

**BROCKTON COUNCIL ON AGING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MONDAY MAY 2, 2016**

The monthly meeting of the Brockton Council on Aging,
(Board of Directors) Was held on Monday May 2, 2016

Minutes recorded by Richard Drobiak, Recorder for Board of Directors

The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Lorraine Lalli at 10:05 AM

ROLL CALL: Betty Goldsmith absent, Sue Alves and Al Amoroso excused. All other board members present.

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: Minutes of 4/4/16 meeting reviewed by board members. A motion was made and approved to accept the minutes.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Howard Fund report was not available.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR: A copy of Director Janice Fitzgerald's report is attached.

- Janice informed the group of the passing of Marie Pelaggi. There was no obituary listed in the Enterprise.
- Richard Bath and Robert Graham passed council screening.

REPORT OF THE ACTIVITIES COORDINATOR: A copy of Activities Director Michelle Brace's report is attached.

REPORT OF THE OUTREACH COORDINATOR: No outreach report this month. Dorothy Slack is attending a training session

NEW BUSINESS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

OTHER BUSINESS: Chair Lalli reminded everyone that election of officers will be held immediately following the June meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: The D. W. Field tower will be open to visitors 5/28 for the day

- Brockton Symphony tickets are available at the front desk
- Next meeting 6/6/2016 – meeting adjourned 10:40

DIRECTOR'S REPORT- May 2, 2016

Good Morning!

- Thank you all who were able to attend the Volunteer Luncheon. It was a wonderful afternoon. I enjoyed seeing all the friendships that have developed and the food in my opinion was fabulous.
- I was recently invited back before the City Council to give them an update as to what we have been up to, the Capital Campaign and the projected growth of the elder population the next few years. It was a late night but went very well. We are very fortunate to have a council that supports us.
- Our Senior Safety Hotline is up and running. This is a non-emergency number. It will be a great resource for elders and family members to get much needed information and referrals on various issues. I am very excited. The number is 508-941-0292.
- Frank Quinn will be officially joining my staff soon as a part time Outreach Worker. He will be here on Tuesdays from 9-2.
- AARP Chapter 3032 has dissolved and will no longer be holding their monthly meetings here.
- Our trips with BRS have been going very well. Our seniors have been very pleased.
- We will be celebrating "Older Americans Month" this month with a special gift to the first 200 seniors who stop in between 9 and 3 on Wednesday, May 11. The theme for the month is "Blaze a Trail". This is an opportunity for us to acknowledge the perennial contributions of older adults to our nation.
- Lastly, I want to say thank you to everyone who has been lending an extra hand lately. As the front desk volunteers know, we are very busy. We have been asking the front desk volunteers to pick up extra shifts now and then. I want you to know I greatly appreciate it and it doesn't go unnoticed.
- Update on our Capital Campaign. Things are going extremely well! We had Robert Jenkins from the BRA at our last meeting to get some ideas from him on how to proceed and have invited our city planner Rob May and Pat Chiamella from OCPC to see how we fit into the plans for the downtown revitalization. We still continue to receive some small donations which confirm my confidence that once we kick this off in the fall we will have no problem reaching our goal.

Respectfully submitted,
Janice Fitzgerald
Director

Upcoming Events

Monday, May 2nd Beekeeping with Georgia Howland at 1:00PM
Wednesday, May 4th SALT/Triad Safety & Health Fair 10:00AM-1:00PM
Thursday, May 5th Special Cinco de Mayo Congregate Meal 12:00 Noon
Thursday, May 5th Creative & Memoir Writing Workshop 1:00-3:00PM
Monday, May 9th COA Book Club 10:00AM
Monday, May 9th S.T.O.P. 1:00PM
Monday, May 9th Apron Decorating with Mary from West Acres 1:00PM
Tuesday, May 10th Free Hearing Screenings with Beltone 10:00-11:30 AM
Tuesday, May 10th Special Mother's Day Congregate Meal 12:00Noon
with Musical Entertainment by Bill Reidy
Wednesday, May 11th Older American Month Perennial Bulb Giveaway
Wednesday, May 11th Sign Painting for World Elder Abuse Awareness Day 1:00PM
Thursday, May 12th Lunch & Learn 12:00Noon
Monday, May 16th Songbirds of the Northeast with John Root 1:00PM
Wednesday, May 18th "Ask Dottie" Stroke: How to Deal with It 1:00PM
Wednesday, May 18th Madd Hatters "Tropical Beats" 12:30PM
Monday, May 23rd Legal Consults with Attorney Michelle Beneski 9:00AM
Monday, May 23rd Men's Group 9:30AM
Monday, May 23rd The Currency of Pearl Harbor with Richard Hand 10:00AM
Monday, May 23rd S.T.O.P. 1:00PM
Tuesday, May 24th Support the Fine Arts Group Join them at the 24th Senior Celebration at the Shaw's Center
Wednesday, May 25th Home Improvement What You Should Know 1:00PM
Monday, May 30th Center is Closed in Observance of Memorial Day
Wednesday, June 1st Summer Celebration with Roger Tincknell at 1:00PM

Trips

May 11th JFK Library & Maggiano's Luncheon
May 18 Elton John & Billy Joel "**Tribute Show**"
May 25 Twin Rivers Casino
June 9 Daniel Webster Grand Buffett & Sandwich Glass Museum
June 26 Blue Man Group at the Charles Playhouse
June 28 Foster's Clambake and Stonewall Kitchen

Upcoming Events

"Let's Sail-A-Brate" Sponsored by Braemoor and Brockton Health Centers 6/6/16
"Jerry Atric... The Older I Get" with Steve Henderson 6/8/16
Happy Feet: Diabetic Foot Care 6/13/16
World Elder Abuse Awareness Day March 6/15/16