

SOAR

Mar. 10, 2015

1:30 p.m.

President Jerry Redington called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The roll call of officers was taken with all present except Wayne Komprood. The minutes were approved as read. The treasurer's report was given.

Laurie Benson, a volunteer from Volunteer Hospice of Northwest Illinois, spoke about the organization. They provide relief care and assistance to clients and their families. There is no cost and they are completely funded through donations and grants. No tax dollars are received. New volunteers go through training which is offered twice a year. The Friendly Visitor program works with families with Alzheimer patients.

The retirees' picnic was discussed. Geri contacted Willie Kreeger to help us. Larry Dyson will make the reservation. Last names beginning with A to N are to bring vegetables or salad dish and O to Z will bring a dessert. Meat, drinks and tableware will be provided with SOAR funds.

Heather McPherson, an attorney, will be our speaker for July 14. She will speak about legal issues concerning seniors.

Anthem Insurance was hacked and sent a letter to members who may have been affected. Anthem will provide free credit monitoring if you have been affected. VEBA is working with Anthem on this problem. The prescription drug program is running over the projected cost.

The local will have an election of officers. The Benefit Rep position will not be filled. Mary Meier, office manager, will be able to answer some questions and direct you to the phone numbers of those who can answer more difficult ones.

Larry asked about the voluntary Life Insurance program. Jerry said the amount you would receive would depend on when you retired and what you signed up for.

The Attendance drawing name was Gerald Harnish who was not present. There was no door prize to give away today.

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m. with a fellowship time following.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Walt, secretary

UPDATE: The SOAR picnic will be on May 17 from noon to 4 p.m. at the Jane Addams Community Center in Cedarville. Bring a dish to pass. A to N will bring a vegetable or salad. O to Z will bring a dessert. Meat, beverages and tableware will be provided. Please call the Union office at 815-235-9713 to make a reservation.