Senior Citizen's Advisory Committee (SCAC)

Wednesday May 27, 2009 Meeting Minutes

Present: Karen Haseley (City Liaison), Henry Haslinger, Ginny Jones (Chair), Leonie Penney, David West, Leah Warner, Phyllis Budin, Brenda Cooley, Leta Mach (Council Liaison)

Absent: Ruth Edwards, Bunny Fitzgerald, Betty Timer (Betty was attending the meeting regarding biker and pedestrian safety, being held at the same time.)

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chair Ginny Jones.

A motion was made by Phyllis Budin to approve the agenda, and was seconded by Leah Warner. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Phyllis Budin to approve the minutes of the April, 2009 SCAC meeting, and was seconded by David West. The motion carried.

Brenda Cooley was introduced as the newest member of the SCAC.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. There is still one opening on the SCAC. Anyone interested in serving should contact the City Clerk's office, and either complete an application online or see Karen Haseley.
- B. Funding of \$20,000 for the continuation of the Post Office in the City Hall has been proposed for the coming fiscal year. The City Council will vote on the proposal at its meeting on June 8, 2009. Citizen input is needed to justify the funding. It has been suggested that signage be placed at the Community Center and the Co-op supermarket to publicize the nearby availability of postal services. Another suggestion was made to have someone design a logo for the Post Office, that could be used on the signage and in other appropriate applications.
- C. This year's Not For Seniors Only event is being held on June 6, 2009 between 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. Various SCAC members volunteered to help distribute flyers that publicize the event. Karen has maps of the Community Center floor plan, in case the planned outdoor walk needs to be moved indoors, in the event of rain. This walk is part of the "Get Active Program", or GAP.
- D. FORA/GAIL Update: GAIL is providing free produce to seniors (over age 50) at 2:30 p.m. on the first Thursday of June, July, August and September on a first come, first served basis. To be eligible, it will be necessary to register with Cristal Batey on June 1, 2009 between 9:00 a.m. and 12 Noon. Also, GAIL needs five able-bodied volunteers to help unload and distribute the produce.
- E. Widowed Persons Update: Leonie reported that a "very successful" support group just finished. The next support group will be held every Thursday from September 24 to October 29, 2009 between the hours of 7:00 and 9:00 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Announcements:

- 1. A memorial service for Jim Williamson is being held at 12 Noon on Saturday, May 30, 2009. The service will take place at the Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church in Adelphi, and a van will be available to provide transportation to those who need it.
- 2. The annual Open Forum will be held in the Community Center on Saturday, September 12, 2009 between 1:00 and 3:00 p.m. Phyllis and Brenda volunteered to co-write an article for the August 27, 2009 issue of the Greenbelt News Review, to help promote the Open Forum.
- 3. The next SCAC meeting will be held on August 19, 2009 at 7:30 p.m.

At 8:41 p.m., a motion was made by Phyllis Budin to adjourn the meeting, and was seconded by Henry Haslinger. The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted, Henry Haslinger