## Wallingford Committee on Aging Agenda February 17, 2023

Call to order @ 9:00 a.m.

Secretary's Report

• Vote to accept minutes of January 20, 2022 Meeting

Treasurer's Report

- Vote to accept monthly report of revenues and expenditures for January 2023
- Vote to accept the January 2023 Program Account Report

Consent Agenda – Accept the following January 2023 reports as emailed:

- Executive Director
- Program Director
- Social Services
- Memory Lane

Staff Reports

- Executive Director
- Program Director

Old Business

- LRP final version
- Grant Application update
- Proposed Budget final version

New Business

- Nominating Committee proposed slate for March election
- Building Naming Committee Report

Other Business: announcements, appointments, questions, items to be noted for the record of the meeting.

Adjournment (10:00 a.m.)

# Next WCOA meeting – March 17, 2023

## **OPERATING ACCOUNT**

# FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2022-JUNE 30, 2023

OPERATING &	BUDGET		January		TO DATE		YEAR		BUDGET
TRANSPORTATION ACCOUNT	SUBMITTED		2023 ACTIVITY		BALANCE FORWARD	1	TO DATE BALANCE		UNDER or (OVER)
Checking Account 07/01/20	22	-		-		-	\$ 25,600.03		
Checking Account 1/01/202	3	\$	127,335.30				,		
Receipts Operations				_					
Town Contribution	\$ 657,568.00	¢	E4 707 00	•	220 702 00	•	000 570 00	•	070 000 00
Memory Lane Income	\$ 60,000.00	\$ \$	54,797.00		328,782.00		the second s	\$	273,989.00
Interest	\$ 20.00	э \$	3,300.00	\$		-	and the second	\$	23,880.00
Miscellaneous*	\$ 20.00		0.83	\$	and the second se			\$	18.84
Carryover Budgeted		\$	350.00	\$	the second se	-		\$	(95,833.59
Total Receipts-Operations		\$	1,271.25	\$		\$		\$	6,356.25
Total Receipts-Operations	\$ 732,843.00	\$	58,447.83	\$	464,713.42	\$	524,432.50	\$	208,410.50
<b>Receipts Transportation</b>				-		-			
Town Contribution	\$ 179,344.00	\$	14,946.00	\$	89,676.00	\$	104,622.00	\$	74,722.00
Bus Income	\$ 3,750.00	\$	200.00	\$		\$		\$	1,505.00
Carryover Budgeted		\$	423.75	\$		\$		\$	2,118.75
Total Receipts-Transportatio		\$	15,146.00	\$		\$		\$	78,345.75
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TOTAL ALL RECEIPTS	\$ 921,022.00	\$	73,593.83	\$	558,976.92	\$	634,265.75	\$	286,756.25
<b>Disbursements Operations</b>		_							
Salaries	\$ 504,514.00	\$	39,338.20	\$	259,110.84	\$	298,449.04	\$	206,064.96
Payroll Taxes	\$ 43,231.00	\$	2,957.68	\$	20,167.99	\$		\$	200,004.90
Pensions	\$ 25,223.00	\$	1,705.92	\$	11,368.06	\$		\$	
Health Benefits	\$ 91,955.00	\$	6,183.03	\$	36,464.22	\$	42,647.25	9 \$	12,149.02
Workers Comp	\$ 3,240.00	\$	0,105.05	\$	1,611.75			э \$	49,307.75
Staff Travel	\$ 1,755.00	\$	98.28	Ф \$	643.33	\$ \$	1,611.75		1,628.25
Meetings, Seminars, Dues	\$ 3,250.00	\$	605.06	\$	629.38	э \$	741.61	\$	1,013.39
Liability Insurance	\$ 15,804.00	\$	4,423.00	\$	8,929.03		1,234.44	\$	2,015.56
Telephone	\$ 1,820.00	\$	150.35	э \$	932.40	\$	13,352.03	\$	2,451.97
Office Expenses/Supplies	\$ 6,500.00	\$	-	φ \$		\$	1,082.75	\$	737.25
Equipment	\$ 2,200.00	\$			2,897.70	\$	2,897.70	\$	3,602.30
Maintenance/Repair	\$ 3,000.00	\$	373.58 355.04	\$ \$	1,660.89	\$	2,034.47	\$	165.53
Facility Expenses & Suppl	\$ 7,900.00		784.16		1,721.95	\$	2,076.99	\$	923.01
Audit		\$	/04.10	\$	5,341.39	\$	6,125.55	\$	1,774.45
Memory Lane Expenses	\$ 7,200.00 \$ 8,000.00	\$	-	\$	7,300.00	\$	7,300.00	\$	(100.00)
Miscellaneous* Bank Charge	φ 0,000.00	\$	-	\$	3,336.72	\$	3,336.72	\$	4,663.28
Town Building Lease	¢ 100	\$ ¢	-	\$	30.00	•	\$30.00	\$	(30.00)
Postage	\$ 1.00 \$ 250.00	\$ ¢	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1.00
Printing	\$ 250.00	\$	-	\$	11.00	\$	11.00	\$	239.00
	\$ 1,500.00	\$	12.81	\$	25.00	\$	37.81	\$	1,462.19
Prof Services	\$ 4,700.00	\$	420.13	\$	2,949.91	\$	3,370.04	\$	1,329.96
Continuing Ed & Training	\$ 800.00	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	800.00
Disbursements Operations	\$ 732,843.00	\$	57,407.24	\$	365,131.56	\$	422,538.80	\$	310,304.20

