



# CHAPTER 1917



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## ***The President's Corner....***

### ***Welcome to all our new members and greetings to everyone!***

I'd like to think spring has arrived, but it seems to be delayed or stymied in its effort to arrive on time. I have had a bit of a set back as well but am working hard to rehabilitate my health and mobility to return to life as I knew it. Variability in the weather doesn't transfer to life quite as easily. I look forward to returning to my station and activities in the near future. Once again, it looks like we may begin summer without seeing much of our normal spring. Regardless, time-wise, summer is on its way, in all its glory, with oppressive heat, a plethora of tourists, sun bathers, snarled traffic and significant holiday celebrations.

Unfortunately, this means that our AARP meetings and camaraderie will go on vacation after our June meeting for several months. Our May meeting will feature Master Chief Timaree Sparks, from the United States Coast Guard, Ocean City Station, followed by Bob's lunch bunch at "High Stake" in Fenwick DE on Rt 54 near the Walgreens. Our last meeting on June 9<sup>th</sup> will present Ocean City Fire Chief Larmore, followed by lunch bunch at the Abbey. Don't miss these presentations!

We are proud of our accomplishments this year, for each of you - our members, as well as our community. Each event in which we participated or planned has been a success. We have remained solvent in our chapter finances, provided a \$1000.00 scholarship to a Stephen Decatur HS student, enjoyed enviable trips to various locations into and out of the country, made new friends, visited a multitude of local restaurants and participated in our community health fair and numerous other events and celebrations. Our speaker list has expanded, including political representatives, historians, local arts and entertainment resources, and a variety of educational sessions. Our 2016 membership rolls have seen the highest number (46) of new members in several years. During my absence, officers, board and committee members have stepped up to insure minimal interruption in chapter and project function. These and many other volunteers continue to work diligently to make Chapter 1917 successful. They are awesome, untiring and deserving of our recognition and thanks!

We will return on September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016 with exciting travel opportunities, a new speaker panel, and more activities to share with you. We hope you will be there also. Wishing you a safe, healthy and carefree summer with friends and families.

Regards, John

## Our Meetings



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**Our membership meetings are held at the Worcester County Senior Center located at 41st street, Bayside, Ocean City, second Thursday of the month. When looking at the Convention Center from Ocean Highway, the Senior Center is located to the right, almost under the water tower. There is free parking next to both the Senior Center and in the Convention Center parking lot.**

**You do not have to be a resident of Ocean City to join our chapter, and you can already belong to another chapter; that's fine with us.**

**Bring your friends or your neighbors! See you there at 9:30 a.m.!**

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**BE a SNACK VOLUNTEER for our monthly meeting!**

**2<sup>nd</sup> THURSDAY every month**

***Bring Meeting Munchies***



**We are looking for assistance with helping to organize our monthly snack donations.**  
**Grab a friend and help us out.**

## NEWS YOU SHOULDN'T MISS

- THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS met last Thursday and reviewed, revised and approved the Operational Guidelines for our Chapter. Charlie Herbert wishes to thank those who participated for their support, input and endorsement. More information to come. [This document may be reviewed on our website. Click here.](#)
- OUR SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER at Carabbas was quite a success thanks to Norma Bull and her committee as well as the guests who supported this luncheon event in April. Many thanks to those who attended. This event was held in an effort to raise \$1000.00 for a scholarship presentation to a deserving Stephen Decatur High School student. Members of the Scholarship Committee will interview several pre-determined students next week to determine the winner of this wonderful gift.
- HOPING YOU DIDN'T MISS OUR OCEAN CITY COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR which was held on May 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Ocean City Convention Center. While we do not yet have numbers, we know it was well received by the local community and even some Ocean City visitors. AARP membership and travel committees were at least two of the vendors who participated. Dr. Fried will have further information as well as the date to begin planning for next year's event. Special thanks from Dr. Fried and the AARP Board and Committees too those volunteers who so graciously donated their time and effort for this worthwhile cause. More news to come!
- BOB'S LUNCH BUNCH will be going to "High Stakes" on Route 54 this Thursday following our meeting. High Stakes is located in the same strip mall as Walgreens. Need more details? call Bob McCluskey at 410 250 0980. In June, look forward to lunch at Abbey's Bistro.
- NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE reports that several officer and committee chairs will be vacating at the end of this year. Please use some time this summer to consider running for one of these positions or even to join a committee. John Lucas will offer more information over the next several meetings, and accept nominations and self-nominations in September.
- SHREDDING ANYONE? ***Last Chance to Shred!*** Free Shred Event scheduled for Saturday, 6/25 at Ocean Pines Library, 10am – 1pm. Bring a canned food item!

