

SABINE COUNCIL ON AGING, INC.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

February 28, 2008

Time is just flying these days at the Council on Aging, and we remind ourselves daily that it's because we're having so much fun. Our coordinators are keeping the calendar full of exciting things to do and constantly looking for new ideas. The staff at the new Toledo Center has been working diligently to get the building ready and add new activities and clients to our roster. The Pleasant Hill Site has tripled in number of clients served since the beginning of the year. The Converse and Zwolle Centers are growing as well, and it is very gratifying to notice the change in moral among the seniors and the staff.

Our number of units served for January shows an increase and we haven't even begun to count the activities at the Toledo Center which didn't officially start operating until February. In January we served 1,113 Congregate meals at our meal sites and delivered 4,006 meals to Home Bound seniors. We provided 171 units of homemaker service for our seniors, 217 hours of In-Home Respite for area Caregivers, and 92 contacts have been made for Outreach, Information & Assistance. We provided 677 units of transportation, 698 units of wellness, 1,095 units of recreation and 112 calls to seniors were made for Telephone Reassurance.

I am still working on plans for the walking path and the renovations for the Toledo Center. Both of these assets will greatly increase our ability to serve the seniors of our parish. We are all looking forward to the activities that will be forthcoming as soon as these projects are complete.

During the month of February we found different reasons to celebrate each week at the Legacy Building. Jeri and Judy organized a fun birthday party with a Mardi Gras theme on February 5th, a Valentine party on February 14th, Game Day on February 19th, and a trip to Rebel State Park to see the Quilt Exhibit on February 26th. Sarah scheduled Coffee Time at the Toledo Center each Wednesday at 10 a.m. Bingo, crafts, and exercise are planned at each center. Be sure to check the calendar to see what will be on the agenda in March. I see many opportunities coming up to enjoy the beautiful spring weather.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Rigsby, Executive Director