# **OPERATING ACCOUNT**

# FY JULY 1, 2022-JUNE 30, 2023

OPERATING & TRANSPORTATION ACCOUNT	1	ANNUAL BUDGET		January 2022 ACTIVITY	J	TO DATE BALANCE FORWARD	1	YEAR TO DATE BALANCE		BUDGET UNDER or (OVER)
Disbursements-Transpor	tati	on								
Salaries-Drivers	\$	123,876.00	\$	8,023.82	\$	61,669.96	\$	69,693.78	\$	54,182.22
Payroll Taxes	\$	10,907.00	\$	655.60	\$	5,367.80	\$	6,023.40	-	4,883.60
Pensions	\$	6,194.00	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	6,194.00
Health Benefits	\$	14,248.00	\$	-	\$	900.50	\$	900.50	\$	13,347.50
Workers Compensation	\$	10,457.00	\$	-	\$	4,835.25	\$	4,835.25	\$	5,621.75
Maintenance	\$	6,000.00	\$	30.78	\$	1,548.35	\$	1,579.13	\$	4,420.87
Fuel	\$	13,780.00	\$	1,510.77	\$	5,120.23	\$	6,631.00	\$	7,149.00
Insurance	\$	2,716.00	\$	-	\$	2,498.00	\$	2,498.00	\$	218.00
Bus Lease	\$	1.00	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1.00
Disbursements-Transportat		188,179.00	\$	10,220.97	\$	81,940.09	\$	92,161.06	\$	96,017.94
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$	921,022.00	\$	67,628.21	\$	447,071.65	\$	514,699.86	\$	406,322.14
Checking Account 01/31/2023			\$	133,300.92			\$ \$ <b>\$</b>	145,165.92 11,865.00 <b>133,300.92</b>	She	et 1 E13 + E 19
Micsellaneous 1st 2360.00 C 2nd 92408.59 IR			rker	s Comp						
		ney back from M	Autu	al America IR	۸					
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Checkbook Balance 6/30/2021		\$115,520.89								
Allocated to 2020/21 budget		\$110,320.00								
Unallocated remainder for 2021/202		\$5,200.89								

# WALLINGFORD SENIOR CENTER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT JANUARY 2023

## **GENERAL STATISTICS**

Days of Service: 20 Recorded Attendance: 3217 Transportation Units: 757 Community Café Meals: 177 Social Service Units: 218 Memory Lane Units: 141 Health Service Units: New Members Added: 26 Members Archived: 11 Total Registered Members: 3925

# EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR APPOINTMENTS

### MONTHLY MEETINGS

	Member Advisory Council (Suspended-UFN)	
1-20-23	Wallingford Committee on Aging	
1-31-23	Staff Meeting	

