



Save the Date!

Apr. 1 at 2-3:30PM – BOARD Meeting at BGC
Apr. 8 at 5-6:00PM – General Meeting at BGC
Apr. 15 at 1-3:00PM – Dogfish Head Alehouse
Apr. 29 9:30AM-2:00PM – Flower Making at BGC

April General Meeting, April 8, 5-7PM



Our April General Meeting is Tuesday, April 8 at 5 PM at BGC. Our speaker is Lisa Henderson of the Gaithersburg City Council. She will discuss changes in the city that affect seniors.

Ledo will provide a scrumptious dinner of spaghetti, meatballs, garlic bread, and salad. The cost is \$15. Please RSVP to Claudette Lease (claudette1944@hotmail.com) by Apr. 5.

Bon Voyage et Ooh La La!



On April 19, send good wishes to our four members who are traveling from Paris to Normandy and promise to bring back lots of pictures. Expect a great presentation when they return.

Flowers for Seniors at Assisted Living

Annette Thompson will lead a session to create flowers for assisted living residents on April 29 from 9:30 to 2:00 at BGC. She needs some volunteers. Please join in if you can help.



Renew Your Membership

It's time to renew your membership. The cost is still \$10. If you need a form, contact Sandra Miller (sg_miller@yahoo.com) or fill one out in person at our meetings.

Chat & Chew

Our next Chat & Chew will be April 15 at 1 PM at **Dogfish Head Alehouse**, 800 W Diamond Ave., Gaithersburg, MD 20878. Please let Nancy Dols (nancydols17@gmail.com) know if you plan to attend. You can also sign up at the Apr. 8 general meeting.



Happy Birthday to

- * Jean Dinwiddie – Apr. 18
- * John Baldrige – Apr. 20



Board Member Volunteers

President – Robert Stone
Vice President – Mary Hoferek
Secretary – TBD
Treasurer – Janet Prouty
Asst. Treasurer – Mariann Carmody
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Newsletter – Susan Wilson
Programs – Susan Baldrige
Membership – Sandra Miller
Legislative Chair – Mary Hoferek
Health Chair – Cindy Stone
Dinners & Pictures – Claudette Lease
50/50 Raffle – Evelyn Pizzonia
Chat & Chew – Nancy Dols
Birthday & Think of You Cards – Betty Tobiassen
Service Projects – TBD

Help Wanted

Are you our next service project lead? The service project lead contacts recipients to find out what they need and organize the effort. If “being in the room where it happens” appeals to you, please contact Robert Stone (stoner9599@verizon.net).



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March Roared

March was a busy month for our members with our regular and special activities.

Advocacy Day

On March 6, Claudette Lease and Barbara Thomas traveled to Annapolis and lobbied our delegates to let them know about our legislative priorities.



Bob Levey's Washington Comes to BGC

Retired Washington Post columnist and proud AARP member Bob Levey shared exciting stories about his career as a reporter and columnist during The Washington Post's golden age. He took lots of questions and offered his thoughts of the future and responsibilities. He also graciously signed his book *Larry Felder, Candidate*.



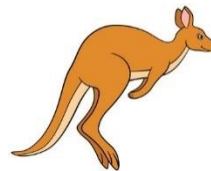
Wearin' o' the Green

Our chapter marched and cheered with frisky BGC members at Gaithersburg's St. Patrick's Day. The rain held off so that our folks got our message out to the hundreds of happy spectators at Rio.



A Presidential Junket

On March 19, President Robert Stone and health chair, Cindy Stone started their dream vacation to New Zealand. Since they were already in the area, they decided spend some time in Australia. They will be away until mid-April. In their absence, please contact our Vice President, Mary Hoferek (mary.hoferek@gmail.com) with any chapter concerns.



Service Projects

Our chapter delivers on AARP's motto, *To Serve, Not to be Served*. In 2025, we're planning these projects:

- * Food drive in June
- * School supplies in July
- * Toys in November
- * Gifts for seniors in December