

AARP CHAPTER 1917
General Meeting Minutes
September 13, 2018

President Bob McCluskey opened the meeting at 10:00 AM and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and a pause for a moment of silence for the 9/11 remembrance.

Bob then introduced Scott Fowler of WorCOA. He updated us on the flood zones in case of necessary evacuations. He also reminded us that there are flu and pneumonia vaccines available today.

The next speaker was Mr. Wayne Littleton, the Director of the Believe in Tomorrow Children's House by the Sea. This is a wish granting organization for critically ill children and their families which began as the Grant A Wish Foundation 33 years ago. The organization provides respite care with a seven day stay at no cost. Ninety-five cents of every dollar goes to care. If anyone wishes to make a donation, beside a financial donation, they can use summer beach toys, beach towels, and gift cards for pizza. They DO NOT accept stuffed animals. We will collect items at the next meeting.

Treasury: The Treasury report was given by Sandy Kvech and Bob McCluskey. Balances are as follows: **General Account (as of 6/30/2018) - \$10,190.37 and (as of 8/31/2018) - \$9,209.14; Health Fair (as of 6/30/2018) - \$5,164.18 and (as of 8/31/2018) - \$5,164.27; Scholarship - \$1,209.31; Travel – (as of 6/30/2018) - \$34,449.61 and (as of 8/31/2018) - \$38,962.31.**

Travel:

- Hank and Heidi's Hillbilly Wedding – September 15, 4-7 PM at the Elks, open seating, enter at side door
- Hudson River Valley Trip – October 16-18. Trip is full. Please pick up parking passes and luggage tags
- Dutch Apple Dinner - \$95 per person, "A Christmas Carol" trip may need to be cancelled
- December 3-4; NYC Rockettes Christmas show, final payment due in November

- Polish American Club – trip to Peddler’s Village , show “Golden Girls Murder Mystery, \$119 per person

Lunch Bunch: Today’s lunch is at High Stakes and orders will be taken off of the menu. October – Longboard’s - \$16 per person. Please see Ron for a flyer. In November we will be going to Albertino’s.

Holiday Party: Tickets are on sale today for our holiday party which will be held on December 13th from 1-5 PM at the Dunes Manor. Cost is \$20 per person for members and \$30 for non-members. Payment is due by November 8th. Entertainment will be by Joey Vincent with a new holiday show. The Travel Committee will subsidize the event.

Elections: Elections will be held in November. There are three positions up for re-election, President and two Board members. Sue Harting, the longest serving Board member, will not seek re-election, however Norma Bull will seek re-election. Anyone interested in a position please speak with any Board member.

Membership: We now have over 270 members. Renewals start today. Dues are \$7.00 per year. Chapter ID cards will no longer be issued.

Scholarship: There will be two Carrabba’s fundraisers this year and will include one in October. Details will be available next month.

President’s Report:

- Thanks to everyone who donated items to the luncheon in June. We would like feedback on the luncheon.
- Please see Donna to sign-up for October refreshments
- The new Mr. Sunshine is Jeff McArthur
- Our October speaker(s) will be from the J-1 VISA program

The 50/50 in the amount of \$42.00 was won by Sandy Kvech.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:10 AM

Respectfully Submitted

Debi McCluskey, Secretary – AARP Chapter 1917