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HOLTS LANDING STATE PARK WILL BE FEATURED AT APRIL'S MEETING - A GREAT PLACE FOR OUR JUNE PICNIC

Our April 19 meeting at Cripple Creek Golf and Country Club program will be a presentation by Friends of Holts Landing State Park's President, Chuck Schonder.

Chuck will preview the park's physical features and facilities prior to our AARP Picnic on June 21. This event which starts at Noon will be in place of our regular luncheon at Cripple Creek.

Chuck will also review the progress the group has made over their seventeen months history as well as discuss future improvements they have planned for the park.

LUNCHEON CHOICES INCLUDE

Soup and Sandwich combination - 1/2 of a club sandwich wrap (lettuce, tomato, apple wood bacon, and mayonnaise) with a cup of Maryland crab soup.

OR

Prairie Sandwich

Sliced roast beef with caramelized onions, creamy horseradish sauce and melted cheddar cheese served on warm ciabatta bread.

OR

Trio Salad

House made chicken salad, tuna and egg salad over a mixed green salad. Served with a toasted dinner roll.

Beverages include Ice Tea, Lemonade, Coffee, and Water. Dessert will consist of assorted cookies..

Doors open at **11 am** for social hour with lunch at **12 noon** followed by the program and chapter news and announcements. **Cost: \$16 members and \$17 guests.**

Members may make their lunch reservations by calling **Jean Layton 732-3631**, or **Mary Ann Dougherty, 541-9412** or madod@aol.com by **noon, Thursday, April 14**. To cancel after the deadline, please contact **Linda Miller at 537-2475**. **Cancellations after the deadline or no-shows must be paid.**

COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

Legislative/Environmental -Chuck Schonder

Delaware's Presidential Primary will occur April 26, 2016. Regular polling places will be open from 7 AM- 8 PM. Only registered voters from participating parties may vote. Locations will appear in the local papers two weeks before the primary. April 25 at noon is the last time absentee ballots can be issued. The Department of Elections can be contacted with questions- 302-856-5367.

National AARP has started a Take A Stand Campaign to get the presidential candidates to make public their policy on Social Security. Five of the six candidates have done so. The second phase of the campaign will be to work with each candidate to present them with AARP's twelve principles to protect Social Security.

We expect AARP's The Care Act- to give support to family caregivers to be introduced in the General Assembly this month by Senate Majority leader Bethany Hall- Long. The main provisions of the act are: The name of the family caregiver is recorded when the love one is admitted to the hospital; The family caregiver is notified when the love one is to be discharged from the hospital; Hospital staff must provide an explanation and live instruction of medical tasks that the family caregiver will perform at home.

Contact Chuck Schonder at 703-881-2491 or email to cschonder3@gmail.com, if you would like to be involved.

Membership – Enid Levine

Please welcome new members for January, February, and March 2016: Susan Clower, Mike & Jennifer Read, Elizabeth Christian, Sally Connolly, Glen & Valerie Faden, Tom & Amey Neisser, Eric & Ellen Neumann, Walter & Cynthia Stepowyj and John & Allys Macken.

Total Membership: **487**

Community Service - Kathy Lesperance

We received thank you notes from the children and teaches for the dental presentation in February. They're looking forward to next year's program.

Thanks to everyone who participated in the Home of the Brave fundraiser. It was a lot of fun.

Food Bank: We are still in need of food for the food pantry. These contributions of non-perishable items are needed to help many needy families in our area stretch their food dollars. Please check the dates and bring **unexpired** items to each chapter meeting.

Coupons for Military Families: Please bring your clipped, **unexpired** coupons (good for 90 days after expiration) to the chapter meeting. Be sure **not** to clip off the **bar code** and **expiration date**. Please sort according to food and non-food items. Mary is also collecting cereal box top coupons.

Blood Bank: The Blood Bank will be at **St Ann's** in Bethany on the following dates: **Friday April 8** from 8:30 AM - 1:30 PM, **Friday May 13** from 8:30 - AM - 1:30 PM, **Monday June 6** from 8:30 AM -1:30 PM, **Monday July 18** from 8:30 AM - 1:30 PM.

