**ORANGE TEAM – March 9, 2022 - zoom meeting minutes**

**MISSION OF AGING TOGETHER** – *AGING TOGETHER THROUGH PARTNERSHIPS CONNECTS PEOPLE TO COMMUNITIES AND TO RESOURCES TO IMPROVE QUALITY OF LIFE AS WE AGE.*

**VISION** – AGE FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES THAT ACTIVELY ENGAGE, VALUE AND SUPPORT OLDER ADULTS

**Team role/charter:** Forum for local organizations/individuals to focus on support for older residents and to address needs/solutions that go beyond what any one organization can do on its own

February re-cap (11 attended): Annette Putman (Dogwood); Leigh Ann Cubbage, AmericarePlus; Vicky Fleming (LOWlinc); Dep. Ron Kesner, Sheriffs Office; Barry Barr, retired; Lee Frame, District 5 Supervisor; Pam Prill, Senior Center; Kate Daniels, Kindred Hospice; Anna Rogers, Sarah Gillespie & Ginny (Aging Together)

Aging Together Updates:

* Ginny announced she is **retiring** on April 21 and introduced her replacement, **Anna Rogers,** the new County Resource Specialist. Anna was involved in the original AT community conversations and is looking forward to meeting all the teams!
* **Sarah Gillespie** – has taken Sue Davis’ position as the new “Volunteer Driver Recruitment Coordinator” working with AT & the Regional Transportation Collaborative (RTC).
* The **5 Over 50 ‘Watch Party,** honoring Mr. Bill Hager, will be on May 19th at the Orange Baptist Church from 4:00 – 6pm. This is a free community event, so that family & friends can watch the live FB show together and celebrate Bill’s accomplishments. Ginny & Anna will have a volunteer sign-up sheet at the April team meeting & want to encourage all team members to attend. Some members are attending the same day Chamber Picnic however. Please RSVP at: https://www.agingtogether.org/5-over-50.html
* A **Team Access Page** for members to look up information on AT webinars, events & activities as well as a directory of active members with contact info will be offered soon on the AT website. \* A password will be given once the Access page is ready.
* April 12 @ noon = Dementia Friends \* Register at: https://www.agingtogether.org/upcoming-programs.html
* April 21 @ 2:30pm = “What’s Normal & When Should I Be Worried?”
* AT Outreach team is starting to work on the **2nd edition of the Regional Resource Guide for Older Adults.** \*Advertising space is open now and will close on July 15. View the advertising specs & fees at: <https://www.agingtogether.org/purchase-ad-space-rg.html>
* AT will organize 3 small **EXPO** events in Orange, Culpeper & Fauquier Counties (on different days in Sept. / Oct.). Suggested locations include: Town of Orange Public Works (Parking not great); Airport or Booster Park; Lake of the Woods community center. Team volunteer assistance & vendors will be needed.
* Aging Together will be conducting **Community Conversations** (CC) this spring The goal is for teams to identify groups who are stakeholders i.e. LOWlinc; Triad; Young at Heart. More detail to come.

Member Updates:

* Dogwood Village is taking tours, but opening slowly. Hosting a **Quilt Raffle** if you’d like to enter.
* Orange Triad is hosting a May 10 “**Thrive Beyond 55**” conference at Lake of the Woods Church. It will highlight a Keynote speaker + 2 other speakers, lunch and free booth space. Register thru April 27 at: OCTriad@gmail.com
* **LOWlinc** (village program at Lake of the Woods) is slowly starting back with activities for their members.
* 100+ members / 100+ volunteers. They are growing and have 3 positions open. Executive Director and (2) PT positions. [www.lowlinc.org](http://www.lowlinc.org)
* Senior Center is open with no mask! Pam is calling the wait list for new members. Looking for speakers, activities and desperately wants a Bible Study. Ginny offered to play guitar & do a sing-a-long once she’s retired. A **Vaccine Walk-In Clinic** will be held on **March 22, 12;30 – 2:30.**

**Wednesday, April 13th @ 9:30am *\* In-person / Zoom Meeting (Hybrid meeting)***