

Social Committee Meeting
January 9, 2024

Present: Connie Baran-Gerez, Suzanne Harding, Rick Holt, David Salter
Regrets: Alan Cohen, Merle Koven, Janine Schweitzer, Rosemary Wilderspin

1. Agenda was approved

2. **Past Events - November**

- Trivia Night – Wednesday, November 8; Dan (Phelan) and Gordon (Harding) – 11 attended
- Movie Night – Wednesday, November 15; *Slumdog Millionaire* – 10 attended (not 100% popular)
- Fish and Chips Night – Sunday, November 19 – 32 attended; great fun, several requests to repeat
- Travelogue – Wednesday, November 29; *The Other Japan*, presented by Les Jones – 18 attended; Les and Judy served miso and shochu

3. **Seasonal Events**

- Lobby tree decoration – Friday, December 1; seven participated
- Festive Patio Party – Saturday, December 9; cancelled; three organizers sick
- Holiday Season Dinner (pay-your-way) – Saturday, December 16; cancelled; surge in COVID
- Special movie night – Thursday, December 21; *The Muppet Christmas Carol* – 12 attended; will be annual event

4. **Monthly January Events**

- Trivia – Wednesday, January 10; 7:00pm, lounge; Dan (Phelan) and Rick
- Movie – Wednesday, January 17; 7:00pm, lounge; *Vertigo*
- Travelogue – Wednesday, January 24; 7:00pm, lounge; *Cruising the World- Favourite Destinations*, presented by David

5. **Pub and Grub Night**

- Thursday, February 1; 6:30pm, Tir Nan Og; organized by Keith Bilow

6. Monthly February Events

- Trivia – Wednesday, February 14; 7:00pm, lounge; Dan (Phelan) and Gordon (Harding)
- Movie – Wednesday, February 21; 7:00pm, lounge; *Best Exotic Marigold Motel*
- Travelogue – Wednesday, February 28; 7:00pm, lounge; TBD, presented by Rick and Helena

7. Whiskey Nosing

- Sunday, March 3; time TBD, lounge; organized and presented by Ken Fuller; cost covered by participants

8. Late Winter Events

- Trivia, movie, and travelogue nights will be arranged for the second, third, and fourth Wednesday evenings, as usual
- Based on the success of the Fish and Chips Night, the committee discussed holding another food event in the lounge; date and food to be decided at the next meeting
- Landmark-inspired bingo will also be revisited, but as a possible spring event

9. Recruitment

- Currently, several Social Committee members spend the winter months away from Kingston and/or travel extensively
- The Committee is therefore seeking additional members to organize and assist with social activities
- Committee members will approach residents they feel might be interested, and invite them to attend an upcoming meeting

The next meeting of the Social Committee will be held on Tuesday, February 13 at 11:00am in the lounge