**President Steve Lechter** opened the meeting at approximately 9:05 AM in the Ballroom of the Sharon Community Center. 64 Members and guests were present.

Ed Shifman presented the Colors and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

President's Remarks: Steve introduced Beth Caruso, Executive Director of the Sharon Council on Aging & Adult Center who in turn introduced us to the new Outreach Co- Ordinator, Cristobal Sanchez. Sharon High School volunteers are available for leaf raking through the Council on Aging. Call the desk downstairs to check on availability. Next Monthly Breakfast will be on November 7<sup>th</sup>. Sign up today if you wish to reserve your seat.

**The Discussion Group** is being revived starting November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Participants must pre-register and sign a Civility Pledge. The Group will meet every other week downstairs.

**Secretary's Report: Assistant Secretary Ed Rubin** read the minutes of the October 17<sup>th</sup> meeting. His report was accepted as presented.

## Glad & Sad: Harvey Tobolsky advised us of the following:

Condolences are extended to the family of **Fred Feinstein**, who passed away on October 17<sup>th</sup>. Fred was 93. Interment was on October 18<sup>th</sup> at Sharon Memorial Park. A donation in his memory will be made to Temple Sinai of Sharon.

Condolences are also extended to the family of **Honorary Member Marvin Sezak**, who passed away on October 15<sup>th</sup>. A memorial service will be held on November 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:45 AM at Sharon Memorial Park.

**Harvey Lewis** recently fell and was hospitalized. Harvey's wife, **Nancy**, has had heart problems.

We received an acknowledgement and thank you from **Old Colony Hospice & Palliative Care** for our donation in memory of **Louis Defeo**. **Harvey Tobolsky's wife, Midred,** is working with a group that knits hats for the IDF. Please contact her if you want to help out.

Membership: Committee Member Harvey Janson introduced us to Phil Foster whose application for membership was approved by voice vote. Harvey assured us that Phil had been fully orientated and was familiar with our Bylaws and the Code of Conduct. Welcome aboard Phil!

**Biker Gang: Gang Leader Lew Victor** announced that the next ride would center on a tour around the lakes, ponds and reservoir found in D. W. Field Park in Brockton. Get in touch with Lew for details on this and any upcoming outings.

**Past President Jeff Shapiro** announced that a recently retired friend is starting a 2nd career as a standup comic. He will be appearing at CareOne on Wednesday on 1:30. Admission is free and it is open to the public.

Program Committee: Chairman Bob Soffer introduced us to the President of the Board of Sharon Cable TV, Veronica Wiseman. The station is funded by Comcast under a 10 year contract and uses the brand new studio facility at the High School as the center for its broadcasting and programming. High School sports, school presentations, Town board and committee meetings as well as meetings of some civic and social groups make up a large part of their broadcast schedule. Veronica introduced us to the permanent staff of the Sharon Cable station: Isaac Gerofsky, Programming Director: Amy Tobey, Operations Director: and Ryan Saber, Production Coordinator. Each spoke briefly. Community volunteers are always welcome in addition to student volunteers.

Raffle: There were 2 winners.

Next meeting will be on the 30<sup>th</sup> at the Community Center.

Respectfully submitted,

Norman Ainbinder, Secretary

October 17, 2023

**President Steve Lechter** called the meeting to order at approximately 9:10 am in the Ballroom of the Sharon Community Center. 60 Members and guests were present.

Ed Shifman presented the Colors and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**President's Remarks:** Fall was in the air. Steve announced our breakfast for November 7

was halfway there so please get your checks in as soon as possible. Steve mentioned that he went to the **Boccie Banquet** last night and everyone seemed to have a good time. He thanked **Earl Gashin** for arranging it. We are bringing back the monthly **Discussion Group.** Please see Steve for more information. Steve welcomed back Harvey Levine and wished Norm Ainbinder good luck with his cataract surgeries. Steve thanked the staff of Orchard Cove for providing refreshments.

**Secretary's Report:** Assistant Secretary Ed Rubin read the report of the October 10 th meeting, which was accepted as corrected.

