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The President's Corner ...

Here we are in the dead of winter celebrating the Baltimore Raven's Super Bowl victory and for those National, Oriole and Phillies Fans, and baseball fans everywhere, getting ready for the warmer weather that baseball brings.

Going forward, your Ocean City AARP Board of Directors is looking at all areas of expanding its monthly monetary base. In today's economy ,I would assume many AARP Chapters are experiencing financial and other difficulties. Our chapter is no different. At a recent meeting, your board made a tough decision, for 2013, to delete our Scholarship Donation. Our yearly cost of meeting rental, normal operating expenses, insurance cost(s),etc., continue to rise while our dues income and other income(s) do not meet the majority of those obligations. All of this will be explained at our monthly meeting this Thursday.

Successful AARP Chapters meet their financial obligations head-on and that is what your board was charged to do. You, the membership, voted your board to make those sound business decisions and at the same time adhere to our Ocean City AARP Chapter's well-being.

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY! See you on the 14th!

Chris

Our Meetings:

Membership Meetings are held in the Knights of Columbus Hall, 99th street, behind St. Luke's Church. Coffee & Conversation at 9:30 a.m. There are no meetings in July & August. If Worcester County schools are closed due to inclement weather, then there is no meeting.

Board Meetings are held at the Senior Center next to the Convention Center in Ocean City on the first Thursday each month at 9:30 a.m.

See our website www.aarp1917.org for more information.

Note: This Newsletter is written primarily for those members who do not have access to a computer to access the Internet. Our website has all the information contained in the newsletter. Also please remember that most public libraries offer free access to the Internet.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February 14, 2013 - 9:30 AM - ***Membership Meeting***. Speakers will be Ms. Karen Turner of the Bank of Delmarva and Ms. Veronica Nhan-Nock from Seaford Federal Union. They will talk about the differences in banking at bank versus a credit union.

February 19, 2013 - 8:30 AM - **Breakfast** at Ocean Downs. Come join us for breakfast and some gambling fun! \$6/person. Flyer is on the website and is available at the Travel Table.

March 13, 2013 - **Trip** - Day Trip to Smithsonian Institute, Air & Space Museum, Washington, D.C. Dinner in Annapolis included. \$55/person. Flyer is on the website and is available at the Travel Table.

March 14, 2013 - 9:30 AM - ***Membership Meeting***. Speaker will be Ms. Andrea Schlottman, Library manger of the Ocean City Branch.

April 9, 2013 - **Trip** - Day Trip to Rainbow Dinner Theatre: "Fun Between the Covers". Comedy show and Lunch! \$75/person. Flyer is on the website and is available at the Travel Table.

April 11, 2013 - 9:30 AM - ***Membership Meeting***. Speaker will be Mr. Brian Garrett, Executive Director of the Delmarva Discovery center in Pocomoke City.

April 14, 2013 – **Show** – Enjoy “A Little Night Music” at the Clear Space Theater in Rehobeth. Sondheim and Wheeler. \$22.50/person. Optional dinner at the “Big Fish” restaurant. Flyer is on the website and is at the Travel Table.

May 3-14, 2013 - **Trip** - Holland/Belgium Tulip Time River Cruise. Air transportation, Tours, Food, all included! Plus a 10% Rebate paid based upon total trip price! Flyer is on the website and is available at the Travel Table.

May 8, 2013 – **Health Fair** – OC Convention Center. Details to follow.

May 9, 2013 - 9:30 AM - ***Membership Meeting***. Speaker will be Senator James N. Mathias , Jr., State Senator representing Somerset, Wicomico, and Worcester Counties.

May 15, 2013 - **Trip** - Day Trip to St. Michael's: Narrated Cruise on the *Patriot* with lunch at the Crab Claw Restaurant. \$72/person. **Flyer is on the website and is available at the Travel Table.**

June 13, 2013 - 9:30 AM - ***Membership Meeting***. Speaker will be Mr. Michael Franklin, President/CEO of Atlantic General Hospital.

June 17, 2013 – **Trip** – Day Trip to the Delmarva Discovery Center in Pocomoke, lunch, cruise on the *Bay Queen*. Only \$45/person. Flyer is on the website and is at the Travel Table.

October 22, 2013 - **Trip** - Day Trip to Annapolis, with tours of State House and the Academy, lunch, AND a cruise on the Harbor Queen. Don't miss this deal! \$76/person. Flyer is on the website and is at the Travel Table.

November 19-20, 2013 – **Trip** – New York City Broadway Trip. 2 shows (“Wicked” and “Phantom of the Opera”), dinner at Carmine’s Italian restaurant. Maximum of \$450 PP, double occupancy. Flyer is on the website and is at the Travel Table.

Dues Dues Dues



Remember: Annual membership dues are now \$7/year per person. When paying at the membership table at the membership meeting, if you're not paying by check, exact change is greatly appreciated!

