



CENTURY HOUSE ASSOCIATION
Chairpersons Meeting
JUNE 2019



DATE: Wednesday, June 5, 2019
TIME: 10:00 am
LOCATION: Oak Room
ATTENDANCE: 20 CH Members / 4 Executive / 3 Staff

1. General Welcome – Carole Wylie

- Carol welcomed everyone to the meeting. Regrets from Audrey Soroka (Secretary), Betty Young (Treasurer) and Sandra Keayes (3rd VP).
- Chairperson Meeting Minutes from May have been posted on the bulletin board. Motion to accept the minutes was made by Janine and 2nd by Barb, AIF, Carried.

2. Treasurers Report – Frances Blake

- Frances presented the May financial report which is posted on the member's bulletin board. Update on proposals for CHA savings account investment. The Term Deposits are complete.
- Update regarding Registered Charity Information and donations. Betty is working with Larry Young regarding the CHA account.
- Proposed Treasurer & Bookkeeper roles for CHA.
- Gloria will be working to December 30, 2019 with Betty for data entry and bookkeeping. After that we will place an item on the January agenda regarding if this bookkeeping position will continue as an elected situation.
- The Treasurer will continue keeping accurate records of the CHA finances, receive all monies payable to CHA and acts as the liaison with designated activity chairpersons and their committees.

3. Executive Committee Update

1. SPC Request - Frances

Motion was made by Frances Blake to grant Senior Peer Counselling (SPC) \$4000, as budgeted in the financials for 2019. SPC has met all the requirements. Money will be used to cover basic operating costs. The motion was seconded by Shirley Bakker, AIF and Carried

2. Updates - Robyn

HVAC – Air Conditioner Update

- Next week the old HVAC will be removed and the new ones put in place. There will be some construction in rooms to accommodate the AC units. The contractors are also working with the City to monitor air quality and asbestos remediation. When the old units come down (June 11-12), there will be a period of time where there will be no fresh air intake into the Douglas Fir room. This could affect some the exercise activities.
- Barb Merritt asked if the new units have suitable air filtration to handle the smoky conditions we get in the summer. Robyn will get back to the group.
- Please forward any questions regarding the schedule and disruptions to the centre to Robyn.

Summer Hours

- Summer Hours will commence on Tuesday July 2nd.
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday: 9:00am – 4:00pm
Thursday: 9:00am – 9:00pm
Saturday, Sunday: Closed
See Clarion for Summer Hours.

Seniors Festival

- The Seniors Festival will be taking place at Century House on Saturday October 19th. The theme this year is “The Creative Side of Aging”. This is a city event and is organized by the Seniors Advisory Committee.

3. CHA Policies and Procedures Update - Carole

- Robyn will be working on this with Brian Johnston of Professional Environmental Recreation Consultants Ltd. (PERC) and will keep us updated.
submitted have been accounted for.

4. Technology Project: Seniors Embracing Technology - Joy

- The Technology Working Group is currently working with Shelly to apply for a New Horizons Grant. The money will be used to update equipment and to provide technical help to our members by putting on educational classes. A seminar on “Internet Safety” is being presented this week, June 6th, 1:00-3:00. If you are interested in participating in this project, please contact Joy St. John or Shelly Schnee.

5. New Meeting Schedule – Carole

- A new schedule for Executive Meeting will be put in place starting in July. There will be no changes to the Chairpersons Meeting. The next Executive Meeting will be July 30th. The reason for the change is to allow more time to prepare for the Chairpersons Meeting.

6. Financial Reports – Carole

Carole encouraged the chairpersons to routinely check the monthly financial reports that are posted on the bulletin board. The report is posted after the Treasurer does the reconciliation for the month. Chairpersons should check the report to make sure any monies that they have submitted have been accounted for.

BREAK w/ Coffee & Cake

ACTIVITY GROUP REPORTS

BADMINTON – Paul Ma

Met 10 times in May; attendance – 126

- We have added 8 new members in May; as at the end of May we have a total membership of 36.

BID EUCHRE – Ralph Flett/Lois Reid

Met 4 times in May; attendance – 56

- We had an average of 3+ tables for the month.
- We play all summer even though a few members are now at their summer residence.

