

**COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING
TUESDAY, 7-6-2010
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER – ROOM 3212
1:30 PM**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Audrey Kader, Chairperson, Patricia Boge, Ann Fisher,
Sharon Hampson, Shirley Holman, Robert Keil

MEMBERS EXCUSED: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Noreen Kuroski, Director, County Aging Unit

GUEST PRESENT: Betty Woodruff

CALL TO ORDER

Audrey Kader, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF 6-1-2010

MOTION: Motion by Robert Keil and seconded by Ann Fisher to approve Minutes of 6-1-2010. Pass unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

CONSENT AGENDA (informational)

AGING & LONG TERM CARE COMMITTEE MINUTES - 6-7-2010 & 6-21-2010

Place on file.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

33 EXPRESS UPDATE

Beginning Monday, 6-28-2010 the "33 Express" will begin its new route from Hillsboro to La Crosse via Highway 33, with stops in Ontario, Cashton, St. Joseph Ridge and ending in La Crosse and travelers may connect with the La Crosse Mini Bus or the MTU bus system. A flier was presented to the Commission Board members with all of the information included. "33 Express" will return to Cashton to assist those appointments at Scenic Bluffs Clinic and then back to La Crosse and a return trip along Highway 33 to Hillsboro.

The one way cost will be \$6.00 which includes connection with La Crosse public transportation. Bus will leave from Hillsboro at 8:00 am and return later in the afternoon. Reservations must be made by 1:00 pm the Thursday prior to Friday trips and Friday prior to Monday trips by calling toll free 1-888-300-9796.

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VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION – AUGUST 3, 2010 – BAUS HAUS

Noreen Kuroski reported the Volunteer Recognition Celebration will be held on Tuesday, 8-3-2010 at Baus Haus. The Commission Board meeting will be held at 1:30 pm. Invitations will be sent out this week.

DARRELL S. LARSON ESTATE

Noreen Kuroski reported a final check in the amount of \$80,000 from the Darrell S. Larson estate was received in our office bringing the total donated to \$306,000. Noreen Kuroski discussed having a picture frame of his picture and write up placed at the nutrition meal sites.

SENIOR FARMERS MARKET UPDATE

Vouchers of 321 packets of \$25.00 for Senior Farmers Market have all been distributed to seniors 60 and over.

POLITICAL CANDIDATES & ELECTED OFFICIALS AT SEINIOR MEALS SITES

A meeting will be held with Audrey Kader, John Medinger and Noreen Kuroski to discuss the political candidates and elected officials policies at senior meal sites in the next couple of weeks.

PROSPECTIVE NEW BOARD MEMBER

Betty Woodruff was introduced to the Commission Board members as the replacement for Robert Machotka to serve on the Commission on Aging Board. Commission Board members unanimously accepted and welcomed Betty Woodruff to the Commission on Aging Board.

STEPPING ON GRANT

Noreen Kuroski reported a grant in the amount of \$6,600 will be presented to the Community Foundation Grant for the continuation of a falls prevention class for those 65 and older. The County Health Department has turned this grant over to the County Aging Unit.

WAFER GRANT SENIOR SHARE UPDATE

Senior Share, a program jointly with Wafer has 140 seniors who signed up to receive a bag of free food delivered to the senior meal site once a month. This program was funded with a \$10,000 Grant from the La Crosse Community Foundation. Noreen Kuroski is working on a similar plan to meet the needs of the home-delivered participants.

ONALASKA MEAL SITE EXERCISE PROGRAM – JULY

Noreen Kuroski reported that the Onalaska meal site will start an exercise program in July with Parks and Recreation performing the exercise.

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POWERFUL TOOLS FOR CAREGIVING**

A reminder that "Taking Care of You: Powerful Tools for Caregiving" is scheduled in the mornings starting Wednesday, 6-16-2010 in the Sunshine Room at Hillview Health Care Center from 9:30 am to 11:30 am.

MEALS SITES

MINDORO - HOME DELIVERED MEALS

Noreen Kuroski stated the home-delivered meals for Mindoro will now be coming from the Holmen School District.

SAUBER MANOR – RETIREMENT OF GINNY BENDEL

Noreen Kuroski reported that Virginia Bendel site manager at Sauber Manor has retired after seven years.

SAUBER MANOR – NEW SITE MANAGER

Michael Fischer formerly in the Older Workers Program at Forest Park will be the site manager for Forest Park.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Moved by Robert Keil and seconded by Ann Fisher to adjourn. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:30 PM.

Approved: 9-7-2010 Ruth Hafner, Recorder.

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