

Chino Hills 55+ Club
General Meeting Minutes
Chino Hills Community Center
February 28, 2025

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 at 10:05 am. Sandra Jones led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes

Minutes from the January 24, 2025, General Meeting were approved by the membership.

City Report

Armando offered the following:

- The Viva Las Vegas event was a success with 110 tickets being sold.
- IEHP (Inland Empire Health Plan) will be offering a series “Coping with Stress”, at the CHCC, on March 14, 21, and 28.

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.

Elections

Vice President, Debi Hernandez announced that the elections would be held today and asked if there were any nominations from the floor. As there were none, the nominations were then closed.

Jesse Gonzales announced that he was withdrawing his nomination for Treasurer.

Members nominated were: Paula Brog, President, and Melba Brown, Treasurer. Each nominee presented her qualifications to the members. Jane DeFrank then called for a brief voting break.

Information Officer’s Report

Sharon Stuewe attended the Wildfire and Emergency Response Community Meeting which was held at Western Hills Country Club on February 24. Discussions included:

- Recent power outages in Chino Hills during the recent wildfires.
- Several drones and cameras are used by local fire departments to spot fires.
- The “Watch Duty” wildfire app was recommended to citizens to monitor active fires.

Information Officer's Report continued

"Notify Me" cards are available at the CHCC information desk for those who wish to stay updated on City events and activities.

Sharon shared that "Walking with Moms in Need" will host an event at Lucille's restaurant on March third and fourth from 11:00 am to 10:00 pm to support new moms.

Information about Bingo can be found at <https://www.chinohillsbingo.org>.

Vice President's Report

Debi Hernandez mentioned that there are six (6) guests at today's meeting, and that we have 235 members.

Membership renewals will begin in April at \$15.00 for the year. Name badges are \$11.00.

Membership renewals will be accepted via checks in the exact amount or through Zelle only. Cash will not be accepted. Membership dues must be paid by the end of July to avoid cancellation.

Volunteers

Jane DeFrank highlighted the need for additional volunteers. In particular, Bingo requires more support, and members are encouraged to contribute a minimum of five hours per month.

Proposed Walking Group

Susan Gaitan suggested that the Club begin a walking group. She proposes walking twice per month on Tuesdays at 5:00 pm or Wednesdays at 8:30 am. A sign-up sheet will be at the tables for those interested.

In Memoriam

Jane noted the recent passing of Club member, Chuck Haeflinger. She told several stories about her relationship with Chuck and his departed wife, Sharon. Chuck had a long history with the Club and was a cherished member of the Veterans Group.

A memorial mass for Chuck and Sharon Haeflinger will be held at St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church on Thursday, March 6, followed by internment at Riverside National Cemetery.

Sunshine Committee

The Sunshine Committee called out the following members who are celebrating February birthdays: Alan Benson, Casey Cecala, Janisse Minter, Terry Edwards, Fabienne Lopez, Alandra Solomon, Gail Smith, Warren Adams, Richard Ortiz, Phoebe Frankeberger, Melba Aranda, Olga Blind, Ellis Horowitz, Tessie Lightholder, Ronni Sidoti, Mohammed Chowdhury, Esperanza Gonzales, Sharon Kaye, Peter Faulhaber, Dena Peoples, Jane DeFrank, Shaon Stuewe, Georgene Belz, George Lightholder, Peter Lin, Alayne Charlton and Joyce Wong.

Sunshine Committee continued

Those celebrating February wedding anniversaries are:

- Dianne and Larry Hodel – 25 years on February 2
- Fran and J.D. Martinez – 67 years on February 8
- Sharon and Patrick Montagne – 59 years on February 26

50/50

The Club sold tickets totaling \$239.00 and the Club netted \$119.00. The winners were: Jeanette Benson, Marshon Mullins, and Diane Bok, each of whom won \$40.00.

Jane's Speech

Jane expressed her gratitude for the support she received during her tenure on the Board. She affirmed her commitment to remain an active member of the Club, as the membership honored her with a standing ovation.

Election Results

After counting the votes, Paula Brog was elected as President, and Melba Brown was elected as Treasurer.

Thank you, Jane and Andrea

Jane and Andrea were presented with flowers and engraved vases by the Sunshine Committee, thanking them for their years of service on the Board.

Next General Meeting

The next General Meeting will be held on Friday, March 28, 2025, at 10:00 am at the CHCC.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:39 am.

Soup-er Bowl Potluck

Following adjournment, members enjoyed soups, salads, side dishes and desserts.

Respectfully Submitted,
Judy MacDonald, Secretary