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# CHAPTER 1917



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# The President's Corner....

Dear all.

As winter turns to spring, we begin looking forward to going outdoors and ending our winter hibernation. Here's a list of activities that AARP will be providing in the months ahead for your springtime enjoyment:

- 1. The AARP tax program will continue to provide free tax preparations for members and non-members alike. Taxes will be done on Saturdays from 9:30--3:00 at the Ocean City Senior Center and on Mondays from 9:00--3;00 at the Ocean Pines library. Please call Peggy at 443-373-2667 for an appointment. Taxes will be done through April 15.
- 2. A springtime luncheon is being planned as a fundraiser for our annual scholarship for a student at Stephen Decatur High School. Details as to cost, date, venue, and menu will be announced as they are finalized. You may also check our website, www.aarp1917.org, for luncheon information.
- 3. Preparations are already underway for our 2019 Health Fair that will be held this year on Tuesday, May 7 at the Ocean City Convention Center. As in past years, we would appreciate some of you volunteering to work at the Health Fair. We also need volunteers to assist with the fair set-up on May 6. Please speak with any AARP board member if you can help. For those who don't wish to volunteer, please plan to attend the Health Fair anyway and take advantage of the free screenings and health information that will be available. It's a wonderful opportunity to invest some time in your own health. Also, encourage non-AARP members to attend as well. The Health Fair is open to the general public at no cost.
- 4. Our travel committee has been hard at work providing you with new travel opportunities for the Spring and Fall. Be aware that some trips fill up fast, so it's best to sign-up early when you see one you like. Also, please note that our normal point of departure for trips, the Public Safety lot at 65th St., has been lost to us for the foreseeable future due to construction. New points of departure will be announced for future trips. Check with our travel committee for further information.
- 5. We will again host a free luncheon for our members following the June meeting. The chapter will provide subs, sodas, water, and chips. We will be asking our members to contribute a side dish or dessert item to compliment the subs. I hope everyone will be able to join us for this event.

I hope this list provides a satisfactory menu of activities for all to enjoy in the coming months. If you have other ideas of things you would like to see us do or sponsor, speak to any board member and let us know what is on your mind. In the meantime, let's all look forward to the arrival of warmer weather.

Best regards, Bob

# **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE**

Andrea Albrecht, our Membership Committee Chair, reports positive response to our continued quest for members and annual dues. Our membership is growing.

If you have not yet sent in your renewal for 2019 please use the attached form and mail or bring it to the next meeting. Renewals need to be completed by March 31 or we will miss you very much and you will miss some good times with the AARP group. Thanks.



## **TRAVEL UPDATES FOR MARCH 2019**

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Mar 20, 2019 (Wed): Candlelight's Dinner Theater - "Curtains".

For those of you that signed up, the bus will leave promptly at 8:15 am. NOTE: There has been a change to the pick-up location. We will now be leaving from the parking lot behind the Ocean City Library at 100<sup>th</sup> Street & Coastal Hwy. Turn on 100<sup>th</sup> Street (bayside) and continue to 100<sup>th</sup> Street Lot. Turn right, go around the water tower and park in the lot to your right. Be sure to place your AARP parking pass on the dash of your car. If you do not have a parking pass, passes will be available at the Travel Table and at the bus. Bob McCluskey will be your bus coordinator for this trip.

#### April 24 & 25: Springtime in NYC - \$390/person (dbl); \$499/person (sngl)

Includes admission to the Broadway Show, "Pretty Woman", Admission to the Museum of Natural History, including a Space Show at the Hayden Planetarium and a River Cruise around the sights and landmarks of Manhattan. **Balance due by 3/14.** 

#### May 14-17: Monuments, Music & Memorials - \$499/person (dbl); \$671 (sngl)

Trip includes 3 Breakfasts/3 Dinners, a visit to the Flight 93 Memorial in Shanksville, PA; a ride on the Duquesne Incline; Admission to the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame in Ohio, an Illumination Tour of the Monuments of Washington DC and a TourMobile Ride of National Cemetery. *Note: If anyone is looking for a female roommate for this trip, please call Sandy at 443-664-2003 for information.* A \$100 deposit due by 3/14; Balance due by 4/11.

