

Shelton AARP Chapter 3240 Membership Meeting

September 18, 2018

The program for the meeting was presented first, beginning at 1:34 p.m.

The business meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Walter Roog.

A moment of silence was observed for the victims of 9/11 and hurricane Florence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the singing of God Bless America.

Secretary's Report: Linda Gabor

Minutes of the 5/15/2018 membership meeting have been posted on the Chapter Documents page of the website. A copy is also available in the binder on the sign in table.

Website / Newsletter: Linda Gabor

We are working to keep our website current and to include information of interest to our members and which will also help attract new members to our chapter. Let me know if you have any suggestions.

The September newsletter has been emailed and posted to the website. Copies of the newsletter are available on the sign in table. Photos and handouts from previous meetings are posted to the website. Photos are also in the binder on the sign in table.

Treasurers Report: Charles Vollaro

Beginning Balance (as of 5/1/2018)	\$2,945.31
Income	\$191.00
Expenses	\$724.05
Ending Balance (as of 8/31/2018)	\$2,412.26

Membership: Vincent Ribeiro

Total Members:	64
Emeritus:	27
Dues Paid:	27

Programming: Phyllis Kupec

Most of the programs for the year have been set. We have a good set of speakers.

Holiday Luncheon: Byron Peterson

The December 2018 Holiday Luncheon is Wednesday 12/12/2018 is at the Brownson Country Club in Stratford. The price is \$25.00. Charles will be selling tickets at the membership meetings.

Hospitality: Joan Platt

Bakers are needed for the October meeting.

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Community Outreach: Dot Ward

Dot circulated a sheet to collect volunteer hours.

We will have a food drive for the Valley Food Bank (Spooner House) at the November membership meeting. It is at holiday time that help is most needed. Dot circulated a flyer with the non-perishable food items that are needed.

Health Advocate: Judy Duva

Instead of watching, listening to, or reading about the news, you can reduce stress by listening to music, reading a book, writing about something that interests you, or meditating.

Legislative: Byron Peterson

AARP is encouraging people to vote. Those over 55 are 40% of the CT electorate. It is millennials who are least likely to vote. Let's set the example by voting.

Byron shared a list of national and state AARP concerns.

September 28th is the final fourth Friday free at the Beardsley Zoo,

Public Relations: Marilyn Plainer

Comcast cable lends equipment and provides training, free of charge, for groups that want to record their guest speakers and have them shown on channel 10. Marilyn asked if any members were interested in this.

Program – Robert Scinto

Robert Scinto, founder and chairman of R. D. Scinto, Inc. in Shelton, spoke on his background, his business philosophy and his career in real estate development in Shelton. After his presentation he answered a variety of questions from the audience.

For more details, see the October newsletter.

Other

Walter Roog has looked into what is needed to have AARP TEK classes locally. The venue must be available for nine hours and 40 attendees are needed. This is something to consider for the future.

Byron handed out door prizes to attendees with birthdays closest to the meeting, Christmas, Thanksgiving and July 4th.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m., followed by refreshments and social hour.

Respectfully Submitted: Linda Gabor