### SPECIAL MEETINGS

Tarn Granucci, Owner/Editor and Rajan Doering, Writer, Re: WSC contract for advertising and articles in the "Wallingford Magazine"
Karen Anderson & Joann Hummel, Re: review and update Long Range Plan
Natacia Ramos, Supervisor, Green Life Janitorial, Re: inspection and review services
Amy Foreman, Community Liaison, National Healthcare Assoc., Re: hosting "M" Team meeting at WSC
Linda Craig, Owner and Cynthia Montano, Senior Living Consultant, Always Best Care,
Re: program sponsorship and marketing
Carmela DiCesare, Re: changes and renewal of BJ's memberships
Emily Melnick, LRP Consultant, updates to LRP Draft and create final for review
Susan Gomes, WCOA Secretary, Re: questions about membership requirements
Patty Lignelli, "R" Band Director, Re: building access for rehearsal
Joann Hummel, Social Services Coordinator, Re: annual social services report
Mary Glynn, LVC Manager, pest control issues and minor equipment needs
Karen Anderson, Program Director, Re: annual program report
John Arminio, Terminix, Service Manager, Re: inspection and set up program for WSC
Mike Mancino, Electrician, Re: fluorescent lights needing LED replacement
George Duffy, WCOA, Re: set up meeting for Building Naming Committee
Angela Colella, Owner, Il Monticello, Re: food for rescheduled staff holiday party
Jackie McNamee, LMFT and Joann Hummel, Re: planning for support groups/therapy
WCOA/WSC Long Range Planning Committee meeting

# EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR NARRATIVE REPORT FOR JANUARY 2023

# **PERSONNEL & BUDGET**

- Center closed Monday 1-2-23 in observation of the New Year's Day holiday and closed Monday, 1-16-23 in observance of Martin Luther King holiday.
- After meeting with key staff on 1-6-23 to revise the draft and submit revisions to LRP Consultant Emily Melnick, I received another updated draft on1-11-22 and made a few final changes via email. Shared updated draft at 1-20-23 WCOA meeting and then met with LRP Committee on 1-30-23 to make final revisions. Finalized plan to be given to WCOA at meeting on 2-17-23.
- Social Services Coordinator Joann Hummel and I met with Jackie McNamee, LMFT to finalize plans for the Grief and Loss, and Covid Affected support groups. Sessions will begin in March on Friday afternoons (2 – 3PM) in the Lounge/Library. Individualized therapy sessions will be approved and scheduled by Joann with the therapist and will be in the Health Office when not in use. Still awaiting news on ARPA application for \$25,000 in grant funding to extend these services beyond the time allotted by the AASCC funding.
- Rescheduled Staff Holiday Party was held on 1-26-23 in the Great Room. Catered food from II Monticello was excellent and the Yankee Gift Swap was fun. A good time was had by all.
- Went to BJ's to facilitate membership renewal and changes for facility/participating staff, 1-10-23.
- Worked with staff to complete annual report for 2022 as part of the FY 22-23 Proposed Budget request to the town and shared 98% completed document with the WCOA Board at meeting and finalized after receiving health benefits premium increase from town HR department. Ready to submit to Mayor and Comptroller on 2-8-23 in preparation for meeting to review when scheduled.

# FACILITY & EQUIPMENT

- Unclogged sink drains and reinstalled soap dispenser (torn off wall) in main ladies' restroom, 1-6-23.
- Met with Natacia Ramos, Manager for Green Life Janitorial on 1-6-23, to tour building, review performance and plan for future floor refinishing, window and carpet cleaning.
- Reliable Refrigeration in 1-5-23, to attempt repairs to Lounge fireplace, returned on 1-26-23 and got it working and also ordered new pilot generator and ignitor to be installed at a later date.
- Problems with outer front automatic door getting stuck open. David Hartzell, Technician, Stanley Access Technology out to repair on 12-28-22.
- Conferred with Public Works Director Rob Baltramaitus regarding heating issues and Lounge fireplace repair who assured me they are working on it. Continued to jockey portable heaters to keep staff warm and maintain safe temperatures in Lounge area above ceiling.
- Electrician Mike Mancino in to replace failed ballast fluorescent light fixtures with "no ballast" LED bulbs in Club 60 Plus and the Fitness Room on 1-23-23.
- Ordered, assembled and installed new acrylic pastry display case in Lake View Café 1-24-23, also ordered and received a new inversion blender as requested by LVC Manager.
- Terminix in on 1-19-23 and 1-25-23 to implement pest control program due to mice in the building.

