

AARP CHAPTER 1917
General Membership Meeting
March 8, 2018

President Bob McCluskey opened the meeting at 10:00 AM and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Bob then introduced the first of our three speakers, Mr. Al “Hondo” Handy who has been with Northside Park, Department of Recreation and Parks for 38 years. Mr. Handy outlined recreational programs available for seniors and teens. Registration can be done on-line. Mr. Handy suggested that additional information can be found on the website.

Our next speaker was Ms. Kelly Taylor of Assateague National Park. Ms. Taylor provided an overview of the island and the various wildlife that can be found there. There are currently 86 wild horses that live there. Ms. Taylor urged everyone to buy a senior pass (age 62+) for \$80 which is good for a lifetime and is valid at any national park.

Scott Fowler of WorCOA spoke about the tax programs, the St. Patrick’s Day parade (which is filled with 50 people) and the Jazz Festival, scheduled for April 6th from 5-7 PM at the Senior Center. There are less than 30 tickets left and they will be available after the meeting.

Treasury: Due to the absence of Sandy Kvech, the treasury report(s) will be presented at the next meeting.

Travel: Bob provided an update on travel:

- Military Tattoo= trip cancelled refunds will be made
- Tropicana Resort= April 30; includes \$15 free play, lunch at Carmine’s, and a Frankie Valli tribute show.
- Rails and Paddlewheels= May 23rd, trip full, wait list only
- Hank and Heidi’s Hillbilly Wedding= September 1st, \$39 per person, at the Elk’s
- Hudson River Valley Trip = October 16-18; \$425 per person
- Dutch Apple Theater= November 27th; \$99 per person; “A Christmas Carol”

Reminder: seating is based upon when payment is made

Lunch Bunch – Today is Mio Fratello; April is Blue Fish; please see Ron Apperson to sign up.

Scholarship: Thanks to May Jo Breslin for a successful scholarship fundraiser at Carrabba's. The net profit was \$909.90. The dental raffle will be pulled today (the winner was Sandy Kvech) It is proposed that the excess money in the Health Fair Account should be used to fund a \$1,000 scholarship to a nursing student or to an AGH employee to be used for a nursing program. The membership was in favor of this and it was approved.

President's Report:

- The first table up front will be reserved for those with mobility problems.
- Thank you from Shepherd's Crook.
- Dr. Friedman will speak at the next meeting about the Health Fair. Helen Norris will coordinate the volunteers who should be there by 7:30 AM. Volunteers for set up on May 7th should be there by 10:00 AM.
- Please see Donna Reid for sign-up sheets for the June luncheon.
- Membership dues are due. Please see Andrea.
- Taxes are still being done. Please call 410-641-5036 to set up an appointment.
- In April we will have a speaker from "Operation We Care" and we will collect donations in May.
- Starting in April there will be free blood pressure screenings before the meeting
- There will be an Elder Law workshop on June 11th at the Senior Center.

The 50/50 raffle in the amount of \$41.00 was won by Barbara Underwood..

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:40 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Debi McCluskey, Secretary AARP Chapter 1917

