

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

**Wednesday, April 27, 2016
Minutes**

PRESENT:

Deb McKenzie
Karyn Hilborn
Jerome McGuire
Dorothy McGuire
Bill Mitchell
Mary Schroeder
Joanne Soo

Absent:

Jim Breede
Leona Breede
Mary Leston
Bimla Patel

The meeting was called to order at 8:40am.

The Committee reviewed and accepted the minutes from the March 23, 2106 meeting. The February meeting minutes will be distributed at the next meeting.

Guests – Osco Employees Presentation re seniors and Fall Prevention

David and Veronica from Osco Pharmacy were guests at the meeting. Veronica gave a presentation regarding prevention of falls and discussed the importance of being aware of falls, the fall hazards in homes and ways to prevent falls. Both Veronica and David will be at Senator Cullerton's Senior Fair this afternoon.

May – August Activity Guide

The guide was sent out to residents yesterday. No reservations or enrollments can be made for events in the new book until May 1, start of the new Fiscal Year. A number of guides will be available to members after they have been received in the mail.

Resource Fair

The resource fair will be held today at 12:-- at the HUB. Dorothy and Isabelle volunteered to help and will man a table for the Senior Center.

Utility Tax Rebate is available until April 30. 200 members have applied with many new seniors qualifying.

Fashion Show – April 21

Joanne reviewed the Fashion Show and reported that all comments were positive with several guests requesting to have another show in the future. The comments were positive for food as well. Debbie would like a list of the models to send them a thank you for their participation.

AARP Tax Aid

182 people were assisted with their income taxes this year. This is an increase from previous years when it was 150 to 175 people being helped. It is recommended to encourage members to get appointments early next year and not wait for the last minute as it is difficult to schedule large numbers at the last days.

Mystery Dinner – May 20

The mystery dinner is now sold out. There is now a waiting list. This great response shows that the members do want to have evening events.

DSCC Lunches

DSCC lunches will return May 4, 2016 even though financial issues are not settled in Illinois. Debbie commented on the tremendous help that the community partners have been to keep the lunches going since 1/1/16. The cost sharing by the community organizations helped a lot. Comments from people indicated that they actually liked the community restaurant lunches better than DSCC. DSCC will use Joseph's Pizza and other vendors for some lunches.

The goal is to get Bingo people to stay for lunch on Wednesdays. Currently we see as many as 70 people at Bingo and only 20-30 stay for lunch. The donation will still be \$3.50 from members and sign up is still necessary. Cultural Monday lunches will be every fourth Monday. Glen Oaks will continue to bring box lunches on their Friday turns. The DSCC lunch return will be in the Village newsletter.

Pasta Night

The group discussed the pasta night and agreed it was very good and well received. Members did purchase liquor and the bar tab was good. Members do like the cash bar and night events.

Volunteer Coffee – April 1, 2016

The volunteer appreciation event went well and the plaque was well received.

Bloomington Senior Resources Fair – April 22, 2016

There was little feedback on the Fair which was sponsored by Bloomington Police Dept. No one went from our Committee.

Super Senior Mobil Unit – Illinois Secretary of State

The event was well attended with license plate stickers, licenses and ID being renewed by the State. Many took advantage of the event even though there was a 45 minute computer glitch in their system. The Secretary of State Staff were very courteous and helpful. They will be back in October. They may get more business at that time as the Wheaton facility will be closing.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, May 25, 2016 at 8:30am.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:35am.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Soo