

**BROCKTON COUNCIL ON AGING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MONDAY, May 6, 2013**

The monthly meeting of the Brockton Council on Aging,
(Board of Directors) was held on Monday, May 6, 2013
The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Lorraine Lalli at 10:00 a.m.

Minutes recorded by Alice Farnsworth, Recorder for Board of Directors

ROLL CALL: All 10 board members were present at the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Council on Aging.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING: The minutes of the meeting held on April 1, 2013 were reviewed by the members. The minutes were accepted as written.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Pat Brindley read the report on the Howard Fund. The current balance as of April 30, 2013 is \$79,592.70.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR: A copy of Director Janice Fitzgerald's report is attached hereto. In addition Janice spoke about how much the COA was able to help people with tax returns. The COA was able to help our seniors get over \$120,000.00 in tax money. Janice gave a recap of her report including current scams. Janice also included an explanation of the Howard Fund accounting method. Janice is satisfied that the accounting is accurate. The report starts with the balance per the bank and reflects debits and credits giving a balance for the month. She will be approving the report before it is given out at the board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Board Development Committee: Dan Clague reported on who would not be returning to the board. They are Pat Brindley and Dorothy Lufkin and they will be submitting letters. Betty Goldsmith and Irene Clague will be submitting letters to remain on the board. Currently there are four (4) applications on the Mayors desk for approval to the Board of Directors. There is one (1) open position on the Board of Directors and three (3) opening to be alternates. The Mayor is working on them. There is no indication as to how long this will take.

Brochure Committee: Dick Drobiak reported on the brochure committee. Things are moving along well with one slight bump in the road, illness of the person who will be capturing the brochure electronically.

Nominating Committee: Dot Lufkin reported some people have expressed interest in running for an office. Please contact Dot before next meeting, if you have an interest. Elections will be at the June meeting.

REPORT OF THE ACTIVITIES COORDINATOR: Activities Director Michelle Brace reported on upcoming activities and trips. See attached report. She expressed the concern of response to the Meet & Greet and other events. More response is need if we are to continue with these events. The "Mystery Trip" is still a mystery!. Michele held her ground again!! Betty Goldsmith reminded us that the AARP meeting would Wednesday, May 8th at 1:00 pm with a speaker from Signature Healthcare and requested some assistance from John to move tables.

OTHER BUSINESS: None

There being no further business or objection, the meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting will be June 3, 2013.

Respectfully Submitted,
Alice Farnsworth, Recorder

DIRECTOR'S REPORT- May 6, 2013

Good morning!

This report will just highlight a few things that have been going on here at the COA since last meeting.

- **We will be receiving 8 new computers and a new counter hopefully by the end of the month for our computer lab.**
- **Michelle is just completing the June Newsletter using our new program. She seems to have mastered it.**
- **Zumba Gold is going great and we may be getting new members in June.**
- **I hope everyone enjoyed the volunteer luncheon.**
- **The annual Drug Take Back Day collected roughly 5 bags of unused prescription medication, which is wonderful.**
- **The Penny Sale and the SALT/TRIAD Health and Safety Fair were wonderful. Great job!**
- **The new "brochure committee" has been working very hard on our new COA brochures. I am excited to see the final draft.**
- ✱ ◦ **I will be speaking before the City Council in regard to YEAP on Monday, May 13 at 7:00pm if anyone wishes to join me.**
- **It appears the Governor's Budget WILL approve the \$8.00 per elder we have been fighting so hard for. I will let you know the final decision.**
- **I am working with Dotty Slack from OCES and Michelle on a grant that will help us start a Medical Transportation program. I am waiting to finalize some details but by next meeting I will have more information.**
- **John is starting to get out and work on the yard. The grass is looking great.**
- **SCAMS- I just received an email on 2 new scams. The first one is in regard to "Jury Duty" (I will explain) and the second is in regards to Medicare/Social Security (I will explain). As a rule DO NOT EVER GIVE PERSONAL INFORMATION OVER THE PHONE.**

At this time I would like to follow-up on the discussion last month about the Howard Fund report.

Respectfully submitted,

**Janice B. Fitzgerald
Director**

Upcoming Activities and Events

Wednesday, May 8th from 9:00-10:00AM Meet & Greet with
Timothy W. Carpenter, Superintendent of Parks
Wednesday, May 8th at 1:00PM Sun Safety Eric Wojcik, Director of Oncology
Monday, May 13th, At 1:00PM "Historic Brockton" with Barbara Shinnick
Followed by a High Tea at 2:00PM to celebrate Mother's Day (Women Only)
Wednesday, May 15th at 12:30PM MADD Hatters, RSVP by May 8th
Monday, May 20th at 1:00PM Musical Performance by Amanda Humphries
Tuesday, May 21st at 1:00PM Plant Potting party with Anne Conley Roan
Tuesday, May 21st at 2:30PM HopeHealth Support Group
Wednesday, May 22nd at 1:00PM MOLST with Michelle Beneski, P.C.
Monday, May 27th Memorial Day, All Activities are Cancelled
Tuesday, May 28th Chronic Pain Self Management Program Begins 10:00AM
Wednesday, May 29th at 1:00PM Nana's Kitchen

TRIPS

Wednesday, May 8th Hobo Bingo Express Train in Meredith, NH
Wednesday, May 29th Mystery Trip ????
Wednesday, June 5th "Venezia, Wine & Chocolate", Boston, MA
Thursday, June 13th A Flag Day Celebration, Musical Salute to America
Wednesday, June 19th Twin Rivers
Saturday, July 6th A Patriotic Salute To America, Cape Cod, MA
Monday, July 22nd "Barefoot In The Park", Winnepesaukee Playhouse
Wednesday, July 24th The Bull And Claw "Lobster Bake", Wells, Maine

Upcoming Events

Mr. DJ's Hollywood Quiz Show
Elder Abuse Awareness Day
Antique Car Show
Father's Day Luncheon
COA Clam Bake
"Choose My Plate"