

POA MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

The meeting was called to order by the President, Elaine Dreidame, at 7:00 Pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call indicated Board members excused: Donna Kempa, Cliff Weiner; all others were in attendance.

The minutes of the February meeting were approved as read.

Treasurer's report showed an opening balance 02/01/2015 \$104,838; receipts \$33,059 led by dues of \$12,340 and ad revenue of \$17,742; expenses \$13,892 led by Bulletin costs of over \$12,000; leaving us with an operating net cash flow increase of \$19,167 over 2014 after two months, and operating cash balance 02/28/2015 of \$124,006.

The membership report indicated our first request for 2015 dues was sent to 5000 Villagers, the second to 1800 who did not respond to our first request noting that 10% of Villagers traditionally do not reply to annual dues requests. Meanwhile we send letters to new Villagers to make them aware of the mission of the POA.

The SHINE report reminded attendees that they are available for discussions of options for people who have questions about their medical insurance coverage by trained volunteers who do not sell, indorse or recommend a particular coverage.

Available at the back of the room for indivual questions were: Seniors v. Crime, SHINE, and District Government representatives.

Three lucky attendees won \$30 each in the cash raffle. There was a third number drawn for a lucky Villager who won a free home lightning protection system from Triangle Lightning Protection, Inc.

Open Forum: Questions raised that will be responded to in future Bulletin articles include:

When should you call Seniors V. Crime?

Some bodies of water in the Villages appear to be stagnant. Is that true?

What is the latest on coverage for sinkholes in the Villages?

Is there an update on golf cart striping? Will islands be included in regulations governing striping?

What is the legal definition of a golf cart per Florida law? Are LSV's considered golf carts per Florida law?

Speaker: Glen Schulte, with his employees, presented information to residents on the Florida law governing lightning systems, how to find a qualified installer, how is a system installed?, how long will a

system last?, what is the maintenance involved?, and much more. The group was available during and after the meeting for many individual questions.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM followed by coffee, donuts and conversation with others.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carolyn Reichel, Secretary