

The November meeting was well attended by about 60 people. There were several guests and new members. October minutes were approved.

Treasurers report:

Beginning balance \$2084 Income \$2338 Expenses \$675 Ending balance \$3746
Sunshine \$223

114 continuing members and 24 new members = 138

Jack Strudwick Scholarship Fund has \$1325 and is expected to soon reach the goal of \$1500. Cut-off date to donate is December 1. Members of Hyannis Support Our Youth will attend a Spring meeting to advise us how the scholarship will be used.

Old business

Mike and Joanne O'Connell reminded us about two programs mentioned by town manager Mark Ells at last month's meeting. Inside the Town of Barnstable and Police Academy are two worthwhile classes that one may join by registering with the Town of Barnstable website.

Mike and Joanne thanked the coordinators (Bushlows) of the October Whist party. They also thanked helpers Ann Reeves, Ralph Krau, Ron Glantz, Frank and Kathy McIntosh. Good job by all.

Fourteen members attended a wine tasting at First Crush Winery in Harwich. The Winery may be contacted for dates of future tours.

New Business:

Holiday Dinner Dance 3 weeks from tonight on December 7. Fliers were distributed with menu and payment form. Deadline is December 2. Contact Mary Mohan 508 419 1601

Safe Harbor donations are being received by Ann Reeves. Cash or gift cards are much appreciated by these victims of domestic violence. Donations may be made at bowling Mondays and the Holiday Dinner Dance on Dec. 7. Questions may be addressed to Ann 508 419 1814 or Safe Harbor 508 790 2933.

Members were asked to submit email addresses to Barnstable Senior Center if they wish to receive the weekly newsletter by email.

Next meeting will be in March 15. Dori Scott asked for volunteers to bring refreshments in March and April. Dori and Doug Scott would like to turn over the hospitality coordinators to another couple for next year. They are announcing it now so the next coordinators will have three months to shadow them and learn the process. 508 428 2287

Dine in group announced the usual December brunch will not be held this year due to lack of space.

Speakers from Housing Assistance Corporation

Three speakers highlighted the projects administered by the HAC. They help families find affordable housing, shelters for homeless, shelters for women recovering from alcohol and drug abuse, education and assistance finding jobs, helping families stay in their houses. A fundraising event is December 8 telethon on channel 98. Volunteers are needed to man the phones. Volunteers also may assist at Angel House with mothers or their young children. Pamphlets were distributed with other information.

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