

**HOME & CARE COMMITTEE REPORT TO
ABINGTON QUARTERLY MEETING
MAY 5, 2024**

The Home & Care Committee meets in Oct., Jan., April, and July. The following is a summary of our work during this last year, as well as our plans for the future:

- There were two changes in membership on the committee:
 1. Mary Hanisch replaced Marietta Quinby representing Unami.
 2. Sadly, Nancy Gold passed away and has not been replaced from Upper Dublin. We hope that changes soon.
- Spruance Fund: There are currently 10 people receiving assistance. The current monthly total is \$16,460.00.
- Foulkeways AQM priority List: There are currently 18 slots filled and 13 people on the waiting list.
- Credits: There are currently no credits available for entrance fee assistance at Foulkeways. Credits will only become available again after the death of a current recipient. At that time, the amount they received will be available to assist someone new.
- Outstanding Letters of Intent Balance Total as of 3/31/24 is: \$2,386,596.78. Two estates are being processed and we will be receiving partial repayment from them.
- Ongoing monthly support includes:
 - Rental support for 4 individuals
 - Assistance with nursing home costs out of state for 1 person.
 - Assistance with transportation costs for the mother of a disabled adult child living in a group home, so that she might visit him monthly.
 - In home health aides to assist a member to remain in her own home, since she does not have the entrance fee or monthly income to afford a long-term care facility.
 - Several people receive regular assistance with medical services and prescription drug costs.

New Business:

- HCC sent a Financial Appeal letter last May to the Clerks of each Monthly Meeting requesting assistance for the Spruance Fund. The Clerks distributed the letter to their meeting communities in ways appropriate to them. We received one financial contribution and notification from several people that they had included us in their will.

At our committee meeting on April 8th., we approved a letter to be sent out in May 2024 requesting donations to support the Enabling fund and the General Fund for Aging. I have attached a copy of the draft for your information. We shall use the same process for distribution.

- As healthcare systems struggle to exist and medical costs keep rising, it seems that the work of HCC will continue to try to provide some light in the darkness. We shall be putting together an educational presentation to take to Monthly Meeting communities in the fall to address the topic of: “Navigating the Healthcare System Today.” We will compile lists of resources to help people better advocate for themselves and their loved ones.
- The Administrator and the Clerk of HCC shall continue to visit other retirement facilities, as well as skilled nursing homes and rehab centers and have information available when Friends seek our assistance.

The next meeting of HCC will be July 8, 2024.

Respectfully Submitted,

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