

# Senior Commission Meeting

## May 3, 2022

### Minutes

The Senior Commission met on Tuesday May 3, 2022 in the Senior Center Carole Lowery called the meeting to order at 9:05am.

Those present were Ann Alfano, Roberta Britton, La Fondria Brown, Debbie Doering, Dennise Lafferre, Carole Lowery, Hector Nunez, John Jaworski, Carol Wagner, Carolyn Conner, Brenda Stokes, Jerry Chancey, Lisa Smith. Those excused were Margert Buchholz, Gene Royce, Pat Helfrich and Tom Wilkinson.

#### **MINUTES**

The minutes to the April meeting were read by Carole Lowery. They were approved by Carol Wagner and seconded by Hector Nunez.

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Jerry Chancey read the Treasurer's report and stated we have balanced, with no outstanding checks. Approved by La Fondria and seconded by Debbie Doering.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

##### **Resource Fair Recap:**

- Attendance: 275 people – great turn out.
- Donuts: We had 30 dozen with 3 dozen left over.
- Coffee: We had some coffee left over. Commission decided to make the same amount next year. We would rather have too much than not enough.
- Vendors: Commission thought there was a good mix of vendors.

##### **Lunch at the Lodge:**

- Attendance: 60 people
- Everyone thoroughly enjoyed this event. Peggy stated we will host another event with Barbara Kay in the fall.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

##### **Member Update:**

Peggy Hogan announced we now have 17 members. Peggy welcomed a new Senior Commission member Lisa Smith. Peggy stated we have room for one more member, to keep in mind if you know anyone interested.

## Memorial Day Event:

- Tickets: The Senior Office started selling tickets on Monday May 2, 2022. Ticket prices are \$16.00 for residents and \$19.00 for non-residents.
- Menu Tornadoes: Chicken breast with gravy, baby butter potatoes, seasoned green beans, salad, rolls, & cherry pie. Senior Commission decided to put a small bowl with salt and pepper on each table.
- Decorations: Everyone agreed for Peggy to purchase tablecloths. Senior Commission agreed to use Red, White and Blue spray centerpieces.
- Snack/Drinks: Everyone unanimously voted to have popcorn as the snack. Each guest will get a bowl at their table setting. Brenda Stokes asked about Red, White and Blue popcorn. La Fondria stated she has seen Red, White and Blue popcorn from Schnucks. Peggy stated she would look for the popcorn from C.R. Frank Popcorn or Schnucks. Everyone unanimously agreed to have self-serve coffee, tea and water. Senior Commission will have cups of ice made up at the drink station.
- Senior Commission Setup/Party attendance: Ann Alfano, Roberta Britton, Jerry Chancey, John Jawarski, Dennise Lafferre, Carole Lowery, Carol Wagner, Hector Nunez, Lisa Smith, Brenda Stokes, Debbie Doering, La Fondria Brown, Carolyn Conner.
- Attendance Prizes: Senior Commission agreed to get 5 gift cards. Peggy stated that Jan Daming would still like to pickup gift cards. Everyone agreed that would be okay for Jan to continue getting gift cards.
- Bingo: Rudy Piazza will no longer be calling Bingo. Peggy stated that she would ask our Senior Commission member Tom Wilkinson, if he would like to continue calling Bingo.

## Carnival:

- Tickets: The Carnival will take place on Thursday June 30, 2022. The Senior Office will start selling tickets on Monday June 6, 2022 for \$16.00 for residents and \$19.00 for non-residents.
- Decorations: Peggy shared all the decorations that have been purchased, banners, balloon sticks, red and white skirting. Peggy stated we need tablecloths, Peggy will place order. La Fondria has a few balloon pumps we can use at set-up.
- Menu: Hot Dogs & Chips. Peggy stated that her husband & Carol's husband will BBQ the hotdogs. Senior Commission all decided to put the mustard, ketchup, and relish packets at each guest table setting.
- Snacks/Drinks: Each guest will be given one ticket for each Hotdog, Popcorn, Lemonade, and Doozles. We will have coffee and water for self-serve.
- Entertainment: (Greg Horta) with Archwell Health will be our Ring Master and Emcee for this event. We will have two clowns from the Moolah Shriners, and a Circus show act for one hour.
- Sponsors: Peggy stated that she has confirmed the fourth sponsor Delmar Gardens.

