

CENTURY HOUSE ASSOCIATION
Chairpersons Meeting Minutes
OCTOBER 2019

DATE: Wednesday, October 2, 2019
TIME: 10:00 am
LOCATION: Spruce Room
ATTENDANCE: 18 CH Members / 7 Executive / 1 Staff

1. General Welcome – Carole

- Carole welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- Chairperson Meeting Minutes from August have been posted on the bulletin board. Motion to accept the minutes was made by Dianne and 2nd by Claudette, AIF, Carried.

2. Treasurers Report – Betty

- The monthly Budget Update is posted on the members board when it is completed.
- Updated information regarding activity group bank accounts: G&F Financial Group offers banking services with no service fee.
- It was emphasized that regarding activity group money bags, security is of the essence. They are not to leave Century House and must be signed out with office staff.
- Activity group requests for reimbursement regarding a specific activity require a formal written request to their Executive Committee liaison.
- Any money that is spent by an activity group is their treasurer's responsibility and needs to be recorded in a logbook.

Executive Committee Update

- 3. 1. Seniors Embracing Technology (SET) / TWIG (Technology Working Information Group) – Joy**
- These will be a hands-on with small working groups that we hope will help members with any tech questions they may have.
 - Tech volunteers are wanted. If you are proficient with any kind of device and/or and would be willing to work with other seniors TWIG (Technology Working Information Group) wants to talk with you. We want to set up a train the trainer program and develop some teaching materials. Please leave your name at the front office and someone will contact you with details and volunteer opportunities. Please contact Liz if you are interested in any of these volunteer opportunities at ltwaites@newwestcity.ca
 - We also had an opportunity to tour the new computer lab at the New West Public Library. They are offering computer courses to the public: www.nwpl.ca/events-calendar.
- 2. Craft Sale and Tea – Saturday, November 2 @ 10:00 am–2:00 pm - Frances**
- Area volunteer positions available: White Elephant; Books; Tea Service; Tea-Ticket Sellers. Sign up at the front desk.
 - All donations are welcome – October 26 to November 1. Please, no clothes, linens or furniture.
- 3. HVAC – Robyn**
- The system appears to be working well.

4. Sandra and Frances will be CHA representatives at the New Westminster Fire Hall Open House on October 6, 2019 @ 10:00 am-2:00 pm @ Glenbrook Fire Hall, 1 East Sixth Ave
5. ICBC Changes – Carole
 - There are changes happening. Robyn will follow-up with any issues that may affect CH members.
 - Following are interesting websites for your reference:
 - <https://www.icbc.com/Pages/default.aspx>
 - <https://www.vancouverisawesome.com/2019/08/30/new-icbc-insurance-changes-vancouver/>
 - <https://dailyhive.com/vancouver/new-icbc-changes-insurance-september-2019>
6. Senior Advisory Committee – Carole
 - Robyn is a member of this committee:
 - <https://www.newwestcity.ca/committees/articles/4931.php>
 - We are looking into nominating a member of CHA to be part of this committee.

BREAK w/ Coffee & Cake

ACTIVITY GROUP REPORTS

BADMINTON – Paul Ma

Met 8 times in September; attendance – 121

- We had 18 people attend the badminton training sessions in September. Members who got the training were happy that their skills had much improved.
- We had high turn out for summer attendance. Cutting summer for badminton should be reconsidered, especially since nobody uses the gym after badminton.

BID EUCHRE – Ralph Flett

Met 4 times in September; attendance – 44

- Over the summer, we gave lessons. Four new players started playing in September and have 2 new people signed up for lessons

BINGO – Ken Cheng

Met 4 times in September; attendance – 206

CARPET BOWLING – Jeannine Hyndman

We met 8 times in September; attendance – 124

- I took 2 months off for moving, family matters and doctor's appointments. To my surprise, we had 124 bowlers – maybe I should take more time away (just joking).
- Participation has been great and we have 2 new bowlers. We are doing well.
- One complaint by participants is that there is no heat. They are cold.

CENTURY HOUSE SINGERS – Shirley Bakker

We met 4 times in September; attendance – 122

- We began our singing again on September 9, after the summer hiatus. Most of our members have returned and we acquired a couple of new members.
- We are currently practicing for a sing-out at Queen's Park Care Centre scheduled for October 8 @ 2:30-3:30 pm.

CONVERSATIONAL SPANISH – Michael Anthony

- Met 4 times in September; attendance – 33

COURT WHIST – Earl Christensen

Met 4 times in September; attendance - 53

CRIBBAGE – Lorie Quick

Met 14 times in August & September; attendance – 190

DARTS – Mike Wilson

Met 4 times in August; attendance – 11

DRAGON BOAT – Bev Beckert

Met 9 times in September; attendance – 136

- September 22 – Canada Games Pool (9:00-11:00 am) – 20 members met for the safety/rescue program. Two other teams joined us. (Harrison Regatta boating accident)
- September 23 – CD Competitive and Rec Team joined us for a fun paddle. Lunch after at a local pub.
- Last paddle is on October 30th.
- Bake sale is on December 4th.

