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HAPPY NEW YEARS!

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President's Message

It's Official.

We exceeded the majority that was needed to validate the election.

Here are the official results of the membership's voting for new officers and board members.

What an honor.

Thank you for electing me president. This is an honor that I take seriously and I will do my best to represent every member of this wonderful Club.

Why did I join LBLBC?

I joined Long Beach Lawn Bowling Club 6 years ago shortly after admitting to myself that I was now retired.

Like many of you, I had lived my life around school and work commitments. Now I had to find another way to structure my time.

An opportunity presented itself.

Lawn Bowling became the answer to this unexpected challenge.

What an immense potential.

I have been here long enough to recognize the immense potential of our 100+ members.

This year I would like you to help me examine all aspects of the Long Beach Lawn Bowling Club. I do not consider the observation that..."we have always done it that way" to be a valid response.

All of us have differing reasons.

We all joined this Club for a reason. Although the reasons vary, I am sure that everyone wants our Club to survive.

Like a shark, we can only survive by moving forward. 2018 is going to be a Great Year for forward movement.

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THE RESULTS FOR 2018

President: Laurie Richards
 Vice President: Eileen Lancendorfer
 Secretary: Dorothy Johnson
 Treasurer: Candy DeFazio
 Board Members:
 Diana Justin (2017-2018)
 Richard White (2017-2018)
 Karla Jondle (2017-2018)
 John Arbogast (2017-2018)
 Bob Daniels (2019-2019)
 Heidi Rittner (2018-2019)



President's Message Continued...

Of Special Note About January 27

Our By-Laws call for a membership meeting in January to plan and organize for activities in the New Year. This will be a great opportunity for everyone to meet the new Board members and Committee Chairs for 2018.

Please mark your calendars for Saturday, January 27. We will begin the meeting at 9:00am and enjoy club bowling at 10:00am.

With dedication, there is success.

The reason our club is so successful is because of membership commitment to volunteering.

There are some who's commitment is far and beyond the "average". After considering a number of excellent candidates, the 2017 board

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🎳 **Bowling Clinics** 🎳

Pat Gonzales & Morris Jolly will be starting up their clinics on Monday, January 8 at 9:30am.

Please come early to pick out courtesy bowls if you don't have your own.

More Of The President's Message...

selected one individual who "fits the bill" – and that person is Candy DeFazio.

She was awarded the Volunteer Of The Year with a plaque that let's her know how much the



club appreciates her dedication to making the club outstanding in presentation and functions (ie: the gardens and private parties, for example).

What a pleasure it is.

Thank you, again, for allowing me to participate in this amazing organization. 2018 is going to be a Great Year for forward movement.

Laurie Richards

PS

The Holiday Party photo credits go to Scott Boyd.

In an email that accompanied his photos Scott wrote: *"With the combination of mimosas and spiked eggnog I was feeling my Christmas Cheer! My rubber-lips were flapping as I tried*

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President's Message Complete...

*to give all the women a hug.
Hence, I didn't take many photos.*

*Hopefully you can find a few you
like for The Write Shot".*

*That we did Scotty, that we did!
Thanks!*



A Little Of This...



Ladies Day, December 20 At Laguna Woods

It was a fun day of bowling with over 56 ladies bowling from several clubs and 83 attending the luncheon.

Representing LBLBC were (with red ring in photo below from left to right): Ann Kirchner, Diana Wenzel, Norma Goodhart, Stephanie Johnson, Laurie Richards, Diana Justin [?], Charlyn Moltane, Heidi Rittner, Candy DeFazio, Kay Hudnall & Margi Rambo.

All went smoothly, thanks to Sheila Conti and Diana Wenzel who took care of the raffle.

We were served a beautiful Holiday lunch with a terrific treat – entertainment by two professionals with holiday music.

Congratulations to the game winners (*LBLBC members in black italic*):

- 1st Place (tie): *Heidi Rittner, Norma Goodhart & Stephanie Johnson.*
- 1st Place (tie) : Joanne Hedgespeth, *Diana Justin* & Dana Hopper

Please note that the next Ladies Day is not until March 2018 and we will be sending you the schedule.

Norma Goodhart



We Did It Again...

As of publishing time, Gayle reported that she had collected \$1,002 for the Annual Lydia House Canned Food

Drive. Look for a more complete report in the next newsletter.

Who's The Mystery Member?

Guess who the Mystery Member of the month is? If you do, let us know because there is no Mystery Member for January issue.



A Little Of That...

In Case You Didn't Notice...

A load of wood was deposited on the grounds accompanied by workers recently. They replaced the bad backdrops on the center green, a welcomed upgrade.

However, that resulted in the grounds volunteers putting in extra time to measure and mark the rink lines as seen in these pictures. – thanks to Stephanie Johnson, Heidi Rittner and Greg Goltart for “going the extra mile.”



Stephanie



Heidi



Greg



The moral of the above picture is – never dare Bob to do anything!

(You have to admit, it was just soooo tempting and irresistible.)



