

SENIOR ISSUES COMMITTEE MINUTES TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2005

Hamilton Grange.....Manhattanville Housing
Jackie Robinson.....Wilson Major Morris
Manhattanville Development.....Mannie Wilson Towers

*The Seniors Issues Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday, October 11th, 2005 at
Community Board No.9 Manhattan, 565 West 125th Street, New York, NY 10027*

COMMUNITY BOARD MEMBER PRESENT:

Sylvia Robinson, Co-Chair
Ernestine Welch, Acting Co-Chair
Laenoria Conyers
Cora Gilmore

PUBLIC MEMBERS PRESENT:

G. Marilyn Alexander
Herbert Crews (Absent)
Nazarene Robinson (Absent)

ATTENDANCE:

*Inez H. Woodhouse, Gwendolyn Nichelson, L. Ann Rocker, Watson Hines III, Jeanne B.
Turner, Anita Ross, Eunice Flemister, Amsterdam Adult Day Care, Valda Arbouin,
Verna Arthur, DFTA, Gisele Guerre, Ramon Tadvan, Ruth Reys, Marian Y. Scott, St.
Luke's Roosevelt Hospital, Florence Rice, Sandra Hayes, George Goodwill.*

**Ms. Sylvia Robinson, Co-Chair called the meeting to Order at 10:25 A.M. and
congratulated Ms. Rocker together with NYCHA for hosting the Senior Benefit
and Medicare Entitlement Fair at Riverbank State Park.**

**The Agenda was adopted with few amendments and the minutes were accepted
with any necessary corrections.**

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Ms. G. Marilyn Alexander read a poem by Robert Hayes dedicated to Frederick Douglas.

Ms. Nancy Gamble, Director, Visiting Nurses Services of NY mentioned that the latter is the largest organization in the US. The organization services the five boroughs of New York, Westchester County and Long Island. Lillian Wald and Mary Brewster founded the organization in the 1800 on the Lower Eastside, serving immigrants and nurses traveled from home to home. Home Health Care brings nurses, social workers and physical therapist to homes. Social Workers assist clients with financial issues, etc., and Nurses make assessment with client and family members and come up with a plan. For further information you can call VNS at (888) 867-1225. Attached is a handout that explains all the services offered.

Ms. Verna Arthur, DFTA, mentioned that the following events are sponsored by the Agency.

1. Monday, October 24, 2005 Public Hearing on the 2006-2007 Annual Plan for services at 220 Church Street; Rm. 328 from 10:00 A.M – 12:00 P.M.
2. Monday, November 14, 2005 Summit on Negotiating The Juvenile Justice System at Hunter College School of Social Work, 129 East 79th Street. For further information call (212) 442-1094
3. Thursday, November 10, 2005 is the 21st Annual Mayoral Conference on Alzheimer's disease from 7:30 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.

Mr. Ramesh Taduvai, Retail Pharmacist, stated that the New Family Pharmacy is located at 499 West 125th Street between Morningside and St. Nicholas Avenues. We accept all major insurances, e.g. Medicare, Medicaid etc and have a pick-up and drop-off service. We also provide all surgical supplies and have a 24hour emergency service. For emergency services you can call (732) 763-9410.

Ms. Marian Scott, St. Roosevelt Hospital, cited that Saturday, October 29th the hospital is having an Elder Stroke Screening from 9 A.M. to 1 P.M. West 113th Street on the 4th Floor. For further information call (212) 523-4002.

Suggestion:

1. The space next to George Bruce Library owned by NYCHA should be a Reading Garden dedicated to Ms. Sadie Winslow.

Action:

A letter of request should be written and presented to the Parks/Landmarks and Housing/Land/Use Committee.

PREPARED BY: HLEZIPHI ZITA, COMMUNITY ASSISTANT