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Next Meeting: Tuesday July 2, 2012

When: 11:30 AM

Where: Cosner Park

Program: Annual Picnic

PICNIC – Shirley Keister

Don't forget, our Summer Picnic this year will be on July 2 in the shelter at Cosner Park at 11:30 AM. Attendance will be limited to Chapter members and guests, **50 years of age or older**. There will be a \$3 charge for non-members. The chapter will provide fried chicken, soft drinks, lemonade and tea. Bring dish to serve six: vegetable, salad or dessert. Please provide a serving spoon, etc, for your dish, and put your name on any dishes/utensils you bring so we can make sure you get them back. Please plan to arrive no earlier than 11:15 AM. Since we are not at the Community Center, we will have to do all the setting up and taking down ourselves, and we just will not have room for early arrivals. This will give the Board time to get the tables set up. Remember to bring items for our charities and for the Food Bank. WE STILL NEED HELP SETTING UP

AND TAKING DOWN THE CHAIRS AND TABLES. ANY HELP WILL BE **GREATLY APPRECIATED!**

Directions to Cosner Park

Go past the Fredericksburg Country Club on Rt 2 (Tidewater Trail). Go past the Food Lion Shopping Center, through the Benchmark traffic light and just past the Tidewater Trail Market (on your left). Just past the market there is a left turn lane. This lane takes you to the left turn to Cosner's Park. There is a street sign saying "Cosner Park". After turning left, keep on this road until the end. On the left is the building where we will be. See you there.

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT:

By the time you read this newsletter our picnic will most likely have already happened. I hope you will all attend and have a great time. Remember to bring dish to share with your fellow members. Summer is hard upon us and with all the rain/storms we have had it seems like April again only hotter. Remember to sign up for the river cruise in October, it's always a fun day of food and fellowship. September is the AARP food drive and we have the Giant in Stafford covered but there are a lot of other grocery stores in our area that you can approach for this food drive. I have requested information on how to approach the store management to get permission to collect food in front of their stores. I will share this information at the August meeting. Please be willing to take on the store you usually shop at and ask fellow members to help you form a collection team. Also keep in mind that we need officers and board members for a slate before October. No leaders then no chapter and I don't think anyone wants to see our chapter fold.

Birthday/Anniversaries -- Don Colt

Thanks go to all who have provided birthday information so you could be recognized in our fine monthly Newsletter and receive "hugs and kisses" at our general meetings. Members celebrating their birthdays in July as follows:

Rose Marie Schlemm (6th); .Rev. Lawrence Davies (7th); David Weightman (12th); Sue O'Donnell (14th); Mabel Gantt (15th); Helen Davenport (16th); Robert Kubarek & Marsha Mason (21st); Margaret Watkins (25th); John Massaro & Fred Weaver (28th); and Dorothy VanDivert (31st). Happy Birthday to all !!!

As previously reported, we have also developed an Anniversaries database for those members celebrating at least 50 years of wedded bliss -- which presently stands at eight. Two of these couples will be celebrating in July: Rev. Lawrence & Janice Davies, their 59th on the 9th; and Ron & Ann Cullen, their 64th on the 31st. Now, we're sure there are many of you out there who we should be recognizing, so get those cards and letters in the mail.

Anniversaries Less Than 50 Years – Something New – Don Colt

It has been suggested that we begin recognizing <u>all</u> wedding anniversaries – not just those of 50 years or more. So if you wish to be recognized in our monthly newsletter please e-mail me at dgc1306k@cox.net. To date, I have not yet received any input. C'mon guys & gals out there!!!

Food Donations (Repeated from previous Newsletters) -- Don Colt

Hey there food shoppers! If you patronize supermarkets which offer "Buy One, Get One Free", why not bring in the "free' one to one of our General Meetings for donation to one of our designated charities?

"Don's Corner" - A New Feature Appearing on our Website (www.aarp3396.org)- Don Colt

Our Webmaster, Sally Cooney Anderson, has added a new feature to our Website – "Don's Corner" containing the joke(s) told at the most-recent general meeting(s). This will provide members who were unable to attend these meetings the opportunity to "hear" the funny stories for themselves.

Riverboat Trip - Tentatively Scheduled for October 2013 -- Don Colt

A sign-up sheet was available at the last two General meetings to gauge the interest of members wishing to go on a luncheon cruise down the Rappahannock in October. If you have not yet already done so, please let us know if you are interested either by signing up or by sending me an e-mail.

Raffles - Shirley Keister

Congratulations to Shirley McRae who won the 50/50, and Kathleen Hollar who won the door prize.

