

Minnetonka Senior Citizens
Advisory Board Minutes
Tuesday, April 12, 2011
10:00

Mission Statement: To develop and promote programs and services in our community, and to meet the diverse needs of those aged 55+.

Roll Call: Present — Maurice Ansolabehere, Donna Bloom, Ann Dreier, Wanda Griep, Lois King, Carol Larson, Bill Lurth, Jeanne Lutgen, Bev Montgomery, Loy O'Boyle, Staff: Steve Pieh. Visitor: Peggy Kvam

Excused: – Dave Carroll, Connie Cannon, Allan Kind, Chris Meyer, Ron Timm

President Bev Montgomery called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Minutes for March were approved.

President's Report: Bev reported on the survey taken at Applebee's. 57 returned the survey. All responded that events are affordable, two signed up to receive the Script, and many requested more day trips.

Staff Report: Steve reported that a profit of \$328 was made at the Applebee's breakfast. Attendance at the event was down about 40 or 50 people.

Golf and biking are organized and set to begin.

New Business:

- **Minnetonka Patch.com**
 - Katelynn Metz explained the newsletter, and pointed out how to use it to report on events, or to advertise upcoming events. She encouraged us to call her office and she would send a reporter and a professional photographer to cover the event. They would like to spotlight the seniors weekly.
 - All are encouraged to spread the word about the site. It is another way for the community to stay informed and to get involved.
- **Volunteer Brunch – Thursday April 14th, 11:00**
- **Native Plant Sale concessions – Thursday June 9, 3-7 p.m.**
 - Volunteers are set.
- **Summer Festival – Saturday June 25th 4-11**
 - A volunteer schedule will be put together.
- **Training -- Thursday June 9, 9-11 a.m. at Plymouth Creek Center**
 - The training will involve methods to welcome new visitors to the Center and to individual groups. Leaders of the various activities will be invited to attend, along with the board members and staff.
- **Fall Tech Program**
 - Details have yet to be worked out, but it would include demonstrations of various tech equipment – computers, cell

phones, e-books, ipad and ipods – with a chance to visit an individual display for help or information.

- **Committee Reports**

- **Events Committee:** Cub hot dog days need a few more volunteers. Mother's Day lunch and Cinco de Mayo are set.
- **CNI Committee:** An event is being planned for September 10th. The topic: "Keeping Seniors in their Homes". Speakers will be Warren Wolf, from the Star Tribune; Jan Malcolm from Courage Center; Annette Sandler from Jewish Community Services.
- **Sunshine:** Up-to-date
- **Marketing:** The committee has been meeting and hopes to present a plan at the next board meeting. Ideas under discussion are a three fold flyer, the use of Patch.com, posters for the Farmer's Market, and new ways to attract and contact seniors.
- **Volunteer:** up-to-date

Loy O'Boyle voiced her concerns about the entrance to the new Williston Club. Some seniors are finding the stairs and the ramp difficult to use. She also voiced that there was not enough handicapped parking. Board Members are encouraged to visit the Club, when it is finished, to be able to discuss creative ways to make it easier for members to enter the Club.

- **Dates to Remember**

- Health Care Directive – Friday April 15, 10:15
- Community Connection – Wednesday April 22nd, 10:15
- Adopt a Highway – Monday April 25th, 10:00 a.m.

Next Meeting: May 10, 2011 at 10:00

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanne Lutgen