AARP CHAPTER 1917 General Meeting Minutes May 11, 2017

President Bob McCluskey opened the meeting at 10:00 AM and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

He then introduced our guest speakers from the Worcester County Humane Society who also brought along some furry companions. The shelter is located at Route 611/Eagles Nest Road and is a no-kill shelter. The shelter is always in need of supplies like food and kitty litter. The goal of the shelter is to be able to operate a spay/neuter clinic in the area. The website for more information is worcestercountyhumane society.org. Our chapter will collect supplies for the shelter to be delivered in June.

The minutes of the April meeting were approved with no changes.

<u>Health Fair:</u> Dr. Friedman reports that we had one of the most successful health fairs. Six-hundred forty people attended. Thanks to Helen Norris for a get job in volunteer coordination.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> The Treasurer's report was given by Sandy Kvech. **General Funds - \$10,371.97**; Scholarship Fund - \$1,173.00; Health Fair - \$4,183.93; Travel - \$9,529.23.

NOTE: Scholarship applicants are being interviewed today

<u>Travel:</u> Parking passes are available for the Alaskan trip (6/3-6/10) and for the Rails and Sails trip (1-/1-10/5) This trip has a wait list only. We currently have 32 seats available for a production of Funny Girl in Wilmington on 10/18. The cost is \$93 per person.

The Lunch Bunch will be going to Blue Fish on 94th Street after the meeting. Cost is \$10 per person.

On November 29th we will be sponsoring a Murder Mystery Dinner with Ovations at the Princess Royal. Cost will be approximately \$49.

The Holiday Party will be held on December 14 (Thursday) from 1-5 pm at the Clarion. Tickets will go on sale in September and the cost will be \$25 per member. Although the entertainment has not been finalized the Travel committee will subsidize \$2000 towards the event.

<u>Membership:</u> We have 246 paid members and 53 at this meeting. New 2017 members will be accepted through September.

President's Report:

- The June speaker will be Jenna Bellaty who will speak about addiction issues
- There is a drug disposal container at the 65th Street Police Department. Please take unused drugs out of the bottles and place in a plastic bag. Never flush drugs down the toilet.
- The June luncheon will be provided by the Chapter and will include sub sandwiches, soda and water. We ask members to provide some side items.
 Please label your containers and take them to Donna Reid. She asked that people bring serving spoons.

Community Activities:

- WorCo Senior Centers will sponsor a blueberry sale from July 12-14 at the Center. Cost is \$3 per pint.
- The OC-Berlin Optimist Club is holding a scholarship fundraiser at Chipotles on Rte 50 from 4-8 pm on May 22nd
- This Saturday Whispering Woods will hold community yard sale from 8-11:30

Old Business: No report

<u>New Business:</u> Jeff McArthur has names tags for those interested. Please remember to sign-in

50/50 in the amount of \$40 was won by Frieda Pawlukewicz.

Air Show tickets were won by Bill Shoop.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 am

Respectfully submitted,

Debi McCluskey, Secretary AARP Chapter 1917