

**Chino Hills 55+ Club**  
General Meeting Minutes  
Chino Hills Community Center  
December 20, 2024

**Officers Present**

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

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by President, Jane DeFrank at 10:04 am. Military veteran, Ron Kunzi, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Minutes**

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

**City Report**

Armando offered the following:

- City facilities will be closed Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, and New Years Eve and New Years Day.
- A “Viva Las Vegas Dance Party” will be held on February 19, 2025, from 6:00 to 9:00 pm, at the Chino Hills Community Center (CHCC). Music by a live DJ, dancing, dinner, casino-inspired games and prizes will be provided. Tickets go on sale Tuesday, January 7, 2025, and are \$15.00 per person.

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.

**Adopt-A-Family**

Andrea Welch informed the membership that \$13,100.00 was donated to the Adopt-A-Family program. Forty-four families were recipients of \$250.00 gift cards from several local sources.

The following people made substantial donations to the program.

- Art Bennett, Mayor - \$2,000.00 grant and a personal donation of \$1,000.00
- Ray Martinez, Council Member - \$1,000.00 grant
- Richard Ortiz, 55+ Club Member - \$1,000.00
- Frances Downs, 55+ Club Member - \$1,600.00
- Chino Hills 55+ Club Bingo - \$2,600.00

Later in the meeting, the membership thanked Frances Downs for her tireless dedication to the Adopt-A-Family program and her many years of commitment.

## Treasurer's Report

Andrea prepared the December Treasurer's Report for the reporting period of November 1, 2024 to November 30, 2024.

Beginning Bank Statement Balance - November 1, 2024	\$13,205.07
Additions – Deposits	\$9,098.04
Subtractions – Checks Cleared	-\$6,004.49
Ending Bank Statement Balance – November 30, 2024	\$16,298.62
Subtractions Check/Fees Outstanding	\$0.00
Subtractions – Transportation Fund	-\$4,221.77
Subtractions – Veterans Fund	-\$574.10
Subtractions – Insurance Fund	-\$1,000.00
Subtractions – Website Fund	-\$929.01
Subtractions – Singles Fun	-\$413.30
Subtractions – Adopt-A-Family Fund	-\$5,179.00
Adjusted Account Balance	\$3,981.44

## Information Officer's Report

Sharon mentioned that there will be no street sweeping throughout the City from December 23, 2024 through January 2, 2025.

Twenty-five Club members volunteered at the "Make-A-Child-Smile" event. Sharon shared that one hundred children received a \$175.00 gift card for Walmart.

Several photos from the Chino Hills Boat Parade were shown, including a boat carrying several of our vets.

The trip to the Mission Inn in Riverside was an enjoyable event with several photos from the venue shown.

## Vice President's Report

Debi announced that there are 130 members in attendance at today's meeting. Currently, we have 218 members.

Members were informed that next year's membership drive will end on July 31, 2025.

Elections are upcoming with no current nominations for President and Treasurer. Those interested in running for either position should contact Sharon Kaye.

## **President's Report**

Jane announced that Shirley Kondek had been named "Volunteer of the Year". Shirley has discreetly offered her time and talents to the Club and, in gratitude, Jane awarded her with a certificate and \$50.00 Amazon card.

Since the Club has not yet received any nominations for President, Jane stated that the Club could possibly be disbanded. She read a list of what steps would need to be taken should that occur, and how our assets would be dispersed. In follow-up, she appealed to the membership for "new blood" to lead the Club into the future.

## **Twelve Days of Christmas**

Jane organized the members to sing our annual version of "The Twelve Days of Christmas" which was enjoyed by all.

## **Sunshine Committee**

Donna Forbes informed the membership that Loretta Szudy would be retiring from the Sunshine Committee after eleven and a half years of service. Susanne Anderson spoke of Loretta's commitment to the Club and thanked her for her dedication. Susan Gaitan will be the new chairperson beginning January 2025.

The Sunshine Committee called out the following members who are celebrating December birthdays: Larry Hodel, Karol Anderson, Bob Walter, Victoria Casso, Patty Vasquez, Debi Hernandez, Bob Luevanos, Robbie Myers, Glen Anderson, Lisa Grotz, Sandy Miller, Velma Sotomayer, Michelle Sohns, Oscar Limon, Maxine Welch, and Sylvia Avila.

JoAnn and John DelMonico will celebrate their 58<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on December 31.

## **50/50**

The Club sold tickets totaling \$226.00 and the Club netted \$112.00. The winners were: Annette Christensen, J.D. Martinez, and Kimhai Mullins, each of whom won \$38.00.

## **Entertainment**

The membership was treated to a beautiful concert of holiday songs sung by the Ayala High School Choir. A donation by the Club was given to Mr. Davis in gratitude for their presentation.

## **Holiday Lunch**

Members enjoyed a delicious holiday lunch catered and served by Wood Ranch and paid for by Bingo.

## **Next General Meeting**

The next General Meeting will be held on Friday, January 24, 2025.

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:24 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Judy MacDonald, Secretary