

Advisory Board Report to Council

2021-2022

Board: Senior Citizens Advisory Board

Chair: Jane Erwin

Deputy Chair: Micki Shilan

Council Liaison: Karen Orgen

I. Meetings: 3rd Thursday of the month (no meetings in July, August, December); 1:30 p.m.; Rodda Center

II. Accomplished Projects:

- A. Implemented outdoor and virtual classes; resumed indoor classes
- B. Hired full-time Social Worker and full-time Assistant
- C. Collaborated with Age-Friendly to make parks more functional for seniors; as a first step, acquired chess tables and chairs to be placed in accessible locations
- D. Completed repairs to Rodda Center: ceiling, roofing, painting, and masonry
- E. Publicized and facilitated Senior Affordable Housing applications
- F. Introduced Public Access television for improved communication to seniors
- G. Held a public ceremony to rename Birch Street in honor of Carol Otis

III. New Projects/Goals for 2022

- A. Intellectually stimulating classes, such as Art History and Literature
- B. Bus trips to free NYC cultural events, e.g., Botanical Gardens, museums, rehearsals at Lincoln Center
- C. Monthly indoor movies at the Rodda Center
- D. Initiation of a Teaneck Choral Group

- E. Introduction of Teaneck Senior Olympics
- F. Inauguration of Teaneck Senior Recognition Day
- G. Self-funded trips to Broadway matinees, the Huntington Playhouse, Radio City et al.
- H. Launch of *Teaneck Senior Writers* online magazine