Remote Voting for the 2021 Slate of Board Candidates

Nominating Committee Chair Nancy Andrews and Jola Marcario, Illisa Meyer, Ursula Thomas, Joyce Tuttle and Board liaison Wiebke Sullivan will present the following slate to the membership for approval. Ballots will be sent out via eblast on Monday, September 7. Voting will end on Saturday, September 12, which is the date the in-person vote would have been held.

**2021 Board of Directors**

Official Nominating Committee Slate

President    Jen Tarbet
1st Vice President     Cathy Humphrey
2nd Vice President     Jane Dillon
Secretary     Harriet Edwards
Treasurer     Janet Dayton
Director Class of 2023    Aimee Dallob
Director Class of 2023    Colleen Rando
Director Liz Pucci (one year position replacing Jen Tarbet)

Nominating Committee for 2021:
Vickie Lundin, Ellen McPartland Nancy Pearson, Bonne Pizzorno, Kristen Tulp

Please note: Officers serve one-year terms and may be asked to continue to serve in that office for a maximum of three years. Directors serve three year terms.

Editor: Colleen Rando
Leaving the Board are President Ann Davis and Directors Wiebke Sullivan and Sue Vaughan. Ann will continue her work in Books, researching and pricing rare and unusual books. Wiebke will continue her work on the Finance Committee and Books with, as she says, “a wonderful group of ladies”. Sue Vaughan will continue on the Nature Trail Committee, tending the mandevillas on Main Street and Newtown Lane, and her two-day stint in the Annex, where she remarks that “so many wonderful customers come in and out. Everyone is looking for a treasure...and most find one.” We thank them all for serving on the LVIS Board.

A Scholarship Thank You

Thank you so much for your incredible generosity in supporting my higher education. I am honored to be this year’s recipient of the Dudley Roberts memorial scholarship and am very thankful to the LVIS scholarship Committee for choosing me for this honor. When I begin my college journey this fall at the University of Virginia, majoring in architecture, I will carry in my heart a deep gratitude to LVIS for helping to make it possible, and an ambition to make the women of LVIS proud.

Best,

Wells Woolcott
New Chairs

- Maureen Bluedorn has been appointed Finance Chair, replacing Margaret Farrell.
- Jen Tarbet is taking over the House Committee through the end of the year. She replaces Abby Vogel.
- Nancy Vermandois is the new Program chair, replacing Bonnie Pizzorno and Vice-chair Anne Thomas. She is currently working on the 2021 schedule of member meetings.
- Janet Dayton has resigned as Development chair. The Board is seeking a replacement.

We thank them all for their service.

Cancellations

- The September, October, November and December in-person Member Meetings are canceled due to concerns over Covid-19. There are plans to hold the October, November and December meetings via Zoom. Stay tuned for more information.
- Also canceled is the Halloween Open House, the Landmarks Luncheon, and the December Holiday Party.

Volunteer Discounts

- It is the consensus of the Board that discounts should go only to volunteers who are currently working in the Shops. As a reminder, the current policy is a 50% discount on items of $25 or less to working Shops volunteers, with a 20% discount offered on Furniture. There is also an additional discount of 10% to seniors on Wednesdays.
- Because it has always been very difficult for our employees to determine which volunteers are actively working and therefore qualify for a discount, Administrative Coordinator Mary Anna Morris has created cards for volunteers who are currently working in the Shops to present to sales associates at the time of payment.

Lost Revenue

- Between the Fair cancellation, diminished sales in the Shops, and fewer donations to the Community Report, Covid 19 has taken a toll on our finances this year. We hope to recoup some of that revenue with the Fall Appeal.

New Members

The Membership Committee is planning to present names of the new permanent members to the Board in October for approval. They will be introduced to the membership in November.

Finance

Chair Maureen Bluedorn described the committee’s communications with committee chairs regarding the current financial situation. Chairs are being asked to review their 2019 budgets in light of our decreased revenue. The committee is also preparing a packet for chairs to assist in their budget planning for 2021.

Audit Committee

Wiebke Sullivan has been appointed to the LVIS Audit Committee.

2021 Board

New members joining the Board as a result of the September election will officially assume their positions on January 1. However, they will attend the Board meetings from September through December so they are thoroughly prepared to hit the ground running in January.
Looking Back at the Ladies  East Hampton in 1943

On the beach during World War II:

There was a tempest in a teapot on Sunday when the President of the Ladies’ Village Improvement Society and a well-known society photographer occupied the attention of the Army, Navy and Coast Guard for some hours due to photographs being taken to advertise the coming Fair. The pictures were taken at the beach at the Maidstone Club; the ocean front setting of the pictures is the cause of all the commotion. In the twinkling of an eye the Coast Guard was there; an army jeep posted over from Riverhead. Navy intelligencer went to work. An Army lieutenant spent hours asking questions, having maps drawn of the exact spot where the crimes had been committed. Whether films of the photographs will be sent to Washington for minute inspection by FBI and what-have-you, returning too late to do the Fair any good or not, is still undetermined. In the meantime everyone is wondering what the FBI will do if they inspect the developed films and attempt to identify any of the ladies as the Mata Hari of World War II.

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