

Shelton AARP Chapter 3240 Membership Meeting

November 19, 2019

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 1:33 p.m. by Walter Roog. A moment of silence was observed for our veterans. This was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, and the singing of God Bless America.

Secretary's Report: Linda Gabor

Minutes of the October 15, 2019 membership meeting have been posted on the Chapter Documents page of the website.

A copy of the October minutes is available for review in the binder on the front table.

Website / Newsletter: Linda Gabor

The November newsletter has been emailed and posted to the website. Copies of the newsletter are available on the front table. Feel free to take a copy to give to someone you know who may be interested in our chapter.

Photos from the October meeting and the October 28, 2019 Senior Health and Wellness Fair are posted to the Speakers page of the website, and are also in the binder on the sign in table.

Please watch the website for the latest information on our upcoming events and let Linda know if you have any questions or suggestions.

Treasurer's Report: Charles Vollaro

Report for October 2019

Beginning Balance (as of 9/30/2019)	\$2,406.45
Income	\$140.00
Expenses	\$74.49
Ending Balance (as of 10/31/2019)	\$2,471.96

Membership: Walter Roog for Vincent Ribeiro

Total members:	55
Emeritus:	20
Dues Payable	35

Programming: Walter Roog

The Holiday Luncheon is on December 11, 2019 at 12:30 p.m. Twenty have signed up so far.

Walter asked attendees for suggestions for programs for the 2020-2021 year.

Hospitality: Joan Platt

Joan thanked those who brought in baked goods which are available after the meeting.

Community Outreach: Walter Roog

Our chapter had a table at the Senior Health and Wellness Fair held at the Shelton Senior Center on October 28, 2019. CT AARP also had a table.

Health Advocate: Dot Ward

Medicare open enrollment runs through 12/7/2019. Dot has phone numbers for two navigators and toll-free numbers for all the plans for CT residents.

New York TV has warned about the Candida auris fungus in hospitals, nursing homes, etc. It is resistant to the major antifungal drugs.

Sunshine: Phyllis Kupec

No report.

Legislative: Byron Peterson

The next legislative session begins in February. The biggest issue will be tolls.

State Senator Kevin Kelly and State Representatives Jason Perillo and Ben McGorty will speak at the January 21, 2020 meeting. They will discuss issues affecting seniors from the previous and upcoming sessions. All members are encouraged to attend and to bring guests.

Reducing drug costs is on the table for the national congress. We want Medicare to be allowed to negotiate drug prices.

Watch out for scams relating to the 2020 census, people asking questions not on the census in person or over the phone. We will be coming out with more information on these scams.

Byron provided a handout on local and national AARP successes.

Public Relations: Marilyn Plainer

Marilyn has flyers for the December Luncheon for those who have a place to post them.

Nominating: TBD

Walter asked for nominations for 2020-2021 President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and three Directors.

Other Business:

None

Program – Fire Safety

Presented by Shelton Fire Marshal Kevin Lantowsky. He discussed:

- smoke detectors
- carbon monoxide detectors
- electrical safety
- cooking safety
- space heaters
- smoking
- escape plans
- protect in place
- scalds and burns
- storm safety

For more details, see the December 2019 newsletter.

Adjournment

The business meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m. The program ended at 2:53 p.m., followed by refreshments and social hour.

Respectfully Submitted: Linda Gabor