BRANT SENIOR CITIZENS’ ORGANIZATION

Wednesday, April 3, 2018 Minutes

Call to Order: President McSkimming called the meeting to order at 12:26

Prayers were said for: Jackie Connolly, Janet Bowman’s daughter Brenda Mayne

We welcomed our newest member Yvonne Heller to our group.

Celebrating birthdays this month: Janet Bowman, Tish Brady, Jackie Connally, Rosemary Hauser, Joe Ostrowski

50/50 Winners: Tish Brady, George Cordia, Lorraine Dunkel, The free lunch went to Tish Brady

Roll Call: 26 Seniors are present

Secretary’s Report: Secretary Ostrowski read the March Minutes. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Rosemary Hauser and seconded by Marlene McSkimming. Carried.

Treasurers Report: Marie Lalka reported that we have in our Travel Account: $6320.57

and in our Operating Account: $1107.87

President McSkimming mentioned that on Monday, May 20 from 10-1 Erie County Clerk Mickey Kearns will be at the Town Hall presenting information about the “Clerk On The Go” which is a community outreach program. There will be information about “Real ID” and Auto Bureau information, Thank A Vet Services and Passport & Pistol Permit Applications.

The President also stated that 2 volunteers are needed to be in charge of 2 programs. One program is to run the bake sale at Brantfest. Marie Lalka volunteered to be in charge. The other program is to be Supply Sargent. Rosemary Hauser volunteered. Thank you to these two people for stepping up!

Our Picnic: This year our picnic will be held at the Rec. Building on Wednesday, August 7th at noon. This is a regular meeting day but no meeting will be held.

Trips: Marge Pero reported on our trips.

**April 9th** to Seneca Niagara. Leave at 8:45am return at 5:45. We see the Belmonte Show Includes $20 free play, Buffet lunch & show.

**May 14th** to the Finger Lakes for a Taste, Tour and Treats trip. We go to a winery, creamery, Red Osier for lunch, Brewery, pottery place and a candies store. Stopping for supper at Tim Hortons or Wendy’s which we pay for. Leave at 8:15 and return at 7:45pm

**June 11th** to Station House to see “Leading Ladies” Leave at 10am return at 7:30pm

**July 8th** go to Buffalo for a double decker bus ride around Buffalo, lunch at River Works followed by a River History tour on the Harbor Queen. Leave at 9am and return at 5:30pm

**Sept 15-21st** is a trip to Nashville. The cost is $1099 per person and includes 4 nights of lodging, 6 breakfasts, 4 dinners including the Nashville Nightlife Dinner Theatre, RCA Studio B Tour, Performances at the Grand Ole Opry, guided tour of Nashville and more.

President McSkimming introduced Sue from Hospice. She brought pamphlets including “Choose a health care proxy” booklet. She said everyone should plan for the future. A proxy should be someone you want to speak for you and follow your wishes if you cannot speak. Be sure to tell the person they are your proxy. Hospice can be at a home or facility. They come to the home. Diagnosis is 6 months or less depending on situation. There is a nurse and home health aide. They have chaplains, massage therapy, music therapy, many volunteers to help the family. Medicare pays for everything including equipment used in the home. Bereavement period of 13 months to aide support following the death of a loved one. There are also social workers that help with paperwork and setting up other help that is needed. There is also Palliative Care for those who have a life-long illness. It is not covered by Medicare.

Adjournment: George Cordia made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by everyone. Carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Lynda Ostrowski

Secretary