



Meeting Dates and Times

May 7 at 2-3:30PM - BOARD Meeting at BGC
May 14 at 4-5:30PM – General Meeting at BGC
Jun 4 at 2-3:30PM – BOARD Meeting at BGC
Jun 11 at 4-5:30PM – General Meeting at BGC
Jul 2 at 2-3:30PM – BOARD Meeting at BGC
Jul 9 at 4-5:30PM – General Meeting at BGC
August OFF
Sep 3 at 2-3:30PM – BOARD Meeting at BGC
Sep 10 at 4-5:30PM – General Meeting at BGC
Oct 1 at 2-3:30PM – BOARD Meeting at BGC
Oct 8 at 4-5:30PM – General Meeting at BGC
Nov 5 at 2-3:30PM – BOARD Meeting at BGC
Nov 12 at 4-5:30PM – General Meeting at BGC
Dec 3 at 2-3:30PM – BOARD Meeting at BGC
Dec 10 at 4-5:30PM – General Meeting at BGC
*See Chat and Chew section for date/details.



President’s Message

From Robert Stone:

I just want to introduce myself. Born and raised in Freeport, Texas. Spent 4 years in the Army in Germany, then came back and got a few degrees from the University of Houston. I met a young nursing school graduate who had moved to Houston to work, while I was running and training for a marathon. We have been married now for 43 plus years, have 3 married daughters and 4 grandkids. We are both now retired and looking forward to traveling and hanging out with the grandkids.



General Meeting

At our general meeting at 5 PM on May 14 at BGC, we will celebrate spring with a lovely music concert. A trio from the Friday Morning Music Club

will perform for us. So we may all enjoy the time, please don’t talk during the performance.

Dinner at 6 PM will be subs from Jersey Mike’s. Please order in advance by contacting Claudette Lease at claudette1944@hotmail.com. The cost is \$15.



Chat and Chew

Join us at 1 PM on May 21 at Carrabba’s (19935 Century Blvd, Germantown, MD 20874). Please contact Nancy Dols at nancydols17@gmail.com.



State AARP

Your state AARP group at work. Chapter #5358 members Xenia Montenegro (far left), Mary Hoferek (middle), Linda Kibunja (far right with red vest) and Elois Wiggins (taking picture) participated.



AARP state Advocacy Team

Kudos to the AARP State Advocacy team! SB 1 is on the Governor’s desk and, hopefully, on its’ way to becoming law.

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SB 1 will protect energy customers, particularly those in low-income neighborhoods, from predatory third-party retail energy suppliers who sell low and bill high. The legislation will save ratepayers an estimated \$150-\$200 million a year on electricity and an estimated \$50 million a year on natural gas.



Trip to Paris and the Heart of Normandy

We are planning to go to France next year on a Viking cruise. The dates are April 20-27, 2024. The cost varies from about \$5,100 to \$7,500. If you are interested, please contact Mary Hoferek at mary.hoferek@gmail.com or Nancy Dols at nancydols17@gmail.com.



Active Aging Expo

AARP is planning to have a table at the Active Aging Expo on April 24 at the Bohrer Park Activity Center. Our thanks to the state volunteers for their logistical support in providing this opportunity to share information about our chapter.



Service Projects

Our first service project of the year will be to partner with the BGC to collect food for the CaresHub. The Hub is located on Firstfield Road near the BGC. We are planning to collect food during the first two weeks in June. Food insecurity is real in our community. Let's join together to help our neighbors.



Mystery Writers Event

On Saturday, May 11th, from 1:00-4:00 p.m., BGC will be hosting a mystery author panel and writing workshop. This is

a joint Center/AARP event. Please contact Marisa Young to register for this event.



Thank you!

Our thanks to Andy Balderson for his presentation on "The landscape of the Lincoln Sculpture Garden at the Gettysburg Battlefield Museum and Visitors Center". It was delightful to learn about how the work was done.



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This Month's Birthdays

Let's celebrate & wish the following a happy birthday!

- Patricia Panzer – May 3
- Nancy Palker – May 16
- Karen Gillis – May 28
- Gail Gomila – Jun 5
- Jenny Ricketts – Jun 5
- Doris Kingsbury – Jun 14
- Susan Baldrige – Jun 23
- Allen Beach – Jun 25
- Mariann Carmody – Jun 26