

# COBB COUNTY RETIREE EMPLOYEE ASSOCIATION

## MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 21, 2015

The monthly meeting of the CCREA was held on Monday, September 21, 2015 at the West Cobb Senior Center. President David Stone called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

Invocation was given by Gene Morris followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**NEW MEMBERS:** Bob Beard retired from the Cobb County Attorney's office. Welcome Aboard!

**ILLNESS/BEREAVED:** Blessed to have none at this time.

**PROGRAM:** Sergeant Dana Pierce, Cobb County Police Department on Senior Fraud and Senior Safety. Sgt. Pierce mentioned that the Sheriff Department handles the majority of the senior fraud cases. You can now also text 911 to report cases.

AARP is a good place to check to see what's happening where senior fraud is a concern. If you are having work done you can call the Better Business Bureau or the Chamber of Commerce to see if their company is legit, and never pay in advance.

Sgt. Pierce mention that we should check our hospital bills to make sure there are no added charges. When using your credit card to shop online, make sure you keep a check on it before 30 days. The credit card company won't back you up after 30 days. Also, it is best to have a specific card to be used just for online shopping.

Be careful using Wi-Fi at places like Star Buck for example, know that these are unsecure locations and your personal information can be in jeopardy. You need to check your credit at least once a year, and change your password frequently. Never carry you Social Security Card on you. When using your credit card, on back where the signature goes, put CID (check ID) or please check ID.

Be aware of Medicare and Medicaid fraud, Telemarking and charity scams.

**SPECIAL GUEST:** Amy Woodall, Senior Wellness Center, 1150 Powder Spring Street was here to talk about their opening house and passed out flyer for “Taste of Wellness” that will be held on October 13, 2015 from 3pm – 7p.m.

**TREASURER REPORT:** Mike Ball reported that we have \$5632.61 in the checking as of today, September 21, 2015. Motion was made and second to accept the minutes. Motion carried

**SECRETARY:** July minutes were printed and distributed. Motion was made and second to accept the minutes. Motion carried.

**OLD/NEW BUSINESS:** President Stone asked if everyone enjoyed the BBQ last month. It was a success. He asked for ideas for increasing membership, and asked that we call old members to come back, and also get in touch with new retirees to join. Defensive driving class, 11 people signed up need 12, Tyna Knight signed up. It will be next year before the class. Elections coming up in November for CCREA board, see Lee Moss if you are interested in being on the board. Don't know about the Flu shots for retirees at the October meeting. Check with your Physician if you are interested in getting Flu, Shingles, pneumonia or Whooping Cough, as these are suggested vaccinations for seniors.

*Door prize winner was Charlotte Beard, gift card for Lowes. (Bob Beard's wife) congratulations.*

**ANNOUNCEMENT:** Next meeting will be on October 19th, reps from Cobb H.R. to discuss next years' insurance plan and answer questions.

**DURING THE MEETING, DON'T FORGET TO SILENCE YOUR PHONES!**

**2016 Dues are now being collected, and it is still just \$24.00.**

There being no further business, President Stone adjourned the meeting 11:40a.m

***Be Blessed and Safe!***

***Jo Ann Mann, Secretary***