

BROCKTON COUNCIL ON AGING
BOARD MEETING FEBRUARY 3, 2017

Meeting called to order by Vice Chair Lorraine Lalli at 10 a.m.

Two members were excused – Chair Teddi Bourassa and Secretary Dick Drobiak.

Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as read.

Janice read the Howard Fund report for the period of December 1, 2016, to December 31, 2016. Starting balance was \$62,617.10 and ending balance was \$48,702.66. These figures do not include CD's. Report was accepted and filed as read.

Janice read a thank you note from Gert and Vin Ricci for the floral arrangement sent to Vinnie.

Janice read and discussed her Director's report, a copy of which is hereto attached.

Michele read and discussed her activities report, a copy of which is hereto attached.

Outreach Director Dotti Slack reported the following: people are calling every day for the SNAP and fuel assistance programs; that funds for Prescription Advantage have been cut back; that the Diabetes self-awareness clinic will be starting February 16 and will be limited to 10 people; Diabetes Awareness week will begin June 17 and she will be looking for help with the Diabetes Walk. Although federal funding for the SHINE program did not come through, it will be carried by the ACL through October. Our area was #1 in the state for the number of people served last year, seeing 9,795 people in 2016, 1,000 more than were seen the previous year.

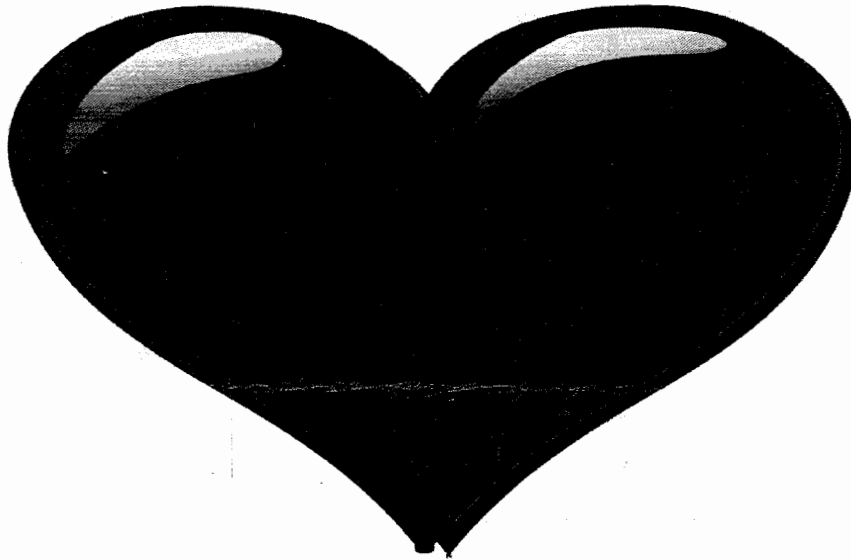
Meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m. Next meeting will be March 6.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT- February 3, 2017

We have less than 6 weeks left of winter but who's counting!

- I will be going before Finance tonight to have our Formula Grant funds accepted.
- We had a great turnout for the Property Tax Abatement and Exemption program. People I talked to found it very helpful.
- Our Chinese New Year was a lot of fun. Thank you to the volunteers and Michelle, Carla and Brian.
- I am meeting with the new Library Director this week to discuss some opportunities for collaboration and to give him a tour of the COA.
- Tax Aide appointments start this week
- Scams- There is a new scam out that makes me very nervous. It is the "can you hear me" scam. I will explain.....
- I want to share a story of someone who displayed recently a wonderful "Act of Kindness". I will explain.....
- As usual we are all staying very busy and I continue to work on our Strategic Plan. Some of the questions you will be answering today will be very helpful to me.

In closing, I want to wish everyone a Happy Valentine's Day!



Upcoming Events

Monday, February 6th Valentine's Craft with Mary and Brenda of West Acres 1:00PM (Full)

Tuesday, February 7th "Life's Little Lessons" How to make a Corsage or Boutonniere
with Carla DaRosa at 2:00PM

Wednesday, February 8th Taxes by Appointment Only 9:00AM-3:30PM (Full)

Wednesday, February 8th National Diabetes Prevention Program 10:30AM

Wednesday, February 8th Senior Circuit Breaker Credit & Tax Information 2:30PM

Monday, February 13th S.A.L.T./Triad Meeting 9:30AM

Monday, February 13th COA Book Club with Lucia Shannon 10:00AM

Monday, February 13th No Line Dancing

Monday, February 13th Valentine's Day Party 12:00-2:00PM (Full)

Tuesday, February 14th Free Hearing Screenings by Beltone by appointment at 10:00AM

Tuesday, February 14th Congregate Meal Valentine's Day Special 12:00PM

Wednesday, February 15th National Diabetes Prevention Program 10:30AM

Wednesday, February 15th MADD Hatters, Valentine's Day 12:30PM

Thursday, February 16th Diabetes Self Management Workshop begins at 1:00PM

Monday, February 20th President's Day, Center is Closed

Wednesday, February 22nd Taxes by Appointment Only 9:00AM-3:30PM (Full)

Wednesday, February 22nd Commodity Supplemental Food Program 1:00-3:30PM

Wednesday, February 22nd Jeopardy Trivia with Arielle Traveres of Sachem Center 1:00PM

Wednesday, February 22nd Pen Pal Meeting with Girl Scout Troop (Closed)

Thursday, February 23rd Diabetes Self Management Workshop at 1:00PM

Monday, February 27th Free Legal Consults with attorney Michelle Beneski 9:30-11:00 AM

Monday, February 27th Men's Group 9:30AM

Monday, February 27th Learn Ukulele with Julie at 1:00PM

Wednesday, March 1st St. Patrick's Cupcake Class with Sandy Lucca

Trips

Wednesday, March 8th Foxwoods Casino

Thursday, March 23rd Boston Flower Show & Venezia Luncheon

Upcoming Events

Please note these events are not available for sign-up yet they are for your information only.

Life's Little Lessons #TBA

Spring Seedlings with West Acres 3/13/17

St. Patrick's Day Party 3/16/17

The Magic of Spring 3/20/17

Healthy Cooking for One, Men's Group 3/27/17

S.T.O.P. Aneurysms 3/27/17