

Chesterfield Older Adults Task Force

MEETING NOTES

1. Guest Speaker – Jamie Ospal from Seniors Count

Senior Count is not affiliated with the Age Friendly Communities plan with St. Louis County, but an independent organizations, run by a Board of Directors. She presented information on the costs of aging in place and the diminishing funding for seniors. The State of MO passed legislation in 1990 to enable a Senior Services Fund within municipalities or counties, which is supported by a property tax of 5 cents per/\$100 of Assessed Value to develop new programs. It will be on the ballot in St. Louis City & County & St. Charles County in November of 2016. Needs only a simple majority to pass and has passed on every other ballot. They asked for the Task Force's assistance in promoting the effort in the coming year.

2. Review August Meeting Notes & Any Follow Ups - Bonnie

3. Althea West from ITN (Independent Transportation Network) will speak at October 20 meeting.

4. Report on Business Discount/Partnership Program – Joey & Annemarie
No Report

5. Better Living Expo - Sunday, Oct. 11 (booth sign ups, what to promote, giveaways & Speakers) – Gary & Bonnie

The Committee provided Gary with several ideas for speakers for a panel on Active Aging. Bonnie will moderate. "What Matters as You Grow Older?" We discussed ordering some type of give-away items for the booth and Libbey will order.

6. Speaker Series opportunities for winter months – *Bonnie*

Decided that March-May timeframe would be best. Bonnie will talk with Jim Bogart at Library. Could host at the YMCA Auditorium. Also discussed a fun program, like a comedy competition “Last Senior Standing”. Annemarie and Stacy may coordinate.

7. CORP Program updates – *Your Family History* – Free Genealogy websites to help you! Thursday, Oct. 1 from 10 a.m. – noon -- **Karen**

The next program will be Technology for Travel Tips in March of 2016. Karen will coordinate.

8. Fall Parks & Senior Sizzler Programs - *Becky & Annemarie*

Discussed the Chili luncheon for Halloween and Candlelight dinner. All programs are very popular and continue to grow. The November program will be a Giving Tree program where senior give back through cutting cloth for diapers with the group Charity Sharity.

9. Other Business

10. Next meeting – October 20, 2015. – Althea West - ITN.