AKA Greater Hillsborough Senior Services Committee

Present: Chuck Gaides, Kathleen Hennebury, Joyce Peace, Marie Mogavero, Donna Boss, Pat Mathison, Art Stickney, Russ and Phebe Galpin, Virginia Leiby

Meeting opened at 9:50am.

Virginia Leiby and Kathleen Hennebury discussed their new rolls in the Chamber of Commerce. They congratulated the committee on their recognition from the Mason's and offered the committee a fund raising opportunity in selling tickets for Schnitzlefest. For every ticket the committee sells, \$1.00 will be donated. (Minutes by Donna Boss)

10:04, Dana Brien enters meeting

Ms. Leiby also stressed the many volunteer opportunities at Schnitzlefest. Volunteers should contact Ms. Hennebury at 724-1055. There is still need for more volunteers to serve food and assist with ticket sales at the event and traffic flow. Ms. Hennebury discussed the cost and benefits of membership in the Chamber for the committee, the cost of which is \$115.00/year for a small non-profit.

10:35pm Ms. Leiby and Ms. Hennebury leave the meeting.

Minutes: Mrs. Boss moved to approve the August meeting minutes, Mrs. Mathison seconded. The Motion passed.

Treasures report: Mr. Gaides has provided a print out of all ins and outs since inception for the GHSS account. Mrs. Brien made a report of the income and expenditures from the Senior Advisory Committee account. Mrs. Boss moved to accept the Treasure's Report, Mr. Galpin seconded. The motion passed.

Insurance: Mrs. Mathison stated that she received the letter sent from Laura Buono to PLT, the carrier of the town's insurance. GHSS did not pay for separate insurance because this letter had been sent. Mr. Gaides asked for a letter from the PLT verifying that the letter had been received by them and that yes, SAC activities are covered.

Silver Splashers: Due to staffing issues at Crotched Mountain, the new session was not announced in time to be included in the newsletter. Mrs. Mathison has called all the previous class attendees and anyone who is interested in signing up should call her for details.

Cook-frequency: Mrs. Mathison stated that as no cook had yet been found to replace Cindy, the committee should consider going to a once a month luncheon alternating Deering and Hillsborough locations. Several suggestions of local cooks were made and Mrs. Mathison will continue to try to find help with the Luncheons.

Servicelink in November: The date has yet to be set, but Servicelink will be coming in to hold a meeting on Medicare open enrollment and on the new healthcare law.

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Flu Shot Clinic: This year's VNA Flu Shot Clinic will be Monday September 30th, from 12pm-2pm. This was published in Senior Moments. Insurances will pay for this and Medicare as well.

Northeast Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services in NH: Pat has been informed of a program to assist folks with glasses and hearing aids. This assistance is income based. Their website is ICANCONNECT.ORG

Newsletter: Mrs. Mogavero waited to put out public copies of the newsletter until the mailing had reached people's mailboxes. This seemed to make an impact on how many were taken from the drop spots.

Masonic Community Builders award: GHSS has been recognized by the Hillsborough Masonic Lodge with the Community Builders Award. This award will be presented at a dinner on Sunday, September 29th at 2pm.

A Thank You note was received from the Food Pantry for the food and assistance from GHSS in April. In April we offered a discount on the luncheon if you brought a canned good for the pantry. This coincided with the grant matching push the food Pantry did for 2013.

New participation report was distributed by Mrs. Mathison. This info was broken down by events, months and town of residents. This is useful in presenting to various selectmen. Volunteer hours are also tracked. Discussion was held about tracking the Newsletter distribution as well.

Volunteer Driver Program: Mrs. Mogavero asked that folks spread the word about the program. Hillsborough is bursting with volunteers who have the ability to give many more rides than are currently being used. Please stress that it only takes 3 days advance notice to use the service.

Budget for 2014: Discussion was held regarding next year's allocation request and budgeting. Mr. Gaides, Mrs. Brien and Mrs. Mathison will form a budget committee. Mr. Galpin stated that the initial request needs to be received by the Selectmen by November 1st.

Extraneous Issues: Mrs. Boss was approached by Sue Nagy regarding the making of stockings for kids. She is looking for volunteers to make them as they will be filled by Laura Gould's group. Also, Mrs. Boss is applying for use of the vestry at Smith Memorial Church for our Caregiver's Support Meetings and needs info on when to request the use of the space. After discussion, it was decided that Meg Curtis's facility is the best place to have the meeting. Mrs. Brien will contact Mrs. Curtis to schedule.

Newspapers: Mrs. Boss would like to see more publicity in the local papers. Mrs. Galpin volunteered to work on getting the Messenger to run info on our activities.

Lights of Life Luncheon in December: Mrs. Boss approached Heidi Welch regarding asking the school choir to perform at the luncheon.

Thursdays in the Park: The efforts for the snack bar did not go very well this year. Mrs. Mogavero and Mrs. Peace have several ideas on how to make it more profitable next year. With profits of \$31.00, Mrs.

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Boss questioned if it's worth doing again. Discussion was held, and the committee would like to try again next year.

Chamber of Commerce: Discussion was held regarding membership in the Chamber and selling tickets for Schnitzlefest. It was decided by consensus that selling tickets is not something the committee can do on short notice, and that now is not the time to join the Chamber for the Committee.

Luncheon plans were discussed for Thursday September 5th.

Kitchen at St Mary's for October: Mr. Gaides reminded the Committee that the Church needs use of the kitchen for pies beginning in October and all the GHSS materials must be removed from the Kitchen. Mrs. Mathison offered use of her freezer.

Mr. Gaides reported to the Committee that the missing pan has been found. It was with the cube we used and returned to Meals on Wheels. The pan has been returned to the kitchen.

Shaw's community chalk board now has GHSS information thank to Mr. Gaides.

Tee-Shirts: Mr. Gaides announced that the shirts are now available to sell. Spread the word, please.

Deering Picnic: The Deering picnic will be on September 24th. Francine Marchand will do chicken legs and thighs and is making a sheet cake for the 1st Anniversary of GHSS.

Mr. Galpin made a motion to close the meeting. Mrs. Boss seconded. The motion passed.

Meeting ended at 12:25pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dana Brien