

Black Forest Chapter of AARP #1100 "To serve, not to be served" Chapter Website: http://aarpchapter1100blackforest.com

December 5th, 2023

DECEMBER LUNCHEON

Host/Hostess: Ray and Lin Rozak Greeter: Jan Solverson

Program: Elect Officers

Black Forest Lutheran Church December 13th, 2023 @ 11:30am - 1:30pm

The Main dish is being catered! A thru K please bring a Dessert; L thru Z please bring a Side or Salad to share.



HOT ITEMS FOR THE HOLIDAYS

AARP ElderWatch

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HOLIDAY SHOPPING SCAMS

The holiday season creates additional ways for scammers to victimize consumers. Especially with many consumers turning to online shopping it is even more important to remain vigilant. Here are a few steps you can take to help make this holiday shopping season safe:

- Avoid shopping online when you are connected to free public Wi-Fi. Networks that are not secure can expose your personal and financial information to criminals. Save your online buying for when you are on a secure network at home.
- Do your research before purchasing an item from an unknown online retailer. Be extra careful about ads originating on social media sites that offer products cheaper than market value.
- When shopping on marketplace sites, never send money sight unseen to pay for goods or services. If you are asked to pay via peer-to-peer payment app, pre-paid gift card or crypto, consider it a scam.
- When purchasing a gift card, be sure to inspect it thoroughly for tampering. Ensure the PIN number on the back of the card is not visible. Consider purchasing it online directly from the retailer for an extra layer of security.
- Outsmart porch pirates! If you are shipping a package, it is a good idea to require a signature upon delivery and/or provide specific instructions for the delivery company to ensure the package is not stolen.

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December Events

Monthly Luncheon 13th Dec Wednesday Luncheon @ 11:30am-1:30pm BF Lutheran Church

Chapter Officer Vote

Hanukkah 7-15th Dec

Christmas 25th Dec Monday

Announcements

2024 Chapter Dues - \$10

Be sure to have your dues into Jim Belk by the 2/14/2024 chapter luncheon.

There will be no program at the December meeting. Instead there will be an extensive drawing of donated prizes. Chapter members are encouraged to bring one or more useful items to place under Santa's sleigh for the drawing.

JANUARY LUNCHEON PREVIEW

Host/Hostess: TBD Greeter: TBD Program: Officer Installment Black Forest Lutheran Church Dec. 13th, 2023 @ 11:30am -1:30pm

A-H: Side or Salad; I-R: Dessert; S-Z Main Entree. Thank you for participating!!

October 21st Senior Life Expo Recap

The Senior Life Expo at the DoubleTree Hotel October 21st was a great success. We talked to 449 people and used up all the literature and give away items. Hopefully we made some good friends for AARP, and will get a few new members for our Chapter.

Stan would like to thank the following Chapter Members for volunteering their time at the Expo.: Mary Ann Fraps, Michele Hays, Ray Rozak, Lin Rozak, Candace Lehmann, Jan Solverson, Vijay Verma, Sand Van Wormer, Stephan Blucher, Electa and Stan Beckner. The volunteers had an exceptional buffet luncheon courtesy of AARP Colorado. A total of 449 people stopped at our Chapter table. We have already found two new Chapter members from our discussions with those who stopped at our expo table."



Lin and Ray Rozak handing our material to attendees at the Senior Life Expo.

Candace Lehmann, Electa Beckner, Lin and Ray Rozak handing out material to attendees at the Senior Life Expo.



November Chapter Meeting Minutes

The Chapter Nominating Committee presented the Slate of 2024 Chapter Officers to the membership as required by the Chapter Bylaws. The Election of Officers will be at the 13 December meeting and the installation of the Elected Officers will be at the 10 January 2024 meeting. The Board of Directors are elected for a two-year term. All others for one year. The Slate presented was as follows:

President - Ray Rozak

Vice President - Stanley Beckner

Secretary - Lin Rozak

Treasurer - Jim Belk

Members of the Board of Directors

- Candace Lehmann
- Stephen Blucher
- Electa Beckner
- Michelle Hays
- Beverly Schaab

Members of the Nominating Committee

- Lori Belk
- Candace Lehmann
- Michelle Hays
- (Vacant, TBD)

Upcoming Events

01/01/2024 - New Year's Day

01/05/2024 - Board Meeting @IHop

01/10/2024 - Luncheon @11:30 Chapter Officers Installation

01/24/2024 - Senior Social

02/14/2024 - Luncheon @11:30 Yearly Dues!!!

02/14/2024 - Valentine's Day

02/23/2024 - Senior Social

02/29/2024 - LEAP YEAR

03/10/2024 - Board Meeting @IHop

03/27/2024 - Senior Social

03/31/2024 - Easter

Here are the major deadlines for the USPS, FedEx and UPS this 2023 Holiday Season!

US Postal Service*

Within the Lower 48 (excludes Alaska and Hawaii) USPS Ground Advantage — Dec. 16 Saturday

First-Class Mail (including greeting cards) — Dec. 16 Saturday

Priority Mail — Dec. 18 Monday

Priority Mail Express — Dec. 20 Wednesday

*International and military deadlines are earlier;

see the USPS website <u>here</u>, for a complete list.

UPS

3-Day Select — Dec. 19 Tuesday 2nd day air services — Dec. 20 Wed

Next-day air services — Dec. 21 Thurs (Dec. 22 $\,$

with Saturday delivery options)

For ground shipping, UPS recommends

checking the website for a quote.

For the full chart of UPS options, including

international shipping, click here.

FedEx

Ground & Home delivery: Between Dec. 15 for 5-day shipping and Dec. 21 for 1-day shipping

Ground Economy — Dec. 13 Wednesday

Express Saver — Dec. 19 Tuesday

2Day & 2Day-AM — Dec. 20 Wednesday FO, PO, SO, Extra Hours — Dec. 21 Thursday

Same-day services: Dec 22 Friday

For more options including freight services and international dates, see the full FedEx list here.

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