Lunch Outings - Kathy Corley

The following lunch outings have been scheduled. If you are interested in joining us for any or all, please contact Kathy at 540-479-6785. The cost to ride in our carpools is \$3.00 per person to go to the drivers for gas. Lunch is on you and the menus can be found on their websites. We will leave Dorothy Hart Community Center at 11:00 a.m. for each trip.

Tuesday, July 23, Silk Mill Grille in Orange (www.silkmillgrille.com)

Wednesday, August 28, Lynn's Inn in Port Royal (www.lynnsinn1852.com)

Tuesday, September 24, Lucio Restaurant in Culpeper (www.luciorestaurant.net)

Monday, October 21, Clearwater Grill in Locust Grove (www.clearwatergrill.com)

Drivers Safety Program – Shirley Keister

SPOTSYLVANIA COUNTY PARKS AND REC 8800 COURTHOUSE RD, SPOTSYLVANIA, VA 225532514 (540) 507-7533 (Call To Register) 07/18/2013 09:00 AM & 07/19/2013 09:00 AM (4 hours each day)

STAFFORD CO SHERIFFS DEPT PUB SAFETY BLDG 1225 COURTHOUSE RD, STAFFORD, VA 225547108 (540) 658-4428 (Call To Register) 07/18/2013 09:00 AM & 07/19/2013 09:00 AM (4 hours each day)

Refreshment Providers – Fran Keith

As this is the month for our picnic, everyone will be bringing something to eat, so we will not need any specials refreshment providers for July. We still need people to sign up for August, September, October and November. The sign-up sheet will be available at the picnic.

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TREASURER'S REPORT - Shirley Keister Beginning Balance January 1, 2013		Month	to Date \$1,937.23
Checkbook Balance May 15, 2013 Receipts:		\$2,907.54	¥1,001.20
. 1000,p.10.	50/50	\$22.00	
	Dues	\$12.00	
	Donations	\$10.00	
Total Receipts:		\$44.00	\$1,665.00
Disbursements:			
	Web hosting	\$119.40	
	Liability Ins	105.00	
	Copy Center Plus	\$30.00	
	Flower Reimb	\$70.00	
Total Disbursements		\$324.40	\$975.09
Checkbook Balance June 24, 2013		\$2,627.14	\$2,637.14

TRIPS

The following overnight trips are offered by King George Parks & Rec. For further information, call Janine Paulsen 540-775-4FUN Chicago October 14-20 6 Days/5 Nights \$679 pp/Double

Mackinac Island, Mich. September 13-19 7 Days/6 Nights \$739 pp/Double (add \$239 Single) Orlando, FL Nov 10-16 7 Days/6 Nights \$589pp/ Double (add \$189 single)

For information on the following trip, call Ship & Shore 540-

8 Night Fall Foliage Cruise New England & Canada

Sailing from Baltimore October 17 ~ 25, 2013 on Royal Caribbean's Splendor of the Sea Round trip Motor coach from Fredericksburg to Pier Must have passport!

Trips you don't want to miss. For more info, call Janine Paulsen 540-775-4FUN.

Vermont 6 days - 5 nights \$679.00 based on double occupancy. Aug 11 - 16th

Includes 5 breakfast and gourmet lunch at local inn w/ cooking demo.

2 Dinners

Maple tasting at Morse Sugar Farm, Taste the Flavor of Green Mountain Coffee, Vermont Country Store, Cheese Tasting at Cabot Cheese, Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream Factory Tour, Danforth Pewter and more

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Next General Meeting: July 2, 2013 Newsletter Deadline: July 17, 2013 Next Board Meeting: July 22, 2013

Christmas Time In New York City Dec. 11th and 12th

\$339.00 per person double occupancy 2 Days & 1 Night Includes Radio City Music Hall Christma Spectacular with the Rockettes

Wheeling - Greenbrier West Va Dec 3 - 5th

\$345 per person double occupancy 2 Dinners, @Breakfast Historic Hotel Tour w/ lunch at the hotel Casino Club \$20 free play Culinary demo Oglebay Park Festival of Lights.

Lake of the Woods AARP is also planning a trip to The Greenbrier Dec 3 - 5

\$760 per person double occupancy 3 days 2 nights at the hotel 2 breakfast 2 dinners
Christmas decorations
Traditional Afternoon Tea and Concert
Historic hotel tour, Casino Club, culinary demonstrations
\$25 deposit, Balance due October 4th
For further information on this trip only, call Pierre Payette 540-972-0519