## OTHER

- Worked with Program staff and volunteers 1-5 & 1-6-23, to take down all Christmas trees, lights, wreaths, New Years, Hanukah decorations etc. and put out in the storage building for another year.
- Met with Rajan Doering, Writer and Tarn Granucci, Owner/Editor and Rajan Doering, Writer, of the "Wallingford Magazine" on 1-4-23, to negotiate and sign a one year contract for advertising and articles in the magazine, which publishes five times per year.
- Assisted custodian and program staff with set up and restoration for "R" Band rehearsal 1-17-23 and concert 1-21-23.
- Went to Key Bank 1-11-23 to order new checks for the Development account.

# PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S REPORT January, 2023 20 DAYS

WEEKLY ACTIVITY	PD INSTRUCTOR	VOLUNTEER-LED	SESSIONS	ATTENDED
A Matter of Balance	Х		0	0
Art Appreciation		Х	2	26
Artist Studio		Х	4	20
Ballroom Dance Lessons	Х		5	45
Basic Social Dance Tues/Thur	Х		9	120
Bible Discussion Group		Х	4	30
Billiards		Х	20	309
Bingo		Х	9	326
Bocce		Х	0	0
Body in Motion	Х		4	55
Bridge (Tuesday & Friday)		Х	9	65
Canasta		Х	3	32
Cards		Х	20	152
Club 60 Plus Fitness Center		X	20	570
Corn Hole		X	4	44
Craft Corner		X	4	19
Cribbage	Х	X	4	24
Digital Photography	Х		4	32
Golf League	Х		0	0
Harmonica Group		Х	3	9
Healthy Moves	Х		2	12
Knitters and Crocheters	X		4	36
Mah Jongg & MJ Lessons	X		13	195
Nickel-Nickel			4	27
Parkinson's Fitness Class			8	63
Pickleball		Х	0	0
Ping Pong		X	0	0
Pinochle	Х		4	51
Quilting		Х	5	41
Scrabble		X	2	7
Set Back	Х	<u>^</u>	4	37
SilverSneaker Classes	X		10	88
Singing For fun		Х	0	0
Strength and Balance Class	Х	~	9	119
Tai Chi	X		4	43
Tap Dance		Х	4	28
Texas Hold'em			3	19
Thursday Evening Cabaret			0	0
Thursday Evening Dinner			0	0
Total Fitness	Х		15	154
We got The Beat Drumming	X		2	134
Wii Bowling			0	14
Yoga			4	20
Zoom Classes	x		11	92
	~			92
WEEKLY ACTIVITIES TOTALS			236	2,924

# PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S REPORT

## January, 2023 20 DAYS

MONTHLY ACTIVITIES	Pd Instructor	Volunteer Led	SESSIONS	ATTENDED
AARP Driver Safety Program			1	0
Ask A Realtor	Х		1	0
Ask An Attorney	Х		0	0
Benefits Screening	Х		0	0
Billiards Tournaments			0	0
Birthday Party			1	11
Book Club		Х	1	13
Cardiac Support Group		Х	0	0
Financial Q & A		B. Toomey	1	0
Foot Care Clinic		Dr. Gambardella	1	13
Free Hearing Services		Home Hearing	1	9
Hospitality Committee Mtg		X	1	16
Let's Do Lunch Bunch			0	0
Military Whist Card Party		Х	1	40
Morning Hike		X	0	0
Movie Matinees		2945	2	38
Parkinson's Support Group	Х	1.0	1	12
Q&A with the WPD	- 1000	Х	1	7
Reiki Treatments	Х		3	2
Veterans Coffee House		Х	1	45
Veterans Services			1	0
Will, Trust and Probate			0	0
MONTHLY ACTIVITIES TOTALS			23	206
GROUPS & WKSHOPS				
A.G.E. Workshop		Х	2	21
Artful Endeavors		Х	0	0
Balance Workshops			0	0
Genealogy Workshop		Х	1	3
Guided Meditation		Х	3	24
iPad Users' Group		Х	1	5
Paint Party		X	0	0
Reiki Certification Class		X	0	0
Scarves to Dye For		X	0	0
T.A.B.s		X	1	6
Jam Band		X	4	24
GROUPS & WKSHOPS TOTALS		~	12	83
SPECIAL EVENTS				
Hearing Services	1/13/2023	Masonicare	1	15
Collette Presentaion	1/26/2023		1	18
Wlfd Fire Department	1/6/2023		1	23
Pizza Lunch	1/21/2023		1	101
R band Concert	1/21/2023		1	151
SPECIAL EVENTS TOTALS	1,21,2025	Total	5	308
		Total	5	508

