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Greetings From Our President

Well, for better or worse – we have paid those necessary taxes and we don't have to think about it again until the next quarter! Amen!

I love that the warm weather is upon us and we can now get outdoors and breathe. Maybe it's just me, but I always feel better when I've spent some time outdoors – gardening (more appropriate to just refer to it as weeding!). Tonight I actually lite a bond fire and we made s'mores. We counted the planes flying overhead and when it got dark enough we counted the stars that had started to pop up everywhere. Sometimes I have to be reminded that not all fun has to cost an arm and a leg. I am a very slow learner.

Enough about me. Have you noticed how many people it takes to make this organization run? You've got Millie and Kitty at the sign in table on luncheon days. You've got Catharine getting the flowers for the birthday people. Then there's Catharine again with her team in the kitchen-Leon and Mary Anne, Lowell and Lillian, Anna, and John. Then there's the Minnick's that run over and pick up the chicken for our luncheons, and Ken and Kaye that snuck those little Easter treats at our luncheon places--and you thought I didn't notice! And how about that Judy Mitchell and her team of Marion, Nelly and Hans--decorating dynamos! See how many folks there are involved? And Eileen Luck who donated her monies from the 50/50 raffle back to the organization. And Pam Walrath who just volunteer to head up the White Elephant Sale.

And then there's the board members and the travel committee and the Senior Singers! There are sooooo many people to give thanks to. If you see any of them

please give them a warm thank you.

That's all for now-- stay happy and healthy,

Nancy Griswold

April Highlights

Birthday flower recipients for April were Ken Loucks, Anna Mae Jones, Mary Sullivan, Judy Mitchell, Janice Andes, Esther White, and Charlotte Shackelford. Our 50/50 Winner of \$22 was Eileen Luck, who donated her winnings back to the group. Congratulations to you all.



We thank the Fredericksburg Singers for their delightful singing of patriotic songs and for putting us in the mood with their Easter songs too. They led us to having our annual Easter Bonnet parade, which is a delight to us all. Those photos are shown on page 3.



Statement of Income and Expenses

March 2017 Starting Balance	13,940.01
Income	
Membership	690.00
Lunches Bought	42.00
50/50	22.00
Membership Card	1.00
Interest on Checking	0.36
Total Income	755.36
Expenses	
Luncheon	109.95
Bingo	50.00
Entertainment	30.00
Postage Permit Fee	225.00
Fund Petty Cash	50.00
Total Expenses	464.95
Checkbook Balance 3/31/2017	14,230.42
Ending Statement Balance 3/31/2017	14,485.42
Outstanding Checks #1004 \$30 & #1007 \$225	255.00
Balance	14,230.42
CD Balance	40,000.00
Petty Cash Start Up	50.00
Chicken Sold	16.00
Flowers and Supplies	-24.00
Balance	42.00

Submitted by Nancy Griswold, President

Corresponding Secretary Greetings

These are the cards I have sent since last report:

Get-well: Sue Bowie, Wade Hairfield, Joyce Noxon and Madolyn Jenkins.

If you know of a member who should receive a card, please notify Marilyn Graves at 786-4421 or 287-5092 (a message can be left) or by email at gravesmng@aol.com. Please also leave your name and telephone number in case she needs additional information.

Marilyn Graves, Corresponding Secretary

News from the Travel Office

Upcoming trips:

Charles Town Casino - May 16; \$30 for members, \$35 for non-members.

Riverside Dinner Theater - "Some Enchanted Evening" June 21; "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers" Sept. 20. All shows are \$52 each.

National Cathedral Flower Show - May 5th The cost is \$40 and will leave the center at around 8:30. You can tour the grounds and inside the Cathedral on your own. There will be crafters on the grounds as well as food vendors, bakeries, white elephant and yard sale tents, book sales and flowers and plants that can be purchased. There are places to sit and rest rooms readily available. The bus will be parked in its original spot where we arrive so you can put your purchases under the bus as you shop.

