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Greetings to all:

I hope everyone is staying warm and healthy so far this winter. In the coming months we have some good speakers lined up. Please check the calendar on our web page www.aarp1917.org for details.

Also a reminder that the Scholarship fund-raiser had to be rescheduled due to the St. Patrick's Day Parade. Our fund-raiser at Carrabas has been changed to April 9, 2016. It remains 12 noon to 2 pm and we can expect the same great food offerings. If you haven't purchased your tickets, you may still do so at our meeting. More news in the newsletter relating to reimbursement if you cannot attend the rescheduled event.

I am proud to say that the AARP Tax Aide program has gone well during the first month, assisting approximately 500 seniors thus far. You still have another month and a half to seek help with your returns, but please do not wait until the last minute for assistance.

Once again, the Ocean City Community Health Fair is being held May 3rd, at the Roland E. Powell Convention Center on Coastal Hgwy at 41st Street. Volunteers are much appreciated. Please contact Helen Norris at HDN878@comcast.net or 302-436-1784 if you can donate a few hours.

Last but not least, Ann Toney is still taking pictures for Senior Center ID's, so if you can spare a few minutes after the meeting on Thursday, this will boost our numbers for support of this valuable community service in our state budget.

Best regards,
John

P.S. To ENJOY this newsletter and more in LIVING COLOR, google aarp1917.org or [CLICK HERE](#)

Our Meetings



Our membership meetings are held at the Worcester County Senior Center located at 41st street, Bayside, Ocean City, second Thursday of the month. When looking at the Convention Center from Ocean Highway, the Senior Center is located to the right, almost under the water tower. There is free parking next to both the Senior Center and in the Convention Center parking lot.

You do not have to be a resident of Ocean City to join our chapter, and you can already belong to another chapter; that's fine with us.

Tell your neighbors! See you there at 9:30 a.m.!

BE a SNACK VOLUNTEER for our monthly meeting!

2nd THURSDAY every month

Bring Meeting Munchies



We are looking for assistance with helping to organize our monthly snack donations. Grab a friend and help us out. Make an offer to our new president, John Bloecher.

AARP CHAPTER 1917 BOARD MEMBERS 2016



BACK ROW, LEFT TO RIGHT: CHRIS NORRIS, BOB MCCLUSKEY, JOHN BLOECHER, PRESIDENT, BILL SCHOOTS, TREASURER

FRONT ROW, LEFT TO RIGHT : DEBBIE MCCLUSKEY, SECRETARY, NORMA BULL, CHARLIE HERBERT, SUE HARTING, VICE PRESIDENT. ABSENT FROM THIS PHOTO ARE JOHN LUCAS AND JEFF MCARTHUR



KIM RICHARDSON FROM "HOME INSTEAD" SENIOR CARE RECEIVES AN AWARD FROM AARP1917 CHAPTER PRESIDENT JOHN BLOECHER IN FEBRUARY 2016

NEWS YOU SHOULDN'T MISS

- **TALK IT UP AND SPREAD THE WORD.....FOR OUR SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER**

Note new date: OC AARP Chapter 1917 will sponsor a public scholarship fundraiser for the students of Stephen Decatur High School at Carrabba's Italian Grill on April 9th, 2016 from 12 noon to 2 pm. A three course luncheon will be served to include: cup of minestrone soup or Caesar salad, choice of Chicken Marsala, Spaghetti with Meatballs or Chicken Caesar Salad and a Mini Cannoli. Complimentary bread and soft drink is also included. Tickets are \$15.00 and may be purchased at the Membership table during the March meetings or by contacting Norma Bull our scholarship committee chair at 443 523-8576 or John Bloecher at 443 373 1295. Those who have purchased tickets for the previous date of March 12, 2016, who are unable to attend, will be fully reimbursed for these tickets. Send email to info@aarp1917.org for reimbursement or inquire at Thursday meeting.

If you know someone who is planning to go, please make sure they have seen information regarding the date change.

- **DON'T MISS OUR OCEAN CITY COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR**

Our annual Ocean City Community Health Fair will be held on Tuesday, May 3, 2016. Mark your calendars now for the many benefits of Dr. Friedman's leadership in this process contributing to the healthy lifestyle and screening of our community. Please consider volunteering for this highly worthwhile special event held for our entire community, especially our seniors. Volunteers for the Health Fair can contact Helen Norris....at HDN878@comcast.net or 302-436-1784

- **BOB'S LUNCH BUNCH THIS THURSDAY AFTER OUR MEETING**

BJ's On The Water - March 10 (located at 75th St. and the Bay) All AARP members are invited to attend a luncheon on March 10 following our general meeting. Lunch will be at BJ's On the Water at approx. 12:00. The cost of the luncheon will be \$15.50 per person (cash only please) and includes the following:

Entrees: (choose one) ½ Rotisserie Chicken served with garden salad Soup and Salad (your choice of Garden or Caesar salad with French Onion, Vegetable Crab, or Soup Du Jour) BJ's Club Sandwich - 3 decks high with bacon, turkey, ham, cheese, lettuce, tomato, and mayo on white toast. Served with chips and pickle. Pan fried Grouper served with garden salad Choice of coffee, tea, or soda. Dish of vanilla ice cream. Tax and tip included.

Please call your luncheon choice to Bob McCluskey at 410 250 0980. Thanks!