### **PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

January, 2023 20 DAYS

TRAVEL PROGRAM					
TRIP	TRAVEL COMPANY	DATES		ATTENDED	
New Year's At Sea	Friendship Tours	Dec. 31 - Jan. 8, 2023		2	
TRAVEL PROGRAM TOTAL				2	
MEETINGS ATTENDED BY PR	OGRAM DIRECTOR				
Hospitality Committee			1		
WCOA			1		
Staff Meeting			1		
OBOW					

### **January Notes:**

Club 60+ members total 192. 164 are silversneakers or renew active

December Tivity Health - SilverSneakers - approx. 816 swipes, check \$1,788.

December Renew Active approx 361 swipes, check \$681.00

2022 totals \$16,707; Renew Active \$1,365 (two months)

R Band winter warmer concert very well attended.

One Book One Wallingford has released a new book for our book club discussion group to review in March.

# **Social Service Monthly Report**

Joann Hummel Social Service Coordinator

# Month: January 2023

Social Services Coordinator completed 218 units and 2 contacts with homebound Wallingford residents. General Medicare enrollment began in January to help people find health plans the best suit their needs. Several seniors have taken advantage of this period; as well as, first time applicants. There were applications for Medicare Savings Plan completed and all were approved. Housing continues to be a concern for many residents living in Wallingford. Several people who are currently living on the second floor are looking for accessible apartments due to being handicapped. Unfortunately, after making several calls, including property management groups, nothing was found. The Wallingford and North Haven Housing Authority began taking applications again which has brought new hope to many. Several community members who do not have assess to computers, have been picking up the applications at the center.

A common request from members who are wishing to manage their stress and anxiety are asking for help. They are pleased to learn that 2 new support groups will be beginning in March. Energy Assistance application continues to be at full volume for January. New opportunities stated that they will continue to come to the WLFD Senior Center as long as there is a need. A member requested research to be completed for her to obtain a free furnace and electric boiler. After not finding a vender, she was referred to Agency on Aging and New Opportunities as a further resource.

During the month of January, the Social Service Coordinator also helped Seniors with: Home Health Aids, Adult Family Living program, transportation for outside of Wallingford, DMV assistance, Assisted Living Communities, assistance for paying off debt, as well as, helping community residents find social service resources for family members who do not live in Ct and counseling needs.

The Wallingford Acting Fire Marshal has also added me to the email notification list for when a community member is living in deplorable conditions or when a wellness check has been requested. The Health Department or other community officials will inform me if they need social service resources.

1/05/23:	: Met with Ann Bernick regarding a mutual client.
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1/10/23: Met Kelsey Lang regarding Elim Park.

1/10/23: Met with Ann Bernick regarding a mutual client.

1/11/23: Met with Ann Bernick regarding a mutual client.

1/18/23: Brian Shook, Acting Fire Marshal notified me of a deplorable living condition and sent incident reports to review.

1/4/23,1/11,New Opportunity Inc fuel assistance application.1/18, 1/25	
1/11/23 Contacted Georg Messier for assistance for a widower of	a Vet.
1/13/23 Met with Debbie Markiewicz to discuss a mutual client.	
1/17/23 Justen Rosetti Wlfd Building official requested my assistan	nce for
a resident who was apparently exhibiting unstable psychi	
behavior.	
1/18/23 Meeting with Infinity Home Health	
1/19/23 Meeting with Comfort Care	
1/25/23 Contacted by Wallingford Youth and Social Services for	
assistance to help a family find a handicap accessible	
apartment.	
1/26/2023 Contacted by Sheehan High School Social Worker for assis	stance
regarding a family in need of handicap accessible apartn	

## Month/Year: January 2023 INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE AND FOLLOW UP STATISTICS SOCIAL WORKER REPORT

