising the rates and, if so, by how much.

INCORPORATION ISSUES

Finally, there was a discussion regarding issues with our non-profit corporation status. After some research, it has been discovered that the BHA in its current form is no longer 100% standards compliant as a non-profit corporation in the State of Illinois. After some discussion on the various options, it was determined informally that we should seek legal advice as to whether or not we should try to fix the existing corporate structure, or re-incorporate as a new corporation. Discussion and votes on this topic will take place at the March meeting, so please attend this important meeting.

Open Forum

No Open Forum discussion this meeting.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned around 9:30 p.m. The next meeting will be held on March 18th, 2021. ●

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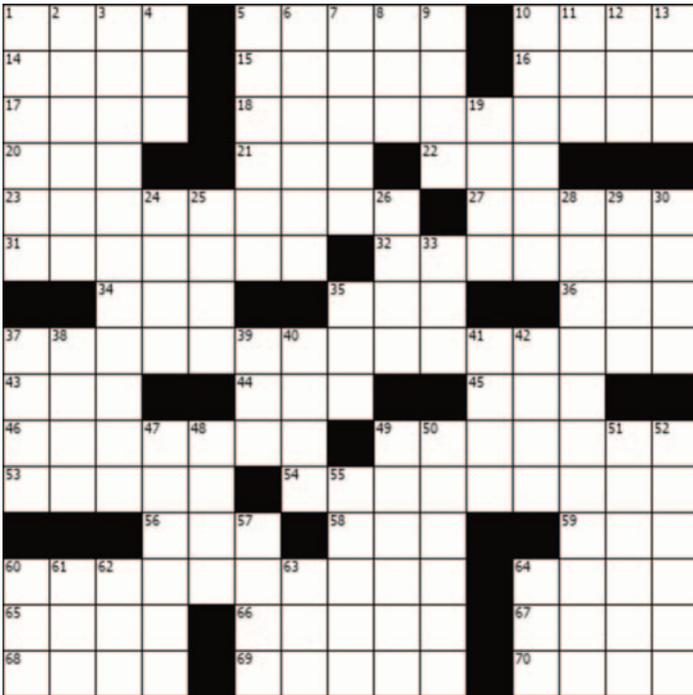
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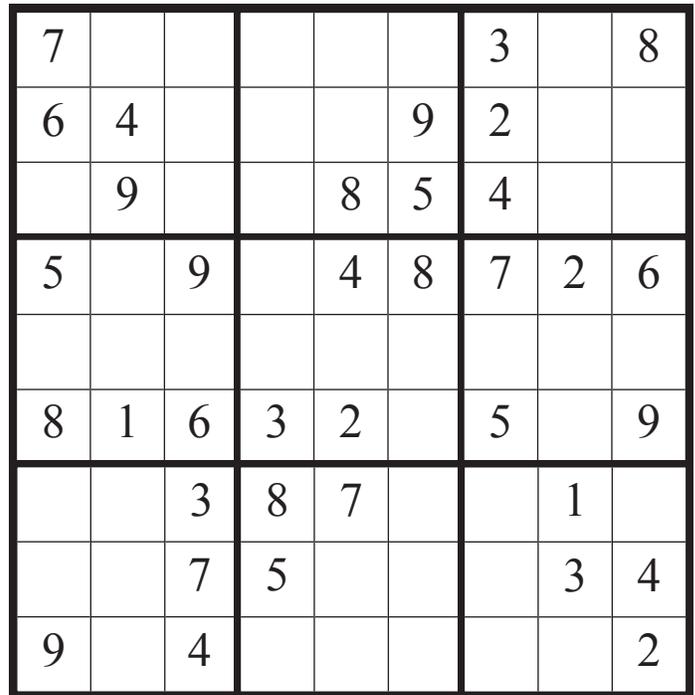
Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1. Dunces
5. Underway
10. The prophet Muhammad, for one
14. Remedy
15. Victorian, stereotypically
16. Function
17. Somewhat
18. Leaf used in basketmaking
20. Daiquiri requirement
21. PC key
22. Make lace
23. Chesapeake Bay delicacy
27. Ostentatious
31. Makes (oneself) well-liked
32. Mark Antony's wife
34. Giant Mel
35. NOW cause
36. Large deer
37. Colonial preacher of the Great Awakening
43. Coffee brewer
44. Unusual
45. French Dada artist
46. Terminus of the Jordan River
49. Flow easily
53. College applicant's creation
54. Vessel to the New World
56. Grenade filler
58. Opposite of bon
59. Memphis-to-Nashville dir.
60. Kodak alternative
64. Sea World performer
65. Country on the Strait of Hormuz
66. Cop's snack, humorously
67. Worker's cycle
68. Bunch of toughs
69. Grasslike plant
70. Vortex

DOWN

1. In short supply
2. Alabama university town
3. Temperamental egotists
4. Where film rolls
5. Materialize
6. Conducts a body search
7. Cup marking
8. Keats or Shelley work
9. Revival site, perhaps
10. Singer Franklin
11. Scepter
12. Entirely
13. Queen, for one
19. Word with Near or Far
24. Alpha-gamma connection
25. Suffragist Carrie
26. Bruised
28. Subdued
29. Feral
30. Talks up a storm
33. Dishonorable one
35. Objective
37. Bible book
38. Iron and copper, e.g.
39. Prepare for planting
40. Disgraced gardener
41. It may cause division in the office
42. Woody's folksy son
47. Marriage precursor
48. Harmony
49. Scandinavian floor covering
50. Recently
51. Displayed some swordsmanship
52. Weird like Friday?
55. Revise
57. Small amounts
60. Driving hazard
61. Thurman of Hollywood
62. Dutch painter Vermeer
63. A real Stoooge
64. Be obligated



Sudoku

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