

Chino Hills 55+ Club
General Meeting Minutes
Chino Hills Community Center
April 26, 2024

Officers Present

The Officers present were President, Jane DeFrank, Vice President, Debi Hernandez, Information Officer/Web Administrator, Sharon Stuewe, Treasurer, Andrea Welch, and Secretary, Judy MacDonald.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President, Jane DeFrank at 10:08 am. Military veteran, Art Bennett, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

In Remembrance

Jane announced the passing of Carolyn Robb on April 14, 2024. Carolyn was a Charter Member and a tireless volunteer in Club activities. She and her husband, Duncan, had just celebrated their fifty-eighth wedding anniversary on April 8.

Veterans Group

Ron Kunzi, Chair of the Veterans Group, presented donations to representatives of the following:

- Rebel Ranch (Previously Paws 4 Success) - \$700.00
- FrontSight Military Outreach - \$700.00
- Habitat for Humanity - \$1,000.00

Since a representative from Angel Force USA was not in attendance, the donation of \$700.00 will be sent by mail.

Minutes

Minutes from the March 22, 2024 General Meeting were approved.

City Report

Armando Aguirre mentioned that the Active Adults 50+ Newsletter for Spring is currently available.

Armando recapped the numerous senior activities that are available at the Chino Hills Community Center (CHCC). He also hinted of a new activity planned for August.

Additional information for these and other recreation events is available at <https://www.chinohills.org> or by contacting the Recreation Office at (909) 364-2700.

Information Officer's Report

Sharon mentioned the following topics from the recent City Council Meeting.

- The grand re-opening of Crossroads Park will be held on Tuesday, May 7, at 6:00 pm.
- Waste Management is hosting an Organics and Recycling Workshop at the CHCC on Thursday, May 9, at 6:00 pm.
- Arbor Day tree planting will take place on Saturday, April 27, from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm at the Madrugada Trail.
- A Chino Hills Community Services Open House will be held at the CHCC from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm on Saturday, April 27.

A new list of senior discounts will be available on our website.

Sharon thanked the following members of the Bylaws Committee: Melba Brown, Sal Avila, and Donna Hilding. The input phase begins today.

Vice President's Report

Debi introduced four visitors at today's meeting and that we currently have 204 members, one of whom signed up at today's meeting.

Yearly membership renewals of \$15.00 are ongoing. Payments via cash or check are requested, as well as Zelle. Instruction cards are available for those wishing to make an electronic payment.

Travel Time

Jane DeFrank and Sharon Stuewe took individual trips to Indiana to view the total eclipse. They each shared their experiences, and photos from their trips were projected on the screen for members to view.

Book Sale

A break was taken for members to socialize and purchase books from the Book Club.

President's Report

Due to some misunderstanding at the previous meeting, Jane clarified that the Club is in good financial standing. More attention will be given to expenses, and anything over \$100.00 will require the approval of the Board.

Due to the lower attendance at the Craft Group, centerpieces will only be created for special occasions.

President's Report continued

Jane announced the Grace Kramer will be taking over the responsibilities of the Hospitality Group.

Jane will be heading the Movie Group which will begin at some time in the summer. She would appreciate assistance with this group as well as help in organizing future outings.

The Club has been awarded a \$1,000.00 grant from Mayor, Cynthia Moran. This money will be added to our Transportation Fund for future bus outings.

At our previous meeting, information regarding Vietnam Veterans Recognition Day was misstated. Jane made the correction that the day applies to any vet who served during the Vietnam period.

Book Sale

A second break was taken for members to purchase books from the Book Club.

The book sale earned \$105.00 for the club.

Shakespeare

Susanne Anderson gave a lecture about Shakespeare, his life, and the language we use today that can be attributed to him.

Sunshine Committee

Loretta Szudy called members who are celebrating April birthdays: Melba Brown, Linda Hemingway, Bob Schmidt, Ann Youssef, Steven Strumar, Don Davidson, Fe Arce, Kathy Carrillo, Yolanda Davidson, Marilou Pedro, Yvonne Acosta, Maria Gonzales, Carol Ingram, J.D Martinez, Dianne Hodel, Alma Cruz, Sylvia Nash, Fran Heusdens, Rosalinda Labarda, Jeanne Short, Jackie Tuba, and Sally Baca.

Those celebrating April wedding anniversaries were:

- Carolyn and Duncan Robb - 58 years on April 8.

50/50

The Club sold tickets totaling \$251.00 and the Club netted \$125.00. The winners were: Judi Klencansky, Shonnie Mullins and Alwin Jones, each of whom won \$42.00

Next General Meeting

The next General Meeting will be held on Friday, May 24, 2024.

Following adjournment of today's meeting, those interested in lunch should meet at Chili's.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:06 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Judy MacDonald, Secretary