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DO YOU KNOW HOW TO SAFELY DISPOSE OF UNUSED MEDICATIONS?

Do you have unused, unwanted, or expired medications that you do not know how or where to safely dispose? On Tuesday **February 18**, at our luncheon at Cripple Creek Country Club Brandy Mace, a Prevention Specialist from Holcomb Behavioral Health Systems will be sharing permanent medication drop box locations in the state of Delaware and will also be sharing three easy instructions from Count It! Lock It! Drop It!™. All attendees will be given a **FREE** at home prescription disposal bags that are safe enough to go right in your own trash! **Please do not bring your medications to the luncheon.**

LUNCHEON CHOICES:

Meatloaf Plate - Mashed potato and green beans. Served with a dinner roll.

OR

Egg Salad Wrap - Freshly made egg salad, chopped lettuce, diced tomatoes and apple wood bacon served in our signature wrap with battered French fries.

OR

Oriental Crispy Chicken Salad - Crispy honey sesame chicken, organic mixed greens, sliced almonds, crispy wontons, tomatoes and shredded carrots, sugar snap peas, and mandarin oranges. Served with a side sesame soy vinaigrette.

Beverages include ice tea, lemonade, coffee, and water. Dessert will consist of Red Velvet Cake.

Doors open at 11 AM for social hour with lunch at 12 Noon followed by the program and chapter news and announcements. **Cost: \$17 members and \$18 guests.**

Members may make their lunch reservations by calling or emailing: **Mary Ann Dougherty, (302-541-9412), madod@aol.com by noon, Wednesday, February 12.** To cancel after the deadline, please contact **Allys Macken (914-819-2992), (302-616-2650), cecemac.macken@gmail.com.**

Please remember items for the food bank.

REMINDER: You must make reservations to attend the luncheon. No walk ins. If you make a reservation and do not attend, you are responsible for the cost of the luncheon.

COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

Membership – Dottie Rieck

We welcome new members: Dee Bennett, Helen Fedena, Margaret Long, Mary Senk, Ellen Valiante, and James & Pamela Violetto. Our current membership stands at **443**.

Dues are **\$10** per person if you want your newsletter sent by email and **\$13** if you want your newsletter sent by US Mail. If there are two members in the household receiving the newsletter by US Mail, only one pays the **\$13** fee and the other the standard **\$10** fee. We ask that all renewing members **submit a new membership form** along with their dues.

Please send your check (made out to South Coastal DE Chapter #5226) and your membership form to Dottie Rieck, PO Box 286, Bethany Beach, DE 19930.

If you have any questions, please contact Dottie Rieck by phone at 302-539-2654 or by email at Rieck5226@aol.com.

Name Badge

Please wear your name badge to all meetings. If you need a name badge, please contact Dottie Rieck by phone at 302-539-2654 or by email at Rieck5226@aol.com.

Legislative/Environmental - Chuck Schonder

Your Social Security check will increase 1.6% in 2020. Your Medicare Part B deduction will increase by 7%.

We will focus on reducing drug prices at the State and National Levels. AARP National is working on a campaign called RX-Stop the Greed Campaign. Delaware AARP Legislative Bills we will address this year:

Senate Bill-171 -Requires urgent care facilities to be licensed and regulated by appropriate accrediting body.

House Bill-257 – Provides loan repayment for Medical School for new Primary Care Physicians who will locate in areas of doctor shortage.

House Concurrent Resolution-35 – Consolidating State Prescription Drug purchases into a single contract. The people affected will be: Medicaid recipients, nursing homes, state retirees, state employees and prisoners.

House Concurrent Resolution-57 – will cap fees of Pharmacy Benefit Managers (middle men between Pharmacies and Insurance Companies who gouge consumers with fees on prescription drugs.

Share the Care Act – Regulations on health Care Home Health Aide training on administration of medications.

SAVE the DATE – April 2, 2020 – Lobby Day – Legislative Hall – We go one-on-one with our Sussex County Legislators on our senior Issues. We sent five teams last year and would like to send six teams this year. More on this next month.

Rapid Response Advocacy Team – Current 65 members. Volunteers who email or call their Legislator when critical votes come up on our bills in the General Assembly in Dover. For more information contact cschonder3@gmail.com.