- Games: We will have a Duck Pond, Sucker Pull, Ring Bottle Toss, Tic Tac Toe, and a Cake Walk. The Cake Walk will be sponsored by the Senior Office Staff. St. Catherine Retirement, DeSmet Retirement, Delmar Gardens, and Archwell Health will sponsor all other games. Sponsors will have their game prizes, we encouraged them to have food items. Consolation prizes will be items with their logo.
- Senior Commission unanimously agreed to have 2 gift baskets, if we could get one donated. Lisa Smith was looking into getting one donated. We will also sell Pot of Gold. There will be no attendance prizes unless a sponsor would happen to donate that day.
- Game/Food Tickets: Each guest when they arrive will be given a pack of tickets. These will consist of two game tickets per game except the Cake Walk, they will be given one. Each guest will be given one Hotdog/Chips one Popcorn, one Lemonade, and one Ice Cream. We will discuss at the June Senior Commission meeting what to put the tickets in for each guest. Mayor Lowery is going to supply bags for each guest to hold all their prizes.
- Setup/Party Times: Will be discussed at the June Senior Commission meeting.

### **Breakfast Bingo**

- Tickets: The Breakfast Bingo will take place on Friday July 15, 2022. The Senior Office will start selling tickets on Wednesday July 13, 2022 for \$16.00 for residents and \$19.00 non-residents.
- Menu: Chris Cakes will be flipping pancakes, sausage and orange juice. Senior Commission will make coffee and water for self-serve.
- Decorations: Centerpieces to use colorful flower sprays, and bright colored tablecloths.
- Entertainment: Mayor Lowery will be calling Bingo.
- Bingo Prizes: Senior Commission has decided to have 15 games. We will have up to \$500.00 in cash to purchase prizes. Many ideas were discussed for prizes. Peggy stated that we could have a basket with numbers, when a guest wins Bingo they would pick a number from the basket. That number would correspond with our prizes on the table. We also suggested we could just offer cash or gift cards. The big decision was what to do with multiple winners, how to split a prize. If we would have multiple winners we could just split cash or just buy extra prizes. Will discuss more at the June Senior Commission meeting.

### **Summer Party & Bingo**

- Tickets: The Summer Party will take place on August 4, 2022. The Senior Office will start selling tickets on Monday July 11, 2022 for \$16.00 for residents and \$19.00 non-residents.
- Menu: Senior Commission would like to have Pulled Pork, Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw, Cookie & Ice Cream. Peggy stated she would contact Tornatores for a price.

- Decorations: We will use our Summer Fun banner & red, white, yellow and blue sailboats for centerpieces. We unanimously agreed to have blue, and yellow tablecloths, Peggy will order tablecloths.
- Entertainment: Scott Laytham & Karl Holmes Duo and Bingo
- Bingo Prizes: Will be discussed at the June Senior Commission meeting.
- Snacks/Drinks: Will be discussed at the June Senior Commission meeting.

### **Halloween Party & Bingo**

- Tickets: The Halloween Party will take place on Thursday October 27, 2022. The Senior Office will start selling tickets on Monday October 3, 2022 for \$16.00 for residents and \$21.00 for non-residents.
- Menu: This will be discussed at the June Senior Commission meeting.
- Entertainment: In our previous commission meeting we had talked about Black Light Bingo. The Senior Commission has decided to go a different direction. Many ideas were discussed to make the Halloween Party different. One idea was to have jazz entertainment, and how to incorporate that into Halloween. Possibly call the event Halloween Fest. Many would like to keep in the Halloween costume contest. The Senior Commission liked the idea of decorating more fall than Halloween. Peggy stated she would reach out to Miss Jubilee for her availability. This will be discussed more at the June Senior Commission meeting.

### **New Year's Eve Party 2022**

Tickets: The New Year's Eve Party will take place on Saturday December 21, 2022. Ticket price will be discussed at further Senior Commission meetings.

- Menu: Will be discussed at further Senior Commission meetings.
- Decorations: Senior commission all agreed theme to be 70's Dance Fever! The Senior Commission discussed silver tablecloths, black skirting. More will be discussed at further Senior Commission meetings.
- Entertainment: Senior Commission were all in agreement that they would like to continue having the St. Charles Big Band. Peggy stated she had a verbal agreement with them, but would contact them immediately.

### **News**

Peggy stated that the Senior Office started selling Memorial Day tickets. Past Senior Commission members came in to purchase tickets, and were pleasantly surprised they could attend at no charge. They were very grateful and said to tell the New Senior Commission Thank You!

**The meeting was moved to Adjourn by La Fondria Brown and seconded by Dennise Lafferre. Minutes taken by Kathy Biondo.**