

# Silver Moments

## RIVERSIDE CHAPTER 237 AARP NEWSLETTER

October/November, 2022

### CHAPTER MEETINGS/PROGRAMS

We meet on the first Saturday of every month (except January when we are dark) at the Goeske Center at 9:30 a.m. for fellowship and then our program at 10 a.m.

#### OCTOBER 1, 2022

Our speaker will be Rebecca Spencer, the Registrar of Voters for Riverside County. Ms. Spencer was appointed by the Board of Supervisors in February 2014. Rebecca administers elections for more than 1,300,000 registered voters. She is going to bring us up-to-date on voting in Riverside. The importance of this position can be seen by their Mission Statement: *“Ensure the electoral process will be conducted professionally, consistently demonstrating neutrality and non-partisan decision-making, based upon a thorough knowledge of and compliances with all election laws by administering them timely, responsibly and with integrity on behalf of those we serve.”*

Our entertainment for today will be Randy Taylor.

#### NOVEMBER 5, 2022

Our speaker will be Kris Martinez, one of three Assistant City Managers of the City of Riverside. She is in charge of “Environmental Stewardship” and the following departments will be reporting to her: General Services; Museum; Park, Recreational, and Community Services as well as Public Utilities and Public Works. Kris first started working for the City of Riverside in 1994 as a Management Analyst Trainee in the City Manager’s Office. Kris has held several important offices in our City. Kris attended several of our local colleges earning a BA and Masters in Administration. She is also a 31 year resident of the Orangecrest neighborhood in Riverside.

Dianne Chavarria will be returning with her songs to refresh our memories and put a tap in our toes.

### MEMBERSHIP

Check your newsletter label (below your name) to see if your dues expired last year. **You must be a member of the National AARP and your dues must be up-to-date to be a member of the local chapter.** Local dues are \$10 per year/per person.

To join or renew your local **AARP** membership, please complete this form and send with your check payable to: **Riverside Chapter 237 AARP** to our office at 4495 Magnolia Ave. Riverside, CA 92501. Labels will be updated by next newsletter.

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Enclosed is my check for \$\_\_\_\_.\_\_\_\_ for renewal of my Chapter 237 AARP dues.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

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National ID # \_\_\_\_\_ National Membership Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date (mo/date) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

## MEMBERSHIP (continued)

The following people joined our chapter this Fall. WELCOME!

Sally Chilcot	Shirley Gerwe	Deirdre Keoski	Kathleen Mattson
Martha Ochoa	Dorothy Pergande		

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members,

Oh my...On October 1<sup>st</sup>, it will be only 86 days till Christmas and 92 days till the New Year! Where has this year gone? I keep busy volunteering which helps keep my mind and body busy and exercised.

I volunteer here at the Riverside AARP Chapter, at least two days a week, three on the first week of the month! I also spend time on the internet researching and attending zoom meetings on AARP activities at the state and national level each week. Twelve Board members (4 who also are in the office two days a week) volunteer their time to help make sure we have great meetings, keep the organization running smoothly, schedule speakers & entertainers, pull together our Newsletter, create monthly table center pieces, secure our financials, keep accounting of the membership, create flyers, record minutes of our meetings, and create our wonderful tours. There are also 6 or more member volunteers who show up early before our monthly meetings and help set-up, serve food, and do member check-in. Several chapters keep monthly records of the volunteer hours which adds up to over 1,000 hrs. every month. I'm sure our chapter would be close to that!

I also volunteer on Sundays at the California Citrus State Historic Park. I do historic tours of the citrus grove at the park (lots of tasting!) and tell stories of the history and importance of the citrus industry to Riverside. I invite you to visit and take a tour with me or any of the volunteers there on Fridays, Saturdays & Sundays. If you have family or friends visit you, this is a great place to bring them. My grandson volunteers with me and we give fun "family" tours.

So, I'm curious, where do you members volunteer? What are your interests in our community? I know some of you who volunteer at...Friends of the Library, Heritage House, Mission Inn, and a Kaiser greeter (I ran into one day on my way to an appointment). I'd like to know some of the organizations/places where you spend your time... Please leave a message (your name & where you volunteer, estimate your monthly hours) on the office phone, or email our office or send a letter to the office. I'll give a summary in a future message.