BINGO – Ken Cheng

Met 5 times in May; attendance – 234

BOOK CLUB – Jacquie MacConnchie

- We are reading selections from the Burnaby library because we have read all the book club sets in the New Westminster library.
- We read *Elegance of the Hedgehog* by Muriel Barbery this month – some members enjoyed it, some thought it to be uninteresting.

BRIDGE SOCIAL – Peter McConville

Met 4 times in May; attendance – 53

CARPET BOWLING – Jeannine Hyndman

Met 8 times in May; attendance – 113

- At the last meeting I mentioned that if we had another set of yellow bowls, we could have more players. However, after talking it over within the group, it was felt that it would not work well as it would require more play time for everyone. It is better to leave it at 26 players. Thank you to Joyce with her help in realized a solution. Have a great holiday everyone. See you in August.

CENTURY HOUSE SINGERS – Shirley Bakker

Met 3 times in May; attendance – 88

- Our group had the privilege of singing for an audience on the weekend of May 24th & 25th, during the intermission of the Drama Club’s great performance of “Sunshine Place”. Our singing had some challenges as we performed acapella because our pianist was not available.
- We are taking a break for the summer until September 9th. Our last meeting date will be June 17th, at which time we will have a potluck lunch in the Oak Room

COURT WHIST – Earl Christensen

Met 4 times in May; attendance - 44

CRIBBAGE – Lorrie Quick

Met 8 times in May; attendance - 110

DIY FRENCH CONVERSATION– Pauline Joyce

Met 5 times in May; attendance – 45

- We have started a new format, where at the beginning of each session we all tell a little bit about what we have done during the previous week. This provides a chance for each of us to speak French.
- When we had the use of the computer, we practiced some French verbs. Good time.

DRAGON BOAT – Bev Beckert

Met 10 times in May; attendance – 178 paddlers

- May 25th False Creek Regatta (poured rain all day)
 - 3rd Place – Race #1 @ 2:49
 - 2nd Place – Race #2 @ 2:48
 - 4th Place – Race #3 @ 2:59
- All results under 3 minutes which moves the team up to a new race division.

DRAMA – Claudette Campbell

Met 10 times in May; attendance – 98

- Our play, **Sunshine Place**, was well received with good attendance for both performances. A special thanks to the hardy souls who braved the Saturday downpour and parking issues in order to attend.

FITNESS & FUN – Barb Merrett - May Attendance:

Fitness Class: 644 / Exercise Room: 84 / Yoga: 273 – Total Attendance – 1,001

- Strawberry Tea – June 13: Gwen Metz, our coordinator has everything in order. Everyone is looking forward to a great summer.

KEEP IN TOUCH – Annette Oakes/Mary Hernandez – May**Condolences – 4**

Tom Hattori (Joyce’s husband)
 Mother of Darcy Leitold
 Brother of Marilyn Remus
 Ursula Shannon (Paul’s mom)

Get Well – 5

Margaret Shin
 Christine Mottershead
 Hazel Connelly
 Eileen Male
 Marion Order

Thinking of You - 1

Sandra Keayes

LOW VISION – Barbara Gordon

Met 1 time in May; attendance – 11 members + 2 spouses

- Oana Caputo from New West Museum & Archives spoke with us and had information for a new exhibit **The Heat is On**. She also got information on information on how to make the museum more accessible for low vision seniors.
- The group enjoyed talking about old times, especially in New Westminster.

MAHJONG – Luna Acedillo

Met 4 times in May; attendance – 54

- Our best attendance ever, thanks to the new players. My newest student is now playing well and is a pleasant addition to the group.
- We are getting additional boards made, so things are looking good for our group.
- Our annual luncheon was enjoyed by everyone. Karima and her volunteers did a great job catering to our needs. We vacated the room in time for the custodian to set up for the Canasta Group.

PICKLEBALL – Patti Jackson

Met 7 times in May; attendance – 120-140

- Brian Brokenshire and I met with our liaison, Carole, to discuss potential of capping membership for the program. Discussion is ongoing and we will go back to the members for a decision and number.
- Outdoor play is now becoming more common on the courts, varying the number of players indoors.