#### June 5 & 6: Dover Downs - Gambling & Live Entertainment: \$125/person (dbl); \$369 (sngl).

Includes \$50 play money, admission to the "Sounds of the Street Doo Wop" show, overnight accommodations & Breakfast Buffet. **Payment due by 4/11.** 

Sept 22-28: A Nova Scotia Adventure: \$1250/person (dbl); \$1680 (sngl); 7 days/6 nights to include one night in Mystic, Conn.; the High Speed "CAT" ferry ride from Portland to NS; 1 night in Yarmouth, NS; 2 nights in Halifax, NS, to include Lunenburg, Peggy's Cove and the Citadel Historic Site; 2 nights in Maine, to include tours of New Brunswick and Campobello Island. A \$250 deposit due by 4/11; Balance due by 6/13.

For more information and flyers, visit our website at www.aarp1917.org or call Sandy Kvech 443-664-2003.

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\*\*\*Check your Passport expiration date carefully and make sure your expiration date extends at least 6 months beyond your scheduled vacation.

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# RON APPERSON'S LUNCH BUNCH

## **LUNCH BUNCH IN MARCH** - "Mio Fratello" on Rt 54 in Selbyville.



May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019 8:30 AM – 12:30 2019 OCEAN CITY COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR 8-12:30 pm See flyer attached

April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019

SENIOR CENTER FUNDRAISER AT CARRABBAS (See info attached

11 am to 3 pm)



# FUNDRAISER DINNER SATURDAY, APRIL 6TH 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

#### MENU

-Chicken Marsala with Broccoli or Mashed Potatoes -Chicken Bryan with Broccoli or Mashed Potatoes OR

.-Spaghetti with Meatballs and Meat Sauce
-Linguine Positano
-Chicken Caesar Salad
\*All entrees come with a side Caesar Salad or Minestrone Soup and a
Mini Cannoli

**\$16 PER PERSON** 





## SENIOR EVENTS FOR AGES 50 AND OLDER

What is open to anyone over the age of 50 who enjoys fun with friends, opportunities for travel, camaraderie, educational and guest speakers and discounted local fare, just to name a few!



AARP 1917 - JOIN US! Our meetings are held at the Worcester County Senior Center located at 41st street, Bayside, Ocean City, on the <u>second Thursday of every month, September through June.</u> The Senior Center is just to the right of the Roland Powell Convention Center, almost under the water tower. Free parking is plentiful.

Meeting time is preceded by coffee, snacks and time for travel and brochure browsing, followed at 10:00 am by our speaker and business meeting. Ocean City residency is not required to JOIN US, and belonging to another chapter is fine with us. Tell your friends or bring your neighbors to a meeting.

### **Senior Center card**

New members, please take the time to get your picture Senior Center card at the center. Each time you attend a meeting or event, please swipe your card or use your phone number to sign in. These sign ins are to assist our county leaders to budget accurately for these valued Senior Centers throughout our county.

# **Snacks**

We would love to have you share your culinary skills. Donna Reid, our volunteer Hospitality Hostess would love to hear from you. She is a magician organizing our monthly snack sharing. **Surprise us with your favorite recipe.** Give Donna a call if she can count on you to help at an upcoming meeting. 301 518-4187

# **Monthly Senior Center Activities and Times**

<u>Link for Senior Center calendar: http://worcoa.org/ocean-city/</u>

**AARP Taxes** - this year by appointment only. Refer to President's Letter for more information.



#### PLEASE REPORT SCAMS:

whether an email request for detailed information, phone call requesting money, child endangerment or questionable prize collection. STOP. Check it out before you send or wire money to someone or provide any type of personal information.

If you spot a scan, report it to the Federal Trade Commission.

<u>Call the FTC at 1-877-FTC-HELP ( 1 877-382-4357 )</u> TTY 1-866 653-4261

Or go on-line: **ftc.gov/complaint.** Help protect others from the rampant fraud that is so much a part of our life.

Answering the phone
"Sheriff's Department,
Fraud Division" sure has
slowed down the
telemarketer calls.

Overall, scammers extracted an estimated \$2 billion from Americans last year, and 70% of reported fraud began with a phone call, according to the Federal Trade Commission. America's senior citizens are facing new technology scams designed to sucker money from them as fraudsters target their smartphones and computers as well as use social media posts to lend authenticity to bogus kidnapping calls. More recently, seniors and veterans receive calls or emails from individuals at various government agencies, or local county officials offering or threatening fines, warrants, bail money and even arrest for a carefully calculated scam, keeping their victims off-balance and emotional. FBI reports that Internet romance scams are also on the rise, where people pretend to be potential suitors to solicit money. It is a hugely underreported crime according the FBI offices in Houston, Tx, due to the embarrassment and shame that these individuals feel.









