



Pennsylvania Alliance of Retirement Community Residents

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Minutes – Quarterly Meeting – Wednesday, April 12, 2006 – Quincy Village

The PARCR meeting was called to order by **President Elma Kreps at Quincy Village, Quincy, Pennsylvania** at 10: AM. The opening prayer was offered by **Patricia Yetter**, President of Quincy Residents Council,. We were warmly welcomed by **Carole Malin**, Executive Director of Quincy Village.

We enjoyed the coffee, tea and homemade bake goods prior to the meeting.

William George, Nominating Committee Chairman, called the roll of member communities of PARCR. Each community reported on the activities on their campus. These reports are always interesting and informative.

The Secretary's minutes of the previous meeting were approved as mailed to the members.

F. Richard Morris, Garden Spot Village, Treasurer, delivered the PARCR Treasury Report covering the period from July 1, 2005 through March 31, 2006. The ending balance was \$1,991.89. The Treasurer's report was approved as read.

Dr. George Tjiattas, Program Chairman, introduced our speaker, **Paul E. Cullinane, Jr.** Mr. Cullinane is a retired Colonel from the US Army and a graduate of the US Army War College, Carlisle, PA. He is presently Vice President of the Greater Chambersburg Chamber of Commerce; President of Downtown Chambersburg, Inc.; Executive Director of the Community Development Corporation of Franklin County and a board member of the Lincoln Highway Heritage Corridor for local tourism. His talk focused on Franklin County Pennsylvania, Past and Present. Mr. Cullinane was dressed as a frontiersman and early settler in Franklin County. He displayed all of the items necessary for survival in the wilderness & among the natives of that area. A power point presentation brought us from the "Past" to the "Present" and included the three times Chambersburg was occupied by Southern troops during the Civil War which culminated with the burning of the city of Chambersburg. A tour map of the Franklin County Civil War sites is available at the Chambersburg Chamber of Commerce.

A delicious buffet luncheon was provided by Quincy Village. It included assorted meats, cheeses and other fixings for sandwiches and a large variety of desserts.

Hugh Fitzgerald, Legislative Chairman, reported on US House of Representative Bill 4608. This legislation concerns imputed interest on refundable deposits paid to CCRC's. The law currently applies to persons under age 65 or if the refundable deposit is in excess of the threshold amount of \$158,100 in 2005. This bill, if passed, will reduce the age requirement from 65 to 62 and eliminate the deposit threshold. You should contact your attorney if you need additional information.

Stuart Dickson, Green Ridge Village, Newsletter Editor asked that information be sent to him for the next edition of the newsletter.

William George, Nominating Committee Chairman reported that we need officers for the PARCR election of July 1, 2006.

Frank Lookingbill, Membership Chairman, reported that we have twenty-one (21) active communities and twenty-seven Associate members. Frank asked that you talk to non member communities in your area about joining PARCR.

F. Richard Morris, Garden Spot Village, Treasurer, and his wife, **Jane** attended the spring meeting of NaCCRA which was held at Ingleside @ Rock Creek, Washington, DC on April 6 & 7, 2006. "Worry Free Retirement Living", a book about the process of selecting a CCRC was discussed and is available from Barnes & Noble. The trends in CCRC's were discussed including the "culture change" in skilled nursing and assisted living from the old "medical model" to the new "home-like" model. It was pointed out that a non profit organization can not lobby but we may "educate" our legislators about our needs. The AAHSA's web site for legislation is available at www.aahsa.org/advocacy.

Evert Fuller, Secretary, reported on the PARCR Web Site. Garden Spot Village and Homestead Village have linked their web sites meaning you can now access either web site by clicking on their logo on the initial page of the PARCR web site. Bethany Village and Quincy Village will be linked in the near future.

President Elma Kreps announced that Robert Coates, Masonic Homes had resigned and that Raymond Vaughan, Masonic Village had accepted the position of Second Vice President.

Ray Vaughan, Second Vice President, discussed the problems that military personnel have in getting off work to train and/or report for active duty. He requested support and understanding from management in allowing PA National Guard members to perform their duties.

President Elma Kreps announced that **Steve Lindsey**, CEO, Garden Spot Village, New Holland, PA had accepted an appointment to the PARCR Advisory Board. **Welcome aboard Steve!**

Mrs. Kreps advised that PARCR will have a booth at the PANPHA Convention, Hershey, PA in June 2006. We need volunteers to work the booth. Please advise Mrs. Kreps or me if you are available to assist with the booth.

President Kreps adjourned the meeting at 1:45 PM.

Our next meeting will be held at Green Ridge Village Retirement Community, 210 Big Spring Road, Newville, PA 17241. You are invited to visit the extensive Big Spring and Green Ridge Model (HO) model railroad after the meeting.

Regular Quarterly Meetings

July 12, 2006 -- Green Ridge Village

October 11, 2006 – Normandie Ridge

January 10, 2007 – Bethany Village

April 11, 2007 – Quincy Village

Executive Committee Meetings.

Monday, June 12, 2006 at Bethany Village

Monday, September 11, 2006 at Bethany Village

Monday, December 11, 2006 at Bethany Village.

Monday, March 12, 2007 at Bethany Village.

Respectfully submitted,

Evert Fuller, Secretary

