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WHAT IS A FINANCIAL ADVISOR?

Did you ever want to speak with one? Would you like to talk to someone about financial goals, retirement plans, or investing? Come find out more at our October 16 luncheon meeting at Cripple Creek Golf and Country Club.

Our guest speaker, Alana H. Keeley, is a financial advisor with ten years of experience in providing comprehensive strategies in balancing risk with long term financial goals. She will address annuities, market updates, Certificates of Deposit and more.

Please remember to wear your name tag to the luncheon/meeting. If you do not have a name tag, contact Linda Miller (236-5570).

LUNCHEON CHOICES:

Beef Pot Roast - Slow roasted with potatoes and carrots. **OR**

Shrimp Po Boy Wrap - Battered shrimp tossed in mild hot sauce with chopped lettuce, tomato and a tangy remick sauce. **OR**

Fall Harvest Salad - Fried chicken, mixed greens, bacon, apple, candied pecans, goat cheese and a maple-mustard vinaigrette dressing.

Beverages include Ice Tea, Lemonade, Coffee, and water. Desert 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 **Allys Macken 914-819-2992**, or **Mary Ann Dougherty, 541-9412** or madod@aol.com by **noon, Wednesday, October 10**. To cancel after the deadline, please contact **Linda Miller at 236-5570**.

COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

Membership – Dottie Rieck

We welcome our new members: Richard & Diane Dennis, Peggy Ladd, Laura Martin, Pat Mercillott, John & Josie Salovich, Pam Switzer, Stella Vardoulakis, and Steve Zimmerman. Our current membership stands at **520**.

It is time to renew Chapter memberships. Dues are \$7 per person if you receive your newsletter by email and \$10 if your newsletter is sent by US Mail. If there are two members in the household receiving the newsletter by US Mail, only one pays the \$10 fee and the other the standard \$7 fee. We ask that all renewing members **submit a new membership form** which is included in this newsletter along with their dues. If you joined or renewed between May - August 2018, the membership extends through August 31, 2019.

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. Deadline for renewals is **November 1, 2018**.

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

Please pay your dues now!

Legislative/Environmental -Chuck Schonder

WE ARE CURRENTLY FOCUSING ON VOTER ENGAGEMENT FOR THE NOVEMBER ELECTION.

Now more than ever, we cannot take our benefits for granted. I believe that Medicare and Social Security are sacred promises to America's Seniors that must be kept. We need to fight off attempts to privatize or weaken these bedrock programs. Seniors have earned these benefits through years of hard work. Any plan to strengthen Social Security must protect benefits for future generations and expand benefits for seniors living in poverty. This upcoming election on **November 6** is critical for all citizens. We urge you to visit the League of Women Voters Non-partisan online voter guide (VOTE411.org). Anyone can log on to the web site, enter your address, pull up a sample

ballot that will be customized for your particular voting districts. The voter-friendly website offers access to voter registration, sample ballots, absentee ballots, and polling places as well as candidates' biographical information and positions on key issues.

Upcoming Events

10/2/18 – 1 - 2 PM – Chapter Legislative Committee Meeting – South Coastal Library – Voter Engagement plans & Legislative Issues for 2019 – All are welcome for– information contact – cschonder3@gmail.com

10/10/18 – 6 PM – League of Women Voters – Forum – Milton Library – Candidates for State Representative District 20

10/13/18 – 9 AM – Trail Day – Holts Landing State Park – All are welcome – wear old clothes, coffee & donuts provided

10/23/18 – 6 PM– League of Women Voters Forum – Lewes Library - Candidates for Senate District 6 and Representative District 14

Community Service - Kathy Lesperance

The Community Service Committee will be collecting "Dollars for Coats" at the October and November luncheons. These coats will be for the children at John Clayton Elementary School. Your generosity is appreciated.

December will be "Gifts for Seniors". Your gifts will be given to those who receive meals-on-wheels at Christmas.