## TRAVEL UPDATES FOR MAY 2016

**May 18, 2016: Candlelight Dinner Theater, *Arsenic & Old Lace*. The bus will leave from the Ocean City 65th Street Parking Lot in front of the Circuit Court Building promptly at **8:30 am**. Be sure to pick up your AARP Parking Pass.**

***NEW!* September 21, 2016: Harrington Casino & Slots, \$20/person. Includes \$15 play money, \$7 voucher towards Harrington's Famous Buffet, Transportation & Driver Tip.**

**October 19-21, 2016: West Virginia Scenic Railroad Adventure, \$475/person (Dbl Occupancy). **Trip Full - Final Payment is due 6/09.****

**October 27-29, 2016: West VA Scenic Railroad Adventure (**2nd Trip**), \$475/person (Dbl Occupancy). **Trip Full - Final Payment is due 6/09.****

***NEW!* November 15, 2016: "*Mistletoe, Murder & Mayhem*" Murder Mystery Dinner at Captain's Table Restaurant, \$45/person. Includes dinner and show.**

**December 6, 2016: The German Christmas Village in Philadelphia, \$35/person. Includes bus transportation, driver tip and water. The Christmas Village in Philadelphia is an outside Holiday market event in downtown Philadelphia, situated in LOVE Park. Philadelphia's Christmas Village is modeled after the traditional Christmas Markets in Germany with more than 60 International Vendors offering a great shopping experience for all.**

**Check our website Travel page for more information. [Just Click Here.](#)**

***Save the Date!* Holiday Extravaganza – Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, 12noon to 5pm at Dunes Manor Genesar Ballroom. Join us for lunch, live entertainment, door prizes and more! Tickets go on sale May 12<sup>th</sup> through November 10<sup>th</sup>: \$20/person for members; \$30/person for non-member guests. *Note: The Holiday Party will be in lieu of December's monthly member meeting.***



April 2016



Bill Shoop presents a Certificate of Appreciation to Rina Thaler, the Executive Director of The Art League of Ocean City Center for the Arts who shared the history, various types of art exhibitions, meet the artist nights, and many other opportunities at the Center. She provided further information related to events offered, membership benefits, First Friday receptions, classes offered and volunteer opportunities for arts and craft lovers. The Center for the Arts is located on the Bayside at 94<sup>th</sup> St in Ocean City.



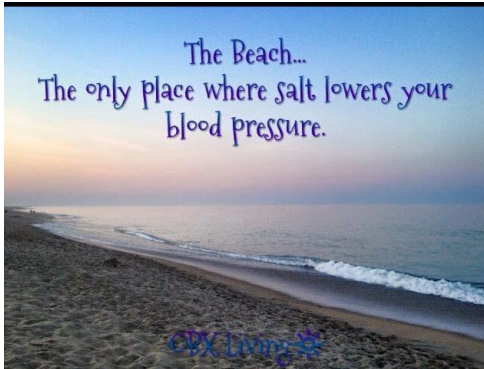
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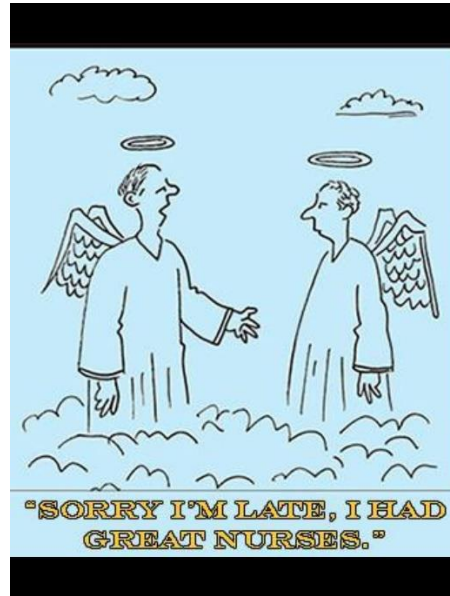




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Healthy Living



Happy Nurses Week



HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY



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