Minnetonka Senior Citizens Advisory Board Meeting Tuesday, February 13, 2018

Roll Call: Present: Mimi Aurelien, Vickey Brouillette, Fran Dranginis, Judi Hanson, Dick King, Chris Meyer, Tom O'Reilly, Ron Parker, Bonnie Sussman, Bob Waddell, Wendy Woodfill. **Excused:** Tom Scott, Tim Temple **Staff**: Steve Pieh

Minutes of the January meeting were approved.

President's Report:

- The February Winter Farmer's Market was a success with 450 people attending.
- A huge thank you to everyone who volunteered at the Winter Market and at Kids' Fest.
- Henry Ziegler, Genealogy Club, will present at our March meeting.

Staff Report:

- Steve would like to know if anyone plans to leave the board in 2018.
- Please plan on attending a lunch on May 8th honoring retiring board members.
- The Community Connections program on February 26th will highlight new technologies that allow seniors to stay in their home.

Old Business:

- The Memory Café is going well; still lots of interest and good attendance. Publicity has been stopped for the moment as the café is at capacity. The format continues to be tweaked each month—for this month, the breakout session for caregivers will be expanded by 15 minutes.
- In 2017, 467 people attended Dementia Friends training. So far this year, 18 have received training. The steering committee will be developing a work plan for the year.
- A new art series, Ceramic Arts, will be offered February 27 to March 30. Participants do not have to be living with dementia.
- Medicare counseling with AAA started this week.
- The new men's group has met twice, with six men attending each session.

New Business:

- Wendy reported that the interest group Crafting for a Cause has been busy. In 2017 the group of 20 women donated 775 handcrafted items to various nonprofit agencies in the area. Items included dishcloths, scarves, hats, slippers and afghans.
- Volunteers are needed to work at the CUB Brat Stand the weekend of April 27th. There are three work shifts each day.
- The MSS 2017 Annual Report is complete. If you have any suggestions or additions please contact Steve by February 15th.
- Dick King reported on a proposal to work with Uber to determine the transportation needs of Minnetonka seniors. Uber is interested in learning how seniors use rideshare services and identifying the barriers that prevent seniors from using these services.

Committee Reports:

- **Sunshine:** Thinking of you cards were sent to Margaret Nelson, Dave Carroll, Helen Von Grossman, and Barb DeGonda. A sympathy card was sent to the family of Peggy Holden. And a thank you card was sent to Karen Mandile who sponsored Lunch and a Movie.
- **Volunteer:** Volunteers are needed for several programs in March and April, including the St. Patrick's Day party and the CUB Brat Stand.
- **Memorials:** A letter of thanks was sent to Diane Tim in recognition of the memorial given to MSS in her name.

Dates to Remember:

- Monday, February 19th: The community center is closed.
- Wednesday February 21st: Lunch and a Movie, noon
- Tuesday, April 10: Board members will meet at The Landings for our monthly meeting. The address is 14505 Minnetonka Drive.

Respectfully submitted by Wendy Woodfill, Secretary