VENETIAN GOLF & RIVER CLUB
SOCIAL AND DINING COMMITTEE
November 11, 2015

Quorum established. Members attending Linda Cautero, Diane Bazlamit, Barbara Bracco, Denise Milykovic Waite, Ginny Keller, Sarah Quinn, Tom Nurney, Scott Kissell. Minutes of the meeting of October 14, 2015 were reviewed. Approval of draft minutes was postponed until December meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Review of Events

• 15 Oct Mad Hatter Luncheon 62 people. Great planning of the event. All positive comments about menu and service. Linda expressed disappointment in headcount. Discussion of “how do we get people to come.” Also, there was request that names of people sitting at each table be posted on the tables.
• 21 Oct Pub Night 57 people
• 28 Oct Pasta Night 49 people
• 31 Oct Halloween Cheeseburger in Paradise 115 people. Comment that DJ was great
• 4 Nov Birthday Bash 128 people

Calendar Review
11 Nov Carvers Buffet 45 reservations
18 Nov Birthday Bash 64
19 Nov Pub Night 10
25 Nov Pasta Night 3
26 Nov Thanksgiving 318
28 Nov Welcome Back Dance 45
2 Dec Birthday Bash 35
9 Dec Carters Buffet 20
12 Dec Holiday Dinner 70 but we expect to sell out. Menu is heavy hors d’oeuvres
16 Dec Birthday Bash 66
20 Dec Bkfst w/Santa 26
23 Dec Pasta Night 22
31 Dec New Year’s Eve 128

Discussion of New Year’s Eve menu that it needs review. If there is a raw bar and passed hors d’oeuvres during the cocktail hour, it needs to be enumerated on the menu. Also, a third entre item of filet or upscale beef needs to be added to the menu and other items on the menu need to be “tweaked”. Comment that in the past the New Year’s Eve sold out within hours but this year’s menu has discouraged people from wanting to attend. Comment was the band playing is excellent but menu does not seem a good value for $100 per person.

There was also a comment that the “upcharge” of $1.50 for those wanting fruit rather than fries on the lunch menu is a turn off because in the past there was no upcharge. Realizing there is a great difference in the actual cost between fries or the fresh fruit, it was proposed to management that either coleslaw or potato salad could be offered as alternative to fries without the upcharge.

NEW BUSINESS

Lengthy discussion about consistency of reservation rules and it was decided to review these rules for consistency and a review of the on-line reservation system to make sure it complies with reservation policies.
Scott asked for input of ideas to bring in residents for luncheons. He suggested painting opportunities or craft shows. We could then open the bar and offer luncheon and cocktails.

One committee member is exploring possibility of a “chocolate luncheon” for March 9 with a local chocolatier. She will get back with management once she has met with the local merchant.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30.