Ocean City Convention Center in conjunction with the OC AARP Health Fair on Tuesday May 3 from 8 AM - 1 PM.

Indian River Senior Center on Monday April 25 from 1 PM - 6 PM.

Ocean Pines Library on Wednesday July 6 from 1:30 PM - 6:30 PM.

Selbyville Fire House on Thursday July 14 1 PM - 6 pm.

To schedule an appointment call **1-888-825-6638** or schedule on line at www.delmarvablood.org.

Tour Committee - Jim Harding

Please remember our policy regarding payment for trips. If you sign up for a trip, you have **30 days** to pay from the date you **signed up**. If payment is not received within the 30 days, you will be taken off the list.

A separate check for each trip should be payable to **South Coastal AARP Tour Committee** and sent to **South Coastal AARP Tour Committee, P.O. Box 662, Ocean View, DE. 19970**. Our Tour Committee continues to strive for more exciting, fun trips for all to enjoy.

Scholarship - Shirley Price/Ione Phillips

The next meeting of the committee will be at 3 PM on Thursday, April 7 at the Long and Foster office

on Route 1 in Bethany Beach. New members are welcome. Contact Lone Phillips at 302-539-2172 with questions or for more information about becoming part of this important chapter committee. Thanks!

CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

AARP Sponsored Book Club

The AARP sponsored book group will meet on **Thursday, April 7 at 1:30 PM** to discuss "Everything I Never Told You" by Celeste Ng. This is a series of mysteries about the death of a Chinese American daughter.

Please note the time change for this meeting only.

Bowling – Gary Meredith

With six weeks remaining, Jo Lattanzi's Living Legends team holds a one game lead over Sharon Tweedie's Alley Oop Team. Andrea Gowetski's Mountaineer team has climbed out of last place by winning five out of eight games over the last two weeks. The league's last day is April 25. An Awards Luncheon will be held on Monday, May 2 at the Cripple Creek Country Club. For information about the league, please call **Gary Meredith at 539-0532.**

Chorus - Ann Jaeger

The Chorus is practicing hard for the spring concerts. We have five performances to complete the season.. With the addition of some new men and women's voices, we are very pleased with how we are sounding! If you would be interested in singing with us, drop by our practice to check us out. We practice at the South Coastal Library in Bethany on Wednesday's at 10:00 AM to noon.

Driver's Safety Classes--Gloria DeMartino

Refresher Classes are for those who have previously taken the Standard Driver's Safety Class. You must take the class every three years to continue to receive a discount on your auto liability insurance. The State is now mandating you cannot take the Refresher Class prior to 90 days expiration of your current certificate.

A Refresher Class is scheduled for: **Monday, April 4 from 10 AM to 2 PM.** To register for this class, call **Gloria at (302) 934-9727.**

A Standard Class is for those who have never taken the class or it has been more than three years. The next Standard Class is **Monday, May 2 from 9 AM to 3 PM.** To register, call **Gloria at (302) 934-9727.**

Please note: **There will be no classes June, July or August.** All of the classes are held at South Coastal Library, Bethany Beach. The cost is **\$15** for AARP members and **\$20** for non-members.

If you want to take this course online, go to AARPdriversafety.org. The cost is **\$17.95** for AARP members and **\$21.95** for non-members

Scrabble - Dottie McGovern

We meet from **1 PM to 4 PM** at **Grotto's** on Route 26 in Bethany Beach on the **second** and fourth **Tuesday** of every month (Except July and August), We usually play three games.

All skill levels are welcome. If you are interested in joining our group, please call **Dottie McGovern at 436-2335.** If I am not available, please leave a message and I will return your call.

