

Commission on Aging & Disabilities Meeting

Meeting Date: June 10, 2015

Start Time: 10:30 AM

Location: Bureau of Aging and Disabilities Library

Chairperson: Lorna Rice

Vice-Chair: Ed Leister

Topic	Discussion
Attendance:	Oscar Baker, Larry Burbank, Val Cioeff, Robert Coen, Jan Flora, Gary Kerns, Ed Leister, Elizabeth MacDougall, Lorna Rice, Gail Riley, Hermine Saunders, Peter Turner, Bradley Zebal, Vivian Daly, Ken Phebus, Denise Thomas, Patty Whitson
Acronyms	AAA - Area Agency on Aging, ADA - American's w/Disabilities Act, ADL - Activities of Daily Living, BCC – Board of County Commissioners, BOAD - Bureau of Aging and Disabilities, CIL - Center for Independent Living, DHMH - Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, LTCO - Long Term Care Ombudsman, M4A - Maryland Association of Area Agencies on Aging, MAP - Maryland Access Point, MFP -Money Follows the Person, MOU – Memorandum of Understanding, MWOA - Medicaid Waiver for Older Adults, NED - Non-Elderly Disabled, NFCSP - National Family Caregiver Support Program, OAA - Older Americans Act, OHCQ - Office of Health Care Quality, SALGHS - Senior Assisted Living Group House Subsidy program, SHIP - State Health Insurance Program, SIP - Senior Inclusion Program, SMP - Senior Medicare Patrol, SPDAP - Senior Prescription Drug Assistance Program
Introductions	Introductions were made. Denise R. Thomas, Ken Phebus a possible member from Mt. Airy, and new members, Peter Turner, Bradley Zebal and Gail Riley were new to the group.
Call to Order and Approval of Minutes – Lorna Rice	<u>Lorna Rice</u> requested approval of the May 2015 minutes as submitted. Hermine Saunders motioned 1 st and Ed Leister 2 nd for approval. All were in favor to approve as submitted.
Guest Speaker, Maryland Statewide Independent Living Council, Inc. (MSILC) – Denise R. Thomas	<p><u>Denise Thomas</u>, Executive Director of the Maryland Statewide Independent Living Council, Inc. (MSILC) gave a PowerPoint presentation on Independent Living and what it means. Independent Living means different things to each individual person based upon individual needs. The vision for Independent Living in Maryland is for people with disabilities to have information, choices and control over the services and supports in their lives so they can participate fully in all aspects of society.</p> <p>MSILC is a Governor appointed Council. Carroll is not currently represented on the Council. MSILC holds bimonthly meetings. The mission of MSILC is to promote, support and enhance opportunities for Marylanders with disabilities to maximize choices to independently live, work and play Contact for MSILC is Denise R. Thomas, 240-599-7965, marylandsilc@gmail.com, website: www.msilc.org.</p> <p>Centers for Independent Living (CIL) are nonprofit organizations that help individuals achieve independent living. They can help with applications for services, employment assistance, travel assistance, etc... There are 7 CILs in Maryland. Carroll County works in partnership with the Freedom Center as a part of our Maryland Access Point (MAP). http://thefreedomcenter-md.org/</p>

<p>Citizen Services & Bureau of Aging and Disabilities – Patty Whitson</p>	<p><u>Patty Whitson</u> – newsletters for the five Senior and Community Centers were distributed. Newsletters are available online http://ccgovernment.carr.org/ccg/aging/ (click on Senior & Community Centers at the bottom left). August 6th is Senior Day at the 4-H Fair. The Senior Centers are open on August 6th however there are special events at the Fair for seniors. The Senior Farmer’s Market Voucher program begins in July. Contact the Bureau of Aging and Disabilities for distribution dates. Coming in the fall, there will be free breast screenings at each of the Senior Centers.</p>
<p>Old Business</p>	<p>The COAD Bylaws were presented to, adopted, and signed by the BCC on May 28, 2015. A new COAD members list was distributed.</p>
<p>Announcements</p>	<p><u>Ed Leister</u> – Carroll County Food Sunday has \$70,000 worth of Farmers Market Vouchers available that they give out each week. Locations are in Westminster, Eldersburg, and Taneytown. The only requirement at Carroll Food Sunday is they must be a resident of Carroll County. http://ccfoodsunday.org/</p> <p>Dr. Diane Martin will update the COAD on the Needs Assessment survey being conducted by McDaniel Collage at the July meeting. We will decide at the July meeting if we will skip August.</p> <p>The BOAD Area Plan was review by COAD members with Danielle Yates at the BOAD. Copies of the Area Plan will be available once approved and returned from the state.</p>
<p>Next Meeting Date</p>	<p>Next meeting date is Wednesday, July 8, 2015 at 10:30 AM in the BOAD Library.</p>