

POA Membership Meeting

Tuesday, July 21, 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 that all members present with the exception of Bill Schikora.

The minutes of the June meeting were approved as read.

Treasurer's report: June receipts were \$7906; expenses \$9866 leaving us with cash flow of negative \$1900. Compared to this time in 2014, revenues were up related to ad revenue while expenses were down related to miscellaneous expenses (supplies and postage) resulting in increased cash over 2014.

The membership report showed that our total membership is down. Traditionally we have grown by roughly 1200 households per year; in 2015 we are up by 100 over 2014. Our plan is to meet and greet Villagers at mailboxes during the annual enrollment period. In the meantime, ask your friends and neighbors if they are members of the POA. Any resident who would be willing to join us at the mailboxes is welcome.

Betty Cunningham of SHINE reminded attendees that the annual enrollment period starts October 15 and runs thru December 7. It is advisable to review your Part D plan annually to be sure your drugs will continue to be covered and at the same cost. Be reminded that Florida is an "age of issue" state meaning your monthly rate for a Medicare supplement is based on your age when you joined the plan. And do check your HMO or PPO, if that is what you have, to assure that you are aware of any changes.

Available at tables at the rear of the room for individual questions was: Seniors v Crime, SHINE, lightning protection representatives, and District gov. representatives.

There were three winners of \$30 each from our cash raffle.

Open Forum: Questions will be answered in future Bulletin articles.

Has there been a resolution to the golf cart striping issue?

Are there plans to make the signs on cart paths easier to read?

Speaker, Diane Disgristina, with AAA Insurance Agency, spoke to the group about "Everything You Need to Know About Golf Cart Insurance". Her presentation compared the rules governing street legal carts to those of traditional golf carts. Street legal must conform to the rules of the highways. Rules governing the traditional carts are still being formed as communities such as ours arise. Many questions focused on how an owner could offer their cart with a home rental. No viable option arose. Most did not know that when you rent a cart from a business, your coverage is limited to collision. The good news was that you can let guests in your home use your cart under your policy. If in doubt, check your policy with a professional and drive safely.

Next month's speaker will be Bryan Lifsey who will speak to us about "How Seniors v. Crime can assist you".

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Coffee, donuts and good conversation was enjoyed by all.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Reichel, Secretary