So... with only 3 months left of the year...let's be sure to sign-up and go on the tours that Beth and Thora have worked so hard to set-up. These tours are what keep our Chapter operational. We have been severely hurt with the 3 pandemic years, as have many other AARP Chapters in the nation. Currently there are only 14 Chapters left in California. Our Board is trying to keep us going through our 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary next year! More info on our Anniversary in the next newsletter!

October donations will be BOOKS for Friends of the Library. This organization distributes donated books to all 9 libraries in Riverside. The money earned from reselling these books helps the Library's Summer pro-

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (continued)

grams for the kids. Please make sure they are in good condition. Good time to clean up your stacks of books...or is that only in my house? November donations will be New/Unused Underwear & T-Shirts for the homeless who come to Calvary Presbyterian Church for the monthly "showers" event. I'm sure you can imagine how good it feels to get new underwear after that nice warm shower!

See you soon!

Michelle Nichols, President

HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY



In October, Sarah will celebrate her **107th birthday**. WOW — what a milestone!

### OCTOBER

Walter Caiazza  
 Don Coon  
 Jaswinder Dullat  
 Carole Farmer  
 Denise Files  
 Joyce Fisher  
**Sarah Frittito**  
 Clara Gallanes  
 Estelle Gonsier  
 Shirley Gordon  
 Esther Hernandez  
 Linda King  
 Bob Knapik  
 Carolyn Nielsen  
 Carol Owen  
 Dorothy Pergande  
 Mary Prondzinski  
 Rudi Raterman  
 Oscar Salazar  
 Patsy Whitehouse

### NOVEMBER

Gary DeFrese  
 Cecilia Gomez  
 Danielle Good  
 Theresa Hanley  
 Marlene A. Hooker  
 Carolyn La Matry  
 Pamela J. Larson  
 Sandi Logan  
 Margaret Malan  
 Nancy Mazik  
 Gene Miller  
 Jim Montgomery  
 Janice Moore  
 Donald Nessman  
 Marti Orth  
 Phyllis Purcell  
 Barbara Purvis  
 Paul Sanders  
 Vickie St. Germain  
 Margaret Swalve  
 Barry Uglik  
 Carolyn Ziolkowski

## MORE DONATION INFORMATION



Thanks to all who donated school supplies in July and August. Our President was able to assemble 5 boxes to give to five elementary schools. They were: Adams, Jackson, Madison, Monroe, and Myra Linn. We received Thank You appreciation letters from them.

In December, we will have a box at our General Meeting for new toys. These toys will be delivered to one of our local fire departments who collect Toys for Children. The firemen will distribute them to deserving children.

# DAY TOURS

## NEW PARKING PLACE FOR OUR DAY TRIPS

Arrangements have been made with Goeske to park our cars in their lot for our day trips. So when you come to take a trip, please park in Goeske's FAR LOT — next to the wall and houses -- 3rd driveway from Streeter on the left side of the street.

### BIRCH AQUARIUM

La Jolla

Date: Tuesday, October 11, 2022  
Cost: \$80 per person Pay by 10-6-22  
Time: 8 am – 5 pm  
Escort: Thora

The Birch Aquarium is part of the Scripps institute in La Jolla. The Aquarium also does a lot of conservation work. After the aquarium, we will go into La Jolla for lunch . There are many places you can choose to eat where you can enjoy the ocean during your meal.



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### LA FARMER'S MARKET

Date: Wednesday, November 30, 2022  
Cost: \$58 per person Pay by 11-17-22  
Time 9 am – 3 pm  
Escort Thora

If you've never been to the Farmer's Market, you are in for a lot of fun. There are many food and gift booths. You will have a multitude of choices for lunch. The surrounding area also has many shops.



