

AARP Chapter 1917  
Membership Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, January 14, 2026

The meeting was called to order by President Bob McCluskey at 10:00 a.m. and he led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board members present: Bob McCluskey, Mary Jo Breslin, Donna Reid, John Lucas Tish Michel, Rudy Brevard, Jack Boehmer and Margaret DeGeorge.

Members absent: Sandy Kvech.

Speaker: Ms. Mary Handley from the Maryland Comptroller's Office spoke about various scams with the filing of one's income tax and what to do to protect yourself and not become a victim. Her presentation was very informative especially during this time of year approaching tax filing.

Treasury: Sandy Kvech was absent due to the recent death of her husband Jerry. The Chapter will be making a donation in his honor.

Travel: Fran Smith gave her report on all the trips that have been planned. Members can download and sign up for any of these trips over the computer. The trips are:

February 17th - Breakfast at Ocean Downs

March 18th - Young Frankenstein at Candlelight Theatre in Wilmington, Delaware

April 23,24th - Casino at Wind du in Bethlehem, Pa.

May 20th - Naval base and Botanical Gardens at Norfolk, Va.

June 16th - Shorebird game at Perdue Stadium in Salisbury

October 28th - Just in Time musical on Broadway in New York

Details on all of these trips are on the flyers attached here.

Membership and Luncheons: Andrea Albrecht said the dues should be paid before the end of the month and they can be mailed to her. The March luncheon will be at Lighthouse Sound and the sign up sheet will be at the next meeting. Tish Michel said the February luncheon will be at the American Legion and she had the sign up sheet.

President's Report:

New Board Alignment - Mary Jo Breslin is now the Vice-President and Rudy Brevard is a new Board member and is also the Webmaster, and they both stood to be introduced.

AARP tax program information - Tax preparers will again be available at the same three sites: Saturdays at the Ocean City Library, Mondays at the Ocean Pines

Library and Tuesdays at the Berlin Library. You do not have to be a member of AARP but you must make an appointment and the number to call is 443-584-5661. There are handouts at the Library and one should have that filled out before your appointment. You will need: photo ID for both of you, copy of previous year's tax form, banking information for refunds, documentation that you paid last years' taxes. Tish Michel said that this service is for people that have simple situations. If you rent properties or something like that, you should have your taxes done by a professional tax preparer who is also a CPA.

Valentine candy - we will again do this at the next meeting.

June luncheon - for the past 6 years, we provide a free luncheon for our members, but volunteers can bring sides or deserts.

50/50 volunteer needed - It is now \$5 for 3 tickets, up from \$2 for 3. Sharon Craven volunteered to do this in the future.

Help is needed for next month's snack table as Donna Reid will be absent and the sign up sheet is on the table.

Ms. Sunshine report - Sharon Craven had nothing to report.

February's guest speaker will be Mr. Dave Allen who has a company that helps seniors with downsizing.

Bob reminded members that if Worcester Co. schools are closed due to inclement weather, the AARP meeting will also be canceled.

Community Activities: There is a group of members who meet once a month in the evening for dinner and social at a restaurant. It will be on the 27th at Mio Fratello at 5 p.m. and you call Jerry Outen at 443-829-7454 to sign up.

The 50/50 winner got \$97.

The meeting adjourned at 11:16 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Margaret DeGeorge, Secretary  
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