In February we will have our Dental Program at Showell Elementary School.

Don't forget your food items for the Pyle Center and coupons for the military.

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 Hughes is also collecting cereal box top coupons.

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

The schedule for upcoming Scholarship Committee meetings is October 3, November 7, 2018, and January 23, April 24, and June 12, 2019. All meetings are at 3:30 PM at the South Coastal Library. Serving on the committee are Ida Crist and Shirley Price, co-chairs; Faith Denault, Richard Legatski and Marilou Merrill, who recently joined the committee; and Kathy Johnson, Dawn Lekites, Joann McGaughey, Chris Norris, Helen Norris and Barbara Shamp, returning members from last year.

The committee is responsible for administration of the chapter's scholarship fund. In the present year, we awarded \$4,500 to Indian River High School students and \$5,000 to Delaware Technical and Community College students age 25 and older for the fall and spring semesters.

New members to the Scholarship Committee are welcome. For more information about the committee, contact Ida Crist at 302-732-6336 or idadacrist@aol.com.

CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

Chorus - Ann Jaeger

The AARP Chorus started for the season on Wednesday, September 26. It is great to be back again after our summer vacation.

We have received very nice reviews on our concert in the Library in June. We are working on our holiday music. Now is a great time to join us and be part of the fun. We meet every Wednesday at the South Coastal Library from 10 AM till noon. Give our director, Ann Jaeger a call if you are interested. She can be reached at 436-5173.

Driver's Safety Classes - Joan King

Classes include both a Standard Class for those who are enrolling for the first time and a Refresher

Class for those who have previously completed the Standard Class.

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.

An AARP four hour refresher class, will be held on October 12 at Community Lutheran Church in Frankford, DE. Call 239-567-0606 for information and registration.

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").

Sunshine - Joan Wolf

If you know of any member who needs a card (get well, bereavement, etc.), please contact **Joan Wolf** at **541-0513**.

Web Coordinator - Frances Hart

Please refer any issues you have with our chapter web site to me. I prefer email: fihart46@gmail.com; but if you can't email me, call and leave a voice mail message at **703-801-7216**.

I would like members to send me pictures of chapter activities so they can be put on our web site, <http://www.southcoastalaarp.org>. If you only have printed pictures, please lend them to me and I will scan them and return the originals to you. If you have never looked at our web site other than to read your monthly newsletter, now is the time to look at it and please look at all the pages, not just the welcome page.

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SOUTH COASTAL AARP CHAPTER 5226 NEW MEMBER AND RENEWAL FORM

Renewing members' dues must be received by November 1, 2018, in order to receive the next newsletter. (Please complete the form by typing or printing legibly).

CHECK ONE: New member Renewing Member Date: _____

Name (Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss) _____

Name Tag: _____

Address: _____

Street or P.O. Box

City

State

Zip Code

Telephone: _____ Email Address: _____

How do you want to receive your newsletters? Email _____ or U.S. Mail _____

Membership renewal is **\$7** using email and **\$10** using U.S. mail. If two or more members are in the same household, you need pay only one **\$3** fee if choosing U.S. Mail.

National AARP Membership No. _____ Expiration: _____

Your national membership and expiration date are on your membership card and also on the mailing label of **AARP THE MAGAZINE**. Membership in National AARP does not make you a member of your local chapter.

Current/Previous Occupation: _____

Service to Your Chapter

Our philosophy is that everyone does his/her share to help make the program a success. Please check your interest in volunteering for any of the following Chapter committees or to serve in a leadership position.

Committees

Chapter Newsletter Community Service Host/Hostess Legislative Membership
 Program Public Relations Scholarship Artisan Fair Tours (planning)

Officers/Board of Directors

Would you consider serving as an: Officer Board Member Committee Chair?

Please share with us any experience or skills that you have that you may wish to use for Chapter projects.