Upcoming Events

2/4/2020 – Noon – South Coastal Library – Room A – Legislative/Environmental committee meeting – Lobby Day Planning

2/8/2020 – 9 AM – Holts Landing State Park – Friends gather for trail maintenance and fun at the maintenance building by the toll booth. Coffee & donuts provided.

All month – Rapid Response Team contacts legislators

4/2/2020 – 10 AM – Dover – Lobby Day

Community Service - Kathy Lesperance

The Dental Program will be held on February 5 at Philip Showell Elementary School. The Community Service Committee would like to thank everyone who donated “kids” toothpaste for this event.

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.

Blood Bank: To schedule an appointment call **1-888-825-6638** or schedule on line at **www.delmarvablood.org**. Check for locations in Sussex County on the web site.

Scholarship - Ida Crist & Shirley Price

Planning has begun in earnest for the 13th annual Artisans Fair to be held on Saturday, May 23, at Lord Baltimore Elementary School in Ocean View. Only a few booths remain to be designated for both inside and outside exhibitors. There will also be a Farmers Market outside, and the Fair will offer two silent auction items: a golf package from Cripple Creek Golf and Country Club and a beautiful quilt bed topper made by a few of our chapter members. As in past years, we will have a 50-50 cash raffle, an artisans auction of items donated by exhibitors and the ever-popular baked goods sale for which members bake and contribute.

We are always looking for volunteers to make this wonderful show a success. There will be opportunities for you to sign up for specific tasks at upcoming luncheon meetings. Or you may call Ida Crist, chair of the Artisans Fair, at 302-732-6336.

CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

Driver's Safety Classes

You must take the Refresher Class every three (3) years to continue to receive a discount on your auto liability insurance. The State is now mandating that you cannot take the Refresher Class prior to 90 days expiration of your current certificate.

The cost is \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for non-members.

Information about classes now available at southeast Delaware locations can be found at <https://www.aarp.org/auto/driver-safety/> (click on "Find a Classroom Course").

Delaware drivers may also take the AARP driver safety class on-line. The cost is \$24.95 for AARP members. You can sign up for the on-line course using the same website as above (click on "Take the On-Line Course").

Chorus - Ann Jaeger

The chorus, after a well-deserved break, will start up again on Wednesday, February 5 at 10 AM at the South Coastal Library in Bethany Beach. New members are always welcome to join us.

We will be starting to practice for our spring concerts, which will include various types of music from oldies to show tunes!

If you would like to become a member, contact our director, Ann Jaeger at 302-645-8023.

Sunshine - Joan Wolf

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

It's Tax Return Time!

Again this year, the AARP Tax-Aide program will offer free tax return assistance and preparation for taxpayers with low and moderate incomes, with special attention to those 50 and older. Taxpayers do not need to be members of AARP to use this service. In the Bethany Beach area, the service will be offered by appointment at the Masterson Center, St. Ann Catholic Church, Route 26, Monday through Wednesday, beginning February 3. Appointments will be from 9 AM until 1 PM. The phone number to call to make an appointment, starting January 20, will be 302-858-3575.

When they arrive for their appointment, taxpayers must present photo ID(s), must have proof of Social Security Number (SSN) for every individual to be named on the return, and must bring last year's (2018) Federal and State tax returns. All 2019 tax documents, including income statements, proof of deductions and credits (when applicable), and health insurance statements, should be

removed from their envelopes and made available to the preparer. A taxpayer who may be able to itemize deductions should bring a summary of the expenses to be itemized along with supporting documentation.

For information about other Tax-Aide locations in this area, call the toll-free number, 1-888-AARP NOW (1-888-227-7669), or visit the AARP Web site at www.aarp.org/findtaxhelp.

PLEASE VOLUNTEER

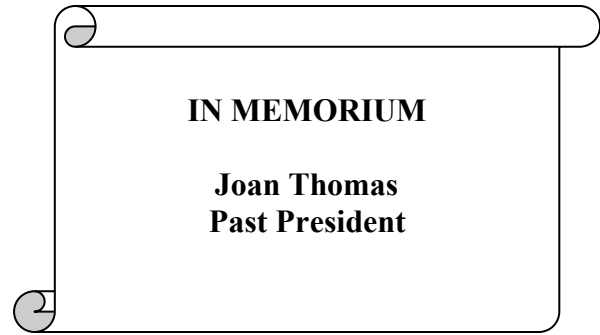
Our Chapter is desperately in need of volunteers.