DRAMA – Claudette Campbell

• Met 4 times in September; attendance – 50

ENGLISH CONVERSATION PROGRAM (September) – Anne Ladouceur

- Number of Volunteers – 15 / Number of Volunteer Hours – 55.5 hours
- Number of Participants – 88 / Number of Participant Hours – 488 hours
- Number of applications – 9 / Number of Interviews - 4

FITNESS & FUN – Barb Merrett – September 2019

Attendance in August	Fitness	791
	Yoga	293
	Exercise Room	85
TOTAL		1,169

- In October we focus on our Bake Sale, which is our main source of payback to CH for what they do for us. We accept baking from anyone who wants to help out. Many of us have family members who have nobody to bake for, so please ask your mothers, brothers and sisters, and yes, mothers-in-law to donate baking. Watch the Notice Board the gyn for details and updates.

KEEP IN TOUCH (September) – Annette Oakes/Mary Hernandez

Condolences – 8	Get Well – 2	Thinking of You -
Howard Wiebe (Audrey's husband)	Teri Harding	Evangeline Tzowgraki
Sergio Cachero (Comadi's father)	Crystal Cooke	
Margaret Hickey (Mary Scharf's mother)		
Bernie Wetters		
Mother of Marlene Giddens		
Mother of Joy Fitzgerald		
Dhirn Desai (Champa's husband)		
Sister of Elizabeth Christie		

LOW VISION – Barb Gordon

Met 1 time in September; attendance – 11 Members & 2 Spouses

- Returned from summer break. A number of participants had significant events to report.
- Ideas to improve quality of life with low vision were discussed and some jokes from an old Piffle were shared.

MAHJONG – Luna Acedillo

Met 4 times in September; attendance – 55

- We have been consistent with our good attendance. The group is working hard to help players with their counting. There is a designated teacher (experienced player) per table to assist those players. So far, the system is working.

MEMORY CORNER – Bev Martin

Met 2 times in September; attendance – 12

- We will be adding to the current display for Thanksgiving and Halloween, as well as displaying a wreath and poppies for the November 11 Remembrance Day Memorial.
- Our next meeting is on October 11th to decide what displays to put in the cabinet.

PICKLEBALL – Pattie Jackson

Met 8 times in September; attendance – 173 plays

- We are still as vibrant as ever. We welcomed 2 new paid members this month and 2 new visitors to try the game. Our membership now stands at 56.

QUILTING – Laura Anstruther

Met 8 times in September; attendance – 50

- We are very busy sewing away for the craft sale.

SCRABBLE – Ingrid Hedin

Met 4 times in September; attendance – 37

SENIOR PEER COUNSELLING (SPC) / Volunteer Visitors (VV) (September) – Christine Mottershead

SPC met 3; attendance – 49 / VV met 1 time; attendance - 9

- We are learning how to work with 23 SPC and 6 VV. September and October will have adjustments for client reviews and education as we are all paired with at least 1 client.
- 2019-2020 looks to be a very busy and successful year.

SQUARE DANCE – Jim Brown

- Met 4 times in September; attendance – 110

TUESDAY CRAFTS – Dianne Clark

Met 4 times in August; attendance – 45

- We are busy getting ready for the November Craft Sale.
- Looking forward to manning the CH table with Wednesday Crafts at the Seniors Festival on October 19.

WALKING GROUP – Ann MacInnes/Cecile Wood

Met 4 times in August; attendance – 62

DATE	ATTENDANCE		
Sept 6	18	18	Stanley Park Seawall (Lumberman’s Arch to Denman)
13	13	13	Pacific Spirit Park
20	19	19	Mosquito Creek
27	12	12	Surrey Pipeline

WEDNESDAY CRAFTS – Gwen Dumfries

Met 4 times in September; attendance – 49

WHIST – Earl Christensen

Met 4 times in August; attendance – 71

5. Staff Reports

- Liz reminded everyone that volunteers are still welcome to apply for the Seniors Festival on October 19 and the Craft Sale & Tea on November 2.

Inspirational Quote: Audrey
 “You don't stop laughing when you grow old, you grow old when you stop laughing.”
 — **George Bernard Shaw**

SAVE THESE DATES (Get full description of these events and more in the monthly Clarion or at <http://www.centuryhouseassociation.com/>)

- ◇ **CENTURY HOUSE ASSOCIATION CRAFT SALE & TEA - November 2, 2019 @ 10:00 am-2:00 pm** Fantastic crafts and gift ideas! Afternoon tea, pottery, bake sale, books, jewelry, raffles, hand quilting, original artwork, white elephant, variety crafts and more! Cash only.
- ◇ **2019 REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE - November 11, 2019 @ 10:25 am-12:00 pm.** New Westminster City Hall, 511 Royal Avenue. Outdoor service at Cenotaph located in front of City Hall, 511 Royal Avenue. This year's service acknowledges and commemorates the experiences and contributions of Indigenous peoples in the wars.
- ◇ **What to expect when you are planning a move into long term care - November 14, 2019 @ 1:30 pm-3:30 pm - Century House:** The Fraser Northwest Division of Family Practice, in partnership with the Fraser Health Authority, invite you, as an older adult, family member or substitute decision maker, to learn more about your journey when anticipating a move into long term care.
- ◇ **CENTURY HOUSE GOLDEN AGE THEATRE: Friday, November 29 - Doors open at 6:30 pm, Play at 7:00 pm / Saturday, November 30 - Doors open at 12:30 pm, Play at 1:00 pm.** Tickets: Members \$8.00 / Non-member \$10.00
- ◇ **OPEN CHAIRPERSONS' MEETING - Wednesday, November 6 @ 10:00 am - 12:00 pm, Spruce Room.** Century House members are invited to attend the November Chairpersons' meeting to learn about and participate in Association business.