

MDSC RECAP: Harvest & Halloween Fun

Black Hill Regional Park in Boyds, MD

Thursday, October 21, 2021

Janet S. Weinstock, Secretary

On this clear and balmy day, approximately 50 people including 7 volunteers gathered once again at the Black Hill Regional Park in Boyds, MD. The last time we gathered in person was on June 17th. It was certainly nice to reunite with old friends and meet new friends. When we arrived, we were greeted by our **Treasurer Cathy** and her husband **Rick Thompson** wearing wacky hats.

Many thanks to **Aimee Burke** and ASL 5 students from the Community College of Baltimore County (CCBC) **Nicole Becker, Tymira Edwards, Johnson Hanks, Darian Lurz, Savannah Moore, and Erikas Samuels** for their time to assist us with the setting up, carrying items from one place to another, interpreting, and cleaning up. Our **Volunteer Chair Bev Boateng** certainly did a phenomenal job making sure the volunteers made our day brighter!

President Leslie Zinza opened the program with a warm welcome. She was thrilled to inform us that MDSC is now **200** members strong! Go MDSC! She shared that the Holiday Luncheon chaired by **Barbara Williagan** will be limited to members only. More detail will be shared when time comes.

The game of Bingo with our brand new reusable cards led by **Vice President Thelma Schroeder** started with our **past Treasurer Roy White**, the \$10 winner of the 'one row' Bingo! It was indeed a great day for Rick Thompson who won NOT ONE BUT TWO Bingo games - 'two rows' for \$20 and 'full house' for \$30. Between the 2nd and 3rd Bingo games, we had our lunch break. We certainly enjoyed our catered lunch on MDSC with a choice of chicken, ham, tuna, turkey, or veggie subs with chips and cookies. Our **Food Chair Jeff Dunefsky** made it possible!



The winners of the top 3 hat and top 3 costume contest were judged by the CCBC student volunteers. **Aimee Burke, Cathy Thompson, and Rick Thompson (AGAIN!)** won the top hat contest and the prize was \$13 and Sue Hubbard, our newest members **Shunling and Tony Lee, and Thelma Schroeder** won the top costume contest and they earned \$20 each. Many thanks to the CCBC student volunteers for being a fabulous team of neutral judges!



Secretary Janet Weinstock and her husband **Mike Weinstock** teamed up to put together guessing jars filled with goodies. Mike announced the winners - there was a tie for Jar #1 (55 peanut butter filled pretzel pieces) so Mike flipped the coin and Mr. 'Lucky Day' **Rick Thompson** was the winner (Didn't I already mention that it was Rick's lucky day???) **Vicki Shank** guessed the exact number of the contents in Jar #2 - 17 Almond Joy, Reese's Peanut Butter cups, and Whoopers. There was another tie for Jar #3 as two members were close to the exact number by O-N-E so again Mike flipped the coin and guess what? **Linda Boland** was the lucky winner of the jar filled with 29 mini Milk Duds, Hershey, and Kit Kat!



Treasurer Cathy was so nervous to start our Bank Day drawing that she spilled the wood coins etched with numbers. Breathe, Cathy! She announced that our **Parliamentarian Mike Moore** was last month's Bank Day winner of \$100 and this month's winner was not present to receive \$25 so it will double to \$50 next month. She had President Leslie draw the Bank Day prizes with **Roy White** (again!) winning \$15, **Ginny Lindsay** for \$20, and **Vicki Shank** (again!) for \$25!



Lastly, Treasurer Cathy announced that from now on half of the proceeds of the 50/50 raffle will go to Deaf Seniors of America (DSA) and it was a cool coincidence that DSA **President Alfred Sonnenstrahl** won \$95.50 this month!



The result of the poll was too close to determine if we want to gather in person at the Senior Center or to stick with the virtual zoom for our next event on Thursday, November 18th. We will send a google poll so that you could help us decide.

Many thanks to **Shunling Lee** for volunteering to take pictures for us. Earlier in the day, Thelma announced that **Shunling and Tony Lee** were in one of the 2021 Super Bowl commercials: “A CODA story: Why accessible technology matters” that involved their son Tony who works for Google as Senior Designer in the Brand Studio. Here is the link so that you know what Thelma was referring to:

<https://blog.google/outreach-initiatives/accessibility/tonys-story-accessibility-features/>

See you at the next MDSC event on Thursday, November 18, 2021 at 10 AM