# Glendale Heights Center for Senior Citizens Senior Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting

# Wednesday, April 26, 2017 Minutes

#### PRESENT:

Deb McKenzie
Jim Breede
Leona Breede
Mary Leston
Dorothy McGuire
Jerome McGuire
Mary Schroeder
Joanne Soo

#### Absent:

Bimla Gupta Karyn Hilborn

The meeting was called to order at 8:34am.

The Committee reviewed the minutes from the March 2017 meeting. The minutes were accepted with the exception of one change: The hours of the salon no longer 6 days a week.

#### **Bake Sale**

The bake sale on April 5 was very successful and made a \$111.20 profit for the Center. Volunteers were very helpful and no one complained of the prices being too high.

#### Salon

A comment was made by Jim Breede regarding the haircut he received at the salon. Debbie asked him to make a formal complaint to Jennifer at the Salon.

In May the Salon will be open on Wednesday and Friday. Later hours for both days are available. "Miss You" letters will go out to clients who have not repeated their appointments. There have been more good reviews than complaints so far. There was one manicure complaint; remedied with a redo at no charge immediately. There has been a handful regarding haircuts with all being taken care of promptly.

## Bus

We have had positive feedback regarding Jeannine, the new bus driver. The routes have been adjusted and everyone is pleased so far.

### **Budget**

The 2017 Budget was done and approved. No request, to date, was denied and not put in the budget. The budget now needs to be broken into correct programs and events.

# May -August Activity Guide

This activity guide should be here today and mailed out to members with it being received in homes in a week. No registrations could be done until May 1.

Dorothy raised a question regarding the Savannah trip where the Staff was not able to give members any information regarding the trip. A suggestion was made to put flyers for events and trips in Senior Fairs and at the center just to alert members that the events are coming. This would allow for planning by seniors.

# **Activity Guide – Sept to Dec**

Any ideas for activities or events for fall should be given to Debbie to include in the next guide.

# Schaumburg Flyers Game – June 22, 2017

The baseball game trip this year will be the Schaumburg Flyers. This trip will include grandchildren going with their members grandparents.

# **Utility Tax Rebate Applications**

2017 utility rebate applications done – 195

## **AARP Tax Aid**

2017 AARP Income tax returns done – 81 (this is eight more than last year.)

#### **Senior Resource Fair**

Feedback from the committee was that the fair was good. The turnout was very improved from last year. Debbie did not have the numbers yet for the total number who attended. There were also more agencies represented and assisting in the fair this year. A suggestion was made to put a sign at the street by the complex entrance to alert passers that the fair is going on. This may help to increase attendance, and direct seniors to the correct building.

# French Connection – John Bode presentation

Feedback was good regarding the French – themed lunch and John Bode presentation regarding Gene Kelly. The committee agreed that his programs are always good.

## MAY DSCC Cultural Lunch - May 22

The next cultural celebration sponsored by DSCC will be New York themed with a program about New York.

## Earth Month – April Projects on Fridays

The committee members commented on the four classes held on Fridays in April with the goal of recycle, repurpose and reuse of household articles. Joanne attended and thought they were very enjoyable and informative.

# Super Mobil Unit – Il Secretary of State – April 20, 2017

Secretary of State Staff was again at Center to renew licenses, car stickers and classes to renew drivers' licenses. 60 people attended this month. This service is for convenience of all residents; not just seniors. October is already set up for their next visit. Feedback this time regarding the class for the tests was all positive.

# Bloomingdale Senior Day Fair – Friday, April 21, 2017

Debbie reported that the fair was very good. Patti attended and gave out coupons to get new members for the center. Leona attended and was impressed with the exhibit of the comfort dogs that were at the fair.

# Cinco de Mayo Fiesta – Friday, May 5, 2017

This event was cancelled; only 11 people registered. 30 are needed to have a lunch.

## Dining in DuPage - Rockwood Tap - May

Registration and money will be done after May 1.

A discussion was had regarding registering and then not attending Dining in DuPage. People who register need to go as the restaurant reservations are made based on registration. It was a big issue at the April event as 6 people did not attend who registered and never cancelled; all were to drive their own cars.

#### **Vehicle Stickers**

Village of Glendale Heights vehicle stickers will be sold at the center beginning May 1. Members can bring their renewal notice to get their stickers.

## **Evening Events**

The group had a discussion regarding the evening events. There are none scheduled for the May – August activities. More evening programs will be added in the future. They are very well received.

## Chip-in Casino - June 25

A reminder to register if people want to go on this trip. There is still the issue of everyone waiting for the deadline date to register.

# **Adding Committee Members**

The group discussed the need for more committee members. Debbie explained that any nominated members need to complete the volunteer application and be accepted by Mayor Jackson to be

appointed to the committee. Debbie will address this with one member who was suggested by Joanne to be added to our committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:29am.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, May 24, 2017 at 8:30am.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Soo