



Elkhart County T.R.I.A.D.
June 9, 2010
County Building
Goshen, IN

“Seniors and Law Enforcement Together”

The Elkhart County TRIAD met on Wednesday June 9th 8:30AM at the County Building in Goshen.

Jim Bradberry, Chair, Elkhart County Sheriff’s Department; Al Mackowiak, Vice-Chair, Goshen Police Department; Martha Packer, Treasurer, Interra; Cindy Hill, Secretary, Miller’s Senior Living Community and Lisa Zollinger, Publicity, the Maples were present.

Pledge was given by **Jim Bradberry** in **Henry Schmucker’s** absence and prayer was given by **Cindy Hill, Miller’s Senior Living Community.**

Treasurer’s Report and Secretary’s minutes were both accepted.

Fund Raising:

Jim Bradberry, Elkhart County Sheriff’s Department mentioned how having families to pay the \$15/month for batteries for Project Lifesaver is working out well.

Cub’s tickets are still being sold.

Question was raised on whether or not TRIAD wanted to do Nelson’s chicken sales for a fund raiser. It was mentioned that a presale was a must. Questions were raised as far as date, place, minimum sales—etc. **Cindy Hill, Miller’s Senior Living Community** said she would find out and let the board know.

Tammy Smith, COA, talked about the Michiana Fit for Life which was taking place at Greencroft on August 13-15. She thought this would be a good time (Saturday) to have a chicken sale as many people would be coming for that. Interra Credit Union and Save a Lot were companies mentioned that might have room for the Nelson’s cooker.

Homeland Security:

Bonnie Hochstetler, Neighborhood Watch, talked about the class for self defense that was held at the Nappanee Police Department. She said 14-16 people signed up and attended and the Police did the training. She wanted to do it again.

She also mentioned that Steve Rulli was having a program about gangs on July 29th. Contact him for more information.
Night Out Against Crime will be in September (7th) on the south side of the park in Nappanee.

Publicity:

Lisa Zollinger, the Maples, had nothing to report.

Jim Bradberry mentioned that he was having a meeting with **Brad Rogers** on Friday in regard to the website.

Old Business:

Project Lifesaver has 13 people on the program and the board was pleased that the story that ran on the front page of the South Bend Tribune. There was a Millersburg family that signed up and there was an article about this also.

South Bend's Project Lifesaver has doubled because of this publicity. Another Autistic boy (6 years old) signed up along with an Alzheimer diagnosed lady in Elkhart.

Jim mentioned that he ordered two more Transmitters and needs to order new supplies.

Goshen News also ran an article about Project Lifesaver and Officer Culp's rescue. There has been an ok for 2 more receivers for squad cars which will run \$2570. This will help save time to get to the scene.

Jim mentioned that we need to switch focus now on training. He would like to make time to get this done by fall. He mentioned they need people to be committed to change batteries for the individuals who are presently signed up,

Bonnie Hochstetler mentioned that she would like to have a demo done at Nappanees's Night Out Against Crime.

Tammy Smith also commented that there is a new publisher at the Nappanee Advanced News who is really good about paper coverage.

John Allyn, Project Lifesaver, spoke about going to an Alzheimer Support Group and how they all knew about this program.

Jim asked about where we are with the flyers and Lisa Zollinger mentioned that she would look into this for him.

Roundtable:

Al Mackowiak, Goshen Police, reminded everyone to be careful of scams and people preying on Seniors.

Pat Fisher, AARP Volunteer Driver's Training Instructor, spoke of a new class that will start the end of summer. This will be September 22 at AHEPA in South Bend. Forever Learning is looking into another class and also Greencroft again. Pat just finished up one at Greencroft and it went very well.

Tammy Smith, COA, thanked everyone for supporting the Golden Elephant fund raiser. She mentioned that they doubled their financial amount from last year. She also explained that COA will be moving to a new location and actually will collaborate with YMCA in Elkhart and share an office with them. It will be in front of that building and this move will take place either September or October.

Laura Swinehart, Greenleaf Health Campus, informed group of the new addition that Greenleaf has with the skilled nursing/rehab/long term care building that is connected to Assisted Living. Open House was a couple of weeks ago—invited everyone to come and see the community.

Deb Moore, Elkhart Red Cross, gave directions to her business as the next TRIAD meeting will be held there in July.

Mabel Brunk, Greencroft, told the group that she is available to show slides from her trip to anyone who would have her. She also shared a joke with the group.

Henry Schmucker, AARP # 848, shared a joke also. He also shared about his wonderful meal he received at the DAV over Memorial Day. He said he was the only one that came in uniform.

Lisa Zollinger, the Maples mentioned that they sponsor a charity every month to help out. This month they are helping the Salvation Army and doing a food drive for the food bank. It is running from June 1-28. All of the campuses are helping with this. Anyone willing to help or give items, can call Lisa or drop off items at the Maples. They are also doing an American Girl Doll Tea which is very popular. It will be held on June 26, 2-4 and will be \$10/ticket. This entry will be drawn for the doll of the year. It will be a 50's theme. They will also give away two dolls and enjoy the intereducational program that this brings to the facility. Also dolls can be borrowed if a girl doesn't own one.

Martha Packer, Interrra, told the group of two events they are having. One is the Shred-It Days which will be on Friday June 18 (10-12) Saturday June 19 (9-11). Anyone can have 50 pounds shredded free and then \$.20 thereafter. The other event is a Seminar called Protecting your assets and Identity. This will be Thursday June 24 at 5:30pm at the Interra Credit Union on Main street in Goshen.

Tammy Smith mentioned that she can put information in her COA newsletter if people get them to her in time. It goes out to 1,000 of people.

Pat Fisher also told the group of the random numbers that Social Security will start giving out to help with Identity theft. She said before the first three digits had to do with your location and it wasn't hard for individuals to figure out. This should help with that problem.

Henry Schmucker said the Cub's tickets are selling great. June 27th, July 1, July 21, Aug 18 are all sold out. There are 6 tickets left for September game. He feels they will be able to give TRIAD \$400 just like last year.

Meeting was adjourned by Jim Bradberry.

Minutes were submitted by Cindy Hill, Miller's Senior Living Community.