Make a Difference! There are volunteer opportunities such as Community Service, Chorus, Artisans Fair, Scholarship Committee, Legislative/Environmental Committee, Tour Committee, Membership Committee, Chapter Officer. Use your special skills.

Currently we are in need of a Corresponding Secretary. We have two vacancies on the Nominating Committee.

If you are interested in any of the Committees, please call the Committee Chairperson who is listed on the front page or contact James Harding at 973-903-1495. We need your help. These positions only take a few hours or even less a month.

We are looking for an assistant to help manage the web page interface with our Web Master. Only light computer skills are needed. Please call Frances at 703-801-7216, if you are interested in helping when she is out of town.



IN MEMORIUM

**Joan Thomas
Past President**

CHAPTER TRIPS

2020

**May 1-
May 3**

VIRGINIA INTERNATIONAL TATTOO

The largest spectacle of music and might in the United States, the Virginia International Tattoo offers an astounding display of inspirational military music, majestic massed pipes and drums, show stopping drill team maneuvers, colorful and elegant dancers, and much more. Each year's Tattoo is different, with new performers from across the globe, new themes of honor and patriotism, and new sights and sounds to amaze you. Our 24th annual Tattoo, set for April 30-May 3, 2020, will feature over 1,000 performers from eight different countries--don't blink or you might miss something!

The Greatest Generation Our 2020 Tattoo promises to be one of the most moving ever, as we mark **the 75th anniversary of the end of World War II** and honor the **courage and sacrifice of the Greatest Generation**. With stirring music, historic photos and video, tributes from U.S. military bands, and special appearances by veterans, we will remember and celebrate the men and women who changed the course of history, not only for the United States but for the world.

Package Includes: Two nights lodging @ Hyatt Place Virginia Beach Town Center, Luggage Handling, Two breakfast at the hotel, two dinners, one lunch and one ice cream treat, All admissions, taxes & meal gratuities, A dedicated local guide for 3 days, Gratuity for guide and motor coach driver, Round trip motor coach transportation

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| Price: | Double Occupancy | \$575.00 per person |
| | Single Occupancy | \$736.00 per person |
| | Triple Occupancy | \$521.00 per person |

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For more details on this trip visit the travel section under www.southcoastalaarp.org

May 6

AIR MOBILITY COMMAND MUSEUM & JOHN DICKENSON PLANTATION

Fly back with us in history to the Air Mobility Command Museum. The only museum dedicated to airlift and refueling history. The museum's collection on the grounds of DAFB is focused on U.S. Air Force history from WWI to today. Go on a guided tour, given by the men who served, of artifacts and planes inside Historic Hangar 1301 as well as the planes on the grounds. John Dickenson Plantation one of the founding fathers of the United States, signer of the U.S. Constitution, and "Penman of the Revolution".

Price includes: roundtrip motor coach, snack, and entrance to attractions. Lunch on your own at Cheddars

Price: \$39.00 per person

OPEN TO EVERYONE

Bus arrives: 7:30 AM Giant Parking Lot, Millville
Bus departs: 8:00 AM for museum

May 14

QUEEN ESTHER @ SIGHT AND SOUND

Set in the opulent yet perilous Persian Empire, QUEEN ESTHER is a captivating tale of beauty and bravery. Esther's ordinary life changed forever when she was taken through the palace doors, entering a new world of royalty and risk. With a crown on her head and a secret in her heart, can she find the courage to trust in God's plan and believe that she was made for such a time as this?

Experience one of the most riveting Bible stories of the Old Testament as it comes to life with magnificent sets, special effects and live animals in this brand-new, original stage production from Sight & Sound Theatres.

Price includes: show, dinner, roundtrip motor coach, tax and gratuities.

