



BLACK FOREST CHAPTER OF AARP #1100

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Chapter Web Site: <http://aarpchapter1100blackforest.weebly.com>

April 10, 2019

Host/Hostess: Ray and Lin Rozak

Greeter: Anna Skinner

Program: Top 5 Scams in Colorado. Mark Fetterhoff, ElderWatch Colorado

Thanks to Stan for forwarding this. There's a good article on those pesky robocalls and what the Colorado Attorney General, and others, are trying to do about them. Sure hope they get results soon.



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Spring Blooms Many Common Scams



April Common Scams
Door to Door Scams
Phone Scams
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Colorado Attorney General Phil Weiser Acts to Stop Those Pesky Robocalls

Colorado Attorney General Phil Weiser sat down with Kelly Wertmann at CBS4 about a new bill to trace scam calls in Colorado. AG Weiser even got a robocall during the interview!

[Read more](#)



Report Fraud

Every report we receive gives us insights into problems that people are experiencing in the marketplace and helps us to identify and prioritize problems for potential action. The result: better outcomes for consumers, businesses, and a better marketplace for Coloradans.

Source: StopFraudColorado.gov

Chapter 1100 will have a table at this Expo. All are invited to attend. See Stan, 596.6787, for details.



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IN MEMORIAM



If you have been involved with Colorado Driver Safety for a while, you will surely remember Alberta Davis, who was a long-time Instructor and District Coordinator in District 4. Sadly,

Alberta passed on March 17 at the age of 91. Alberta brought a great number of new people into the program, including your newsletter editor. She was a truly lovely lady who believed strongly in the value of our program and worked very hard to support it.

She volunteered in the information booth at the Colorado Springs airport for over 12 years and taught driver education classes for AARP for over 20 years.

From the Shrine of Remembrance Obituary

A memorial service was held at The Inn at Garden Plaza. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in Alberta's name to Wilson United Methodist Church (Colorado Springs, CO), American Heart Association, or the National Kidney Foundation.

From the Editor:

Alberta was a member of Chapter 1100 since 2011 but prior to that she was the President of the Austin Bluffs AARP Chapter for a number of years until that closed.

She was a kind and caring woman who loved to tell stories of past experiences/travels and especially loved to talk about her children and how good they were to her. She was a good friend of Edna Eaton's. She will be missed.

The above is from the CO AARP Driver Safety News 1st Quarter. Thank you Bill Sanderman.

NO MEETING IN MARCH SO NO MEETING MINUTES.

FINANCE

Black Forest AARP Chapter 1100 Financial Report

As of the January 4, 2019 Board of Directors meeting we will no longer include the Chapter Financial Report in our monthly newsletter. Instead the Treasurer will update the membership as to the current account balances, income & expenses during the monthly meeting.

CHAPTER COMMITTEES

Health Care: Wash your hands. Waldo has a list of members willing to loan walkers, etc. so if you need one, or have one to loan, please contact him. If you have questions check with Waldo.

*** Max Stucky has 3 walkers if anybody needs to use one. Please talk to him.

Notification: Thanks to Pat Guild & Anita Wolfe for their work on the monthly telephone member notifications & thank you Patricia Dix for notifying members via e-mail.

Public Relations: PSAs were sent to 9 local newspapers, the Gazette blog & posted to our website regarding Chapter related recent activities Thank you Stan.

Sunshine: Electa sent a sympathy card for Alberta Davis and a get well card to Ray Rozak. (Electa is the Sunshine Committee & can be reached at 596-6787. Please call her directly so she doesn't hear about a member second hand.)

- **Visit the Chapter website** at <http://aarpchapter1100blackforest.weebly.com/> so you too can see the latest Chapter information & upcoming events. Many people visit our website during the month & our members find it useful.
- **REMINDER OF CHAPTER MEETING CANCELLATION POLICY:**
If School District 20 cancels classes, or is on late reporting, Chapter meetings will not take place.
- **Senior Social** - The Senior Social will be held on April 24th in the Meeting Hall of the Black Forest Lutheran Church. Join other seniors for various games, or just visit.
- **REMINDER ABOUT THE MONTHLY DOOR PRIZE DRAWINGS** - The new person in charge (?) of this activity will need items for the monthly door prize drawings, a Chapter fund-raising activity. Those who attended the July Picnic enjoyed food purchased with money collected through these drawings rather than from the Treasury.

A BIT OF INFO FROM GWEN:

In May she will be cleaning out her garden and if anyone would like any of the following bring empty flower pots to the May meeting - "starter" iris, hens and chickens, lilies and chokeberry. Check with Gwen during today's meeting for details.

Perhaps some can be sold at the Black Forest Festival. Plants were good sellers last year!



A 2017 AARP ElderWatch survey found that 70% of Coloradans 50+ had been approached by a computer support scam (often referred to as a tech support/computer virus/Microsoft scam). Please read & share this month's AARP ElderWatch Smart Tips on computer support scams, to ensure that yourself & those close to you are not the victims of this all-too-common scam!

Computer Support Scams

If you receive an unsolicited phone call or a pop-up window appears on your computer screen claiming to be with a computer tech support company, don't engage! 70% of Coloradans 50+ have been approached by this type of scam. It is also one of the most common scams reported to the ElderWatch helpline. The "support company" says they can help fix your computer, but in reality they just cause more problems, from installing malicious software to obtaining bank account numbers & other personal information. If you receive an unsolicited call from someone claiming to be with "Microsoft" or another computer company or a pop-up window appears on your computer instructing you to call for support, remember the following:

- * Hang up the phone or shut down your computer
- * Never provide your credit card number or other financial information
- * Never give control of your computer to a third party
- * If you received a pop-up, update your anti-virus software
- * If you received a phone call, don't engage with future unknown callers

Report the call to ElderWatch & share information about the scam with friends & neighbors. If you allowed a scammer to access your computer, make sure to immediately change passwords to critical accounts. You should also contact a reputable support company to check your computer for malicious software. If you shared your financial information with the scammer, contact your bank or creditcard company. Call AARP ElderWatch if you have any questions. Denver Metro Area 303-222-4444 www.aarpelderwatch.org

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