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PRESIDENT'S DIARY

By Adele Gerity

The special items in my diary since September are the two meetings of October and November. It was so satisfying to see so many folks attending. Such attendance is the best example of community interest. There were lots of good ideas and changes suggested for next season. Through discussion details were worked out in a neighborly manner.

Committee on By-Laws meets in my house: What with *Ted Nasdahl's* wise legal advice, *Paul Jensen's* past experience, *Al Natale's* progressive ideas and my 'eager-beaver' plans, the revision of our By-Laws is shaping up. Suggestions from our members are being carefully considered. We are keeping in mind the needs of both 'Rounders' and summer people.

Good weather Sunday, Jan. 7 . . . a quick visit to Sound Beach. First to West Ramp where high tide waves slapped hard against the bulkhead. It seems quite sturdy so far. A walk along the repaired part of Shore Drive . . . still intact. I made a stop to see *Joe Ferraro*. His walking hikes are an advantage to us for he keeps watch at the same time for any trouble at our two beaches. Met new Board member *Salvatore Diliberto*. Hope to make good use of his enthusiasm, especially since he is a 'Rounder'. Then to the East Ramp and a run up and down the stairs, puff, puff. Fall hurricane had torn the stairs from the bulkhead and it's quite a drop to the beach. Bulkhead still okay though. Hope this spring's only expense will be to restore the short length of stairs to beach. New drain performing fine . . . No down-rush of rain water to undermine stairs as before. Then a visit to neighbors to hear what high times were had over the holidays. There's no need for a dull life in Sound Beach. There's always lots to do. Was impressed by the many homes decorated for Christmas. Through the leafless trees one can see how very many new homes there are in all sections.

During the ride back our conversation was filled with new plans come springtime. Plans now that include all of Sound Beach. I'm so glad there are so many more folks that feel the same way, too. The February meeting should be worthwhile. I am looking forward to it. I want to greet and wish everybody a Happy New Year personally.

WOMEN'S LEAGUE

By Anne Capodici

Our Women's League is Sound Beach's newest baby. Few people seem to know about it. For the benefit of those who want more details, let's discuss why it came into being and its future aims.

Let's face it. Socially speaking summer life in Sound Beach has been pretty much an individual thing. If you know people, you go to our all too rare Saturday nite socials. If not, you hesitate. How do you get to know people? This is one of the Women's League prime aims.

There are many newcomers in Sound Beach. A growing community must be progressive and open to change. Getting together means exchange of ideas and putting those ideas into action for the good of all.

The Women's League was formed to do this. This means for members and non-members of the Association; adults and teenagers; 'Rounders' and summer folk. We aim:

1. To become better acquainted.
2. To increase social activities.
3. To give our children a guided social calendar.
4. To help Sound Beach move forward.

Our first season, 1961, was a success. This year will be better.

We have many new plans to discuss: Our progress to date, our kick-off dance at the Club House, etc. We are open to any and all suggestions.

I urge all the ladies of Sound Beach, whether Association members or not to join us. We need you! We need your ideas! We need you as hostesses and chaperones at future affairs.

All ladies interested in becoming members should contact *Mrs. Katherine Ackert*, 29-16 166th St., Flushing 58, N. Y. Our membership dues are \$1.00 and should be enclosed with your application. For your convenience an application blank appears on page two.

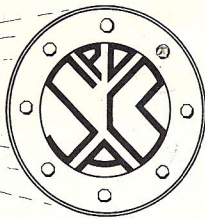
All members will be notified of the date of the next meeting.

May I wish you one and all a healthy and happy New Year.

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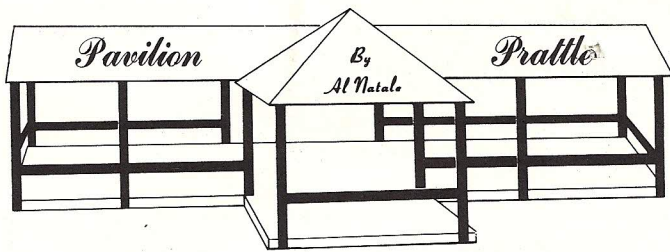
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Taking a cue from *Lt. John Yacino* of the Suffolk County Police Youth Bureau, with an assist from *Tom Cerria*, local Sheriff, *Charles Calace* has organized a Junior Police unit in Sound Beach. It is open to all youths within the age group 8-12. At present there are fifteen members. At a meeting in December the boys received their uniforms and badges. This worthy project is well on its way to becoming a decisive factor in combating juvenile delinquency. The boys will be taught good citizenship and proper behavior. Heading an organization of this kind one must have the ability to work effectively with youngsters and possess a genuine feeling of warmth and understanding. We all know that *Charlie* has been generously endowed with these prime requisites and should have some positive impact on the youngsters.