Price: \$134.00 per person
Bus arrives: 9:30 AM Giant Parking Lot, Millville
Bus depart 10:00 AM for theatre

OPEN TO EVERYONE

June 10

MURDER MYSTERY DINNER @ PEDDLERS VILLAGE

Murder Vegas Style; The Parrot Casino and Hotel is under new management, and there are some big changes coming. First things first...make the headliners fight it out in front of a live audience to determine who will get the ultimate spot of sole casino draw! You will get to vote as who stays and who goes-maybe even permanently. You may even get a chance to audition for Elvis' band! Can our Elvis impersonator,

Rat Pack Style crooner, and sequin clad magician's assistant/cocktail waitress make it through the evening with their careers (and lives) intact? Or will it be a Murder, Vegas Style? Enjoy a night of music, mayhem and murder but remember: **WHAT HAPPENS IN VEGAS, STAYS IN VEGAS!**

This trip allows for free time to stroll or shop in the quaint Shoppes of Peddlers Village.

Price includes: Round trip motor coach, tips & gratuities, show and lunch.

Price: \$114.00pp

MEMBERS ONLY

Bus arrives: 6:30 AM Giant Parking Lot, Millville

Bus departs: 7:00 AM

**Aug 29-
Sept 11**

CANADA & NEW ENGLAND CRUISE

New England & Canada have an unmistakable charm, history and natural beauty all their own, and there's no better time to visit than the fall. The foliage is brilliant in every imaginable color, lighthouses dot the coastline. This fabulous cruise aboard the **Celebrity's "Summit"** departs from Boston, Massachusetts for ports of call; Bar Harbor, Maine, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Sydney, Nova Scotia, overnight in Quebec City, Quebec, Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, Portland Maine, before returning to Boston, Massachusetts. An overnight stay at Foxwoods Casino Resort the first night will tempt your skills at the casino or relax before we depart for the ship terminal in the morning for this magnificent cruise.

Price includes: 1 night hotel accommodation at Foxwood Casino Resort with Bonus Package, Cruise, Cabin, Shipboard Meals, Port Charges and Taxes, Motor Coach Transportation to and from Boston Massachusetts Cruise Pier.

Price: \$2,699.00 per person Outside Cabin Cat. 7

\$3,199.00 per person Balcony Cabin Cat. 2B

\$3,299.00 per person Balcony Cabin Cat. 2A

Not covered: \$5.00 per person for bus driver's gratuity one way (\$10.00)

\$2.00 per bag, per person, baggage handling for Stevedore at the pier each way

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**Oct 3
Oct 11**

MACKINAC ISLAND MICHIGAN & CLEVELAND, OHIO

Since 1887 the Grand Hotel beckons guests to a bygone era of old-world hospitality and charm. Experience the traditions including nightly dancing to the sounds of the Grand Hotel Orchestra, and sitting in a rocking chair on the world's longest porch with views of the Straits of Mackinac.

Cleveland has a proud history that is 223 years in the making General Moses Cleveland of the Connecticut Land Company came to the Western Reserve and founded the City of Cleveland in 1796. The name changed to its current spelling in 1831 lets discover the real Cleveland in the following days.

Price includes: 8 night hotel accommodations, 8 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 6 dinners, admission to all venues per itinerary, round trip motor coach, round trip ferry to Mackinac, tips, baggage handling, meal gratuities and driver gratuities.

Price: \$1,899.00 per person based on double occupancy

\$2,399.00 per person based on single occupancy

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For more details on this trip visit the travel section under www.southcoastalaarp.org

**Nov 30
Dec 3**

CHRISTMAS AT THE BILTMORE ESTATES

Mr. Vanderbilt created Biltmore as an escape from everyday life. Now, his descendants invite you to enjoy his legacy of hospitality.

Overview:

Enjoy an evening at the **Blue Ridge Mountain Opry Dinner Show** featuring the award winning Whitewater Bluegrass Company; prepare to be captivated by their blend of Bluegrass music, country ballads, mountain swing and down-home humor.

Recapture the magic of the season during **Self-Guided "Candlelight Christmas Tour"** of the Biltmore House. Enjoy America's largest home decorated with dozens of Christmas trees, hundreds of wreaths, bows, and poinsettias; miles of evergreen garland, thousands of ornaments, tinsel, and beading and a 35-foot Fraser fir.

