

Beech Grove Senior Citizens 2017 Annual Report

2017 Was a year for new things.

We started with welcoming AARP tax preparers to the Center. We started taking appointments in January and filled up fast. It was a great way to get taxes done for our seniors who needed it and others in the Community as well. It also got the Senior Centers name in other parts of the Communities which intern lead us to new Members.

With numerous requests we expanded our bounders. We go as far south as County Line rd. No further west then Sherman Dr, and no further east then Arlington. 2017 Transportation log shows we transported 2,074 times. We are up 179 more runs then we did in 2016. With numerous calls for resources, we strive to do our best daily to help not only seniors of Beech Grove but also in surrounding areas.

We had are block party again this year except we held it at a new place. The owners of Pawsitive partner were kind enough to let us hold it in their parking lot across the street from the Senior Center. It was the perfect location and great for the seniors and our sponsors to interact with the residences of Beech Grove.

We took a trip to Churchill Downs this year, (another new) we went on Derby week. It was nothing but good times with the Ladies in their big hats. We had a box lunch before we headed in to checkout the beautiful horses. Our

Members may not have come out with full pockets but the smiles were bigger than the Derby itself.

We wanted to get by the water this year so we decided to tryout the Gondola boat ride, located downtown Indy. It was fabulous! We had lunch in front of the USS Indianapolis then we was off for a peaceful ride down the canal. Our tour guides not only paddled the boats but they also sang beautiful Italian songs to us.

We were contacted by Beech Grove Schools and were offered a lunch day provided by the school. This was a way to help the seniors see good healthy lunch choices. It was another new for us and a delicious one at that.

The office put together a Murder mystery Dinner show. We were excited when the Beech Grove High School Drama club agreed to put on the play for us. The office found a great play (Café Murder) and the kids knocked it out of the park. This was our first dinner show held at the Center but it will not be the last, we had only positive feedback from everyone.

To keep in with the sprit of new things, we took a trip up north and tried a new British restaurant. Fish and chips for everyone!! Well that or bangers and mash. We had a great day and wonderful memories were made.

We closed out our year with our Annual Christmas party at the Center. We have amazing sponsors who help make it a success.

With new lights for our stage, entertainment, gifts and stockings for Santa to give to each and everyone of our members that attended, this year's party reached new heights.

Respectfully submitted:

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