Gwinnett Senior Golden Games Meeting Minutes May 25, 2011

Today there were mixed feelings among our many senior friends. There were happyfeelings for all the medals given to our athletes for great efforts and performance, and sad because our sports event is ending. Our senior Olympics require two yearly meetings; One at the Opening ceremony and the other at the Closing ceremony. The attendance for both meetings was over 300 members. We enjoyed visiting with all our cherished friends however; we are hoping next year we can meet some new friends like your friends and neighbors. We have monthly meetings for the board and a general meeting for any senior that would like to join us to plan for this event. These meetings are held the 3rd Monday each month. Come join us; we would love to have you as part of our senior group.

At our Opening meeting, we elected a new President, Alan and a new Treasurer, Elaine. Again, happy to meet the new officers, but sad to see former President Bob Giselbach and former treasurer Chris Moore move on to bigger and better hobbies. And most of all Mrs. Senior Olympics, Eileen, who was the lady holding everything together and making sure it ran smoothly. These important people were given a standing ovation and a gift of remembrance for their loyalty and hard work.

Alan Villavasso, our New President, welcomed everyone, we said the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag and Alan continued with the greeting for our business meeting. The secretary read the minutes of the opening ceremony, the treasurer gave the report. Chris gave a wrap-up report which we were pleased to hear. We covered all our expenses with the money we raised this year and our balance is just about the same as last year, \$17,500. We may have to send Chris to Washington to balance the budget! He did a great job indeed!

It was just about time for lunch. Glory said the invocation and Vickie, the caterer arrived with the food. We received a sandwich, turkey, ham or pimento cheese, potato chips and a delicious piece of pound cake. There was plenty of food left in fact, people wanted to buy some to take home which we ended up selling 3 lunch boxes for \$5. We also sold some t-shirts, white for 6/\$5 and the black \$1 each.

Then it was time for door prizes. Sixteen gift cards were given to the lucky ticket holders. We also received 4 gift cards from our new sponsor, Reed Financial Group; 3 for \$25.00 and 1 for \$50.00. We also had a 50/50 raffle.. The winner received \$51.00. Congratulations to all the lucky winners!

There is one man behind the scenes that we want to recognize today. He does all of our website work, keeping records and is the mastermind of our Senior Games; That man is Larry Hanna! Everyone gave him a standing ovation. We could not say enough about his hard work and loyalty to the Senior Games. We appreciate all his time and effort to get the latest news out to the seniors of Gwinnett Co. Thank you Larry.

The next meeting will be June 6th at the Brunswick Bowling Alley. 10:00 A.M. And 9:00 A.M. is the Board Meeting. This is not a regular scheduled meeting.

Bethesda senior center will be closed for renovation and will re-open in September. So come join us!

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Sincerely,

Marie Hickman, Secretary

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