



MINUTES FOR QUARTERLY MEETING FOR OFFICERS' AND MEMBERS' THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2021

Ms. Susan Lifrieri-Lowry opened the meeting at **3:00 pm**

Attendees: Jean F. Claude, Henri Dubarry, Thomas Santamaria, Gérard Vidal, Remi Lorgoulloux, Pascal Petiteau, Susan Lifrieri-Lowry, Anthony Arbeeny, Bernard Malet-Dupont, Jacques Coustar, Yves Busnel, Francis Richard, Kate Wayler, Steve Walljasper, Nduvoakim Abdus-Salaam, Cedo Pavlovic, Vincenzo Garofalo, Laurent Richard

Excused: Jean Le Rouzic, Louise Hoffman, Steven Vangelder, Arno Schmidt, Joanne Lewin-Jacus, Claude Godard, Cynthia Keller, Michel Keller, Dominique Payraudeau, Pierre Baran, Angel Sanay, Marc Sarrazin, Sébastien Baud, Jean Géraud, Thom Smyth

- **Pension:** The pension payment was disbursed on **Tuesday, October 5th to 157** retired members. All transactions were made electronically.
- **Death Benefits:** The trustees approved the death benefits of Emile André, member of the Société for **34 years** at the **September 16th** Trustees' meeting. The checks were sent to Mrs. André on **Friday, September 17th**.
- **Sickness Benefits:** Nothing to report.
- **Culinarian Home Foundation:** Jean Le Rouzic phoned in earlier and reported that they have twelve residents now and all are well. They are looking for a weekend cook because the weekend cook accepted a full-time position. The tree stumps will be removed, they went with the middle priced quote.
- **Dinner Dance:** Waiting to hear from Alain Quirin when the Yale Club is able to reschedule the Dinner Dance in **2022**.
- **Picnic:** Hoping the Picnic will be on schedule for **September 11, 2022**.
- **Newsletter:** Looking at printing an Autumn newsletter.
- **Report of the Chapters:**
 - Mid-Hudson Chapter: Nothing to report.
 - NJ Chapter: Nothing to report.
 - LI Chapter: Email sent to James Mollitor regarding when he can schedule a chapter meeting.
 - Florida Chapter: Francis Richard reported they had a meeting a few days ago and it was decided not to have a Christmas party. The next meeting will be held in April or May if everything goes well. A letter will be sent to all chapter members notifying them of the news.

- **Report by the Committee of French Speaking Societies:** Henri Dubarry reported there was nothing to report.
- **Office:**
 - Yearbook is in production, 310 copies will be printed.
 - All 2022 membership dues invoices are done and will be *emailed* to members in early November. Dues were increased to **\$200** and are payable by the end of December.
 - All accounts were reconciled.
- **Report by Archivist:** Nothing to report.
- **Report of the Jules Weber Foundation:** Nothing to report.
- **Condominium:**
 - The water heater broke on **Friday, September 24th**. A new water heater will be purchased and installed.
 - The renewal form for the condo to receive the property tax exemption for tax year **2022-2023** was submitted online on **Monday, October 4th**.
- **Events:**
 - **The Food and Beverage Association Annual Golf Outing** at the **Crestmont Country Club** in West Orange, NJ was postponed until **Monday, October 25th** due to inclement weather. Maurice Pailleret will attend and represent the Société.
 - **The Culinary Institute of America's 75th Anniversary Celebration** was held on **Thursday, October 7th, from 5:30 pm – 10:30 pm**. President Pascal Guillotin and Maurice Bonté attended.

MEMBERS' DISCUSSION:

Anthony Arbeeny - said Chef Vincent Raith is doing a fantastic job at the River Club. Found the position through the Société. He hopes to join the next meeting. Anthony relayed the news that the chef at the Yale Club is no longer there.

Susan Lifrieri-Lowry – It's nice to be back in the office and to see everyone. The new pantry is clean and beautiful.

Salaam – He lost all of his businesses. He's been down in Miami for the past several months working on a new venture. He's not moving there, working on some business.

Kate Wayler – Kate said today's mass for Madame Le Bossier was beautiful.

Jacques Coustar – It was a beautiful mass for Madame Le Bossier, he was very touched to see everyone from the Philanthropique at the church. Jacques thinks Mr. Le Bossier will be okay, he has a lot of support.

Mr. Henri Dubarry asked if anyone had any comments.

The next **Officers' meeting** will be held **November 4, 2021**.

Meeting was adjourned at **3:20 pm**