Travel News



We have exciting trips planned for 2013, including ones to Annapolis, the Smithsonian, Rainbow Dinner Theatre, NYC Broadway again, and the always popular "Ocean Downs Breakfast" in February! You can sign up for all our trips via the website or at our meetings. Check out the Travel and Calendar Pages for more details: www.aarp1917.org. Note that the chapter now has a post office box, as listed on the flyers and membership forms.

Remember: Payment for the **Breakfast at Ocean Downs 2/19** and for the **Air & Space Museum at the Smithsonian Institute 3/13** is due at the February meeting.

LAST CHANCE to get 50% off International Airfare for **Holland & Belgium in Springtime, May 3-14**, plus earn a 10% rebate on total price of the trip!

Our First Meeting at the Knights of Columbus Hall !

On Thursday, January 10th, our chapter held our first membership meeting at the Knights of Columbus Hall at 99th street. The site offers plenty of parking, reasonable rental fees, easy access, coffee, 50/50, the ability to bring in food, and Internet access. The meeting had a very good turnout, and our members are looking forward to a long relationship with the Hall.



January Speaker



January 10th, 2013 – Our speaker was Mr. Tom Brown. Mr. Brown talked about his career in sports which included playing baseball and football at the University of Maryland, playing for the Washington Senators, and playing for the Green Bay Packers. Mr. Brown was the first player to play Major League Baseball and participate in two NFL Super Bowls. He had many entertaining stories and told us many of the reasons why Vince Lombardi was both a great coach and mentor.

Remember

If you've read all the way down to here, the one important thing to remember is that starting with our January 2013 meeting, we are now meeting at the Knights of Columbus Hall at 99th street. Same time as usual. And we'll have coffee and snacks!

Meanwhile, read on, please !

Free Tax Preparation with Free E-Filing by AARP Tax-Aide

AARP Tax-Aide is once again offering free tax preparation for the 2012 tax season starting February 2, 2013. Preparation is available to all and you need not be a member of AARP. Appointments are required. Preparation is done by trained volunteers and free e-filing is included.

Site Location Information For 2013

AARP FOUNDATION TAX-AIDE

Monday: Ocean Pines Library Time: 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM
11107 Cathell Road
Berlin, MD 21811
Phone Number 410-213-1608 for Appointment

MAC Center Salisbury Time: 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM
909 Progress Circle Suite 100
Salisbury, MD 21804
Phone Number 410-742-8569 for Appointment

Tuesday: Snow Hill Library Time: 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM
Feb 19th 307 North Washington Street
March 19th Snow Hill, MD 21863
April 2nd Phone Number 410-632-1277 for Appointment
@ MAC Center 107 E. Market St Snow Hill

Thursday: Ocean Pines Library Time: 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM
11107 Cathell Road
Berlin, MD 21811
Phone Number 410-213-1608 for Appointment

Ocean City Library Time: 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM
10003 Coastal Highway
Ocean City, MD 21842
Phone Number 410-213-1608 for Appointment

Friday: Pocomoke Library Time: 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM
Feb 15th Pocomoke City, MD 21851
March 1st Phone Number 410-957-0878 for Appointment
March 15th
March 29th
April 12th

Saturday: Community Church at Ocean Pines Time: 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM
11227 Race Track Road
Berlin, MD 21811
Phone Number 410-213-1608 for Appointment

Ocean City Library Time: 9:30 to 3:00 PM
10003 Coastal Highway
Ocean City, MD 21842
Phone Number 410-213-1608 for Appointment

We Care

Do you live alone? Wouldn't it be nice to have someone to talk to everyday? Someone who cares?

We Care is a program sponsored by the Atlantic General Hospital. It is a free service for people who live alone. We Care provides an outside contact with a person once every 24 hour period. If you are interested in this service, please request an application from Atlantic General Hospital by calling the We Care program at 410-629-1879 and leaving a message with your name, address, and telephone number. Or contact Vice President Sue Harting by E-mail at sueharting@msn.com or by phone at 410-250-3497.

AARP Driver Education

Online

The driver safety course offered online by AARP is only \$5.00 with a promo code BHM2013. It takes 4 hours for the entire course, but probably only need about 1/2 hour to answer the questions. You don't have to take all 4 hours at one time. If you follow instructions, after you register and get a temporary password, which you can change, you pay the \$5.00. You can elect for AARP to send you the certificate for free regular mail, or pay \$2.00 for an email. For more information, go to www.aarp.org and do a search on “driver safety program”; you should then find a link to the course in the middle of the page.

Area class room courses

Classroom courses are also taught in our area, in Millsboro, or example. For a list of area courses, do the same online search at the AARP website; you should then find a link to “locate a class room near you” in the middle of the page.

Newsletter Feedback: Please send constructive feedback or suggestions to Garry Fox at aarp1917newsletter@yahoo.com or call him at 443-664-2396.