MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP SENIOR VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES November 14, 2012

The regular meeting of the Montgomery Township Senior Volunteer Committee was held at 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, November 14, 2012 at the Montgomery Township Building. The members of the Senior Volunteer Committee in attendance included Peg Azarian, Helen Haag, Marian Pinkerton, Ralph Schurr, Jackie Volk, Adele Herman and Rich Roller. Also present: Stacy Crandell, Public Information Coordinator.

Call to Order: Chairman Helen Haag called the meeting to order at 7:03PM.

Approval of Minutes from September Meeting: Minutes were approved as submitted.

Public Comment: Bob Sykes from Apprise discussed a few items including the closing of the PEAK Center in their current Lansdale location on November 28th. The PEAK Center will temporarily be at the Schwenksville Manor off of Allentown Road. The Center is trying to work an agreement with Lansdale YMCA so they predict that this new location will be their home for the next 3 years.

New Business:

Feedback on Autumn Festival and Medicare Seminar

The Committee felt Autumn Festival worked well. The Committee stated that they had many people stop by and pick up materials. They also noted that there were some good questions asked.

The Committee also felt the Medicare Seminar was well done. It was well attended with estimated about 40 people in attendance. The Committee noted that it was nice to see some younger people there to get some information about Medicare.

Seminar Ideas

Helen Haag brought up about having a seminar on the differences between assisted living and independent living and how funding works for these. Helen suggested Rosemary Ferrino may be a good speaker for this. Adele noted that this was a great idea since the laws keep changing. Rich suggested having someone from place like Elm Terrace join Rosemary to explain about the faculty. However, the Committee wanted to make sure the person that comes to speak at this event does not sell anything, only informational purposes. Helen will contact Rosemary to see when she is available.

Rich Roller talked about an idea he mentioned to the County Voter Services. He talked about assisting foreign speaking individuals with how to vote. He noticed several people during the election that did not understand how to vote. He will keep the Committee aware of what the outcome from Voter Services is.

Old Business:

The Committee asked about when the next Community Center Meeting is. Stacy said that it is coming up soon and will let them know once a date is announced.

Marian and Helen talked about the monthly Horsham Senior Events. Stacy announced that the Recreation Office is going to try something similar and it will be in their Winter Recreation Newsletter.

The Committee's next meeting is on January 9, 2013.

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the Senior Volunteer Committee, the meeting adjourned at 8:00pm. The group will meet next on January 9, 2013 at the Montgomery Township Building at 7:00pm.