## AARP CHAPTER 710

P.O. BOX 22 SEA ISLE CITY, NJ 08243

### February 2007

Hello Membership,

Our January meeting was a great success! The Seven Mile Island Singers, under the direction of General Stoner, had our chapter singing along with them. Irene Jameson's dancing was the high point of the program. I want to thank our VP, Louise Clemente, for arranging the program.

It was wonderful to see many of our members at the Jan 20 meeting to discuss our upcoming new form of government in SIC. Dr Ernest C. Reock, Center for Government Services, Rutgers University, explained the mayor/council form of government to the large turnout. Hopefully this enthusiasm will continue to prevail.

## George Marinari

#### **TRAVEL**

**Feb 28, Wed** = Trip to **Tropicana Casino.** Cost of only \$13.00, includes "Best of Broadway" show and \$10 cash back coupons. Departs at 11AM, show at 3:30PM, and return to SIC at 6PM. Full payment due now. Waiting list only. See Helen Dobrowski 263-1695 or Grace Felix 263-6353

**April 25, Wed=** Trip to Franklin Institute, Phila to see **King Tut** exhibit. Includes buffet dinner. Cost is \$62. Full payment due now. See Joy Sumski 624-2080.

May 4-7, Fri-Mon= Trip to Washington, DC. Includes 3 breakfasts, 3 dinners, sightseeing and admissions. \$525.00. See Helen or Grace.

#### **February**

**02/08** Luncheon/ Meeting- Lodge- Noon Irish Dancers

02/15 Buffet and Bingo – Lodge Noon

#### March

03/08 Luncheon Deauville Inn – Noon
\$12 Members, \$15 guest
Corned Beef or Deviled Crab
Prize for best Irish outfit

03/15 Buffet and Bingo – Lodge Noon

### **AARP CHAPTER #710** P.O. BOX 22 SEA ISLE CITY, NJ 08243

MEETING PLACE: Sea Isle City Community Lodge, 300 JFK Blvd., Sea Isle City, NJ 08243

MEETING TIMES: Board of Directors – 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the Month, 10 A.M.

Full Membership – 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the Month, 1 P.M., Except July and August

Special Places and Times as Designated

#### **OFFICERS:**

PRESIDENT:

George Marinari, 222 55th St. - SIC - 263-3831

VICE PRESIDENT: SECRETARY:

Louise Clemente, 7908 Central Ave., SIC - 263-3002 Joan Barron, 8501 Sounds Ave. #4, SIC - 263-5313

TREASURER:

Anna Brill, 124 53<sup>rd</sup> St., SIC - 263-2430

**<u>DIRECTORS</u>**: (above-named officers serve ex-officio as directors)

Terry Barry, 6708 Pleasure Ave., SIC - 263-3971

Anna Brill, 124 53<sup>rd</sup> St., SIC - 263-2430

Charles Keenan, 45 Wynndemere Ct., CMCH 08210 - 463-0116

Kathleen Papp, 1731 South Shore Rd., Unit 123, Ocean View 08230 - 545-0177

Betty Modern, 21 71st St., SIC - 263-8285

Anne Speas, 5700 Landis Ave., SIC - 263-1296

Dr. Irene Jameson, 1500 Landis Ave., SIC - 263-2968 Kitty Kelly, 121  $93^{\rm rd}$  St., SIC - 263-7236

Joy Sumski, 73 N. Ravenwood Drive, CMCH 08210 - 624-2080

Maryellen Stefenack, 138 80th St, SIC - 263-2317 Mary Robinson, 9108 Pleasure Ave., SIC - 263-3841

#### STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

MEMBERSHIP:

Angela Bacher, 3500 Boardwalk, Unit 218N, SIC - 263-1048

PUBLICITY: LUNCHEON:

Dr. Irene Jameson, 1500 Landis Ave., SIC - 263-2968

Kathleen Papp, 1731 South Shore Rd., Unit 123,

Ocean View 08230 - 545-0177

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Eleanor Moore, 42 74th St. West, SIC - 263-9643 Mary Robinson, 9108 Pleasure Ave., SIC - 263-3841

Kathleen Papp, 1731 South Shore Rd., Unit 123.