Sunshine - Joan Wolf

If you know of anyone who needs a card, please contact **Joan Wolf at 541-0513.**

No-Cost Income Tax Returns

Again this year, the AARP Tax-Aide program is offering free tax return assistance and preparation to taxpayers with low and moderate incomes, with special attention to those 50 years of age and older. Taxpayers do not need to be members of AARP to use this service. In the Bethany Beach area, the service is offered at St. Ann's Church, Route 26, Monday through Wednesday, with appointments scheduled from 9:00 AM through 1:00 PM. Call **302-858-3575** for an appointment.

For information about other Tax-Aide locations, call the toll-free number, 1-888-OUR-AARP (**1-888-687-2277**), or visit the Web site at <http://www.aarp.org/applications/VMISLocator/searchTaxAideLocations.action>.

CHAPTER TRIPS

2016

- April 5** **Murder Mystery Dinner** - "Cheers To Murder" at Cripple Creek Country Club. Doors open 12:45 PM. Show begins at 1:30 PM. Price includes show, dinner, and gratuities. Cash bar. **Price: \$56** per person. **Waiting list only.**
- April 13** **"Samson"** - Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster. Dinner at the Shady Maple Restaurant. Price included bus, show, dinner, and gratuities. **Price: \$117** per person. **Waiting list only.**
- April 23-May 1** **Southern Flair Featuring Jekyll Island & Savannah, GA; Charleston & Myrtle Beach. SC** - Soak up Southern charm with this trip to some of its premier sites. Price includes round trip transportation, hotels, admission to all featured attractions, breakfast daily, 2 lunches, 5 dinners, taxes, gratuities and luggage handling. Go to www.aarp5226.org for detailed brochure, including full itinerary. Price: **\$1,550 per person** based on double occupancy; **\$2,210 per person** based on single occupancy. **Waiting list only.**
- May 12** **Mystery Trip???** - Take a trip for pleasure without knowing where you are going. Arouse your curiosity. Enjoy the company of your fellow travelers. **Price: \$100** per person. **Waiting list only.**
- May 23** **Philadelphia Zoo** - Admission to the zoo, transportation, bus driver, and tip. Dinner on your own at Buckleys Tavern. **Price: \$62** per person
- June 8-10** **Grand Canyon of PA** - 2 night 3 day trip. 2 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 2 dinners, Paddle boat ride, tour Jim Thorpe, tour Highland Chocolate Factory, Four Friends vineyard & winery, Williamsport Historic Millionaires Row, and more. **Price \$422** based on double occupancy. **\$560** single occupancy. **Waiting list only.**
- June 14** **Baseball Game** - Delmarva Shore birds vs. Kannapolis Intimidators. Trip includes entrance to game, buffet dinner with BBQ chicken legs, grilled hamburgers, grilled hot dogs, baked macaroni and cheese, watermelon, popcorn, water, tea and lemonade, and the bus driver tip. The tour committee will be picking up the cost of the bus. **Price \$30** per person.
- NEW**
- Sept. 27** **Roots Country Market and Auction** - Dinner after the market will be at Millers' Smorgasbord in Lancaster, PA. Depart from Giant parking lot at 7:30 AM and arrive back at Giant around 8:30 PM. Bring a cooler for your purchases. **Price: \$74 per person**, includes bus, dinner, driver tip and all gratuities

(Go to www.aarp5226.org for more details about the many trips offered.)

A three-payment plan is used for all overnight trips: 25% initial deposit; 25% 90 days from the trip; 50% 55 days from the trip

DISCLAIMER: These tours are a project of and are offered to the South Coastal Delaware Chapter #5226 of AARP. The chapter and any agent it may use in arranging these or any other tours are not responsible in whole or in part to the tour member for any loss, damage, or injury, whether financial or otherwise, to persons or property, however caused during or in connection with these or any other tours. These tours are activities conducted by South Coastal DE AARP #5226 and are in no way offered, sponsored, or conducted by AARP, which has no responsibility in connection with such tours.