Enjoy a **Guided Tour of Asheville, NC** taking in the spectacular scenery and rich Appalachian history and heritage. Your tour will include stops at: **The Cove**, the **Asheville Folk Art Center**, **Basilica of Saint Lawrence**, the **Thomas Wolfe Memorial**, the **Blue Ridge Parkway Visitor Center**, and the **Historic District**.

Admission to **Biltmore Estate Gardens and Grounds Garden Conservatory**- An explosion of vibrant color greets you in the Conservatory. Each room showcases a different color and display scheme. Imagine red poinsettia trees, marble and light maroon poinsettias, tropical blooms, silver foliage and more overpowering your senses.

Antler Village a casual and relaxing way to extend the Biltmore experience, Antler Hill Village connects the estate's past and present with dining, shopping, exhibits, world-class food and wine, and more. The scene elicits a vintage feel with illuminated trees, garlands and wreaths for a fun, relaxing time.

Biltmore's Shops- Many of the great treasures you see at Biltmore can't go home with you. Then again, many can. Browse our wide variety of shops to find unique gifts and charming keepsakes.

Wine Tasting at the Famous Biltmore Estate Winery-Take a relaxing stroll through our historic winery building, where our gracious wine hosts will treat you to a complimentary tasting of our award-winning Biltmore wines.

View Gingerbread House Competition Entries at the Grove Arcade- For a sweet treat; tour the amazing display of the best gingerbread houses in the country.

Price includes: 3 night hotel accommodations with baggage handling, 3 breakfasts, 1 Festive Holiday Buffet Lunch at Deerpark Restaurant, 3 wonderful dinners including: 1 Holiday Dinner at the Biltmore Estate, Round Trip Motor Coach Transportation, taxes, gratuities and admission to all venues per itinerary.

Price: \$799.00 per person based on **Double Occupancy**
\$999.00 per person based on **Single Occupancy**

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**Nov 2-
Nov 10**

RHINE RIVER GETAWAY CRUISE

Fairy-tale castles, grand cathedrals, historic cities, medieval towns and spectacular scenery—little wonder that the Rhine is one of Europe's best-loved rivers.

Overview:

Depart from home on your overnight flight to Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

Arrive in **Amsterdam, The Netherlands**. Transfer from the airport to your ship. **Viking Longship Sigrun**. After boarding, relax and get settled in, or enjoy time on your own getting acquainted with the city, or join our "welcome walk" to stretch your legs and get oriented.

Kinderdijk, The Netherlands – This morning we sail to Kinderdijk, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, for a tour of this ingenious network of windmills and other flood management devices. You learn why the windmills were built and see how they work, plus you enter a working windmill for a tour of its mechanisms and living quarters. Return on board for lunch and an enjoyable afternoon of Dutch diversions: sample handcrafted Dutch cheeses and jenever, distilled juniper liquor, and take in a culturally enriching presentation on the Dutch Golden Age.

Cologne, Germany – You have a morning tour of Cologne, including a visit to the Dom, Germany's largest cathedral and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. After your tour, spend the rest of the day and evening exploring Cologne on your own: Roman ruins, interesting neighborhoods and museums like the Fragrance Museum and the Chocolate Museum.

Koblenz, Germany – Proceed along the Rhine, disembarking to tour the 700-year-old Marksburg Castle. Alternately, choose an optional excursion that offers a lively and informative tour of Ehrenbreitstein Fortress, or enjoy an optional guided exploration of Koblenz on foot. After, enjoy an onboard lunch as you cruise the scenic **Middle Rhine**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site where turreted castles and fortresses overlook the river from their hilltop posts. Arrive in **Rüdesheim, Germany** in the late afternoon. Spend free time in the pedestrian-only Drosselgasse. Dine on board your ship, or you may also choose one of the optional dinners on shore.

Speyer, Germany – After lunch, enjoy an included tour to visit the historic town of Speyer and take in views of the imposing Speyer Cathedral, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Built in the 11th century on the site of a former basilica, the building’s design influenced Romanesque architecture for centuries to come, and is the final resting place of eight German monarchs. Alternatively, after breakfast, you may choose to disembark for a full-day tour of Heidelberg, the home of Germany’s oldest university, founded in 1386. Visit the beautiful sandstone ruins of imposing Heidelberg Castle and admire the Neckar River Valley. Continue with a walking tour through Old Town to Heidelberg’s renowned gates.

