

House Activities Committee Minutes, January 6, 2025

Attendees: Ami Nickel, Kristen Neu, Roger Crook, David Neu, Val Mendez-Lopez, Brett Nickel

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 pm

Old Business

- NYE
 - Recapped the event; Pat shared her notes and feedback; she was very pleased with the caterer, servers and DJ Tom
 - Discussed potentially creating a live WML ball drop!
 - Brainstormed on different ways to modify the event to increase attendance; no decisions need to be made just yet, and we will use the time to get feedback from community members and continue to brainstorm
- Holiday Party- December 7, 7-11p
 - Discussed feedback from the event; the food was great, musicians were great, event wasn't as well attended as expected, should remove some tables from the layout
 - Discussed ways to increase attendance; will get feedback from community members; suggested including a "door prize" type of raffle
- Holiday Decorating
 - Plan to purchase the additional items early this year: fairy lights for mantles, collar for GL tree, garland for staircase, thin tree for foyer, 3M hooks

New Business & Upcoming Events

- Dueling Pianos- January 31, 6-10:30p tickets on sale Jan 11
 - On track, no update
- Comedy Night- April 5, 2025
 - Motion passed at the December board meeting
 - Office confirmed ticket sale date of March 1; Need to create EB and FB
- Summer Kick Off- May 25
 - Briefly reviewed last year's event; the event was very well attended; will look into children's entertainment again
- Beach Party- Date TBD
 - Discussed a variety of dates (June 21, June 28, July 4)
 - Discussed bands for summer events: Norton Smull Band, 3 Piece Suit, School of Rock of Randolph

Upcoming Event dates

- Dueling Pianos- January 31- Tickets on sale Jan 11
- Comedy Night- April 5- Tickets on sale March 1
- Summer Kick Off- May 25
- Beach Party- Date TBD
- Lawn Party- August 31
- Comedy Night- Nov 1
- Holiday Party- Dec 13
- NYE

The meeting officially adjourned at 7:27 pm

Minutes written by Kristen (Co-Chair) & approved by Roger (OIC)

House Activities Committee Minutes, February 5, 2025

Attendees: Ami Nickel, Kristen Neu, Roger Crook, Pat Degnan

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 pm

Old Business

➤ NYE

- Discussed food quantity, as there were so many leftovers; will consider moving dinner from 9p to 8:30p
 - Shared different ways to modify the event to increase attendance; we have time to brainstorm, but a potential option is to offer a general admission-type of ticket at a reduced cost, which has no assigned table, no dinner, and admission starts later at around 10pm; we would still keep the dinner tickets at assigned tables
 - WC Noon Years Eve- We can close the dividers in the ballroom to protect the room set up on the lakeside, and open to roadside of the ballroom for WC to use for this event to allow for more space/capacity
- #### ➤ Dueling Pianos- January 31, 6-10:30p
- 123 tickets sold, approx. \$1,500 profit
 - It was a fun night, however some people didn't understand the format of a "Dueling Pianos" event; discussed offering only once a year, or even every other year; discussed over-saturation of other 21+ events in the winter and the negative impact on HAC's 21+ events

New Business & Upcoming Events

➤ Comedy Night- April 5, 2025; tickets on sale March 1

- Will email Alyssa about placing in the March newsletter and creating the FB event

➤ Summer Kick Off- May 25

- Pat to reach out to DJ for availability and cost; suggested bringing back face painting and will get costs and availability from Jolene; will keep event time at 4-7p, Pat suggested a summer bingo and will look into this; Kristen will get availability and cost from balloon and bubble artist; discussed how the ticket sales of Comedy night will determine how many add-ons we can afford, since this is a free community event

➤ Beach Party- Date TBD

- Discussed date options again: June 21, June 28, July 4
- Discussed bands options for summer events; will reach out for availabilities and costs

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