Lee Shoff, President

Trip Reservations: To make a reservation for any trip, contact **Jim or Maria Harding, (302) 537-5206.** (tours@aarp5226.org) Make checks payable to: **South Coastal AARP Tour Committee** and send to **South Coastal AARP Tour Committee, P.O. Box 662, Ocean View, DE. 19970.**

Please submit a check for each trip you sign up for. Note on the check what trip the check is to be applied to. We can no longer accept one check for multiple trips.

Trip Rules

- Payment is preferred at time of registration and must be made no later than 30 days after registration.
- Reservations made within 30 days of a scheduled trip must be paid at time of registration.
- No refunds for payments can be given unless a substitution can be made. If a trip is cancelled by the Tour Committee, full refunds will be provided to all paid participants.
- To cancel a trip 48 hours or less before departure, contact the tour escort for that trip.
- No alcoholic beverages are allowed on buses during chapter-sponsored trips.
- **Price subject to change:** If the price of diesel fuel increases by more than 20% between the date of the contract with Bus Company and the date of the charter, the Tour Committee may charge a fuel surcharge to participants.

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APRIL 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	<p>4 Driver's Refresher Class 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. South Coastal Library</p> <p>Tour Committee 10:30 a.m. South Coastal Library</p> <p>Bowling 2 p.m. - Millsboro Lanes</p>	<p>5 Community Service Meeting 10:30 a.m. South Coastal Library</p> <p>Legislative Committee - 1 p.m. South Coastal Library</p> <p>Murder Mystery Dinner Cripple Creek Country Club Doors open 12:45p.m.</p>	<p>6 Chorus Practice South Coastal Library 10 a.m.</p>	<p>7 AARP Book Club South Coastal Library - 10:30 a.m. - Noon</p>	8	9
10	<p>11 Bowling 2 p.m. - Millsboro Lanes</p>	<p>12 AARP Board Meeting 10 a.m. South Coastal Library</p> <p>Scrabble 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. Grotto's on Route 26</p>	<p>13 Trip to see Samson - Sight and Sound Theater</p> <p>Chorus Practice South Coastal Library 10 a.m.</p>	<p>14 Deadline Luncheon Reservations/ Cancellations 12 noon</p>	15	16
17	<p>18 Bowling 2 p.m. - Millsboro Lanes</p>	<p>19 Luncheon - 12 noon Meeting 1 p.m. Cripple Creek Country Club</p>	<p>20 Chorus Practice South Coastal Library 10 a.m.</p>	21	22	<p>23 Southern Flair Trip April 23 - May 1</p>
24	<p>25 Bowling 2 p.m. - Millsboro Lanes</p>	<p>26 Scrabble 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. Grotto's on Route 26</p>	27	28	29	30

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NEWSLETTER

Set your calendar for **Saturday, May 28**. The chapter's Scholarship Committee will be sponsoring the **Ninth Annual Artisans Fair at Lord Baltimore Elementary School** on Route 26 in Ocean View on that date. All exhibitor spaces are sold for this invitation-only show.

Other features of the day, which runs from **9 am to 3 pm**, include an auction featuring donations from the exhibitors, the fabulous bake sale with creations from chapter members for sale, a 50/50 and lunch on the grounds with a variety of delectable food provided by Au Sam's Red Trolley.

"Please join us on May 28 and bring all your holiday guests for this wonderful chapter event. You will be amazed at the beautiful creations from our talented exhibitors and there's lots of fun planned for everyone," said lone Phillips, 2016 show coordinator.

The fair planning team is still looking for volunteers to help on show day with the bake sale, auction, and parking. If you can lend a hand for a short time on that day, please give our volunteer coordinator, Laurel Detzi a call at 302-690-8797 and let her know of your willingness to help.

In late April and early May, we will be contacting chapter members to ask if they can bake an item for the sale or make a donation. All contributions help us meet our annual scholarship goal. This event and the fall restaurant fundraiser make it possible for us to award at least \$5000 in scholarships annually to seniors at Indian River High School and to adult students attending Delaware Tech.

ARTISANS FAIR PROMISES DAY OF FUN FOR ENTIRE COMMUNITY