Ocean View 08230 - 545-0177

TRAVEL:

Grace Felix, 6013 Central Ave., SIC - 263-6353

**HEALTH CARE:** 

Agnes Keenan, 45 Wynndemere Ct., CMCH 08210 - 463-0116

LEGISLATIVE:

William Hinshillwood, 139 44th St., SIC - 263-1772

**COMMUNITY SERVICE:** 

Joan & Bob Thibault, 8101 Pleasure Ave., SIC - 263-3256

HOSPITALITY: **BULLETIN:** 

Agnes Keenan, 45 Wynndemere Ct., CMCH 08210 - 463-0116 Pat Quinn, 192 S. Ravenwood Dr., CMCH 08210- 624-1974

Diane Burton, 3700 Boardwalk #807, SIC - 263-1522

NOMINATION:

PICNIC:

THURS. FOR SENIORS:

Kitty Kelly, 121 93<sup>rd</sup> St., SIC – 263-7236 Eleanor Moore, 42 74<sup>th</sup> St. West, SIC – 263-9643 Bob Thibault, 8101 Pleasure Ave., SIC - 263-3256

PROGRAMS:

Louise Clemente, 7908 Central Ave., SIC - 263-3002

**CHAPTER REPRESENTATIVES:** 

TO CAPE MAY COUNTY TRIAD: William Hinshillwood, 139 44th St., SIC - 263-1772



# CITY NEWS YOU CAN USE...BY IRENE JAMESON



### **February 8, 2007**

#### Keep warm at the Polar Bear Plunge Costume Contest

Come early for the pre-Polar Bear Plunge Costume Contest at noon under the big tent at LaCosta and keep warm. Another way to keep warm is to sample the free clam chowder compliments of Mike's Seafood at the pavilion, where Polar Bear Plunge tee shirts and hoodies will be on sale. 1st Bank of Sea Isle will be giving away mini beach balls while supplies last. Dress warmly!!

#### Chili Contest is back!!

The Chili Fest and Contest, which was originally scheduled for last month, has been rescheduled for Sunday, February 25, from 2 - 4 p.m. If you think you make the best chili, call recreation, 263-0050, and enter the contest. If you don't want to cook, come be a judge or a taster and vote for your favorite chili. It's a hot way to spend a cold afternoon.

#### Knights of Columbus sponsor Spaghetti Dinner

Here's another hot way to spend a cold day - go to the Spaghetti Dinner sponsored by the Knights of Columbus at the auditorium of the former St. Joseph School on Sunday, February 18, from 4-7 p.m. Cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 12 years of age. Takeouts are available and adults may BYOB. Walk-ins welcome. Love those Knights!! They are real go-getters!!

#### Women's Civic Club looking for card players

If you like to play pinochle or bridge, call Joy Sumski, president of the Women's Civic Club, 624-2080. They are looking for men and women for their weekly card games at the Lodge.

#### Want to freeze your real estate taxes?

Call Agnes or Charles Keenan, 463-0116, to find out the qualifications and procedure for applying to the state. Many seniors are not aware of this program and may qualify.

#### Love is in the air at the post office

On Wednesday, February 14, the S.I.C. Post Office will celebrate "Customer Appreciation Day" with a party at 11:00 a.m., during which it will launch its new "With Love and Kisses" stamp and honor the winners of its Longest Married Couple Contest. Refreshments and love all around!!

#### Mark your calendars

February 12 & 19 - City Holidays, trash pickup a day later, city offices closed

February 13 - Commissioners' Meeting, 10:00 a.m., Public Safety Bldg., 2<sup>nd</sup> floor

March 3 - SICTA Meeting to discuss issues of interest to voters, 1:30 p.m., Lodge

March 10 - Commissioners' Meeting, 10:00 a.m., Public Safety Bldg., 2<sup>nd</sup> floor

March 17 - St. Patrick's Day Parade, 3:30 p.m., 93rd to 63rd St., Post-Parade Party, McNutley's



# **BUFFET LUNCH AND BINGO**

Our first Buffet Lunch and Bingo (B&B) of 2007 was a 52-member success. The mayor was in mid-season form as our bingo caller, and the lunch catered by Fai's was outstanding. Thanks to all who pitched in and helped. Remember that these events are open not only to Chapter 710 members, but to <u>all</u> seniors who live in Sea Isle City – so bring your neighbors.