Chapter Activities of Interest to Me

Chorus Tours Other (please specify) _____

Signature

Please return your application with your annual \$7 (Email) or \$10 (U.S. Mail) membership fee per person (checks only), payable to South Coastal DE AARP Chapter #5226 to:

Dottie Rieck * PO Box 286 * Bethany Beach, DE 19930

Phone: (302) 539-2654 * Email: Rieck5226@aol.com

CHAPTER TRIPS

2018

Nov 3

Peddler's Village 45th Annual Apple Festival

Celebrate Apple Season in Bucks County with a day of family fun. Price includes: motor coach transportation and bus driver's tip.

Price: \$49.00 per person

OPEN TO EVERYONE

NEW

Dec 6 - 7

Moravian Christmas in Bethlehem

Bethlehem is a city rich in history. The town offers a free trolley to get you around town to the historic Moravian District, the Bethlehem Steel plant art and cultural campus, and Christkindlmarket. Enjoy a private seated wine tasting at Clover Hill Winery. Try your luck at the Sands Casino where you will be given \$30 free play. Price includes 1 night at the Hampton Inn in Bethlehem, deluxe motor coach transportation, taxes, gratuities, 1 breakfast, wine tasting and tour of winery, entrance to Christkindlmarket, and \$30 free play at casino.

Price: \$150 per person based on double occupancy

\$210 per person based on single occupancy.

WAIT LIST ONLY

2019

**April 24-
May 2**

Uniquely Southern

This wonderful tour heads south for a second time. Our travels take us to Nags Head, and the Outer Banks to the Wright Brothers Museum learning about early travels. New Bern and a guided tour of Tryon Governors Palace, gardens, historic homes then enjoy an ice cream float at the birthplace of Pepsi. As we continue our travels south we stop in Beaufort, South Carolina for guided tours of Parris Island, Santa Elena Archeological Site and Museum, Low Country and Gullah Community Heritage Tour. Finishing up our wonderful tour in beautiful Jekyll Island where we will stay at the famous Jekyll Island Club. While on Jekyll Island we will take a guided tour to St. Simon, Fort Frederica National Monument, Christ Church, St. Simons Lighthouse and Keeper's Cottage. If that's not enough we will also take a guided ferry ride to the beautiful island of Sapelo and the famous RJ Reynolds Mansion. Here we tour Sapelo and have a wonderful hot southern meal in the Reynolds Mansion before returning back to Jekyll Island on our ferry. Our last night on Jekyll Island we will gather for a spectacular dinner in the Grand Dining Room followed with beautiful views on the veranda while enjoying a cocktail party. As we start for home we will make one special stop at the famous Firefly Distillery of Charleston for a little relaxing and tastings.

Price includes: 8 full breakfasts, 4 lunches, 4 dinners, motor coach transportation, baggage handling where available, taxes, gratuities, admission to all scheduled sightseeing per itinerary, and hotel accommodations.

Price: \$1759.00 per person based on double occupancy

\$2,529.00 per person based on single occupancy

Bus seating will be based on the time of deposit

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FOR MORE DETAILS ON THE ABOVE OFFERS 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

- All overnight trips use a voucher system for the payment fee and 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.

Please Note

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

October 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 AARP Chapter dues are due by November 1	2 Tour Committee 10:30 a.m. South Coastal Library Community Service Meeting 10:30 a.m. South Coastal Library Legislative Committee -12 noon South Coastal Library	3 Chorus Practice South Coastal Library 10 a.m.	4	5	6
7	8	9 AARP Board Meeting 10:10 a.m. South Coastal Library Root's Country Market & Auction Trip	10 Chorus Practice South Coastal Library 10 a.m. Deadline - Luncheon Reservations/ Cancellations 12 noon	11	12 Driver's Refresher Class	13
14	15	16 Chapter Luncheon - 12 noon Meeting 1 p.m. Cripple Creek Country Club	17 Chorus Practice South Coastal Library 10 a.m.	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 Chorus Practice South Coastal Library 10 a.m.	25	26	27
28	29	30	31 			