QUILTING – Barry Latimer

Met 8 times in May; attendance – 56

- We have 2 new members and are preparing a quilt for auction.

SCRABBLE – Ingrid Hedin

Met 5 times in May; attendance – 39

SNOOKER – Jack Cooper

Met 31 times in May; attendance – 350

- We are in the process of doing tables and will get quotes.
- Come join our group and have fun. Ladies are welcome.

SENIOR PEER COUNSELLING – Clare Andersen

Met 4 times in May; attendance – 13; Volunteer Hours – 12 @ each meeting

- SPC is preparing for the graduation of 9 Senior Peer Counsellors and 6 Volunteer Visitors on June 26. After this, SPC will break for the summer and resume on September 9th.
- SPC wishes to thank the CHA and all Chairpersons for the grant awarded to assist in the continuance of our program

SPANISH – Michael Anthony

Met 2 times in May; attendance – 46

SUNDAY DANCE – Lucy Regler

Met 4 times in May; attendance – 222

- On April 12th, Mother's Day, attendance was very low.
- May 5th, 19th & 26th had better attendance,

TABLE TENNIS – Fiona Yuen

Met 8 times in May; attendance – 291

TUESDAY CRAFTS – Dianne Clark

Met 4 times in May attendance – 48

- We continue to knit, crochet, sew and cross-stitch. We will continue working through the summer, enjoying our lovely air-conditioned space.
- We donated \$200 to CH from in-house sales.

UKULELE – Shirley Miller

Met 4 times in May; attendance – 92

- Our Thursday Ukulele Activity Group will continue throughout the summer (June, July & August) @ 9:30-12:00 noon.

- Unplugged will not occur in July or August because CH is closed on Wednesday evenings during the summer.

WALKING GROUP – Cecile Wood

Met 5 times in May; attendance – 81

- May 3 18 people White Rock
- May 10 13 people Burnaby Lake North Side
- May 17 13 people Stanley Park Sea Wall West
- May 24 20 people Simon Fraser
- May 31 17 people Mosquito Creek

WEDNESDAY CRAFTS – Elizabeth Christie

Met 5 times in May; attendance – 63

5. Staff Reports

1. Liz Twaites: The Volunteer Appreciation Lunch was a great success. Thank you to all the volunteers for your work.
2. Kevin Mckay: Watch Clarion for Events.
 - Casino Royale – June 14th (Bursary Fundraiser)
 - Fabulous 50's – June 26th
 - Celebrate China – June 28th
 - For July: Helicopter Tour thru the Lions.



Inspirational Quote: Joy St John

Dali Lama

The purpose of our lives is to be happy.
Lets make today one of our happiest as we leave in friendship.



Henri Nouwen

Joy does not simply happen to us. We have to choose joy and choosing it everyday.

SAVE THESE DATES (Get full description of these events in the monthly Clarion)

- ♥ **Batter Up:** Century House Moody Blues slo-pitch softball - **Tuesday & Thursday mornings**
- ♥ **38th Annual Senior Sluggers Tournament on Tuesday, July 2 and Thursday, July 4**
- ♥ **Tech Volunteers:** If you are proficient with any kind of device and are willing to work with other seniors, the Technology Working Group wants to talk to you. Leave your name at the front office for follow-up.
- ♥ **If This Phone is So Smart:** Youth volunteers will at CH to help you learn your gadget – smartphone, iPad or tablet. Sign up at the front office – **Thursday, July 11 & 18 @ 6:30-8:00 pm.**
- ♥ **Falls Prevention Presentation:** A presentation by Fraser Health to discuss the tips and tricks for falls prevention – **Tuesday, July 23 @ 9:00-9:45 am**
- ♥ **Ted Talks @ Century House: “‘Good’ and ‘Bad’ - Incomplete Stories We Tell Ourselves – Wednesday, July 24 @ 1:00 pm**
- ♥ **New West Pride Hoedown:** Sponsored by Century House Seniors Gay Straight Alliance – **Wednesday, August 14 @ 1:00 pm**
- ♥ **The Summertime Blues: Friday, August 30 @ 7:00-9:00 pm**