

OCTOBER 2012 MINUTES

BETTER LIVING FOR SENIORS MONTHLY MEETING

October 17, 2012

MEETING HELD:

- Our location and breakfast host was Hawthorne Inn of Lakeland.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

- Meeting called to order at 9:10 am by Larry Powell, Vice-President.
- President Cindy Clouse was unable to be here today due her brother in law Duane passing away. A moment of silence was given for her and her family's time of loss.
- **MOTION PREVAILED:** The minutes from the September BLFS meetings, now posted on the website at www.BLFSPolk.com, were approved with no changes.

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT (1/1/12- 10/16/12) GIVEN BY RANDY BROCK:

- Total Period Inflows (membership dues and web ad income): \$17,820.00
- Total Period Outflows (Member Clicks, phone, postage, etc.): \$13,437.10
- Overall Period Total: \$4,382.90
- Account Balances: \$11,788.32 in checking
- **MOTION PREVAILED:** Treasurer's Report was approved as given.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND BOARD UPDATES:

- Randy gave website update. We currently have 177 Active Members/Friends. Reminder for new members if selecting "send check", make sure you send within 30 days. Beta-testing is done and we now have some enhanced customized searches.
- Randy spoke on new process for Better Season for Seniors form to fill out at the website. Goal is to get at least 400 senior names. Ellen from Hometown spoke about the program with adopting Seniors in the community and purchase gifts for them to have at Christmas. Ellen has sign-up sheets for anyone who wants to help with the program. She is also looking for businesses to sponsor a tree or wreath. For more information contact Tamara trowland@hometown.homecare.com or 863-287-7969.
- Larry updated the members on BLFS sponsoring Polk Games Cribbage event and we are sponsoring the Grandparent's Essay Contest for more information contact lapow@verizon.net .
- New Members were introduced by Cecile. Members introduced themselves.
- **Next month's meeting is at Wednesday November 21st.**

HOST:

Kim Broom, Administrator of Hawthorne Inn of Lakeland. Upcoming events Halloween Trick or Treat at 9:30am and November 9th Senior Fraud Protection 2pm spoke by and pick up your Senior Fraud Kit. Welcomed tours afterwards. Thank you for the wonderful breakfast, especially the biggest Waffle bar we have ever seen!!!

GUEST SPEAKER:

- David Dumont, Registered Guardian and Roberta Creighton, Elder Care Attorney spoke on role of the Guardian and how they can intervene or step in and advocate for a senior.
- **MOTION PREVAILED** to adjourn

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by: Temi Charrier, Secretary

NOTE: Any changes, corrections or additions, please call the BLFS office at 863.248.1475.