

AARP CHAPTER 1917
General Membership Meeting
October 13, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM by President John Bloecher. John then led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and introduced our guest speaker, Michelle Clifton, R.N.

Ms. Clifton is a representative of Atlantic General Hospital's Patient Medical Care at Home program. This program allows participants to be proactive in their health care, after they leave the hospital. It is estimated that 40-80% of patients are not sure what to do once they are discharged to home. AGH has an in-home individualized program that helps to keep patients in their homes.

A certificate of Appreciation was presented to Ms.Clifton.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved with no discussion.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's Report was given by Bill Shoop. Balances as of September 30, 2016 are as follows: **General Funds - \$11,771.80; Scholarship Fund - \$1,234.00 (included in General Funds); Health Fair - \$3,358.96.**

Committee Reports: Charlie Herbert, a liaison to the Worcester County Strategic Advisory Board, stressed how important it is that our members join our MAC Center and **make sure that their card is swiped every time you use the Center.** The County operates three othercenters and the Ocean City Center has a low number of participants and could be closed if underutilized. Charlie introduced Anne Toney to everyone and Anne will process your application if you are not yet a member of the Center. Anne also asks that we clear the tables as we leave the meeting.

Travel: Sandy Kvech provided an update on the two West Virginia trips. For the first trip there are two openings and four on the second trip. Please remember to pick up your luggage tags and parking pass. Seats are assigned. The bus will leave promptly at 8:00 AM.

The Murder Mystery Dinner on November 15th will have open seating. Money is due today.

The German Christmas Market on December 6th is sold out.

Joey and Gena's Wedding dinner show is on February 6th and money is due in November.

June 3-10 is the Alaskan cruise and 17 people have signed up.

October 1-5, 2017 is a Rails and Sails trip to New England. Sign-ups are available now.

The Holiday Extravaganza will be held on December 8th from 1-5 PM at the Dunes. Cost is \$20.00 per member.

Membership: Andrea reports that so far we have 90 renewals, and 17 new members, three of which are at the meeting.

Health Fair: Dr. Friedman reports that there were 602 attendees at the Health Fair in May. Eighty-one people donated to the blood bank. The contact for the 2017 Health Fair has been signed for Tuesday, May 9th. He will meet with AGH in the next few weeks.

Scholarship: Norma Bull has resigned as the chair of the scholarship committee due to health related issues. She asks that someone take over that position and she will work with the person in transition.

Old Business:

- Bob's Lunch Bunch will be going to the Crabby Pig today. The venue for November is the Pit 'n Pub.
- Alcea says that the website is up and running. Michelle will put out the newsletter and we will no longer have printed copies at the meetings. If you do not have e-mail, please see someone on the Board and a copy will be mailed to you.

New Business:

- In November we will hold our Chapter elections. There are two candidates for president, John Bloecher and Bob McCluskey; Charlie Herbert for Vice-President; Sandy Kvech for Treasurer; and three Board members, Sue Harting, John Lucas, and Jeff McArthur. We have openings for Board positions.
- If anyone has an idea for a speaker, please email **INFO 1917@ AARP.ORG**
- On November 5th there will be an Italian Dinner at Bethany United Methodist Church.
- There are 72 members in attendance.

The 50/50 in the amount of \$44.00 was won by Arlene Keeting.

A motion to adjourn was made at 11:00 by John Lucas and second by Marian Ammerman.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debi McCluskey, Secretary
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