

Chino Hills 55+ Club
General Meeting Minutes

May 26, 2017 at Chino Hills Community Center

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Susanne Baxter at 10:05 a.m.

Officers Present: President Susanne Baxter, Vice President Jane DeFrank, and Secretary Renée Sylvia

Officers Absent: Treasurer Brett Benson and Ways and Means Officer Tessie Lightholder

The theme of the meeting was "Patriotic".

Susanne thanked the members for their attendance. She also thanked our veterans, as we, and our country, commemorate Memorial Day this weekend.

Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge was led by Ron Sinsabaugh.

Approval of Previous Month's Minutes: The minutes were approved, as written and as posted on the website. Susanne reminded the members that if they have not had a chance to review the monthly minutes by going to the website, the previous month's minutes are also available on the 55+ Information Bulletin Board each meeting day at the rear of the meeting room.

Mixer Activity: Renée led the activity. The members worked in teams to match some of the members' baby photos to their recently taken (current) photos.

Mayor Ray Marquez: The mayor thanked the Club for the many ways it has helped and is contributing to the city of Chino Hills. He specifically mentioned the Club's efforts in regards to the Vets' Monument. He attended and showed his support at the recent fundraiser at Applebee's.

He also informed the membership that the city would like to create a dispensary for medical marijuana for veterans. He wants to get feedback from the veterans in the Club about this and to see if they are in support of this proposal. He will be making contact with the vets in attendance today.

President's Report: Susanne made the following announcements:

During the upcoming summer months, the Club programs will be more social in nature.

If any members have any topic for programs in mind, we are interested in knowing what they are. Please let Jane know of any suggestions or ideas.

Financial Report: Susanne presented the report.

The previous bank balance, as of March 31, 2017, was \$16,971. Deposits were \$2,621. Checks cleared were in the amount of \$266. The ending balance, as of April 30, 2017, was \$19,326. There are no outstanding checks at this time. The Veterans Monument Fund, as of May 25, 2017, is \$15,600. The adjusted balance, as of April 30, 2017, is \$3, 726.

Veterans Group: Joe Bok made the following announcements:

He thanked George and Jane DeFrank, Bruce Simonson, and all of the volunteers who helped to make the Applebee's Breakfast Fundraiser a success. He also thanked those members who supported the fundraiser by purchasing and helping to sell tickets. It will be discussed further at the next Vets Meeting,

which will be held on Wednesday, June 7th, at 9:30 a.m. The fundraiser added \$1,500 to the Vets Monument Fund.

Bruce Simonson added that since it is Memorial Day weekend, he and other Veterans of Foreign Wars members will be in local businesses passing out “buddy poppies”, the group’s official memorial flower. He invited members to come by Albertson’s on Grand Avenue later today, where he will be stationed.

The Vets Group meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 9:30 a.m.

City Announcements: Yasenia Baltierra, from the City of Chino Hills Recreation Department, informed the membership of the following upcoming event:

There will be an Active Adults 50+ Summer BBQ Luncheon on Tuesday, June 20th from 11:30 to 1:30. The cost is \$5.00. Tickets will be sold until June 12th. There will be food and games.

Yasenia also asked that members let her know if anyone has any ideas, thoughts, or opinions about the programs and events being offered through the City of Chino Hills Active Adults 50+ Programming.

Vice President’s Report: Jane made the following announcements:

She announced that \$1,500 was raised at the Applebee’s Breakfast Fundraiser. She thanked all who volunteered to help, as well as those who supported the fundraiser by purchasing tickets. She also thanked the raffle prize donors: Marjorie Fair-Dominguez, Sal and Sylvia Avila, Henry and Renée Sylvia, Susanne Baxter, Lillestrand Consulting (Sylvia Nash and Loren Lillestrand), Los Serranos Country Club, George and Jane DeFrank, Cynthia Moran, Mitch and Julia Felde, and Brighton Collectibles. She added that the winner of the 50/50 cash prize was David Seltzer and that he generously donated his winnings back to the Monument Fund.

The theme for the June general meeting will be “Summer Picnic”. There will be games set up for the members to enjoy. Lunch will hopefully be hamburgers grilled on site.

The theme for the July general meeting will be “Beach Blanket BINGO”. Members will be playing BINGO. There will be a potato bar set up for lunch with all of the “fixings”.

Jane is in need of an assistant. She is overworked and has too much to do on her own. If anyone is willing to volunteer to help her with some Club tasks, please let her know.

Jane explained that she has created a short questionnaire in regards to Club outings. She asked that each member fill out one of the questionnaires. On the questionnaire you will indicate if you are interested in attending the outings and which day or days would be convenient for you. Also, on the questionnaire, there is a question asking if you would be willing to help in the planning of these outings.

Sunshine Committee: Loretta Szudy announced the names of Club members celebrating a birthday this month. The Club birthday gift was presented to those members who were present. “Happy Birthday to You” was sung by the membership to those celebrating birthdays.

50/50 Drawing: The winners were Eleanor Ramos, Ron Forbes, and Gloria Grotefend. Each winner received \$20.

Program – The Benefits of Walking/Exercise for Older Adults was presented by Chris and Dave Master.

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Lunch: Pizza and salad lunch was served by the **Hospitality Committee**.

Some members enjoyed line dancing led by Jimmye Lou Thies after lunch.

Next General Meeting: Friday, June 23rd, at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Renée Sylvia

Secretary