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### CHRISTMAS IS

Glendora

Date: Saturday, December 10, 2022  
Cost: \$90 per person Pay by 11-17-22  
Time: 12 Noon - 7:30 pm  
Escort: Beth

For more than 40 years, Citrus College in Glendora has produced this original holiday spectacular. Ever changing, always spectacular and filled with holiday cheer and costumes. Experience classics and vibrant mix of new songs. Follow Santa's elves to the Big Apple in an all new Broadway style show with more twists and turns than a winter wonderland storm. Memories are made as the cast led by the Citrus Singers and accompanied by a live orchestra deliver a live, multi-media production packed with stunning visuals, festive songs and high energy dance numbers designed to bring you joy. Dinner afterwards-On Your Own.

NOTE 1: Because the Haugh(pronounced HA) Performing Arts Center is in L.A. County, patrons must wear a Mask (Cloth, Surgical, KN95 or face shield with a drape) regardless of Vaccine status when inside the theater.

NOTE 2: Two weeks prior to our date for this event, I will check to see if Masks are still required.

Come enjoy this holiday show and get in the Christmas spirit.

## DAY TOURS (continued from page 4)

### CHRISTMAS AT HERITAGE HOUSE

Riverside

Date: Tuesday, December 13, 2022  
Cost: \$10 per person Pay by 12-2-22  
Time: Meet at Heritage House  
9:45 for 10:00 Tour  
Escort: Thora



Get in the Holiday mood and spirit. Come experience Christmas in the Victorian Age. Heritage House is all decorated in the 1890's Christmas style. Get a private tour of this beautiful 1891 mansion and learn some Riverside history. We will go to Norm's on Tyler afterwards for **lunch on your own**. There is limited parking at Heritage House and on Magnolia and near streets. Please car pool if possible.

## EXTENDED TOURS

### SOUTHWEST NATIONAL PARKS

Date: November 6-11, 2022  
Cost: Double \$2,075.00 — Single \$2,625  
Escort: Beth

This is a wonderful tour to experience sights of today – and – sights created at the times of the dinosaurs! After our Limo pick up takes us to the airport, we will fly to Las Vegas for two nights to enjoy the many sights of the Casinos, restaurants, shows and shopping.

Then we are off to the Grand Canyon West for wonderful views. The Native Americans (their land) built an awesome glass bridge for you to walk out on and look down at the many colors of the canyon.

We will travel into Utah to visit Bryce Canyon formations and colors (my favorite). The elevation here is 8,000-9,000 feet.

Next, we visit one of the oldest & most scenic national parks in the U.S. – Zion National Park.

We take a tram to view the Valley of Fire State Park in Nevada. Red sandstone formations and ancient trees, petrified wood and Native American Petroglyphs are many here.

WHAT a great tour and we only unpack twice!!! Come and experience these sights with me!

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Office hours: Monday – 9:30 am to 12:30 pm  
 Thursday – 9:30 am to 12:30 pm

Board of Directors Meetings for 2022  
 September 12, November 14  
**Meetings begin at 12:45 pm**

General Meetings:  
 When: 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the Month  
 except January.  
 Where: Goeske Senior Center  
 Address: 5257 Sierra Street  
 (Corner of Streeter & Sierra)

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**IMPORTANT DATES**

November 6.....Daylight Savings Time Ends  
 November 24 .....Thanksgiving/Office Closed

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**NATIONAL AARP ASSISTANCE**

Automobile Insurance	1-866-227-7466
Dental Insurance	1-866-583-2085
Health Insurance	1-800-523-5800
Legal Services	1-866-330-0753
Life Insurance	1-800-795-9990
Membership	1-888-687-2277
Pharmacy	1-877-422-7719

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**NUMBERS OF INTEREST IN RIVERSIDE**

Blindness Support Service	(951) 341-9244
City of Riverside Information	(951) 826-5311
Community Connect	211
CTAP (CA Telephone Access Prog.)	1-800-806-1191
Elder Fraud	1-800-476-7506
HELPLine, Riverside County	(951) 686-HELP
Janet Goeske Center	(951) 351-8801
Meals on Wheels	(951) 683-7151
Office on Aging	(951) 867-3800
Senior Legal Hotline	1-800-222-1753
Senior Transportation Services	(951) 687-8080
Y.A.N.A. Program	1-888-338-9455

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