

Lisa Anthony called the December 5, 2012 Senior Commission Meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

Members Present: Marlene Barnes, Ruth Schwab, Helen Winkel and Phyllis Zea.

The minutes of the November 1, 2012 meeting were reviewed by the members. Phyllis Zea made a motion to accept the minutes and Ruth Schwab seconded the motion. Minutes were accepted as presented.

Members reviewed the Health and Human Services report for the month of November. Some discussion and clarification followed.

St. Vincent DePaul report prepared by Mike Vallone. St. Vincent DePaul Society wishes to thank the Village of Franklin Park for their efforts in having Windy City Limosine Company donate turkeys for Thanksgiving. We passed out 11 turkeys to needy families, and gave 6 turkeys to Resurrection Lutheran church for their meals program which they appreciated.

Thanksgiving Day Mass, the Parishioners brought plenty of food to somewhat restock the pantry. Also received cash donations which helps with the families who come in and are in need of money. The number of families averages 11 – 15 per week, or about 45 individuals. Still hoping to receive food weekly at mass.

Christmas Cheer program is well underway. A number of area people will be receiving meals and gifts for their children.

The American Legion had their Christmas Party for children on December 2nd. Mike wished all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Marlene reminded the members that St. Gertrude's Senior Citizen Christmas Party will be on December 20th at 11:00 a.m. at Elmcrest Banquets, brochure is in their packets. The Leyden United Seniors also sponsored a Thanksgiving Dinner, which went very well.

Ruth presented the members with an article "Put Hunger out of Business".

Phyllis presented the members with fliers from Vanguard Westlake Senior Center regarding programs for the month of December.

Lisa reminded the members about the Blood Drive on Friday December 14th from 3 – 7 p.m.

Happy Holidays were wished to all members and their families.

The Senior Citizen Commission meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.
Respectfully Submitted,