

**PETALUMA SENIOR CENTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
211 NOVAK DRIVE, PETALUMA, CA  
MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 12, 2007 MEETING**

**Call to order:** 10:05 a.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence to honor our servicemen and women.**

**ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:** Bill Greene, Chairman; Lorraine McEvoy, Secretary; Rene Hughes, William B. Jones.

**ABSENT:** Pat Wapp, and David Yearsley, Liaison for the Parks & Recreation Dept.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Don Streeper, Recreation Coordinator.

**GUESTS:** None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** William B. Jones's motion to accept the November 14, 2007 minutes was seconded by Bill Greene and unanimously approved. Minutes are placed on file.

**STAFF REPORT:**

>**Newsletter-Don:** The newsletter GOAL for 2008 is 2,000 copies - 700 direct mail and 1,300 delivered. He anticipates a 24-page issue in the future. As stated in the newsletter, most classes are free. Don states clearly that giving him credit for photographs in the newsletter is undeserved. His supporting staff takes the photos and they deserve all of the credit.

>**Membership-Don:** 65 members have renewed their 2008 Senior Club membership.

>**Planning/Travel-Don:** 2007 trips are printed in the newsletter.

**South County Senior Forum:** Don attended the Tuesday, November 13, 2007 meeting of the South County Senior Forum, which was held at the Petaluma Senior Center. No one showed up at the forum. The Vial for Life container will be on the side of the refrigerator, to protect an individual's privacy. Information inside the vial can be updated when medications change, etc. Packets will be at the Senior Center for distribution.

**FCC Presentation:** The FCC is getting more information to keep members informed about the transition from Analog to Digital Broadcasting. The theme is, "Don't buy what you don't need." We will have more presentations by the FCC.

**COMMITTEE REPORT:**

>**Cookbook Project:** Margaret Enea-Patrizi E-mailed Don the names of winners of the Kitchen Benefit Drawing for publication in the January newsletter. The drawing was held December 7<sup>th</sup> at the potluck luncheon with our troops. Ticket sales were \$665.25 less \$101.00 expenses, resulting in profit of \$564.25. Margaret expressed her thanks to all those who sold the tickets and those who generously purchased tickets to help raise money for our kitchen renovation fund.

Lorraine McEvoy showed Advisory Committee members the cookbook draft, which was being returned with corrections to Morris Cookbooks Press. She had questions about charging sales tax on books sold to raise money for this project; David Yearsley said to ask the City Attorney for his opinion on this subject. Publicity will help sell the finished product and a Press Release should be composed for our local newspaper. The cookbook, "River Town Recipes," will sell for \$15.00. An extra \$5.00 will be charged for shipping and handling, if mailed.

>**December 7 Potluck:** Thank you to Pat Wapp and her volunteers for the very successful potluck lunch with our troops from Santa Rosa. The attendance and the food was great. The raffle winners enjoyed their prizes. Visiting with our service men and women is always rewarding and we all enjoyed the event tremendously!

>**Marin County Senior Expo:** Don attended the Marin Expo October 10<sup>th</sup> and estimated the attendance at 10,000. He made several contacts which resulted in added exhibits to our October Senior Expo, such as the Neptune Society, State Contractors, Evergreen Health, and Net Health. For our 2008 Expo exhibitors, he expects to contract with the Buck Institute, Master Gardener-Sonoma, Voter Registration, Vector Control, Petaluma Health Care, Petaluma Adult Education, Experience Works, and West Marin Senior Services. A demo was shown of people 50+ looking for information for their parents. In 2008, Don would like to focus on some type of nutrition program for our seniors,

>**Programs:**

Bill Greene thought a walking program is a good idea. He was informed that the Center already has a walking group twice a week, on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Don explained the Bus Buddy program. If you are interested in volunteering, contact the Petaluma People Services Center at 765-8488.

Lorraine suggested conversational Spanish. Don said it is coming, through the Junior College.

Explaining how program expansion has caused more use of other locations, such as the Boys & Girls Clubs, Don said he would like to begin documenting the number of people using the different locations for our programs.

>**Notice of Death or Illness:** Informed of Lloyd Martin's death at the Advisory meeting, Lorraine suggested that the newsletter have a regular spot to report the death and/or illness of Senior Club members. Don said Lloyd's partner was composing a memorial for the newsletter. We should put a notice in the newsletter, asking our Club members to let us know when people are ill or in the hospital, so we can send cards and let them know we care.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

>**Applicants needed for the SAC.** Two more members are needed for the Senior Advisory Committee. Additionally, the decision was to table the appointment of a Vice-Chairman until we have a full board.

>**Goals as Committee Members:** Please have your talking points ready for the January 9 meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

>**Review Senior Club Survey for 2009 fees** and possible explanation for Senior Program hours. Review the sample survey for errors and return to Don for publication in the newsletter.

>**Add items from Committee members** for discussion at the Wednesday, January 9, 2008 meeting. Please note that Agenda items must be received in writing ten (10) days prior to the scheduled Senior Advisory Committee meeting.

>**Meeting adjourned:** at 11:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorraine McEvoy, Secretary, on December 31, 2007

**NEXT MEETING IS WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2008 AT 10:00 A.M.**