The February B&B will be held on 2/15 with Joy Sumski running the show. Please sign up with Sondra Ricci at today's meeting. If you can't sign up today but would like to join in, you have until Monday 2/12 to call Joy at 624-2080.

# COMMUNITY SERVICE - JOAN & BOB THIBAULT

(Item Distribution Support by Grace Felix, Helen Dobrowolski, Florence Hinshillwood)

The following items may be donated at any time:

- A.C. Rescue Mission: Travel Size Toiletries (unused) and Men's Clothing
- Animal Shelters: Blankets, Towels, Quilts, Comforters, Sheets, Cat and Dog Food/Treats/Toys
- C.A.R.A. (Coalition Against Rape and Abuse): Regular Size (<u>unused</u>)
  Toiletries
- Lutheran Church: Sheets to be made into Quilts for Local Institutions
- Cape May County Zoo: Depleted Printer and Toner Cartridges
- Schools: Campbell Labels (complete label) & General Mills "Box Tops for Education"

(Note: no Progresso labels unless they have "Box Tops for Education")

If you want anything picked up, call Joan or Bob at 263-3256

# SUNSHINE COMMITTEE - MARY ROBINSON, KATHLEEN PAPP

Please contact Mary (263-3841) or Kathleen (545-0177) regarding get-well or sympathy cards to be sent to our members.

#### **FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER**

#### **FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS**

- 16 Elizabeth MacCauley
- 18 Betty Disher Rita Land Gerald Faiss
- 20 Jean Larkin
- 21 Edna McGrew
- 22 Albert Cole
- 23 William Wilson John Valiniis
- 25 Barbara MacGregor
- 26 Evelyn Borowski
- 28 Jack McGrath



#### **MARCH BIRTHDAYS**

- 2 Larry Cahill
- 5 John Dolan
- 6 Paul Rowe
- 8 Frances Custer
- 10 Jean Wright Mario Conte
- 11 Doris Conte
- 11 Joseph Oberholzer
- 12 Lenneea McGarr
- 14 Irene Bukowski Carolyn Shirk



#### **FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES**

 2/3/1951 Dan & Terry Costantini
 56 YEARS

 2/11/1951 Al & Pat Strauss
 56 YEARS

 2/6/1954 Hobe & Shirley Young
 53 YEARS

 2/24/1957 Thomas & Patsy McGrail
 50 YEARS

 2/7/1959 Bill & Pat Quinn
 48 years

Next Meeting: March '9,2006 - St. Patrick's Day Luncheon 12 Noon @ The Deauville, Strathmere

2/14/1987 William and Judith Desmond

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20 years

## CHAPTER 710, AARP 222 55<sup>th</sup> Street Sea Isle City, NJ 08243

January 10, 2007

Arthur Hall, Publisher Cape May County Herald 1508 Route 47 South Rio Grande, NJ 08242

Dear Mr. Hall:

Our organization, which represents 282 residents of Sea Isle City, has some concerns about the loss of the Sea Isle column, which previously listed activities and news about the city. The column was moved to the On Deck section and has changed its focus to more of a column expressing the ideas of the writer. Although events are being listed in two different places in On Deck, we have lost the direct contact with our citizens. We have discussed our concerns with Joe Zelnik, editor, and Dr. Carolyn Mee, of On Deck.

Dr. Mee has informed us that a new columnist is taking over the Sea Isle column. That is encouraging; however, we still want to emphasize that we are requesting the return to a news column, not a column expressing the ideas of the writer on issues or covering one event. Since Sea Isle City does not have a local newspaper, the city and organizations depended greatly on the news column to communicate with the citizens.

We would be happy to come to discuss our concerns with you, Mr. Zelnik, and Dr. Mee at a mutually convenient time.

We want to stress that for our citizens, *The Cape May County Herald* has always been "the most read newspaper in Sea Isle City" and has always done an excellent job of providing our citizens with the news about our city government, events, and organizations. We hope it will continue to do that by reinstating the news column.

Sincerely,

George Marinari, Jr., President