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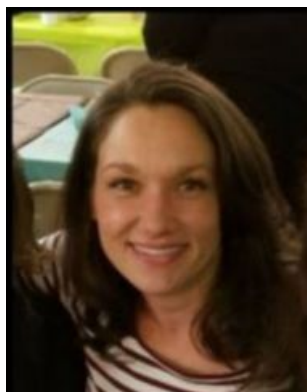
**Greetings Venice on the Bay Neighbors!**

**This is a revised newsletter. I am so sorry, I used an incorrect photo for the winners of the holiday light contest. See correct photos below!!!**



**President's Message      John Clark**

**Happy New Year neighbors!** I wish you all the best, hoping everyone is well and safe. Now that we are past the holiday season we can look forward to better times in 2021. I hope we can start meetings, in person, at the end of the summer. So much depends on vaccinations and the decline of cases of COVID19 that will allow us to do so. We will continue to monitor county, state and federal government data to assure your safety. For now, please abide by the guidelines of social distancing, wearing a mask in public buildings, and washing your hands. Join us for community association meetings online. If you do not receive meeting email notifications let us know and we will make sure you are notified. [veniceonthebay@gmail.com](mailto:veniceonthebay@gmail.com). Stay well. Be safe.



**Lisa Szybist, Secretary and Hall Manager**

Lisa is married to Anthony Holland and they have 3 children, Jordan (22) who

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built it in the 70's and his mother lived there when he was born. So VOB holds a special place with him and now with Lisa as well. Lisa says: "It's a perfect neighborhood for families with the beach and pond and quiet streets. My kids love it and I feel very lucky to live here". Anthony and Lisa have a thriving Landscaping Business which has allowed them the opportunity to get to know their neighbors a bit better and they enjoy the relationships they've built.

Lisa enjoys being the Hall Manager because it gives her some great party ideas! Along those lines, she is creating a new **Event Committee** and looking for neighbors to join in planning events. The Food Trucks are such a great success, let's build on that and have some fun!! All event ideas are welcome and it really is a great opportunity to have some fun creating fun for others! Please get in touch with Lisa by email by Jan 23rd to join in the fun....or if you just want more information!

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#### Community News

1. At the December 14th Meeting, the Board unanimously passed the Budget.
2. Greg Caroots updated the board on the progress made to the By-Laws and Constitution. While still a way to go before presenting and adopting a new constitution, progress is definitely being made.
3. The Hall has had no rentals so the Hall Committee will halt the auto delivery of propane. Lisa Szybist will drain the pipes and turn off the pilot light in preparation for colder weather. Thanks Lisa!
4. And thank you to Barbara Beck for painting the Hall doors! They look great!
5. Greg Caroots suggested the community purchase several outdoor lights. The board then approved purchase of 3-4 free standing lights.
6. The board approved \$200 for signage for our Food Truck Events.
7. Julie Blanton is acquiring an estimate for a Beach Pavilion. Guidelines will need to be decided upon as the project progresses.

Thank you to all who participated in the Holiday Light Contest! Our neighborhood was sparking for sure!!

Here are our winners of the Holiday Light Contest:

1st Place: 7619 Bay Street The Yancheski's





**Food Truck Mania Continues! I absolutely could not pick a favorite, they've all been terrific. And while it's too cold for me to walk up, I still enjoy seeing my neighbors at the hall. Thanks again to Megan Karcher!**

January Events:

Food Trucks

- 8 Jimmy's Famous Seafood
- 11 Crossroads Bistro & Sweet Satisfaction
- 15 Heavenly Hot Dog Grill
- 18 The Hot Dog Hideout
- 23 Little Italy Sausage Company
- 26 Pasta La Vista, Baby!
- 30 Bragg Cafe

Other Events:

- 11 Venice Civic Association Meeting, Zoom, 7pm

Looking forward to seeing many of you out and about in the neighborhood!

If you have any ideas about content for future issues...including photos (!)...please get in touch at [venicenews21122@gmail.com](mailto:venicenews21122@gmail.com). I'd love to hear from you!

Get in touch with Lisa Szybist for more information about the New (!) Events Committee: [lszybist@yahoo.com](mailto:lszybist@yahoo.com).

Visit our website at: [www.veniceonthebay.com](http://www.veniceonthebay.com)

Find us on Facebook at: **Venice on the Bay Civic Association**

And, most importantly, join in by zoom for our Community Meeting every 2nd Monday of the month! Watch for John Clark's email notification monthly with the zoom link.

Best regards,

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