

**Minnetonka Senior Advisory Board**  
**Minutes**  
**March 10, 2009**

Present: Ruby Berg, Donna Bloom, Ann Dreier, Kaye Fredensborg, Wanda Griep, Allan Kind, Lois King, Richard Koenig, Jeanne Lutgen, Karen Mast, Ron Timm. Staff: Steve Pieh. Excused absence: Dave Carroll, Bill Lurth, and Bev Montgomery.

President Lois King called the meeting to order; the Pledge of Allegiance was recited and roll call was taken by Kaye. Minutes of February 10 were approved as sent.

**President's Report** – Lois reported that the February 13 dance was successful with about 170 attending and the next dance will be May 1, at Eisenhower Community Center.

**Staff Report** – Steve reported on the following:

- The City Council approved new chairs and carpet for the Community Room.
- Six people have registered for the summer golf league
- May canoe trips are filling up
- Garden Club is getting off to a good start. Ron Timm showed pictures of flowers at the last meeting.
- Ron will teach a digital photography class April 27, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
- Allan Kind was thanked for working on the Health Directives program.
- Bill Lurth had heart bypass surgery and is recovering well. Dave Carroll had leg bypass surgery and there were complications and he will have additional surgery on Friday. We wish both of them well.

**Old Business:**

- Cub Foods fundraiser will be October 9, 10, 11.
- 62 tickets have been sold for the Applebee's breakfast fundraiser March 28. Vern Drilling will provide entertainment on a keyboard.
- Programming/Outreach to younger seniors – Ron distributed a handout of possible activities to attract younger seniors, many of these activities are currently offered but more offerings in the evening or weekends may be appropriate. (Medicare Information program will be offered in the evening in April, there are 10 memory care facilities within Minnetonka and a tour for seniors and their families will be arranged – Steve needs help with this; program on Health Care Directives is scheduled for April 16; Steve and Lois will contact Karen Greer about a program on retirement planning for the fall; Jeanne will contact someone she knows regarding a program on Feng Shui and clutter reduction; Ron will investigate having a "muscle car" presentation in summer or early fall; Ron, Kaye and Karen will check into having a "discussion group" in the evening). Jeanne mentioned her friends reacted against the term "senior" center. Providing more "gourmet" food at the lunch events may attract more participation. Emphasize meeting new friends and have a "new comers" club.
- Opportunities Within Your Community flyers were distributed. Richard Koenig asked for some help with refreshments and set up at about 12:30 p.m. on April 17. They would like to recognize Ann Smith, 100, who donated her land for a natural park.
- Kaye reported that the offsite programs will inform residents of senior programming but none are scheduled yet.
- The memorial bench for Dagmer is being ordered and will have a plaque.

- The Volunteer Recognition lunch will be Monday, April 13. Everyone on the Board signed up to help.
- We will tour Edina Senior Center for our April 14 meeting. Steve will drive the van leaving Minnetonka at 9:30 a.m. Jeanne and Kaye will drive separately. Anyone not on the van by 9:30 a.m. will need to drive separately.
- Health Care Directives will be Thursday, April 16 with presentations at 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. by a volunteer attorney, health care professional and social worker. Attendees can complete their own directive and have it notarized at that time or take it home and Kathy, Nicole or Marti can notarize it later.
- Chili Cookout was a success and there were requests for more similar programs.
- Minnetonka Summer Festival will be June 27, 2009.

**New Business:**

- No new business

**Committee Reports:**

- Program Committee – the role of the program committee was discussed and no decision was made as to whether to keep this committee or make it a “task force” to plan individual events.
- Sunshine Committee – Ruby sent get well cards to Bill and Dave and is sending a condolence card.
- Volunteer Committee – there are 54 people signed up for the St. Patrick’s Day lunch and all volunteers needed are signed up.

**Dates to Remember and note on calendars:**

- Bike Group Meeting, March 12 at 10:00 a.m.
- Friday, May 1 – Dance at Eisenhower Community Center

**Next meeting: Tuesday, April 14 at Edina Senior Center. Leave Minnetonka Community Center by van at 9:30 a.m.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Kaye Fredensborg and Lois King