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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As summer winds down one of our many favorite seasons is upon us; football season! I know many of our members are passionate about sports, and football seems to rule this time of the year as teams wrap up pre-season and prepare to take the field for the regular season. Our **South Coastal Delaware Chapter is a team** – while we do not strap on football uniforms, we are united, like all great teams, by a singular purpose.

Our purpose is to connect people to what is important in our lives through friendly, factual monthly meetings for the betterment of all. Your Board and its membership are dependent on our ability to execute and fulfill that purpose.

As we begin the 2018-2019 Chapter's season it is an opportunity to share our purpose for ALL our existing members and potential new members. We should all take pride in being an AARP member. We are truly a great hardworking group of people who have done great things for our communities. Members are important!! The more we have, the more we can accomplish!!

Our Program Director, Kathy Tirella, has planned a pretty dynamic monthly schedule of speakers and guests for the balance of 2018 and the beginning of 2019!! Stay tuned!!

Here's to another great season!! See you on September 18!!

Chris

YOUR CHAPTER DUES ARE DUE!

HAVE YOU EVER WOKEN UP TO THE SONG OF A BLUEBIRD, OR WATCHED AN EGRET STAND ON ONE LEG?

We live in a "Birder's Paradise" and have so many opportunities to enjoy all kinds of birds in summer as well as winter. Want to learn more? Come to our September 18 meeting at Cripple Creek Golf and Country Club. We will have two Master Gardeners tell us more about the blue birds, song birds, and butterflies of our area. Bob Dougherty and Brent Marsh will be our guest speakers.

Bob has been a Master Gardener since 2001 and is a demonstration garden helper. You may know him as he has helped his wife, Mary Ann, take AARP luncheon reservations. Bob has also substituted for the 50-50 helpers when needed.

Brent Marsh has been a Master Gardener since 2009. He is active in the Sussex County Master Gardeners ' demonstration garden at the Carvel Center in Georgetown and as Farmer McGregor in "The Misadventures of Peter Rabbit".

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:

Grilled Chicken Sandwich Special - Grilled chicken topped with tomato jam, provolone cheese, sautéed spin-ach and pesto mayonnaise. Served on a toasted Artisan roll. **OR**

Soup and Sandwich Combination - 1/2 of Egg salad wrap with lettuce, tomato and bacon served with a cup of creamy tomato soup. **Note: Half a bacon free egg salad wrap can be requested when you make your combo reservation. OR**

Turkey Pot Pie - House made turkey stew baked until golden brown and served with a side Caesar salad.

Beverages include Ice Tea, Lemonade, Coffee, and Water. Dessert will consist of lemon twist cake.

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, September 12**. To cancel after the deadline, please contact **Linda Miller** at **236-5570**.

COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

Membership – Dottie Rieck

Our Chapter's membership year runs from September 1 through August 31. We begin the new year with **513** members. We welcome our new members: Debra Cannon, Larzar & Zelda Cherry, Donna Griffin, Jack & Eileen Magar, Anita Shuff, Ann Siprajim, and Terry Wildermuth.

Now 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** along with their dues. A membership form is included in this newsletter. If you joined or renewed between May-August 2018, your membership extends through Aug. 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

ELECTION SEASON IS COMING SOON

State Primary Election, **THURSDAY** September 6 from 7 am – 8 pm at your regular polling location (only registered voters from participating parties may vote in the Primary).

We encourage all AARP members to vote in the primary and the general election (November 6). This year we have candidates running for US Congress, US Senate, State Attorney General,

State Auditor, State Treasurer, and Sussex Council Districts 4 and 5.

Issues Matter - Critical Senior Issues like Medicare, Social Security, Care Giving and our financial security are on the line. It's time for politicians to put voters first and get to work.

The League of Women Voters has launched VOTE411.org a politically neutral website voters' guide, providing information for the Sept 6 Primary & Nov. 6 General Election. You can logon and enter your address and pull up a custom sample ballot, absentee ballot, polling places as well as candidate biographies and positions on key issues.

