

Silver Jackets Meeting

June 08, 2015

Georgia Tech Student Center Theater

Minutes

Members and Guests Attending (100) Robert Green, Len Parsons, Jo A. Freeman, Marge Dusseich, June Abbott, Edith Fusilla, Susa Keenan, Joe Boland, Tom Moran, Phillip Carlson, Sandra Englar, Bob Englar, Ann Jaudon, Ron and Pam Bohlander, Mike and Kay Saunders, Virginia Wohlford, Dianne Enslow, Allen and Sharon Garrison, Ray Vito, Gay K. Duvall, Jennifer Su, Martha Ann Stigor, James Osborn, Lori and Art Finley, Don and Edith Clarl, Eugene Patronis, Frank Roper, Jim Garner, Annette Satterfield, David McGill, Jerry Thuesen, Jean McKown, Martha Farley, Al and Mar Nelle Connelly, Joe Bruder, Glen and Wanda Williamson, Julie Parsons, Jennette Barnett, Alan Porter, David and Jackie Hendrix, Wayne C. Tincher, S. M. Smith, Mary Jo Kleine, Carey and Bill Floyd, Dorothy M. Brown, John and Carole Gaines, Sandra Sullivan, Harry Sullivan, Willa B. Franklin, Carolyn and Tom Thersen, Duane C. Tate, Beverly Hutchinson, Gayle Warren, W. Bruce Warren, Charlene Bayer, Sherlene Zehner, Carol G. Dyer, Earl Cagle, Donald and Judith Bodner, Betsy and Carl Spruile, Mike and Linda Gill, Carol K. Gue, Rose Jacobsen, Elizabeth Davis and Spouse, Sally Hammock, Glen Smith, Walter Allen, Carol Aton, Mary E. Mitchell, Rekha Patel, Bill Beavers, Norman Johnson, Satza Dryden, Aryn Teja, Larry Bottomley, Carole Sorensen, Evans Harrell, Greg Dane, Larry Keating, Eleanor Matheny, Mary McNee, Phillips Hamilton, Freddie Everett, and Narl Didson,

Program

Vice President Len Parsons introduced the speaker, **Mr. Darrell Williams**, with **Georgia Cares**, a volunteer organization which provides assistance on issues related to Medicare.

Topics covered by Mr. Williams in his presentation included the following:

- I. Review of Medicare--A Federal Government program for
Senior Citizens
Disabled persons on Social Security
Persons with kidney disease or Lou Gehrig 's disease
- II. Managed by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.
- III. Includes four parts
Part A—Hospitalization
Part B—Medical Insurance

Part C—Medicare Advantage Plans—Includes HMO's and PPO's which provide Parts A, B, and sometimes Part D coverage.

Private companies offer both Part A and Part B

Maximum out of pocket costs about \$3,400/year

Have to use their network providers

You will be paying co-pays and deductibles with no supplement

Benefits and cost sharing may be different than Original Medicare

Still in Medicare with all rights and protection

Still get Part A and Part B services

May include Prescription Drug Coverage

May include extra benefits like vision and dental coverage

May be Non-Participative, i.e., will not accept Medicare Reimbursement Rate.

Part D—Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage

IV. Medigap (Supplemental—Pays deductible) Plans—

Apply only to Medicare A and B

No networks in Medigap Plans

V. Retirees will have to choose between Medicare Advantage Plans and Medigap Plans.

GeorgiaCares is a volunteer-based program that provides **free**, unbiased and factual information and assistance to Medicare beneficiaries and their caregivers. GeorgiaCares is the State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) and SMP (formerly Senior Medicare Patrol). Georgia Cares is located at 2 Peachtree Street, NW, 33rd Floor, Atlanta, Georgia 30303. Their telephone number is 1-866-55AGING (option 4) [1-866-552-4464]. Their website is <http://www.mygeorgiacares.org>.

The next USG/Aon Retiree Healthcare Information Meeting will be Friday, August 21, at 10:00 AM in the Student Center Ballroom.

The first Silver Jacket Meeting of the fall will be Tuesday, September 8, at 11:00 AM in Student Center Room 343. The speaker will be fellow Silver Jacket Jim Herod on *Huguenots: Heretics or Heroes?*

Robert Earl Green,

Silver Jackets Secretary