Strasbourg, France – We dock this morning in Kehl and disembark for a guided tour of Strasbourg. See the European Parliament and tour the interior of the city’s famed cathedral. The afternoon is free to further explore this Alsatian city’s blend of French and German cultures, resplendent churches, medieval covered bridges, verdant parks and handsome Art Nouveau and modernist architecture. Alternately, join our optional excursion into Alsatian wine country for an informative winery tour and tasting. On board this evening, enjoy a Taste of Germany dinner event.

Breisach, Germany – Arrive in Breisach this morning, gateway to the Black Forest. Take a scenic excursion through the area’s renowned mountain landscape, rolling meadows and dense forests. Once there, visit a local workshop to see a cuckoo clock-making demonstration, and learn how Black Forest Cake is made. Return to your ship for lunch. This afternoon, perhaps join an optional excursion to the quaint Alsatian town of Colmar to discover the storybook charm of its streets lined with medieval, Gothic and Renaissance buildings, or choose an optional excursion that explores Colmar’s World War II history. Dine on board this evening and cruise on through the night.

Basel, Switzerland – Disembark and proceed to the airport for your return flight

Price includes: Round-trip Airfare Viking Air Plus, 8 day cruise visiting 4 countries & 10 ports, cabin, Welcome bottle of Wine & Welcome Cocktail Reception & Farewell Dinner, Wine & Beer served with lunch & dinner, All onboard meals featuring regional specialties & always available American classics, 6 included shore excursions with local guide & headset, Visit 5 UNESCO World Heritage sites, Culture Curriculum (enjoy a classical music performance, learn how to create your own Alsatian Flammkuchen, observe a traditional glassblower, attend lectures on Germany’s current affairs & origins of Rhine River cruising, Port Charges, Taxes, Transfers in Amsterdam and Basel, Motor coach transportation to and from Airport.

Price: \$2999.00 Per Person Window Cabin Cat. F
\$3499.00 Per Person French Veranda Cat. D
\$3799.00 Per Person Balcony Cabin Cat. B

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(Prices Based on Double Occupancy. Cabin Selection Subject to Availability)

To make reservations: sign up at any General Meeting or contact Jim Harding (973)903-1495 or email jameshrdg@yahoo.com

Reservations must be paid within 30 days. After the 30 days we reserve the right to cancel your reservations without notice.

FOR MORE DETAILS ON THE ABOVE OFFERED GO TO: www.southcoastalaarp.org

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.

Trip Reservations:

To make a reservation for any trip contact Jim or Maria Harding, (973)903-1495 or email jameshrdg@yahoo.com Make checks payable to: South Coastal AARP #5226 and send to South Coastal AARP Tour Committee, PO 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. If you are paying for more than 1 person please make note on the check. We can no longer accept one check for multiple trips.

TRIP RULES

Day Trips:

- Payment is preferred at time of registration and must be made no later than 30 days after registration
- Reservations made within 30 days of 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 Jim Harding (973)903-1495
- 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.

Overnight Trips:

- **Seating will be assigned when initial payment is received**
- All overnight trips use a voucher system for the payment fee with a payment schedule.
- If Cancellation after the **final payment date** is necessary we will try to fill the spot with someone from our wait list. After that has been exhausted member has the option then and only then to replace the reservation with interested party of their choice.
- Cancellation Insurance is offered for all overnight trips. If cancellation is necessary and we cannot fill that seat after the **final payment date** member will submit claim to the insurance carrier for their reimbursement refund.
- Cancellation without insurance after the **final payment date**-no refunds will be given unless we can replace your reservation as stated above.
- Cancellation prior to the **final payment date** as stated on the voucher will be refunded.
- Seating will be assigned upon receipt of your deposit

Please Not:



We now offer three possible ways to notify you of our upcoming trips. Once these notices are sent you have the option to book the trip being offered.

****Broadcast emails sent out to all members supplying their emails**

****General Meeting/Luncheon**

****Newsletter**

FEBRUARY 2020

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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