

**Glendale Heights Center for Senior Citizens
Senior Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting
August 23, 2023
Minutes**

PRESENT

Keith Knautz	Joan Kernan
Jennifer Alagna	Patti Pauling
Pat Maritato	
Leona Breede	Joanne Soo
Lavonna Hawkins	Joe Toma

Absent:

Mary Schroeder

The meeting was called to order at 8:33am. Minutes of the June 28, 2023 meeting were reviewed and accepted.

Construction Update

Jennifer reviewed the construction schedule. The fencing is up and construction is beginning soon. There will be a meeting with the construction company every 2 weeks to review progress and get updates. The electric components will be done in the next few weeks so some Community Room may be effected. The deadline for completion was expanded to December 31, 2023. Events will change as needed by the work. Community Room party reservations are not expected to be altered or effected.

Fall Activity Guide and Event Updates

The Fall Activity Guide draft was distributed to the group. Due to the printing company going out to business mailing to members will be delayed for all guides, but all Fall and Winter events are posted on the website and can be registered for at the senior center now.

Holiday Play – Overshadowed Theatre – December 13, 2023

White Christmas is scheduled for the holiday play at Overshadowed theatre In Medinah on Dec 13 matinee at 2:00pm. Registrations can be made now for 30 seats Jennifer has reserved for our group.

Art and Craft Classes

There are three holiday art and craft classes scheduled

- Santa

- Gnome
- Ornaments

Jennifer informed the group that some events are not being attended and asked for feedback to help promote them:

- Marie's craft classes
- Jodi's sewing classes
- Eric's personal training

Joan mentioned that she and Kathy always include the materials needed in the cost of their class. Maybe the other craft classes can begin to have materials included. Eric is offering a 45 personal training session for \$5.00.

Adult Day Trips

Five day trips in the Fall are offered by the Hub:

- Mitchell Park/Mars Cheese Castle – Milwaukee
- Route 66 Assoc Hall of Fame & Museum – Pontiac
- Frank Lloyd Wright Bradley House – Kankakee
- Holiday Shopping volo Antique Mall – Volo
- Morkes Chocolate - Palatine

Jennifer distributed the flyers to the group. Information can be gotten at the Hub regarding registration.

Bus Trip and Cruises – 2024

A bus trip to New Orleans through Diamond Tours is scheduled for April 2024.

An Alaskan cruise through Norweigan Cruise Line is scheduled for September 2024. There are 15 people registered. All the balconies are sold out at the initial price, but registrations can be made at a higher price for balconies.

A New England cruise through Norweigan Cruise Line is scheduled for September 2024. There are 30 people registered to date. Two balconies are open and single rooms.

Reservation with the initial pricing on both cruises is good until September 30, 2023. Patti will be going on the New England cruise as a senior center employee liaison. The group would like a senior center employee on all trips. Jennifer is coordinating efforts to have Gabiella go on the Alaskan cruise as the senior center liaison.

Hot Dog Party – September 7, 2023

As part of the Pop Up Events for Senior Center Month there will be a hot dog party at the Glendale Lakes Golf Course on Thursday, September 7. The event is being advertised now as all members must register ahead of that week for food planning. The cost is \$5. Hot dogs, chips and drink will be served with games and prizes at the lunch.

This event is also scheduled on the same day at September's Dining in Dupage.

Pop Ups and More..... Every Week in September

Surprise Pop Up events will be advertised each Monday for the following Friday during September to celebrate Senior Center Month. Events will be surprises and members will need to come in to the center on Monday to find out the event for that Friday.

Senior center staff are collecting and organizing baby and preschool pictures of senior center members for a photo contest for members all through September. Patti reported that we are getting a good number of members' pictures for the contest.

September will be busy due to center being short staffed and the Illinois Association of Senior Centers convention being held on September 15 at the center.

Ice Cream Social – Thursday, September 14, 2023

This year's free ice cream social is being sponsored by Kevin, police officer volunteer, who donated the ice cream.

Outreach by Jennifer

The SHIP counselors meeting will be at senior center. Jennifer will do a presentation about SHIP for the Medinah senior center.

Carol Stream Trip Coordination Update

Keith gave an update to the group regarding his continued efforts to have Glendale Heights and Carol Stream work closer together on events and trips. He has talked to the new coordinator at Carol Stream and has meetings scheduled to discuss more interaction on events. As of now both Glendale Heights and Carol Stream events are advertised to both towns. Patti currently works with the Carol Stream travel person regarding trips.

Family and Faith Food Bank

Bob, our bus driver, will be making trips to Family and Faith Food Bank every Wednesday from 1:00pm – 2:00pm for any of our members who want to can get food from the bank in a private visit.

Cooling Centers Open

Due to the extreme heat today and tomorrow, all Glendale Heights cooling centers will be open. The senior center is a cooling center. The code red calls regarding the heat were made Tuesday, August 22 to all seniors on the updated list.

Salon Pricing

Jennifer reported that the senior center salon has not raised prices since it opened. Due to economic inflation all prices will be raised effective January 1, 2024:

- Hair cuts - \$2.00 increase
- Hair Dye services - \$5.00
- Perms - \$5.00 increase

Prices will increase annually in the future with a notice sent and posted ahead of time to notify customers. In addition, Jennifer is looking to change suppliers to save money.

The committee reviewed the prices and agreed to increases.

Flu Shot Clinic

This year's Flu Shot clinic is scheduled for October 15, 2023 from 8:00am – 10:00am at the senior center. Registration is required.

Buona Beef Charity Event

Jennifer reported that the August 16 Buona Beef event to raise money for the senior center went great and was very well attended. She does not have the total amount of donations received as yet and will report when she receives it.

The next meeting will be September 27 , 2023 at 8:30am.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45am.

Respectfully submitted,
Joanne Soo