**Membership: Committee Member Harvey Janson** introduced **Howard Wensley** whose application for membership was approved by voice vote. Harvey assured us that Howard was provided with the appropriate information and orientation. Welcome aboard Howard..

Glad and Sad: Harvey Tobolsky gave the following glad and sad report:

We extend congratulations to Harold and Cynthia Kravitz who will celebrate their 69th anniversary on November 7.

Leonard Weiner cut three fingers on a table saw. He also has a bleeding ulcer; he was given six pints of blood. A card was sent.

We extend congratulations to Leonard and Rena Weiner who will celebrate their 41st anniversary in November.

We extend congratulations to Lew and Lori Victor for the birth of their granddaughter, Romi Victor, on October 5th in Israel;

Steve Braidman will have major back surgery on November 6, 20213. He expects to be back at the end of December.

**Social Security Update: Jim Maltz** announced that effective January 1 2024 Social Security will increase 3.2% (Jim is also looking for poker players for Monday nights.)

Charity Committee: Andy Klassman urged members with the holidays coming up to help us with the two food pantries we support, the First Congregational Church of Sharon and the Jewish Family Table. Please bring in food or you may give a check to one of the committee members, payable to the food pantry directly.

**Biker Gang: Lou Victor** told us about the ride from Sharon to Mansfield. The season is winding down.

## Program Committee Chairman Bob Soffer introduced us to David Calnan and Mindy Grodofsky

who gave a presentation of the various stresses involved in moving to a senior living community and how to deal with them. Mindy shared some personal experiences finding housing for her mom. If you have been living for a long time in your house start looking now about finding a proper place for many of your items.

Raffle: There were 2 winners

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Rubin, Assistant Secretary

October 10, 2023

President Steve Lechter called the meeting to order at 9:10 AM in the Great Room at Care One. Carl Frank presented the Colors and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. President's Remarks: Steve asked for Prayers for Peace for what was going on in the world. A discussion after the meeting would take place on this topic. He welcomed in the Fall. Our next Breakfast is November 7. Get your reservations in as soon as possible. Steve reminded us of the Boccie Banquet which was to take place on October 11 at 6:00 pm at Ming Du in Stoughton. All club members and significant others were invited. No reservation was needed. Steve asked us to be more vigilant at our activities with the violence going on in the world.

Secretary's Report: Assistant Secretary Ed Rubin read the report of the September 26 th meeting, which was accepted as presented. Glad and Sad: Harvey Tobolsky gave the following glad and sad report: We extend our condolences to George Fineman, whose sister, Francine Snyder, passed away on September 6. She was the widow of late member Herbert Snyder. We extend our condolences to Steve Grossman's wife, Annette whose brother, Larry Litwack, a past member, passed away on October 2 in Florida . Fred Appel fell and broke his left wrist on September 27. His wrist was placed in a cast on October 2 for five weeks. We extend our condolences to Norman Leafer, whose brother, Martin of Delray Beach Fl. Formerly of Peabody Passed on 10/8/2023. David Goldman is recovering from bladder cancer. Biker Gang: Steve Ginsberg reported that the group's last ride started in Newton and they rode the Charles River loop by the Museum of Science through Cambridge and into Watertown. Their next ride was scheduled for October 11 in Mansfield. Snow Birds: Steve Ginsberg invited all snow birds to join the meeting in Florida the fourth Sunday of of the month. Please see Steve for further information. Whist: Ed Rubin reminded us that the Bud Adler Whist group plays every Wednesday at 1:00 pm at the Sharon Adult Center. Hits and Misses: Ed Rubin announced that the club's singing group Hits and Misses is making a comebacl. If you or your significant other are interested in joining us, please see Ed for more details. Program Committee Chairman Bob Soffer introduced us to Jake Donnelly, Activities Manager for the Israeli American Council of New England. Jake's job is to teach the younger generation what is important in life through the experiences of the older generation. At 35 years of age Jake has had a very interesting life. He was a member of a national championship baseball team, ran a multi million organization, and traveled to and got married in Israel. Jake holds dual citizenship in Israel and the USA. Jake stayed after the meeting for a discussion group. Raffle: There was no Raffle. . Our next meeting will be held on October 17,