

Annual Report for The East Hampton Neighborhood House Assoc.
June 1, 1997 through May 31, 1998
given by Resident Director

Although the year was relatively quiet, the house was in constant use by many who are regular clients and some who have returned for our "charm".

I am pleased to report that any repairs or maintenance costs this year were minimal, we were very lucky to have had such a mild winter. The following is an account of business & activities during the year:

- (1) June 30 - Aug 29, 1997 - The East Hampton Sports Camp held activities here for the 6th year.
- (2) September 1997 - A Gateway 2000 computer was delivered & installed for Nursery Group use, by Lynn & Ron Allen. The computer was purchased with a donation from Mr. Alexander (Sandy) Jackson, a former board member, through The Moore Foundation. Mr. Jackson sadly, is no longer with us, having passed away earlier this year. The computer is well-used & loved by all the children. We have to run to beat them into the room in the morning as they can't wait to get on & play games. It has been a valuable tool & I'm sure that their experience with it will be helpful in kindergarten.
- (3) November 1997 - A group of men from the Coast Guard Station in Montauk, were looking for a community project. Through a friend, I arranged a visit by them to help spruce up the building. Due to time constraints, I was only able to use them for one day (only day that was conducive to both of our schedules) and they came in & painted the upper portion of the gym and it's windows. They were also able to paint the upper portion of the Nursery room. Paint & materials were supplied by the house as well as lunch for the crew. They did a really nice job in a short time & I am working on getting them back for a few other little painting jobs. We'll see.
- (4) In the latter portion of last year, we received a donation of a Mita DC2255 copier & cabinet from the Cook Agency. It was reported at one of our previous meetings that we were in need of a new one. Through the efforts of Mrs. Helen Sheehy, the Cook Agency generously gave us one that they no longer needed. Thank you again Mrs. Sheehy. A thank you note was also mailed to the Cook Agency.
- (5) Also in the latter portion of last year, the East Hampton Library no longer had use for some wood furniture and had inquired if we could possibly use any for the Nursery Group. I went & selected some items that we could use. Mr. & Mrs. Douglas Mercer were so kind as to pick up those items & deliver them to us here. Thank you again Mrs. Mercer. A thank you letter was sent to the library as well.
- (6) February 1998 - the house was closed for a period of 10 days so that the floors could be sanded down & refinished. The job was completed within that period and except for routine maintenance (waxing) they are holding up well.
- (7) In a previous meeting, the need for a fax machine was discussed. Through the efforts of

Lynn Allen, we received an Okidata 2100 fax machine in April 1998.

The machine was donated by Mr. Fred Chapnick. I have been remiss but will be composing a thank you letter to Mr. Chapnick in the very near future.

(8) A fax line was brought in on May 12, 1998. The fax number is (516) 329-8814 and should serve to lessen the visits made between Lynn, myself & Mrs, Mercer.

The house is busy with it's roster of usual classes:

Monday - Oscar Giles' Karate meets in the gym from 5:30 - 7:00 P.M.

Floyd Lifton's Wu Mei Kung Fu class meets from 7:00 - 9:00 P.M.

Tuesday - no activities scheduled at this time - open

Wednesday - Oscar Giles' Karate class meets from 5:30 - 7:00 P.M.

Phillip Dolence's Ballroom Dance meets from 7:30 - 9:00 P.M.

Thursday - The Restoration Christian Church's Women's Guild practices dance from 12:30 - 2:30 in the gym

The Women's Service Club meets from 6:30/7:00 - 9:00 P.M.

(just a note: The Women's Service Club lost one of it's members late last year I believe it was...Mrs. Helen Hettiger. She was a real character and had a genuine love for the Neighborhood House. She is and will be missed.)

Friday - Floyd Lifton's Wu Mei King Fu class for kids meets in the gym from 3:30 to 4:30 P.M.

Friday nights are open for parties

Saturday - Left open for parties & functions

Sunday - The Restoration Christian Church meets using all available space from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 P.M.

Sunday P.M. - left open for parties & functions

East Hampton Sports Camp will be starting their seventh season with us starting on Monday June 29th. They feel vulnerable as they are afraid that they will eventually lose their space here. I have promised them each year when they end, that they are welcome to come back the next, but I think they are looking for a longer commitment. They would like to come & address the board regarding this but I told them I would run it by the members for their consideration. In return, they said, with the comfort & knowledge that they would have access to the building each summer, that they would be prepared to give back as well, above & beyond their normal rental fee. I'm not sure what that implies exactly but I think it's something along the lines of improving the grounds. They don't want to make an investment that will not benefit them in the future. Also, the Inspector from the Board of Health is required to check out Summer Camps, so far, our space is okay. The Sports Camp is a little concerned that the playground area could use more sand as cushioning, I agree. I feel that this is one of our responsibilities as our Nursery Group makes great use of this area as well. I would see that the sand gets distributed over the playground area if we could arrange to have a truck deliver a load.

I must admit I have been negligent in completing some of the things we had talked about in our

last meeting, but am making a concerted effort to rectify that situation. I am in the midst of another family health crisis, but I am doing my best to see that the house is taken care of. As I finish up a decade here, I would like to once again thank you all for the privilege of being the keeper of the house. It has been a tremendous opportunity for Emmie & myself. I look forward to another year with you. The summer of 1998 looks to be a busy and fruitful one.

List of Activities/Functions held during the year:

- Hampton Waters Property Owners Assoc. meetings - 2
- Old Orchard Property Owners Assoc. meetings - 1
- Settler's Landing Property Owners meetings - 1

- Adult Birthday Parties - 2
- Antiques Show - 1
- Christenings - 1
- Church Group socials & night meetings - 6
- Church Group Dinner/Auction - 1
- Clean & Sober Christmas Party - 1
- E.H. Roller Hockey Assoc. Halloween party - 1
- General Election - 1
- Girl Scouts Father/Daughter Dinner - 1 *N/C*
- Graduation Parties - 1
- L.V.I.S. meeting - 1 *N/C*
- Primary Election - 1
- Self-Help Seminar - 1 (2hr session)
- Sweet 16 parties - 2
- Wedding Receptions - 3
- Women's Service Club White Elephant Sale - 1 *N/C*
- Yard Sales - 2