

**Chino Hills 55+ Club**  
**General Meeting Minutes**  
**February 26, 2016 at the 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, Treasurer Dr. Bob Williams, Ways and Means Officer Dona Moseley, Information Officer Brett Benson, and Interim Secretary Renée Sylvia

**Officers Absent:** None

**Pledge of Allegiance:** The Pledge was led by Brett Benson.

**Approval of December and January Minutes:** A motion was made, then seconded for the approval of the minutes, as written.

**Activity Mixer:** The members proceeded to their secondary tables and discussed/shared with their table mates some details about something lucky that has happened to them. Following this activity, the entire group joined together in singing "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling".

**Treasurer's Report:** Bob Williams presented the Finance Committee report. General bank balance - \$6,494.30 as of 1/29/16, which includes \$1,875.00 for the Vets Monument project. BINGO bank balance - \$10,000.00.

**Ways and Means Report:**

**Tahoe Joe's Fundraiser** – Dona reported that today is the deadline for the sale of tickets for the fundraiser. Tickets are presale only. Payment for all tickets sold, as well as any unsold tickets, must be turned in to Tahoe Joe's today. Dona urged all members to purchase tickets.

**Bingo** – Dona reported that Bingo will begin on Thursday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, at the McCoy Center Barn. She expressed the need for more volunteers, as some teams have empty slots. There was a Bingo training for the volunteers yesterday. On Thursday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, the doors will open at 11:15. At 12:30, the games will begin. Members are also encouraged to come to play.

**Election:** Susanne announced that the member recommended by the Nominations Committee for Vice-President is incumbent Jane DeFrank. She asked if there were any nominations from the floor for Vice-President. There were none.

Susanne announced that the member recommended by the Nominations Committee for Secretary is incumbent Renee Sylvia. She asked if there were any nominations from the floor for Secretary. There were none.

Susanne announced that the member recommended by the Nominations Committee for Ways and Means Officer is incumbent Dona Moseley. She asked if there were any nominations from the floor for Ways and Means Officer. There were none.

Susanne announced that the member recommended by the Nominations Committee for Information Officer - Webmaster is incumbent Brett Benson. She asked if there were any nominations from the floor for Information Officer. There were none.

Susanne gave the packet of ballots to Elections Committee Chairperson, Carolyn Robb, and explained the voting procedure to the members. Each member was asked to mark his/her ballot and bring it, along with the voting ticket presented to him/her upon signing in for the meeting, to Carolyn where the ballot box was located. Members placed their ballots and voting tickets into the ballot box. Once all members voted, Carolyn thanked the members of her committee for their help and she and her committee went out to count the ballots.

The announcement was made, after the break, that all incumbents noted above were voted in and will continue to serve in their respective positions.

**City Report:** Genie, from the Rotary Club of Chino Hills, reported that on April 23<sup>rd</sup> will be the Multicultural Festival, which will showcase the culture of various groups in the area. Admission is free.

**Vice-President Club Announcements:** Jane announced that the March general meeting will take place on Good Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup>. On that day, there will be an Easter egg hunt for the members, as well as an Easter bonnet/hat contest for the ladies and men. Our 55 Plus Club line dancers will be performing in the Multicultural Festival, as well as the Children's Expo on that same day, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. The crafts group continues to meet to create centerpieces for the Club general meetings. Please see Jane if you are interested in participating in the crafts group.

#### **Activity Groups:**

**Book Club** - Donna Forbes announced that the next Book Club Meeting will take place on Thursday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, from 10:00 to 12:00. The book for this month is *The Glass Castle* by Jeannette Walls. It is about a dysfunctional family.

**At the Movies Group** - Carolyn Robb announced that the group will attend a movie on the third Thursday night of the month, March 17<sup>th</sup>. The film will be *Whiskey Tango Foxtrot* with Tina Fey. The group will be having dinner at Wood Ranch B.B.Q. in Chino Hills following the movie. There will no longer be an afternoon movie gathering due to Bingo.

**Veterans Group** - Joe Bok announced that the group received a thank you letter from the Bob Hope U.S.O. thanking the Club for donations made to that organization. The next meeting of the Veterans Group will be on Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>. They will be discussing the Vets Monuments project.

#### **Committees:**

**Hospitality and Events Committee** - Tessie Lightholder announced that on February 28 there will be a trip to see *The Illusionists* at the Pantages Theater for \$72. The Club will be carpooling for this event. On March 13th will be a free trip to Santa Anita Park. Members are asked to see Tessie or Gilbert to sign up. She also reminded us of the April 5<sup>th</sup> trip to the Carlsbad Flower Fields. This is a bus trip and the fee is \$48.00. Details about these events will later be posted on our Club website.

**Sunshine Committee** - Yolanda Davidson announced several birthdays for the month of February. Members who celebrated a birthday this month received the new Club birthday gift, a glass photo

frame. She also acknowledged wedding anniversaries for Pat and Sharon Montagne (50 years), Jim and Loretta Szudy (32 years), and J.D. and Fran Martinez (58 years).

**Guest Speaker:** Lynette Brown of **Priceless Pet Rescue Adoption Center** presented information on adoption, volunteer, and donation opportunities. It is a local, non-profit, and no kill rescue organization. There are locations in Claremont and Chino Hills. Some pets awaiting adoption were available for members to meet outdoors on the Community Center patio.

**50/50 Drawing:** The winners were Carolyn Robb, Ron Forbes, and Sal Avila. Each winner received \$25.00.

**Lunch:** Was served by the **Hospitality and Events Committee**.

**Line Dancing:** Led by Jimmie Lou Thies followed the luncheon.

**Meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.**

**Next General Meeting: Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 a.m.**

Respectfully Submitted by:

Renée Sylvia

Secretary