

**Tehama County Commission on Aging  
Minutes of December 10, 2007 Meeting**

Corning Senior Community Center

Attending: Joe Cobery, Ken Correlle (Corning Sr. Ctr), Walter Dodd, Billie Dunn, Ray Dunn, Linda Lima (Corning Sr. Ctr), Gail Locke, Karen McIntyre (RB Daily News), Gaylen Norman and Doreen Wysocki

Excused Absences: Greg Avilla, Mildred Johnstone and Leland Taylor

Absent: Louisa Barber, Mike Garofalo, Charles Willard

The TCCA Meeting began at 2:00 pm, Walter Dodd serving as Chair, with welcome and introductions.

Minutes from the last meeting, 10/08/07, were corrected to read AAA, Region 3 and approved.

Old Business:           None

New Business:

New Representative – Dr. Don Waits, retired dentist, has been approved by the Board of Supervisors to serve for District 2. Leland Taylor has declined to serve again and we thank him for his years of service to the Commission on Aging.

Handbook for seniors, Doreen Wysocki – recommended that we consider developing a basic handbook and guide for where to go & how to access and use senior services in our area. (Mike Garofalo has suggested putting existing handbooks and services guides in electronic format online on the TCCA website for free.)

Joe Cobery from Passages (Area Agency on Aging, Region 3) -

1. California Dept. of Aging – budget crisis and issue in 2008
2. Approximately 10% cut across all state programs has been proposed
3. Federal funding, most PASSAGES programs, passes thru the State and cannot be touched
4. Linkages, a program to keep people in their homes, is a state program
5. CSUC, as fiscal agent, has floated the dollars until the state budget is passed in the past
6. Opportunity & need for Commissions on Aging to lobby for Senior Services!

Ray Dunn – Senior Volunteer of the Year, recognized by Soroptomists' International – Sincere congratulations to Ray on this well deserved recognition.

Reports:

PASSAGES, Area 3 Agency on Aging – See report above.

Board of Supervisors – No Report

California State Senior Legislature – No report. Mark Line 53 of your state income tax return to help fund CSL!

Senior Nutrition – Gaylen Norman –

1. At 91% currently
2. Fund Raiser for \$15,000
  - a. Will do Christmas Dinner open to all Senior Nutrition employees
  - b. Raffle
  - c. Community Garage Sale in March
  - d. “Pirates of Caribbean” Extravaganza in March – collaboration between Foundation & Rotary

Homeowners & Renters Assistance – Ray Dunn

Common Question – “Why haven’t I received my money” Ray then calls State to put out tracer

Doing this for many years, since 1997.

Renters Tax Assistance starts February 1<sup>st</sup>; AARP sponsors program & handles the Program – locations in Red Bluff and Corning

TC Health Partnership – Gail Locke

Meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday alternating between Red Bluff & Corning

Invite Ev McDonough to speak on Renter’s Tax Assistance

Senior Centers –

Corning – Christmas Lunch 12/19, 4 vacancies on Corning Senior Center Board, Outside of building needs painted

Los Molinos – Dances and Dominoes

Red Bluff – Parks and Recreation Director position open; 2 days of flu shots, Christmas Parties for rental

Villa Columba – Talk to Director, Anita, to invite her to attend!!

TC. Elder Services Coordinating Council – Gail Locke – meet 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday, 3 PM, at St. Peter’s Church; Multiple agencies & individuals with an interest in seniors collaborating together. Working on a TC Senior Directory of Services (not how to access)

Public Comments – None

Next meeting – February 11, 2 PM, at Red Bluff Senior Center

Adjourned at 3:45 PM and Christmas goodies enjoyed.

Agenda Items for next meeting:

AAA Advisory Board position – Mike Garafalo available & interested

AAA Advisory Board Exec position – Mildred Johnstone available & interested

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Locke, Secretary