



TOWN OF MIDDLEFIELD
COUNCIL ON AGING
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November 01, 2017
Senior Center
Minutes

Members present: Chair Judith Hoag, Sharon Barry, Laurie Lafreniere, Crystal Main, Noreen Suriner and Priscilla Suriner. New members Sharon Barry and Crystal Main were welcomed.

Administrative Staff: Director Lois Leonardo-Bell

Regrets: Judy Artioli and Ed Vivier

Guest: Pat Jones and Janet Rock

The meeting was opened at 1:40

- **Golden Cane Ceremony:** The plaque will be made with these words engraved on the top part of a 12X8 plaque "Cane handcrafted by Eddy James and presented to Wayne Suriner, both residents of Middlefield". The Honoree's name and date will be placed underneath with room for 12 different names. A mounting of the cane will be made by George Bell. After the presentation by a member of the Selectboard, a gold framed picture will be put on the wall. The Honoree will be given a certificate to take home. The actual language used will be researched. Further discussion will ensue on how to denote a multiple honoree.
- **Building decoration:** The senior center will be decorated at the November 26th dump run. Red ribbons and garland will be found to decorate the poles. Pine cones will be rolled in peanut butter and birdseed to be used as decorations at the Dec 3rd dump run. A church service, reception for new residents, and a Susan Baker Donnelly tribute will also be held during Middlefield Days.
- **Activities: Flu Clinic:** 25 people attended; **Foot clinic:** 12 people attended. The next Foot Clinic is scheduled for December 14th.
- **Veteran luncheon:** When the final count is known, the venue will be decided. Because the Veteran agent could not prepare the invites, Lois took over and sent them out. The agent will speak at the lunch.
- **Cookie Swap:** December 21st at 7 pm; Senior Christmas party: Dec 20th; **Christmas play:** Lois will research the Colonial Theater and other venues about Christmas plays; **Bright Nights:** Find out what dates are available.
- **Essential Oils Workshop:** Kay and Erin Judge requested to use the building the first Thursday of the month through SHAEC.
- **Dump Run Café:** Lois is hosting the 5th, Suzanne -12th, Judith -19th and Laurie -26.
- **Photos:** Pictures of every event should be submitted to the Country Journal. The Country Journal is in the process of hiring a new editor. Communication will improve.
- A motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 2:30. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Suzanne C. Lemieux

