



Save the Date!

Mar. 4 at 2-3:30PM – BOARD Meeting at BGC
**Mar. 6 at 9:15AM – Advocacy Day at the
Annapolis State Assembly**
**Mar. 18 at 1PM – Chat and Chew at Quincy's Bar
and Grill**
Mar. 11 at 5-6:00PM – General Meeting at BGC
**Mar. 15 at 10AM – St. Patrick's Day Parade at
Rio (line up at 9:30AM)**
Apr. 1 at 2-3:30PM – BOARD Meeting at BGC
Apr. 8 at 5-6:00PM – General Meeting at BGC

March General Meeting, March 11, 5-7PM



Our March General Meeting is Tuesday, March 11 at 5 PM at BGC. Our speaker is Bob Levey, who retired from the Washington Post. Bob will talk about his experiences. He will bring copies of his book *Larry Felder, Candidate*, for purchase and signing. Bob graciously rescheduled his talk from our snowed out February meeting.

Dinner will be from Mission Barbecue. The cost is \$15. Please RSVP to Claudette Lease (claudette1944@hotmail.com) by Mar. 8.

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.

Dinner will be from Ledo's Pizza with salads, spaghetti & meatballs, garlic bread, and more. The cost is \$15. Please RSVP to Claudette Lease (claudette1944@hotmail.com) by Apr. 5.

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 February 18 at 1 PM at **Quincy's Bar and Grille**, 616 Quince Orchard, Gaithersburg, MD 20878. Please let Nancy Dols (nancydols17@gmail.com) know if you plan to attend. You can also sign up at the Mar. 11 general meeting.



Happy Birthday to

- * Ricky Pasternak – Mar. 20
- * Evelyn Pizzonia – Mar. 21
- * George Beall – Mar. 27



Board Member Volunteers

President – Robert Stone
Vice President – Mary Hoferek
Secretary – TBD
Treasurer – Janet Prouty
Asst. Treasurer – Mariann Carmody
Web Master – Barbara Thomas
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

Service Projects

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

- * Food drive in June
- * School supplies in July



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- * Toys in November
- * Gifts for seniors in December

Please contact Mary Hoferek
(mary.hoferek@gmail.com) if you would like to
participate and for more information.

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.

Does “being in the room where it happens” appeal to you? Our chapter needs a secretary to record and store meeting notes.

If you can help, please contact Robert Stone
(stoner9599@verizon.net).

Spring Programs and Presentations

We are tentatively planning these programs:

- * April 8 – Lisa Henderson who is a member for the Gaithersburg City Council
- * May 13 – A nutritionist to talk about nutrition for seniors

The programs are subject to change so be sure to check future newsletters and our chapter website (www.aarp5358.org).

Wearin’ o’ the Green, March 15, 9:30AM

Our chapter will join Gaithersburg’s St. Patrick’s Day Parade at Rio. Let’s meet at 9:30 and wear your red AARP shirt and some green for this short, fun-filled walk. Please contact Mary Hoferek (mary.hoferek@gmail.com) for more information including the location.

Advocacy Day, March 6, 9:15AM

AARP members from across the state will visit delegates’ offices to let them know about our legislative priorities. Come to [One Park Place, Annapolis](#), and be prepared to walk a lot.



Checking In

Want someone to call you and be sure you are OK? The Maryland Department of Aging is ready to help you and other seniors through the #SeniorCallCheck!

Briefly, a representative from the Maryland Department of Aging calls daily at a time the senior designates. If the senior doesn't answer, the representative calls the senior's alternate contact person. If neither the senior nor the alternate answer, the representative will call the local non-emergency service. In addition, seniors can reach out to Senior Call Check (1-866-50-CHECK (1-866-502-0560)). To learn more, see www.aging.maryland.gov/pages/senior-call-check.aspx.

You can sign up in the way that best suits you. Each is available from

www.aging.maryland.gov/pages/senior-call-check.aspx.

- * Register online.
- * Download the Maryland Senior Call Check Paper Application to print and complete and return by mail.
- * Call toll-free (866)-502-0560 and ask to have a hard copy application mailed to you.