Ocean City, MD/Cape May, NJ trip May 22 – 25 The cost is \$395 double occupancy. Trip includes visit to the Ocean City Casino and Assateague Island to see the ponies. There will a day trip to Cape May with a trolley tour around the area. Total payment is due at the time of registration. **Please Note: Final payment for the Ocean City trip is now due. There are still a few more seats available.** Hope you can join us!

Cruise to the Bahamas December 3 - 10 8 days/7 nights cruise leaving out of Baltimore. We will board the Carnival Pride and travel to Grand Turk, Half Moon Cay, and Freeport, Bahamas. The cost for this wonderful 8 day trip is either \$684 or \$854 double occupancy depending on cabin choice. Must register by June 9th with a \$250 deposit. **You must have a valid passport.**

Sign up at the Fredericksburg Senior Citizens Office from 10 am until 2 pm on Mon., Wed., or Fri. We do not take credit card, only cash or check for any of the trips. You can contact us at 371-2429.

The travel committee is looking for some new members who would be willing to work in the travel office twice a month. Training provided. See Kathy Corley if you are interested.

Special Activities Committee

The annual ice cream social is scheduled for Monday, June 26th, from noon to 2:30 at the Senior Citizen Center. Ice cream cones and sundaes galore! Come and bring a friend. So make sure you have this marked on your calendar.

Marilyn Graves



May Host and Hostesses

The host and hostesses for May will be Catherine Bullock, Anna Cox, Virginia Austin, and Annie Mae Blankenship. The host and hostesses will provide the desserts, and the organization provides the meat and beverages. **All members are required to bring a covered dish (vegetables, gelatin or salads) to serve at least six or more people.** Our members look forward to some good home cooked meals.

As much as we appreciate good chips and cheese doodles, these go best with other foods - not so much with luncheon. Therefore, please bring a dish to pass for our luncheon. Ideas: baked beans, potato salad, deviled eggs, beets and on and on and on. Try out a new dish on us. We're Guinea pigs! Make it for 6-8 people and if you don't want to bring anything, just pay \$7.00 at the Guest Relations table (how do you like that Miss Millie?)

White Elephant Sale

Don't forget to bring your items - maybe a little better than thrift shop quality. We'll price them and all the money will go into the Thrift Shop account that pays for our monthly flowers and possible table decorations. We will have a table set up for your goodies.



BINGO

Date: **Monday, May 1, 2017** - First Monday.

Time: **12:00**

Place: Auditorium

Come enjoy playing Bingo and win some money. We have lots of fun, and a \$20 coverall prize. Only two cards per person.



We would like to let you know what programs we have in store for you at our luncheons:

- May - The Lakers
- June - FRED Bus
- July - "Lindy in the Burg," Dance Demonstration
- August - A Brass Ensemble

Remember the blue membership card you hold in your possession? You know, it's the one you think you only need to hold once a year when it's time to renew your annual membership. Well, we are encouraging all members to bring their membership card to the meetings. Why? We will be rewarding several members each meeting for having their cards!



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DATED MATERIAL

Thrift Shop

The Thrift Shop is in need of some new or slightly used items to sell. Doing some cleaning? Don't forget the Thrift Shop! Come into the shop and you might find something to buy. The Travel Committee will provide money from Thrift Shop sales to provide the monthly birthday flowers.

Calendar for May (at a Glance)

Monday, May 1	Bingo
Friday, May 5	Nat'l Cathedral Trip
Wednesday, May 10	Board Mtg & Luncheon
Tuesday, May 16	Charles Town Casino
Monday, May 22	Ocean City/Cape May

Food Barrel

Please don't forget to bring in non-perishable items for the food barrel. We can make a difference if everyone coming to the luncheon will bring in a food item. Thank you for your donations. **Thirty nine (39)** pounds of items were given to the Food Bank in March. **Please note: No food items with an expired date will be accepted by the Food Bank. Also, please NO dented cans.**

Newsletter

Newsletter Items due	May 12, 2017
Newsletter Mailing	May 22, 2017