

## SENIOR CITIZEN'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SCAC)

### Wednesday January 27, 2010 Meeting Minutes

**Present:** Karen Haseley, City Liaison, Leonie Penney, Bunny Fitzgerald, Phyllis Budin, Henry Haslinger, Leah Warner, Ginny Jones, David West, Ruth Edwards, Brenda Cooley, Silke Pope, City Council Liaison

**Absent:** Erica Husser, Betty Timer

David West called the meeting to order at 7:35

Silke Pope, new representative from the City Council, introduced herself, passed out cards and offered her assistance to the committee.

The agenda was approved by Ginny Jones with Henry Haslinger seconding.

The minutes of the November meeting were approved; Bunny Fitzgerald motioned approval with Henry Haslinger seconding.

A discussion was held as to what should be done for this year's Not For Seniors Only workshop. Should we go with the usual date of June 5<sup>th</sup> (Greenbelt Day Weekend) or take another date? Suggestions were made about an inter-generational interview program gathering memories of Greenbelters. Another suggestion was made to have a sing along featuring Chris and Steve. More ideas to follow.

FORA/GAIL update:

1. There is an accessible grant program for people with limited income to stay in homes. A stair lift could be available. Applications are limited to persons 62 or older with incomes less than 44,000.
2. Maryland Senior drug assistance Van coming to Greenbelt to help explain Part D.

Widowed persons meeting will be held at Rexford Place, April 8-May 13.

AARP tax program will be held at the American Legion, appointments are made through GIVES.

Students from St Hugh's School will provide a program showing how to program and use cell phones.

**New Business:** A van provided blind citizens with a trip to Oxon Hill to attend a Saturday meeting of the Federation of the Blind. Bowie will provide a new address and the city will look into providing the Connection as transport for the last Saturday of the month. Karen expressed concern about persons not signing up for trips in a timely fashion to plan transportation needs or tickets. Bulk delivery of the city's recreation brochure should give people ample time to plan for trip sign ups. The city is thinking of taking the Vans out of service. Questions as to what size might be the best for effective use.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30. Phyllis Budin motioned, Bunny Fitzgerald second.

Brenda Cooley,  
Recording Secretary