

COMMUNITY BUILDING TEAM

MEETING MINUTES

December 5, 2014

Intros were done. Eileen reminded everyone that nativity scenes should not be displayed unless other groups of religious beliefs are represented as well. Ice – please be cautious to avoid falls on the ice. There is a statistic that older individuals who do experience falls tend to pass away in roughly a year. Please be careful.

Mary read the minutes from the previous month.

Progress Report – Jimmy Mach, Start your stew pot projects in January. Seal hi-rise is in process. Peaches from Edgerton brought a completed poster for all to see. It was done with pictures and names, time living in the hi-rise, country of origin were listed next to each picture. A couple of pictures of the building, bookmobile were also included. One picture of two ladies simply read ‘two very nice ladies’. She took pictures after each event and meeting. At first there was some hesitation but as more residents participated other residents came to her and asked to be involved. Peaches will continue taking pictures at each event held at the hi-rise. Mary - Front hasn't started. Will start stew pot project in January. Wilson, Neal, and Valley do not want to do the project.

Maryls from Dunedin reported they lost all the holiday decorations a couple of years ago. They haven't been able to replace them yet. Dunedin has many new Americans in their building and Maryls thinks the problem could be a language barrier causing additional resistance to the project. Roxanne suggested, find the leader of the group and get friendly with that person to bring the others involved. Try to identify if one person speaks some English. Shannon from Montreal have completed their decorations and plan to have an accordion player at their holiday party. Ruby from Exchange reported Winter Fest is held at the building. They have brought in a trio, Karaoke Club, bingo, craft club are all activities held at Exchange. Call the Winter Carnival Senior Royalty to schedule the group to come to your hi-rise.

Supplies for making the stew pot posters can be found at a dollar store or Walmart. The poster we saw was made using a foam board for better stability. Each hi-rise is responsible for the cost.

Roxanne volunteered to come out to hi-rises to take pictures at events. Please contact Roxanne to set this up.

Shannon from Montreal was asked to share some party menus at our next meeting. Shannon has a background in catering. We could all use some new ideas.

Ideas were shared to help draw people to council meetings. Organize a bon fire, provide snacks, door prize, have special guests attend, carnival senior royalty, motivational speakers, ect. Ruby volunteered to help Cathy Hicks at her hi-rise.

The new resident guidebook was brought up again. Mary pointed out that this was mentioned at the previous meeting and we should consider taking the next step of sharing the how to present this and take action. The idea maker could share what their vision is for this project. Next month we hope to add to the idea.

Action Items**** Bring a favorite quote to the next meeting.

Next meeting: January 9 at 9:30 am

This is the second Friday of the month.