Upcoming Events – for information – cschonder3@gmail.com

9/4/18 – Noon – Legislative Committee Meeting – S. Coastal Library

9/6/18 – 7:30 pm – Free - Shakespeare in the Park – Holts Landing – "AS YOU LIKE IT"

9/6/18 – 7 am – 8 pm Primary Election – Regular Polling Place

9/11/18 – 6 – 7:30 pm League of Women Voters Candidate Forum – Senate District 21 Race (Bryant Richardson vs Robert Wheatley) Laurel Library 101 E. 4th Street, Laurel. Information – www.sussexlww.org

9/15/18 – 9 am – Department of Natural Resources Annual Coastal Cleanup – Holts Landing State Park – help preserve this beautiful gem.

Community Service - Kathy Lesperance

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 Artisans Fair on May 26 at Lord Baltimore School raised \$5,375 in scholarship funds for Indian River High School seniors and adult students at Delaware Technical and Community College. This amount was approximately \$500 more than the previous year.

The increase in profit was directly due to expanding the Fair by adding 10 outside exhibitors for the first time. Forty-nine artisans exhibited indoors, 10 outside artisans as well as six Farmers Market participants.

The 11th annual event was a success due to the hundreds of hours donated by volunteers in the planning process and during the actual day of the event. Thank you to those who volunteered their time, baked sweets for sale, set up and took down the exhibit space, contributed or solicited donations, distributed signs, posters and post cards, managed the 50-50 cash raffle, oversaw the artisans' donation raffle, directed traffic, greeted attendees, arranged for the food vendors and did all the planning of this community event. A special thanks to Maureen Eisenhart, who has been the Artisans Fair coordinator for the past two years, and to Kathy Johnson, who was the coordinator of the Fair's artisans.

Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 25, 2019, and the 12th Annual Artisans Fair.

This Fall, the Scholarship Committee will sponsor a Dine and Donate evening. Watch for details in upcoming newsletter editions.

CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

Chorus - Ann Jaeger

The Chorus will start practice on Wednesday, September 26 at 10 AM at the South Coastal Library. We will be working our holiday music.

If you love to sing call Ann Jaeger and she will give you all the information! 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. We will **not** be having any classes in September.

Information about classes available at other southeast Delaware locations can be found at <https://www.aarp.org/auto/driver-safety/>

2018 DSWA Collection Event

The Delaware Solid Waste Authority will be collecting household hazardous waste, electronic goods and will do document shredding on Saturday, September 15 at Hocker's Grocery Store at Atlantic Avenue in Clarksville. The event will take place from 8 AM till 2 PM. You can visit www.dswa.com or call 1-800-404-7080 for a list of acceptable items.

ARTISANS FAIR MAY 2018



Dawn Pierro, a jeweler from Frankford, has participated in the fair for several years.



Farmer's Market



Michael Orhelein of Bethany Beach displayed his photographs.



Farmer's Market

CHAPTER TRIPS

2018

Oct 9

Root's Country Market & Auction

Root's Market, home of the oldest family run country market in Lancaster County, PA. Root's offers fresh food and a wide variety of items for sale. Every Tuesday Root's Market features a produce auction as well as fresh meats, deli, baker's items, flowers, handmade crafts, antiques, collectibles and household items from over 200 stand holders. Bring your coolers and shop till you drop. Root's Market has something for everyone. Price includes: motor coach transportation, dinner and gratuities.

Price: \$69.00 per person. OPEN TO EVERYONE

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, (302)537-5206 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 (302)537-5206
- 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

2018 – 2019

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

September 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 AARP dues are due by November 1
2	3 Labor Day	4 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	5	6 PRIMARY ELECTIONS  VOTE	7	8
9	10	11 AARP Board Meeting 10:10 a.m. South Coastal Library	12 Deadline - Luncheon Reservations/ Cancellations 12 noon	13	14	15
16	17	18 Chapter Luncheon - 12 noon Meeting 1 p.m. Cripple Creek Country Club	19	20	21	22 First Day of Autumn
23	24	25	26 Chorus Practice 10 a.m. South Coastal Library	27	28	29
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