	1 & A	FOLLOW UP CALLS		ITMENTS DUTREACH
	_			1
ABUSE NEGLECT PROBLEMS ADULT DAY CARE				
3. AGENCY ON AGING	1			
4. HOMESHARE				
5. ASSISTED LIVING	3	2	3	2
6. BEHAVIORAL HEALTH/SUBS	10	4	7	2
ABUSE/GAMBLING/HOARDING	10	-4	,	
7. BENEFITS CHECKUP				
		0	2	2
8. CHORE/HOMEMAKER/FRIENDLY	2	2	2	2
VISITOR 9. COMPANION/LIVE-IN	1		1	
10. CONGREGATE HOUSING	1 4	2	3	
11. CONGREGATE MEALS//ENP	4	۷	5	
12. CONNPACE/CONNMAP				
13. CT HOMECARE PROGRAM	2	2	2	2
14. MEMORY LANE	1	1	1	<u> </u>
15. ENERGY ASSISTANCE	10	9	4	2
16. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE	1	1	1	
17. FOOD PANTRY/OTHER	3	3	·	
18. SNAP	3	3		
19. GERIATRIC ASSESSMENT PROG.		0		
20. HEALTH INSURANCE/DENTAL				
21. HOME REPAIR	1	1		
22. HOUSING	5	4	2	1
23. HOME HEALTH	3	3	3	3
24. INCOME TAX				
25. LEGAL				
26. ADVANCED DIRECTIVES				
27. CONSERVATORSHIP				
28. POWER OF ATTORNEY				
29. LONG TERM CARE OMBUDSMAN				
30. MEALS ON WHEELS				
31. MEDICARE C				
32. MEDICARE PART D				
33. MEDICAID				
34. MEDICAL CARE/.DENTAL CARE				
35. MEDICARE A, B	1			
36. MEDICARE SAVINGS PROGRAM	4		4	
37. MEDIGAP				

## Month/Year: January 2023 INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE AND FOLLOW UP STATISTICS SOCIAL WORKER REPORT

38. STATEWIDE RESPITE PROGRAM				
39. SKILLED NURSING HOMES	2	2	2	
40. SOCIAL SECURITY	3	2	3	
41. STATE SUPPLEMENTAL/SSI	1	1	1	
42. SUPPORT GROUP/RESPITE	3	1	2	
43. TAX/RENT REBATE	2	1		
44. TRANSPORTATION	3	3		
45. VETERAN'S PROGRAM	2	2	1	
46. WEAP				
47. YOUTH & SOCIAL SERVICES	2	2		
48. *HOME BOUND/WELLNESS	5	4	2	2 people
RESPONSE				
49. NEW MEMBERSHIP	2		2	
50.COMMUNITY OUTREACH/	6	6	70	5
SOCIAL SERVICE VENDERS				528
51. COMPUTER SEVICES and MAIL	3	3		
TOTAL UNITS (218 Total units of	90	64	46	10
service)	89	64	46	19

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## WALLINGFORD SENIOR CENTER MEMORY LANE REPORT JANUARY 2023

#### **GENERAL STATISTICS:**

Active Participants	16	Days of Service	20
Wallingford	12	Service units actual	141
Out of town	04	Service units' budget	210
New	01	Service units if full	300
Discharged	03	Average attendance	7.0
Referrals	06	Budgeted attendance	10.5
Assessments	03	Capacity attendance	15

#### **Regular Meetings:**

01/13/23	Meeting w/Joann Hummel, Social Service Coordinator
01/31/23	Staff Meeting

#### Other Meetings:

01/10/23	Meeting with Potential Family
01/10/23	Meeting with Potential Family
01/12/23	Meeting with Potential Family

#### Marketing Meetings:

01/10/23	Wallingford SC. (M-Team) Debbie Markiewicz
01/11/23	Central Connecticut Senior Network (Luther Ridge
	Middletown) (John Ardolino)

#### Qualitative Statement:

This month of January has been a busy month. We were sad that three of our long-time members moved on. Two moved into Assisted Living Communities, which was wonderful. One left due to some financial difficulties and may be back at some point. We celebrated the Chinese New Year with some fortune cookies and found out our personality traits on the Chinese calendar. We had a great pizza luncheon followed by cheese cake for dessert, in the middle of the month.

We have many things planned for February and look forward to participating in some events with the Senior Center. I had six referrals this month and one new member. We will keep working to spread the word about Memory Lane. We have been very happy with the weather so far. Enjoy your month.

Warm Regards,

Debbie Markiewicz, Memory Lane Coordinator