



## BLACK FOREST CHAPTER OF AARP #1100

"To serve, not to be served"

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

January 11, 2023

Our Christmas meeting was great! 23 members attended & brought a lot of gifts to share so everyone received a gift. The brisket from Dickey's was very good & Lori made good shredded BBQ chicken. We had a really good selection of sides – many corn puddings & string bean casseroles, a couple of salads, etc. More than enough!

The dessert table was full - Shirley made a cake (always delicious) someone made nuts enrobed in chocolate, another brought a frozen lemon meringue pie & there were cookies and muffins and chocolate on the table.

All the big blowups, belonging to the Rozaks, Santa & then Santa in his sled, decorated the Meeting Room. And there were many potted poinsettias, regular size & giants, which Ray was again able to get from Home Depot & share with the members. And thanks to Santa's Helpers: Lin, Ray, Stephen, Chuck & Christa Stucky.

And we were joined by two new members: Mother & Daughter Mary Ann Fraps & Michele Hays. Welcome Ladies!

All in all it was a great Christmas meeting/party. Thanks to all who made it happen.



### **MENU SCHEDULE FOR THE JANUARY MEETING:**

*A thru H bring Main Entrée; I thru R bring Side dish/Salad; S thru Z bring Dessert*

### **HOSTESS AND HOST AND GREETER FOR January and February:**

January	Hostess: Helen Von Gunden	Greeter: Lavonne Hidy
February	Hostess: Jan Doughty	Greeter: Stephen Blucher

*(I hope to have the new Annual Chapter Handbook completed by the Feb. meeting. This will list Hostess/Host/Greeter for the balance of the year along with the 2023 Officers and Standing Committees It is a work in progress. Helen)*

**THE "BOOK STEW" is back at the Black Forest Lutheran Church.** *(used book sale) The books are now set up in the back of the Meeting Hall. If you see something you would like to purchase put your \$ in the box. The proceeds from this book sale are given to the DAV sponsored by the Salvation Army. Hall is open 9 to 2 Tues.—Fri. & Sun. during services. Thanks for letting us know Lavonne!*

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS:** *If you move please let Helen know so our member roster can be current and correct. Also if you have a email address change. Thanks.*

**2023 SHREDDING EVENT!!!!** *We are starting to plan for a shredding event this year. Jim Belk is the project leader. Details will be forthcoming on date and time and Chapter volunteer help needed.*

## CHAPTER COMMITTEES

- ⇒ Sunshine Committee: A Thinking of you card for Jan Solverson & Get Well cards for Sue Fletcher and Bev Schaab. (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.
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**Host & Hostess duties:** provide bread or rolls, butter & margarine, set up tables & chairs (if not already done), provide table decorations & clean up after. Supplies for tables are on the cart located in the kitchen or in the Chapter storage closet in the church basement. Please report any supplies that need replacing to Lori Belk, the Luncheon Coordinator.

A list of where supplies are found will be attached to the serving cart.

Please leave the kitchen & meeting room as you found them.

HELP: Host & Hostess can use extra help at both the beginning & with clean up at the end as we need to take out trash, run the vacuum, & put tables back as we found them. Also return supplies to the storage area.

**Greeters Duties:** Greet newcomers & guests when they arrive. Help them with name tags, have them sign the "sign-in sheet", introduce them to members, help them find a table with members to enjoy our meeting & give their name to the President.

For Chapter Members remind them of their name tag, to sign in, direct to information or share tables or other help they might need. As we leave remind members to return name tags, thank guests for attending & invite them back.

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**December 14th meeting minutes:** Here Comes Santa Claus, Here Comes Santa Claus right down Santa Claus lane. The sleigh was ready, reindeer's were waiting to go and presents were delivered. There was a polar bear protecting a poinsettia and a big Santa was watching making sure everything went smoothly. Merry Christmas! (All of the poinsettia came from Home Depot, and weren't they beautiful! Ray went to 2 Home Depots to get all of them.)

Candice said the pledge, Ray gave the prayer. Let the meeting begin. We have Christmas birthdays: Lavonne Hidy, Ray Rozak and Candace Welch. And guests were Jan Cristianon (sorry if I miss spelled her last name) and Christa Stucky (Max Stucky's Sister).

We received a Thank You letter from Tri-Lakes Cares for the donation in memory of Anna Skinner. Anna was involved with them for a while and was impressed by all the good they were able to do.

Jan Solverson was the hostess and made the center pieces from "just stuff I had laying around my house." They were awesome. Thank you Jan.

Dues are due (I always like to type that, it's fun). They are \$10.00 and it would be great if everyone paid by February to make to easier on the Treasurer, Jim Belk, and Helen Von Gunden who makes up the roster.

We need host/hostess and greeters for our eight 2023 meetings. Neither are hard: Duties are listed above. The list will go around again, even if you've never done either job please sign up. (P.S. We have every meeting covered, following the Board meeting on 1/6 – except a greeter is needed for the June 14th meeting. Also, if anyone wants to help out in addition to the Host/Hostess/Greeter listed please let them know. We can always use more help. Thanks. Helen)

Lori Belk outdid herself with lunch, the brisket was from Dave's and she did the chicken. She always goes out of her way to make sure lunch is perfect. Thank You, you do a great job.

Miss Hidy had a Christmas game for all to play: each table got a wrapped gift, she then read a letter and every time she said the word "I" you passed the gift to the person on your right. The letter was quit long and the gift went around the table a few times. It was fun and a lucky person, from each table, left with a gift.

The fun part came next, the presents were handed out by Ray, Christa, Stephen and Chuck, and everyone received at least 1 gift. Hope you were happy with the gifts.

We still need board members. Stephen Blucher volunteered to be a board member but other positions are open. Thank you Stephen! We'll talk about that in our January meeting. The board meets every odd month at iHop off Powers. First meeting is in January the first Friday of the month.

Respectfully submitted, Lin Rozak