

Gwinnett Senior Golden Games

Meeting Minutes

April 7, 2010

The Senior Golden Games Opening Day is here! Everyone arrived early and ready to have fun! Each participant picked up their packet, their t-shirt and a gift; then came in and enjoyed a cup of coffee, tea or a bottle of water while catching up with their friends, waiting for the meeting to begin.

At 11:00 A.M. Bob called the meeting to order. He started with the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag. He welcomed the excited seniors and was pleased to introduce our Gwinnett Co. parks and recreation guests including Phil Hoskins, Director of Community Services.

Our presentation of the Olympic Torch was next, carried by John Drake. John is 88 years young and living at Delmar Gardens. John loves to participate in many of our sports and in the past has won many medals.

We then gave special recognition to our generous sponsors that make these games possible. We gave certificates to our Diamond, Silver and Bronze Contributors.

Diamond	Delmar Gardens Garden Plaza Life Care The Bridge (all in Lawrenceville)
Silver	Brunswick Zone Lanes Lilburn Crossroad Hospice Tucker Gwinnett Council for Seniors The Lloyd Group, Suwanee
Bronze	Chateau Elan Winery & Resort Gwinnett Convention & Visitors Bureau

And a special thank you to our Torch Contributors. Without our sponsors we could not afford to have such an outstanding Senior Program. And last but not least, our volunteers! They are the people that make it all happen and we are ever so grateful to them for their time, ideas and patience.

Bob made a few announcements. The annual Fun Day Awards will be held on Friday May 7th at George Pierce Park; the Seniors Awards Luncheon will be held May 20th at Bethesda Park by the Gwinnett Council for Seniors. All seniors are invited to attend. Tickets are \$7. For more information, contact Ros Bennett, Information Center Director.

Next, if you love trains, you will enjoy the 3rd annual celebration train festival. Contact Bob for more information.

Eileen also made a few announcements. It would not be a Golden Games Opening Meeting without her. We appreciate her guidance and presence in all the planning that went into this wonderful program to keep seniors active and happy.

It was then time for lunch. Alan Villavasso said the invocation and announced the menu, which was a choice of baked chicken or pulled pork with green beans, corn, coleslaw, rolls and desserts. Our caterers were Mr. & Mrs. Mobley and staff, the same as we had last year. It was so good that we

wanted them back again. And thanks to Wanda from Garden Plaza for contacting them for us. And we appreciate the girls from Life Care of Lawrenceville serving refreshments from 9:00 A.M. until closing. Our thanks also, to Delmar Gardens for providing the decorations for the tables. And finally, thank you for coming and showing us that all this work was well worth the time and effort we put into this program.

After lunch, Dana and Susie presented the door prizes to those with the lucky numbers. The prizes were \$25 gift certificates for restaurants, groceries clothing stores, etc. The winners were so pleased with their prize. For an extra bonus, we had a surprise drawing for \$25 cash. Larry Snickles donated the cash and wanted us to pick a final number. It was a very exciting ending.

Our next meeting will take place at our Closing which will be May 19th. Don't forget, be thinking about who you want for President, to take Bob's place; he's hoping to retire at the end of this year.

Our June meeting will be held on the 4th Monday instead of the 3rd. Mark your calendar. The meeting was adjourned.

There will be no tie breaker play-offs this year; so more people will have a chance to 'Go for the Gold'.

NOW LET THE GAMES BEGIN! GOOD LUCK TO EVERYONE AND GET YOUR SHARE OF THE MEDALS.

Sincerely,

Marie Hickman, Secretary