



MINUTES FOR QUARTERLY FOR OFFICERS' AND MEMBERS' MEETING THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 2023

President Pascal Guillotin opened the meeting at **3:01 pm** and welcomed everyone to the **April 6th** meeting.

He thanked everyone for coming.

Attendees: Jacques Coustar, Thomas Santamaria, Henry Dubarry, Dominique Payraudeau, Angel Sanay, Pascal Guillotin, Pascal Petiteau, Michel Pombet, Alain Quirin, Susan Lifrieri-Lowry, Daniel DiGiacomo

Zoom Attendees: Louise Hoffman, Maurice Pailleret, Jean LeRouzic, Laurent Morisse, Jean F. Claude, Joanne Lewin-Jacus, Kate Wayler, Jean-Louis Gerin, Claude Godard, Herve Riou, André Moisan, Vincent Caro, Gérard Vidal

Excused: Laurent Richard, Steven Vangelder, Arno Schmidt, Gérard Drouet, Pierre Baran, Bernard Malet-Dupont, André Soltner, Maurice Bonté

- **Pension:** The April pension was distributed on **Tuesday, April 4th** to One hundred and fifty-seven retired members. One hundred and fifty-six members received their payment via electronic transfer; one member received a check.
- **Death Notices:** The office was recently informed by Bernard Valentin's son, Robert, that Bernard Valentin passed away on August 13, 2022. He was a Société Culinaire Philanthropique member since **October of 1961**. He was 93 years old. President Pascal spoke and said Bernard Valentin's bank account remained open, he received two pension checks after he passed away.
- **Sickness Benefits:** Nothing to report.
- **Culinarian Home Foundation:** Jean LeRouzic reported that all the residents are in good health. There are two new residents and they are adapting well. The weekend cook didn't work out. They are thinking of another way to cover the vacant cook's position and a proposal will be given for review. The bungalow has been rented. The generator is in place, it took 40 tons of soil to set it. Terry Newman had cataract surgery on Monday, April 10th but he was back to work on Tuesday. Everything is going fine. He will be going to the Home with Jean-Claude Blazy soon.

- **Dinner Dance:** The Dinner Dance is on! The date is **Sunday, April 30th** at **The Colony Club which is located at 564 Park Ave. in Manhattan.** The invitation was emailed to all members on **Tuesday, February 28th** with follow-up reminder emails sent after that date. **Seventy-five** members have responded they will attend. President Pascal reminded people to please respond even if you are not coming to the Dinner Dance, please let the office know. It's an obligation to attend. We need 150 minimum. It's a black tie affair. Trustees voted to allow new members to attend for the first time at a special price of **\$100.00** plus a guest.
- **Picnic:** The **2023 Picnic** is on schedule for **Sunday, September 10th.** The picnic planning is underway. The second picnic meeting will be held on **Thursday, May 4th.**
- **Newsletter:** Louise Hoffman said greetings from upstate New York. There is one article and possibly a recipe for the next issue. Louise said if she can't make the Dinner Dance she will need someone to write up the article on the Dinner Dance at the Colony Club, she'll know soon if she can or cannot attend. She said please contribute to your membership, sorry I'm not there in person. The next newsletter will come out sometime in mid-May.
- **Report of the Chapters:**
 - Florida Chapter: Francis Richard is planning a meeting and luncheon at **12:25 pm** on **Monday, April 24th** at **Belle & Maxwell's** located in **West Palm Beach.** Maurice Pailleret spoke and said on Wednesday he and Francis Richard were going together to the restaurant. He said they have quite a few people, 25 – 30 so far.
 - NJ Chapter: Michael Latour is hoping to hold a small meeting in the spring.
 - LI Chapter: James Mollitor is planning a **mid-May chapter meeting.** More information to follow.
 - Mid-Hudson Chapter: Nothing to report.
- **Report by the Committee of French Speaking Societies:** Henri Dubarry reported on a **Jazz & Art Fair** being hosted by **Entraide Française on Thursday, April 27th at the General Consulate of France from 6:00 – 9:00 pm.** Admission is **\$40.00 adults; \$20 for students and seniors.** Purchase tickets at www.entraidefrancaisenyc.org/donate
Or cash or check at the door.
- **Membership Dues:** All members have paid their dues.
- **Office:**
 - The 2022 – 2023 SCP Yearbook is being updated. Edits have been received and reviewed. The last entry will be the June 1st Quarterly Meeting.
 - **114 Proof of Life Forms** have been sent to retired members; due date to be returned to the office is **June 30, 2023. Seventy-three forms** have been received.
 - Working on the renewal applications of the insurance policies for all three entities.
- **Condominium:** Nothing to report.

- **Report by Archivist:** Pascal Petiteau reported that the original Members signature book will take three more weeks to complete being repaired.
- **Miscellaneous:**
 - Thank you letter received from Mr. Jean Geraud for the sickness benefits check recently received. Wishes all the members the best of health and happiness.
 - The office will be closed **Friday, April 7th** in observance of **Good Friday**.

President Pascal Guillotin inquired if anyone had any comments.

The next **Officers' Meeting** will be held **May 4, 2023**

The meeting was adjourned at **3:46 pm**