

HELLO NEIGHBORS SOCIAL COMMITTEE MINUTES

April 1, 2022

The meeting began at 10 a.m.

Mission Statement

"Hello Neighbors Social Committee's purpose is to enable the KCCA community to engage in warm and welcoming social activities while maximizing residents' involvement, initiating interactions and building new relationships."

Attending: Rosemary Dutra, Nancy Hayes, Terri Johnson, Pat Rigby, Mary Lou Russ, Sherry Smith, Peggy Trees, Dennis Williams, Dianne Wilson.

Pies of March followup:

- Peggy summarized and members agreed that it was a successful event with about 65 people in attendance.
- Pat observed conversations among people who were obviously getting acquainted and talked to a teacher who wants to join our committee when she retires.
- Peggy said she was able to provide information about life in the KCCA community as she mingled, and she encouraged other committee members to interact with participants during events to the extent their jobs allow.

Movie Time:

- Dennis and Terri say participation is about what the facility will accommodate, there are now regulars, and they are using the more comfortable furniture in the Clubhouse living room rather than bringing in chairs that make social distancing easier.
- Dennis may have solved the problem of a nonfunctioning remote by replacing the existing batteries with more expensive ones designed to be used for electronics.
- They expect a good turnout this month for *Belfast*, and Nancy Hayes suggested that folks might want to see a movie with Bruce Willis since his announcement that he has been diagnosed with Aphasia and is "stepping away" from acting.

New Residents - Next Meeting, Roles, Invitations:

- Peggy noted that the next meeting will be on Sunday, June 5th and asked for a reminder of gifts used at the last meeting which were others remembered were mugs with chocolates, Kaady Car Wash coupons, an umbrella, a bottle of wine and 2 plants.
- Elaine will give the names and addresses of new residents to Pat.

- Pat will give information packets to committee members who will deliver the packets, welcome new residents, and get the residents' telephone numbers and email addresses.
- Nancy will prepare invitations and flyers and send them to Deborah who will make copies.
- Pat will pick up the invitations from Deborah and address and mail them.
- Terri will post the flyers.
- Terri and Dennis will greet participants and get their names and contact information since usually many are not on the list provided by Elaine.
- Peggy or Pat will invite the manager of the King City Apartments (KCA) to the meeting to answer any questions that pertain to her domain and she will help provide information to and about KCA tenants.
- Pat told about knocking on a door to deliver an invitation and finding herself via technology in a conversation with a new owner still living in another state, a circumstance which evoked discussion of the variety of reasons for new residents not going to meetings in the first months after they purchase or rent a home in KCCA.
- Catherine Lee has taken over the KCCA newsletter. Nancy and Mary Delamater are no longer working on it. In the future, Sherry will be the committee contact for communications with the publication.
- Sherry will make a list of new residents for Nancy to put in a "Welcome to KCCA" flyer, and Sherry will submit it for publication in the newsletter.

Pick a Posey:

- This event will be held on April 23 from 10-12; Committee members signed up to help (Peggy, Pat, Terri, Dennis, Dianne, Mary Lou, Sherry, and Rosemary) should arrive at 9 a.m. to set up tables and chairs.
- Peggy has arranged for Brian, a grounds staff person, to order 75 plants and a hanging basket or plant for the event using KCCA's business discount.
- Nancy will bring donut holes, possibly from Gorilla Donuts to promote that new business, and Dianne and Mary Lou will set out coffee and water.
- Participants will put their names and telephone numbers on raffle tickets so the winner of the hanging basket or plant can be notified after the event.

Cinco de Mayo:

- The event will be from 4-6 p.m. on Thursday, May 5.
- Although it has been hard because this is a busy day for this type of celebration, Rosemary has arranged for a woman who caters for Costco to bring the food. For \$15 a serving, she will provide chips and salsa, two tacos with a choice of chicken or pork, rice, beans, dessert and a Marguerita, alcoholic or non, for 40-50 participants.

- The event is also BYOB.
- New flyers will request RSVP's by May 1 to get an idea of participation even though it's likely that many will attend without doing this.
- Food and drinks will be set up under the Clubhouse porte-cochère, and participants can carry their food through the clubhouse to the patio to eat at tables decorated with white table cloths, striped runners and either a sunflower or a piñata.
- Music will be provided by a DJ who will work for 2 hours for \$250.
- Committee members agreed to promote the event by word of mouth and to feel free to invite friends outside the KCCA community.

Community Birthday Party with Cake and Ice Cream:

- Formerly the Ice Cream Social, this event will be on June 11 from 2-4 p.m.
- Details are to be decided, but Peggy will ask her granddaughters and their friend to be scoopers as they were at the Pies of March event.
- In addition to a sheet cake from Costco, the event will include ice cream and balloons.
- Nancy will try to find KCCA's birthday date, and participants will be encouraged to share the month of their birth.

July 4th:

- Hello Neighbors will provide donuts and coffee from 7:30 to 8 a.m. for the annual car parade which assembles in the Clubhouse parking lot.

Art Show:

- A proposed future event, no date as yet, will feature artisans, a mixture of arts and crafts, in the banquet hall.
- Sherry will find out who in the Art Guild to talk to about this.

Financial Question:

- Rosemary asked which expenses she, as treasurer, should charge to KCCA and which should be reimbursed from petty cash. The answer from experienced committee members—Peggy and Nancy—is that expenses for mailing, stamps and supplies should be charged to KCCA.
- Nancy asked the status of her reimbursement for the Pies of March poster. Rosemary found the request and will make the reimbursement as soon as possible.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.