



CHAPTER 1917



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President's Corner

Now that the holiday season is upon us, allow me to wish all of our members a wonderful Thanksgiving and the warmest of Christmases. For those of you who would like to join your fellow AARP members in celebration, we will be hosting a Thanksgiving buffet at The Clarion on Nov. 28 and our annual Christmas party will also be held at The Clarion on Dec. 12. Tickets for one or both events may be purchased at our Nov. 14 meeting. Please note: tickets for both events must be purchased in advance so that we can provide The Clarion with a head count.

Unfortunately, our holiday festivities will be saddened this year by the passing of one of our long-term and prestigious members--Bill Shoop. Bill served as our chapter treasurer for many years and I'm sure most of you will remember him taking the podium to deliver his treasurer's report at our monthly meetings--usually with a touch of humor. He may have also completed your federal and state tax returns. Every year, Bill volunteered his time to prepare taxes for AARP's tax preparation program. Furthermore, Bill and his wife, Sue, were frequent participants in the various trips and activities sponsored by our chapter. But most of all, Bill was a wonderful person and a valued friend. He will be missed. I'm sure I speak for everyone in extending to the Shoop family our warmest sympathies and sincere regret over his recent passing.

Respectfully,

Bob McCluskey

PS A Celebration of Bill Shoop's Life will be held on Saturday, November 23, 2019 at St. Peter's Lutheran Church at 10301 Coastal Highway. There will be visitation in the Narthex from 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. followed by a service at 11:00 a.m.



MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REMINDER

IT'S STILL DUES TIME! \$7.00 ONLY



RON APPERSON'S LUNCH BUNCH

LUNCH BUNCH REMINDERS: Please see Ron Apperson at Travel Table to sign-up!

Nov 14th: Pit & Pub - 28th St., \$12/person

Dec: None

Jan 9th: Blue Fish - 94th St., \$11/person



Charlie Herbert, a member of our board of directors, well known to the OC community, Roxana Fire Department and speaker du jour offered a fascinating FIRE SAFETY presentation at our October meeting. His informative checkpoints, hazard management and visible presentation proved valuable to all on many platforms related to fire and electrical hazards.



On October 26th, our AARP Chapter 1917 sponsored a dinner at Outback Steakhouse in West Ocean City, for the benefit of a Stephen Decatur college bound student. We as a chapter, provide a \$1000.00 scholarship annually to a promising and vetted student whose application and interview process meets our goals. The scholarship is awarded in May 2020. Our profit from this event included event camaraderie, a great meal and \$486.00 towards our scholarship fund. Look for another opportunity to participate in this valuable fundraiser in the Spring of 2020.



TRAVEL UPDATE 2019 -2020

Dec 4 & 5: Christmas on the Potomac at the Gaylord National Harbor

Be sure to pick up your parking passes and luggage tags at the member meeting. The bus will be leaving promptly at **8 am** from St. Luke's Catholic Church between 99th & 100th St & Coastal Hwy. Please park behind the

church, back by the tree line. Seat assignments have been made based upon payment received. Please plan to arrive a few minutes early for boarding.

TRAVEL PLANNED FOR 2020!

February 27 (Thurs): Dutch Apple Dinner Theater, "Grumpy Old Men", \$105/person

Don't miss this laugh-out-loud story of family, friendship, love and romance in a fresh new musical that's guaranteed to delight! Based on the 1993 film, which starred Jack Lemmon, Walter Matthau and Ann-Margaret; written by Mark Steven Johnson. Trip includes bus transportation, driver tip, tickets to the show and a fabulous buffet lunch! **Payment due by January 9th, 2020.**

April 21 (Tues): Peddler's Village & The Golden Girls Murder Mystery, \$105/person

Thank you for being a friend! Especially a Golden Girl's Friend! Your favorite ladies from the 80's are throwing a party, and you're invited! Trip includes some free time to browse/shop in Peddler' Village, followed by a 3 course lunch and show at the Cock n Bull Restaurant. **Payment due by February 15th, 2020.**

May 3 (Sun): VA International Military Tattoo Performance, \$135/person

The International Tattoo is one of the most patriotic displays of might and skill. The Tattoo is an annual performance in Norfolk, VA that guarantees to thrill audiences with pipers and drummers, military bands, drill teams, Celtic dancers, cultural performers, choirs and more! Includes Transportation, Admission to the Military Tattoo Performance & Lunch at Brick Anchor Brew House. **Payment Due by Feb 15th, 2020**

June 6 – 11, 2020: Cruise to Bermuda from Baltimore

If you have not submitted your **passport/emergency contact information forms** (blue forms), be sure to pick up copies at the travel table and return as soon as possible. Travel Insurance must be booked on-line or call directly to NTA, 1-800-388-1470. Mention Tour Operator Location #306194, located at top right hand corner of form. **Final payment due by January 30th, 2020**

NEW! Sept 29/30, 2020 (Tues/Wed): Dover Downs - \$135/person (dbl); \$169 (sngl)

Join us for some gambling fun, & live entertainment with the "Almost Cher" Show! Trip includes \$50 play money, Admission to the Show, "Almost Cher", Over-night Accommodations & Breakfast Buffet. Bus transportation, Gratuities & Driver Tip Included. **Payment due by June 9th, 2020.**

THANKSGIVING BUFFET AT THE CLARION - NOV 28th, 1pm, CRYSTAL BALLROOM:

Nov 14th is your last chance to sign-up for the Thanksgiving Buffet at the Clarion! \$25/person, members; \$30/person, non-members. Includes Tax and gratuity. Payment due in advance. See Debi McCluskey to sign-up and pay.

HOLIDAY PARTY - DEC 12th AT THE CLARION, 1pm - 5pm, CRYSTAL BALLROOM:

Nov 14th is your last chance to purchase tickets for the Holiday Party! \$25/person, members; \$35/person, non-members. See Fran Morris at the Travel Table for tickets.



SENIOR EVENTS FOR AGES 50 AND OLDER

What is open to anyone over the age of 50 who enjoys fun with friends, opportunities for travel, camaraderie, educational and guest speakers and discounted local fare, just to name a few!



AARP 1917 - JOIN US! Our meetings are held at the Worcester County Senior Center located at 41st street, Bayside, Ocean City, on the second Thursday of every month, September through June. The Senior Center is just to the right of the Roland Powell Convention Center, almost under the water tower. Free parking is plentiful.

Meeting time is preceded by coffee, snacks and time for travel and brochure browsing, followed at 10:00 am by our speaker and business meeting. Ocean City residency is not required to JOIN US, and belonging to another chapter is fine with us. Tell your friends or bring your neighbors to a meeting to see what we are about..

Senior Center card

Dear AARP members, please take the time to get and use your picture Senior Center card at the center. Each time you attend a meeting or event, please swipe your card or use your dedicated number to sign in. These sign ins are to assist our county leaders to budget accurately for these valued and improving activities for Senior Centers throughout our county.

LINK FOR SENIOR CENTER CALENDAR:

<http://worcoa.org/ocean-city/>

MEETING Snacks

Are you able to make or bring a special snack for one of our meetings?