



Meeting Minutes

August 3, 2011

Meeting was opened at 7:31 by President Bridget Weaver

**Referrals: Roger – Bryan and Dave, Bobbi – Donna, Stanley – Jane
 Peg – Bobbi and Donna Bridget – Ellen**

- I. Ellen Feinberg volunteered for the Membership Committee, Ellen will be filling Tony Etze' spot and will serve on the committee with Danny Fisher.**

- II. We talked about the 3 different Parades and discussed the Exposure we would receive from this. a.
Taking a vote it was determined we will not be doing any parades due to lack of interest.**

- III. There is an interest in Charitable Walks. It was suggested to contact Seashore Striders to get more information on the different walks in the area. It was recognized Alzheimer's Walk in Rehoboth is Saturday October 15th**
 - a. Roger suggested we talk to Logo Motive for Tee Shirts if we are going to do Charitable Walks**

- IV. Stanley Silverblatt needs to take an indefinite leave of absence. His business in Maryland needs his attention.**

- V. It was suggested we start giving more personal information when we do the Featured Presentation**
 - a. It was also suggested that we give each other a 15 – 30 second Elevator Speech**

- VI. Greer Maneval won the 50/50 and returned the money to go back into the Charitable Contributions Fund, for a total of \$42.00**

- VII. Greer Maneval was also the Featured Presentation, below is Greer's Presentation.**

I love living at the beach.

People often ask me "why Delaware"? How did you end up at the beach? I think the Delaware beaches offer the best of all worlds and I love being just 10 minutes from the ocean.

Living in a resort area gives me a small town feeling with big city advantages. For instance, we have five sushi restaurants within 15 minutes of our house. In fact, we have access to some of the best dining I have ever experienced. And because we are a vacation destination, there are constantly new things to do, new things to try,

new places to go. There are festivals every other weekend, art shows, you name it, we got it.

People here seem happier – they’re on vacation, or retired or lots of them, like me, are working for themselves. And because the “year-round” population is smaller, there’s a real sense of community.

Economically, Delaware has some of the lowest property taxes in the country. Take a look at what I’ll save since moving from Maryland to the Delaware beaches.

Location	House size	Annual Taxes	2012-2022 (ten yr)
Silver Spring, MD	1000 sf	\$8,000	\$80,000
Lewes, DE	4000 sf	\$1,200	\$12,000
		Savings	\$68,000

Kiplinger consistently rates Delaware one of the top ten tax friendly states because of the following:

- LOW property tax (as illustrated above) (50% of that if you are over 65)**
- NO sales tax (not on your next big screen TV, not on dining out, not on groceries or clothing, zippo!)**
- NO income tax on social security benefits**
- NO personal property tax**

Another big advantage is that my real estate dollars go a lot further here than anywhere else I’ve lived. My little 1000 sf home in Silver Spring sold for the same amount as I would pay for 4000 sf of house in my current community. That’s a nice perk! And not only do I live 10 minutes from the ocean, I live 10 minutes from the Bay, the Indian River and several other wonderful waterways. So if you like to swim, boat or fish, this is paradise.

Condos, townhomes, and single family homes abound, and because so many people have a second home here, there’s even the option of a condominium-ized single family home – where everything outside your front door is taken care of for you including cutting the grass and more.

VIII. Next Featured Presentation is Margaret Quillen – Quillen Signs

Alternate Presenter is Debby Quinn – Money Mailer

Next scheduled meeting is on the 17th

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