Put Another Candle On Your Birthday Cake, and...

Birthdays during the month of January

Ann Kirchberg	Jan. 5
Milton Merrill	Jan. 14
Jake Jeffery	Jan. 16
Denny Leahy	Jan. 16
Maggie Knight	Jan. 25



The Front Row – A Review...

The Front Row...

With John Arbogast

One of the best things about Netflix is that you don't have to wait a week to watch the next episode and this is one of those series where you can't wait to watch the next episode.

The show centers around the Rayburn's. A family living in the Florida Keys. Robert and Sally Rayburn are the owners of a Summer resort for families to go on holidays. Their children all live locally and help out around the resort.

John, Kevin and Meg are well known in the community, especially John, the County Sheriff.

Then there is Danny, the black sheep of the family. Danny is the eldest son of the family.

Danny has been away from the resort for quite a long time and now he returns trying to charm his way back into the family. He shows signs of getting away from his criminal lifestyle but eventually the tension between the siblings and reminders of their childhood begin to appear.

How to deal with the return of Danny becomes a major problem for the other siblings.

Danny is the most memorable character in the cast, you don't know if you should feel sorry for him or if he really is an evil person. He plays both parts perfectly.



Kyle Chandler is perfectly cast as John Rayburn, the second oldest sibling. You might remember

Kyle as the Coach in FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS.

Each episode that you watch, you learn more dark secrets about the Rayburn family and you will find yourself binge watching this series. You just can't wait for the next episode.

Be sure to give the series at least 3 episodes before you decide to not watch any more episodes. It takes that long to develop the characters. Just when you think nothing can go wrong with this family, one disaster leads to another.

ENJOY

John Arbogast

(Editor's note: John has a reputation of doing movie reviews in past newsletters and has had a number of members asking when he was going to do some more – so here is his latest. We hope you enjoy it.)



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The Tongue-In-Cheek Page...

How To Win No Matter What...

Even if you are loosing badly, you can still end up winning.



The key to always winning in the end is to have control of the chalk board on the last end, as seen in a recent draw game.



How To Make A Guest Feel Right At Home...

This actually happened.

Recently, we had a visitor from New Zealand, Frank Broekmans, who was visiting Dez (Laurent Despins). We went out of our way to make him feel like he really fit in with our membership. In order to do that, we had him 'volunteer' to set up the rinks for the morning draw games.

(Wasn't that nice of us?)



A Bob Breen Type Of Groaner...

Russ and Sam, two friends, met in the park every day to feed the pigeons, watch the squirrels and discuss world problems.

One day Russ didn't show up. Sam didn't think much about it, figuring maybe he had a cold or something. But after Russ hadn't shown up for a week or so, Sam really got worried. Sam didn't know where Russ lived because they only meet in the park, so he was unable to find out what had happened to him.

A month passed and Sam figured he had seen the last of Russ, but one day, Sam approached the park and – lo and behold! – there sat Russ.

Sam was very excited and happy to see him. He said, 'For crying out loud Russ, what in the world happened to you?'

Russ replied, 'I've been in jail.' 'In Jail!' cried Sam. 'What in the world for?'

'Well,' Russ said, 'you know that cute little blonde waitress at the coffee shop where I sometimes go?'

'Yeah,' said Sam, 'What about her?'

Well, the little gold-digging witch figured I was rich and she filed rape charges against me. At 89 years old, I was so proud that when I got into court, I pleaded 'guilty'.

'Guilty!' exclaimed Sam. 'Yeah' said Russ, 'and the judge gave me 30 days for perjury!'



And This Too...

Did you figure out who the December Mystery Member was?

Well, that's me, Richard Curley.

The picture was taken in Germany around 1955. My Dad had been in the US Air Force during WWII and had taken a job working for the Defense Department after the war.

When I was eight my family moved to the East Coast and then on to Hawaii, where I went to high school. After that, I went to UC Santa Barbara where I got my teaching credentials.

During the next thirty-five years I taught high school math and served as high school principal in three private high



school in both Marin County and San Diego County.

After retiring I moved up to San Francisco where I took up lawn bowling. In 2016 I moved back down to Southern California.

Richard Curley



Puzzler Answer For December Photos

Did you identify all ten differences?

December Puzzler

1. Stephanie's pant leg longer
2. Laurie's logo on chest is missing
3. Stephanie's hat band missing
4. Jim's watch is missing
5. The an extra bowl in foreground
6. Tom's shirt more yellow/orange
7. Mel appears behind Laurie's hat
- 8: Jim's towel is shorter
9. The jack has moved
10. Top part (America) of Steph's USA logo missing



January Puzzler!

How observant are you?

Stephanie Johnson and Heidi Rittner are assisted by Greg Goltgart in marking out the location of the rink markers on the newly installed backboards.

Can you mark the ten different things changed in the bottom photo?

You will be able to compare what you see with the correct answers in the next Write Shot.



10 things

When you find one,
check off a box to
keep score.

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