

**Chino Hills 55+ Club**  
**General Meeting Minutes, Friday, March 26, 2021**  
**Held Virtually on ZOOM**

**Socialization:** Club members began joining the virtual meeting at 9:30 a.m. for socialization prior to the start of the meeting.

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by President, Jane DeFrank at 10:06 a.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** The group recited the Pledge of Allegiance led by Victor Weaver.

**Approval of Previous Month's Minutes:** Our last General Meeting's minutes from February 2021 were approved as written and as posted on the website.

**Officers Present:** President, Jane DeFrank, Vice President, Melba Aranda, Treasurer, Andrea Welch, and Information Officer, Sharon Stuewe. Secretary, Judi Klecansky was absent.

**President's Report:** Jane mentioned the good news that COVID vaccinations are currently being administered to additional age groups. She also shared that anyone who has received the vaccine can obtain a free donut at Krispy Kreme after presenting their vaccination card.

She acknowledged the passing of Manfred Bartsch on January 3, 2021. Manfred was a valued member of our club and he will be greatly missed.

Jane also discussed the importance of Women's History Month and acknowledged several prominent women who have contributed significantly to our society. She specifically emphasized the lives of Anne Frank and Amelia Earhart, among others.

**Guest Speaker:** Jose Hernandez from public transformation agency, OmniRide, joined us in our Zoom meeting to inform club members of the benefits of the on demand service.

Riders can be picked up and transported to any location within the designated areas of Chino Hills and Chino weekdays from 6:00 a.m. through 8:00 p.m.

Jose shared the following information:

- The regular fare is \$4.00 each way; however, seniors (65 and over), veterans, disabled riders and Medicare recipients pay only \$2.00 each way.
- Social distancing is followed.
- Tipping is not accepted.
- Reservations can be made by calling (909) 383-1680 or through the OmniRide app.
- Payments can be made by credit card through the app or with exact cash at the vehicle.
- More information can be obtained on the website:  
<https://omnitrans.org/omniride>

Melba Aranda requested that the Chino Hills Community Center be added as an additional stop. Jose responded that he would make that request.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Treasurer, Andrea Welch, presented the accounting.

<i>Previous Bank Statement Balance –January 30, 2021</i>	<i>\$10,236.12</i>
<i>Additions – Deposits</i>	<i>\$865.18</i>
<i>Subtractions – Checks Cleared</i>	<i>-\$164.43</i>
<i>Ending Bank Statement Balance – February 26, 2021</i>	<i>\$10,936.87</i>
<i>Subtractions – Checks Outstanding</i>	<i>\$0.00</i>
<i>Subtractions – Veterans Monument Fund</i>	<i>-\$7,339.71</i>
<i>Adjusted Account Balance</i>	<i>\$3,597.16</i>

The Finance Committee Members have reviewed and approved these numbers. Andrea acknowledged that we have received Amazon Smile money through the purchases of our enrolled club members.

**City Community Report:** Sean Morse, our Chino Community Center representative, shared details of current and future senior activities. Closure of the Community Center continues with hope that activities will resume by summer, although with limited capacity. In person meetings are prohibited until approved by the State.

Sean mentioned that he is gathering information for a possible outdoor painting class for seniors. A summer craft project is also being planned.

George DeFrank inquired about the possible reopening of the McCoy barn for bingo. Sean acknowledged that it might be possible with restrictions, i.e., limited capacity and/or placing tables outside. He will do more research and let us know.

**VP Report:** Melba has extended an invitation to meet at Mimi's restaurant at 9:00 a.m. on March 30<sup>th</sup> for socializing. This is not a club sponsored event, although all members are invited.

#### **Committee and Activity Groups:**

- **Veterans Group:** George DeFrank gave an update on the purchase of a flagpole for the Veterans Memorial. The estimated cost is \$9,500.00 and the Veterans Group currently has a balance of \$5,000.00. The group welcomes donations from individuals as well as organizations to help with the cost. Bricks are still for sale, and the next Veterans meeting is April 7.
- **Book Club:** The next Book Club meeting will take place at the home of Donna Hilding's home or virtually on Zoom. The book being read is "Miss Benson's Beetle".
- **Scrapbooking:** Debbie Keller shared photos of scrapbooking projects made by members. The next virtual meeting is April 19.
- **Quilting:** Jane DeFrank discussed and shared photos of quilts currently being made by members. Fabric from the Pendleton store at Downtown Disney was donated for the projects. The completed quilts will be donated to a local charity, possibly House of Ruth.

- **Genealogy:** Kathy Jackson mentioned that the group will still be meeting online. Although the library is currently open, there are capacity limits.
- **Sunshine Committee:** Loretta Szudy presented the names of nine members with March birthdays. “Happy Birthday” was sung to all. Susanne and Glen Anderson celebrated their third anniversary on March 17.

**Adjournment:** President, Jane DeFrank adjourned the meeting.

**Next General Meeting:** Our next General Meeting will take place on Friday, April 23 when we will celebrate Mothers’ Day.

Respectfully submitted by:

Judy MacDonald  
(Substituting for Judi Klecansky)