With a little bit of unoccupied time on his hands and a tremendous amount of vigor, *Charlie* has accepted a five year appointment as Fire Commissioner.

We doff our hat to this fine citizen.

A new neighbor has moved in next door. We extend a warm hand of welcome and the best of good luck and success to the Tides. The Tides is a residential park for fine homes comprising several acres of hillside and meadow land now under development at the eastern edge of Sound Beach Village. Many private facilities are being offered including a golf course, beach and association. Although the entire tract is being cleared for home-building, much of the original timber and foliage has been preserved to afford a picturesque rural homesite. The Tides extends an invitation to families which desire an atmosphere of refinement among neighbors of like character. It offers the expansive environment of suburban life to those who wish to escape the turmoil of city living.

A sad and disappointed Board Chairman sat on the dais at the October meeting. No one asked to see his decoration. (We peeked secretly)

Our reference to *Jennie Lawrence's Hideaway* on Jamaica Drive was misinterpreted by some people, a case of leaping before looking. As a result, inspectors and sleuths descended upon the Hideaway armed with search warrants, subpoenas, padlocks and orders to scrutinize the place for any indication of illegal activities. Of course, none was found. We were simply trying to convey to *Mama Lawrence* our thanks and appreciation for many fine Italian meals she sent over to our house last summer. We repeat that, in our opinion, her distinctive culinary achievements are superb. However, we want to emphasize the fact that she neither operates a restaurant nor accepts dinner reservations.

A master of the art of gesticulation and the spoken word, Director *Joe Pellicane* has a difficult time slowing down his free-wheeling oratory for Secretary *Mildred Bayard* to record accurately his discerning remarks for posterity.

Located right in the midst of fertile territory, *Dan* and *Harriet Curtin* are adding the finishing touches to their beautiful new home on Queen Drive. Just a spit and a holler down the road from *Corser's Corner*, these new 'Rounders' have as immediate neighbors, the *Tursellinos* with eight children and the *Ferdicos* with three children. *Dan* and *Harriet* have only one child, but their neighbors had none when they set stakes in the ground a short while ago. 'Tis prolific ground thereabouts, *Dan* and *Harriet*, and we will be keeping score.

While dear husband, *Arthur*, slumbers upstairs, our effervescent President entertains the all-male Constitution and By-Laws Committee downstairs at 11-30 Welling Court. Lavishing these wolves with luscious tidbits and irresistible pastries will keep them from resolving their problem for years and years . . . free loaders at heart, you see.

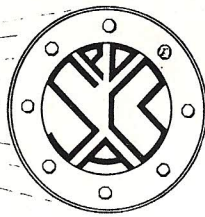
"This has been a very busy little community for us 'Rounders' this past Christmas," writes *Evelyn Condon*, chief 'Rounder' of them all. "I was a guest at the Firemen's party where I was served a wonderful dinner complete with drinks (soft) on the house. Santa (*Dan Lyons*) was there to administer to the children. It was a lovely affair. Then on Sunday, Dec. 17 the Ladies Auxiliary of the American Legion gave their annual Children's Christmas Party. Over 100 children were entertained as were some of the parents. Santa Claus (this time *Tom Kelly*) arrived with his sleigh and reindeers (fire truck) and he thrilled the youngsters no end. He had gifts for everyone. *Elizabeth Hering*, Welfare Chairman, did a magnificent job. New Year's Eve the Legion Hall was jumping with 'Rounders' doing the twist. Chairman *Kay Kress* did her usual splendid job arranging things. We all drank a toast to the poor city dwellers who couldn't be present to help ring the old year out and the New Year in."

Memo To Boots: Complete happiness does not exist — only happy moments.

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