- **DON'T STRESS OFVER TAX PREPARATION: LET SOMEONE HELP YOU**

Certified tax preparers are working diligently for our members at the following locations throughout the county. The locations and time for tax preparation are as follows:

- Ocean City Library -Thursday and Saturday 10am – 2 pm
- Ocean Pines Library – Mondays 10 am – 3 pm
- MAC in Salisbury – Tuesdays 10am – 3 pm
- Pocomoke Library – every other Friday beginning March 11th – 10 am – 3 pm
- Ocean Pines Community Church – Thursday and Saturday 10 am – 3 pm

First come first serve at each location. Please contact John Bloecher for additional information or questions. While he is busy, he will get back to you when he can. 410 213 1608.

- **Be a taxaide volunteer next year! It's not too early to think about it!**

Consider joining the **AARP FOUNDATION TAXAIDE** NEXT YEAR 1917 FOR COMPLETING 2016 TAX RETURNS; Join others and receive free tax training and equipment necessary to help many community seniors with this process. All we need is your time. For more information contact www.aarp.org/giving-back or John Bloecher, __District Coordinator, 410-213-1608.



OCEAN CITY

COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR

**TUESDAY
MAY 3
2016**

Free & Open to the Public

Blood drive *by Blood Bank of Delmarva*

To make an appointment to donate blood call

1-888-825-6638 *or schedule online at*

www.delmarvablood.org

Free screenings

- carotid
- respiratory
- bone density
- foot checks
- hearing
- clinical breast exams
- blood pressure
- skin cancer
- lab draws - lipid panel & blood glucose
(12 hour fast is required)

and MORE!

For more information contact:

Dawn Denton

410-641-9268

ddenton@atlanticgeneral.org

Melvin Friedman

410-524-1177

docmelvin@verizon.net

Please join us!

7:45 am

Motorcycle Ride-In by
American Legion Riders

7:55 am

Presentation of colors by
the American Legion
Post #166

8:00 am

Ribbon Cutting and doors
open by Ocean City
Elected Officials,
AARP representatives and
AGH President & CEO,
Michael Franklin

Health Fair:

8 am to 12:30 pm

Location:

**Roland E. Powell
Convention Center**

40th Street & Coastal Hwy.



AGH Healthy
HAPPENINGS
● Your Community Connection

**Brought to you by:
Atlantic General Hospital
Town of Ocean City
Ocean City AARP Chapter #1917**

 **Blood Bank**
of Delmarva
Be Someone's Hero. Give Blood.

2016 TRAVEL CALENDAR

TRAVEL UPDATES FOR MARCH 2016

March 16, 2016: Harrington Casino Slots. Trip Full. The bus will leave from the Ocean City 65th Street Parking Lot located in front of the Circuit Court Building promptly at **9 am**. Please be sure to bring a Photo ID with you and your Players Card.

April 5, 2016: Cherry Blossom Cruise, Washington DC, \$129/person. Trip Full. The bus will leave from the Ocean City 65th Street Parking Lot in front of the Circuit Court Building promptly at **8 am**.

May 18, 2016: Candlelight Dinner Theater, *Arsenic & Old Lace*, \$85/person. Three openings remaining - Final payment due by 3/10/2016.

June 6-8, 2016: Three City Tour - Philadelphia - Cape May - Harrington. \$265/person (double occupancy), including bus transportation, hotel accommodations, 5 Meals (2B/2L/1D) and all gratuities. Day 1 begins with lunch on-board the Moshulu, followed by a guided tour of Philly. Day 2 includes a Trolley Tour of Cape May, a tour of the Cape May Lighthouse and a Patriotic Flag Ceremony at Sunset Beach. Day 3, have a little gambling fun at Harrington with lunch and then head home. Payment is due by 4/14/2016.

September 16 -24, 2016: Romantic Danube River Cruise - Viking River Cruises on the Longship Freya. For complete information and reservations, contact Oasis Travel 410-213-9330.

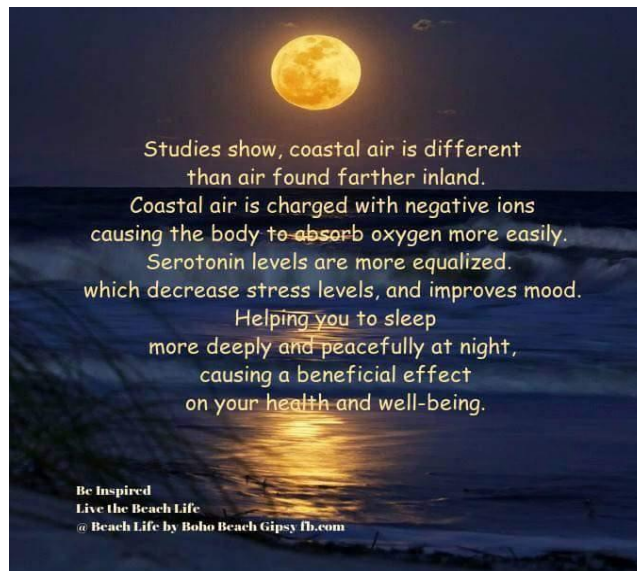
PLEASE NOTE: The Travel Night with Viking Cruises scheduled for Tuesday, March 22nd at the Courtyard Marriott from 6-8 pm has been postponed. No new date has been set.

October 19-21, 2016: West Virginia Scenic Railroad Adventure, \$475/person (DbI Occupancy). Trip Full - Final Payment is due June 9th.

October 27-29, 2016: West VA Scenic Railroad Adventure (2nd Trip), \$475/person (DbI Occupancy). Single supplement, add \$165. Includes bus transportation and driver tip, 2 night's accommodations, 5 meals, 2 train rides and 2 "Branson Style" Music & Comedy Variety Shows. Two openings remaining. Final Payment is due 6/09.

Check our website Travel page for more information. [Just Click Here.](#)

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Happy St. Patrick's Day!!!!

Happy Easter!
Wishing You And Your Family the
Best for the Easter Holiday.

