Glendale Heights Center for Senior Citizens
Senior Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting

Wednesday May 29, 2019
Minutes

PRESENT:
Deb McKenzie
Leona Breede
Lavonna Hawkins
Joan Kernan
Pat Maritato
Joanne Soo
Joe Toma

Absent:
Bimla Gupta
Karyn Hilborn
Mary Schroeder

The meeting was called to order at 8:35am by Debbie McKenzie. She explained that the February minutes were delayed. For the future when Joanne is not in attendance to take minutes someone else besides Debbie will need to take them.

Sports Friday
Parkway Bank agreed to sponsor the Hockey Sports Friday. At the end of hockey season 3 gift cards in the amount of $30, $20 and $10 will be raffled off from those that attended events Fridays and wore sports apparel.

Trips
Branson trip is set. 31 people are registered to go. There are no refunds for cancellations. Some of the registered seniors are from Joliet, McHenry and other villages. Posters will go up for the next trip to Riverside Casino in Iowa in October.

Suggestions for other trips were made including Starved Rock, Lake Geneva, Alaskan Cruise, Marriot Lincolnshire plays, Cantigny. The bus is an issue for some events.

Pot Luck Lunch Feedback
Those that attended thought it went very well with the food very good and well organized. Comments made that Prontos is great as a food vendor. The next Pot Luck will be the fall.
May 1st New Computer and Membership Cards
1000 new ID cards were made and handed out to members. This last glitch is being worked out to get the new cards to work in the Fitness Room.

There was a discussion regarding payment for membership for Glendale Heights residents. Pat will bring it to the village Board to request approval for a $5.00 charge annually for residents. Debbie will give a report of expenses to Pat for the Board’s review.

Fitness Class Sizes
For safety reasons, there will be a change in the number of people allowed in the workout classes including the walking and Hub classes. A blurb will go in the Activity Guide reflecting the size of class limits. Signs will be posted stating that those registered who have not attended for 1 month will be removed from the registry and put on a waiting list when openings occur.

Dining in DuPage
The bus fills up rapidly so those interested in going to the monthly lunch will need to register promptly.

Al Capone and 1933 World’s Fair – June 6
The event, taking place here at the Senior Center, is sponsored by the library and will include food. The author of a book about the World’s Fair will do the presentation with an opportunity to purchase the book.
Registration is necessary.

Village Vehicle Stickers
Stickers may be purchased here until June 30. There was a notice in the Village and Senior center newsletters.

Senior Resource Fair – 6-19-19
Senator Cullerton’s annual Senior Fair will be held at the Hub. Encourage members to attend.

Kane County Cougar Game – 7/8/19
A bus is available to go to the game and tickets are available.

Summertime BBQ – July 18, 2019
The bbq will be include bbq food made by Village staff and include entertainment by Mike Magician.

Luau Party – August 22
Sign up quickly for the summer events.
Event Budget Discussion
There are budgets for each event including the food, decorations and entertainment – certain amount per event. There is a separate budget for the Holiday Lunch in December. Extra funds come out of the donation account.

There will be no meetings in June or July. The next meeting will be August 28, 2019 at 8:30am.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30am.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Soo

Sports Friday
Debbie asked the group to encourage members to participate in Sports Friday by wearing football shirts. It will continue to be football until the super bowl and then be replaced by hockey/baseball until spring when baseball starts.

2018 Volunteer Hours
The volunteer hours for 2018 were 200 hours lower than 2017. The activation of the volunteer sign in list did not help as much as anticipated. Staff is reviewing and auditing the list to make sure all volunteer hours are accounted for. Deb reviewed issues regarding volunteer sign in and tracking issues. The Volunteer coffee will be held the first week of April either 4/4 or 4/5.

Activity Guide
Debbie requested ideas for the summer activity guide. There will not be as many summer special events as in the past so that more people will attend the ones that are scheduled. Special events will be held in June and August.
A request was made to have 2 pot luck events. The group stated that all enjoy the pot luck lunches. Debbie will look into it.

River Casino Trip – February 20
The deadline to register is January 29. 8 more people are needed for the trip to go.

Branson Missouri Trip
This is a very reasonably priced trip. All those that registered are very excited.

Tax return Appointments
AARP Foundation funds tax preparation appointments starting February 5 on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Fire Department Lunch and Learns
These lunch and learns will be held on Wednesdays at 12:00 noon. The group was encouraged to come if they are available.

Souper Bowl – February 4, 2019
The DSCC lunch in February will be a soup and more lunch with John Boda doing a program about the Beatles. Sign up is going on now.

Utility rebate Applications
Utility rebates can be applied for starting February 1, 2019. Applications are available at the Senior Center desk.

Dining in DuPage – 2/7/19
Hibachi Grill is February Dining in DuPage

Golden Shears
The Winter Activity Guide contains a Refer a Friend coupon for members to get more business for the salon. It is very busy and appointments are Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at present. A discussion was had regarding the “no tip” rule for Jennifer due to the issue of being a village employee and conforming to municipal codes.

Mamma Mia – Drury Lane –March 14, 2019
Mamma Mia play reservations at Drury Lane are rapidly filling up. There are 5 seats on the bus left.

Library Program – 3/19/19
Golden Age of Radio is the next library program to be held at the center. Deb is trying to get the library to do paint and pour event which was very well received by those who attended last year.
Pizza and Bingo – March 21, 2019
This year’s Pizza and Bingo will have Deb Conroy, State Representative calling bingo numbers.

Dining in DuPage – April
April Dining in Dupage will be at Ming HIn in Naperville on April 4, 2019.

Super Mobil Unit – 4/9/19
The next Secretary of State mobile unit will be held on April 9, Members and non-members can get licenses renewed, take license tests and get ID cards. This is a very popular activity that is available for residents in the area.

Sunrise Auto Inspections – 4/13/19 – Saturday
Sunrise Chevrolet will do auto inspections at their dealership on Saturday, April 13. Members can get vouchers at the front desk for this free service.

Dessert and Cream Tea – April 23, 2019
This year’s tea will be held at a teahouse, Café K Tio in Wheaton. Reservations are required.

Miscellaneous
Follow up on the request for Outback Steakhouse to do a fund raiser for the Senior Center. Deb will look into it.

- Snow Cleaning companies are being used by the members. No negative comments have been made. Only positive feedback was found on the Face book What’s Happening in Glendale Heights.
- The group discussed which websites to use for notices. Senior Center events can be put on Face book as a lot of members do go on it, especially What’s Happening in Glendale Heights.
- Walking Class Update
  Deb informed the group that the number of people allowed to register for the Tuesday and Thursday class is on hold. There were some negative comments from walkers as to why some people were allowed to sign up. One person was also complaining about the room and asked that all tables be removed. Those in the group that attend walking class did not think tables were an issue as they have been there for all of the 5 years that the classes have been held.
- Scams
  The group discussed Senior citizen targeted scams that have been happening in the area and warned the group to be careful. One is a child lost on the street asking to be taken home to an address on a paper. Victim is robbed when they take the child home. The other scams involve telephone calls from Police and Fire Departments asking for donations. Police and Fire Departments don’t call for donations.

The next meeting is February 20, 2019 at 8:30am.
The meeting was adjourned at 9:40am.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Soo