

AARP CHAPTER 710

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

March 2007

Hello Membership,

I must say that our February meeting was another success. The Jersey Shore Irish Dancers were great to watch and dance with. Your President had so much fun dancing with the group; as did many others in our chapter who are/were dancing members.

A special "Thank You" to Agnes and Charles Keenan for the great job they did setting up for the Valentine's Day themed luncheon. The food was fabulous, and the tables looked first class.

George Marinari, President

TRAVEL

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. Accepting sign-ups. Must be paid in full by April 1st. See Helen Dobrowski 263-1695 or Grace Felix 263-6353

DRIVER SAFETY TRAINING, 55 ALIVE

April 16 – 17, Starting 9:30. Cost \$10.00

Public Safety Bldg. (Police HQTRS) Commissioner's Room 2nd floor.

Call Bill Hinshillwood 263-1772

Calendar

April

04/12 Meeting- Lodge- Noon
AAPR Rep, "What they are doing for us"

04/19 Buffet and Bingo – Lodge Noon

May

05/10 Meeting- Lodge- Noon
Ballroom Dancing lessons

05/17 Buffet and Bingo – Lodge Noon



CITY NEWS YOU CAN USE...BY IRENE JAMESON

March 8, 2007



Time to show your Irish spirit

The annual St. Patrick's Day Parade sponsored by the Desiderio Family will step off at 3:30 p.m. at 93rd and Kelly Drive (Landis Avenue renamed by Mayor Desiderio in honor of Frank and Kitty Kelly, long-time 93rd Street residents.) and wend its way north to 63rd Street, where a post-parade party will be held for parade participants and the community. There will be a delicious complimentary buffet with Irish food, musical entertainment, and an awards ceremony. Carmela Desiderio, who coordinates the parade, promises a few surprises in the parade.

More pre-election meetings planned

Between 100-125 people attended the first in a series of pre-election informational meetings planned by the Sea Isle City Taxpayers Association (SICTA). North end residents Gary and Valere Egnasko gave slide presentations on the proposed suggestion for a Passive Park at the site of the former landfill and the long-overdue beach replenishment project proposed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers from 34th Street in Ocean City to Townsend Inlet. Also discussed was the parking problem in the downtown area and recreation programs. Four more informational meetings and Meet the Candidates programs for mayor and council are being planned. For more information, go on line at the city's web site, www.sea-isle-city.nj.us or SICTA's web site, www.sicta.org. Be informed before the election on May 8th.

Mark your calendar ...Dates of Interest

March 13 - Commissioners Meeting, 10:00 a.m., Public Service Bldg., 2nd floor

March 25 - Ocean Drive Marathon & Sea Isle 5K Race, 9:45 a.m., Kennedy & Promenade

March 28 - Recreation Dept. Easter Program, Dealy Field, 4:00 p.m., Rain Date: April 4th

April 6 - **Holiday, city offices closed**

April 10 - Commissioners Meeting, 10:00 a.m., Public Safety Bldg., 2nd floor

Polar Bear Plunge succeeds all expectations

The Tourism Commission expected a big response because the Polar Bear Queen was making her final appearance, but the number of plungers (700 who registered and about 300 more who did not), more than 100 costume contest entrants, and the estimated crowd of viewers (8,000 to 10,000) was awesome! Every business in town that was open did a whale of a business, not just on Saturday, but the entire weekend. It was so crowded, lots of people said they never saw me go in the ocean. Believe me, I went in, and I have some freezer burns to prove it! I raised \$2,800. Thank you for your support. It warmed my heart, if not my body!!! Watch for information about a contest to select a new Polar Bear Queen for 2008!!

DON'T MISS THE ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE !!



BUFFET LUNCH AND BINGO

Sixty-two hungry gourmets and bingoers supported our February Buffet Lunch and Bingo (B&B); this was a new indoor record! Thanks as always to all who pitched in and helped. Remember that these events are open not only to Chapter 710 members, but to all seniors who live in Sea Isle City – so bring your neighbors.

The March B&B will be held on 3/15. Please sign up at today's luncheon. If you can't sign up today but would like to join in, you have until Monday 3/12 to call Bob at 263-3256.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Volunteer of the Year

If you have a nomination for the Chapter 710 "Volunteer of the Year" for 2006, please submit the nominee's name with a short write-up to Joan or Bob Thibault by our general meeting on April 12; please include your name as well. This annual award, given by the Chapter for service both within AARP and for the community as a whole, will be presented at our June luncheon.

Monthly Donations

The following items may be brought to our monthly meetings or 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 (unused) Toiletries
- Cape May County Zoo: Depleted Printer and Toner Cartridges
- Schools: Campbell Labels (complete label) & General Mills "Box Tops for Education."

If you'd like 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.

MARCH

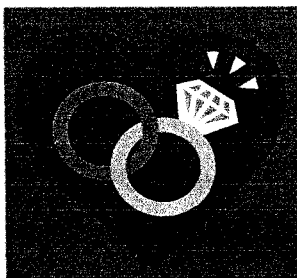
16 Pat Haffert
19 Helen Armstrong
20 Gerald Faiss
21 Georgianna Marinari
24 Rita Skubish
25 Ralph Griggs
Nancy Vogel song
27 Jack Steinberg
28 Mary Ellen Stefanack
Doris Kooper
29 Jennie Hadfield
Dody McIlveny
30 Jack Gibson
31 Marie Zwolinski

MARCH NEWSLETTER



APRIL

3 Betty Podlaski
11 Ed Robinson
John Orlowski
12 Agnes Farnan
Ann Land
13 Joseph Matyszcak
Geraldine Dunn
14 Rosemarie Essig
16 Thomas Owings



MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

3/09/47 Bill & Florence Hinshillwood
3/30/19 Joe & Pat Oberholzer
3/09/? John & Margie Orlowski

60 YEARS
33 years
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Next Meeting: April 12, 2007 @ The Lodge

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