

Fantastic 50's Plus

June
2017

Your Social Teams

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Newsletter Deadline: 6/20

Tuesday, 6/20, is the deadline for event info/articles to appear in the next newsletter. Call Michele Wosak at 856.829.4124 or email at mwosak@comcast.net

Many thanks to our gracious and selfless hosts without whom there would be no Fantastic 50s!

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Shore Birds by Don Nelson

Have you ever been to an event and said, "That would be a great thing for the Fan50s to do?" Here's what happened last Sunday.

Each year with the migration of birds, northward, comes a coincidental breeding of a prehistoric shellfish known as the "Horseshoe Crab." You must look this fellow up as he looks like a relic of the past that he is. He is really ugly! The female, however, lays tasty eggs in the sands of the shallow water of Delaware Bay which are devoured by waiting gulls, hawks, and a group of smaller birds, known collectively as shore birds. The most revered of these birds is the Red Knott which is known to fly north from the most southern regions of Argentina to nest in the Arctic. Quite a flight! Delaware Bay is a necessary refueling stop for these birds. They gorge themselves on Horseshoe Crab eggs and fly non-stop to the land of polar bears to hatch their brood.

The Wetlands Institute sends guides to several locations to give short lectures and answer questions about the migration. Shirlee C. and I visited the site at Reeds Beach. While birds scavenge the entire Delaware Bay shore, the largest gatherings occur at places where there are freshly laid eggs. I've been told they are green. Was this Dr. Seuss's inspiration? We never see them as the horseshoe crab burrows into the sand to deposit her eggs. She may be hiding some, but the birds know where they are... probably 100 birds where we were. It's pretty exciting to watch them scurry around the relatively small area, pecking into the

sand to get a share of the feast. Large and small, these birds never fight - amazing! Maybe a third of the birds are on land while the rest wait, hovering in the area, forming a small dark cloud.

What a great opportunity for a picture or two! I only had my smart phone and could not see anything while looking toward the Sun. Sorry, I had no choice as our area was roped off. Shirlee had better luck seeing, so tried to take a few shots, but hit the wrong button giving movies instead of fixed photos. Where was our Birdman when we needed him?

This annual event occurs during May, between full moons. Our observation was near the supposed peak. You will need to wait until next May to enjoy this outing. If you go there you'll love it!



Pictured is a Semipalmated sandpiper with a single Horseshoe Crab egg which it captured by "piping away" at the sand in Fortescue during migration on May 23, 2015. This bird is 5.1-5.9 inches long and weighs around 0.7-1.1 oz
Photo by Den DiMarco



From the Editor

In this month's Newsletter:

See Pages 4 and 5 for a complete listing of the Philly Pops 2017-2018 season. Check out Page 6 for photos from the May 17th Anniversary Party.

And be sure to make note of the future events listed on Page 4 (A tour of Lewes, Delaware that includes a ferry ride, Summerfest and a day at the Races!!)

Don't forget to mark your calendars!

Thursday
Book Club
Westmont, NJ



The book discussed this month will be *Cane River* by Lalita Tademy. Meet at the William G. Rohrer Library, 15 MacArthur Blvd, Westmont. For info or questions, call Sallie U at 856.742.5540.

Friday
Happy Hour
Barrington, NJ **No Cover Charge**

Join Jack Peacock for Happy Hour Specials at Time Out Restaurant and Entertainment 241 White Horse Pike. Host is Toni 856.340.5473 or email CToni4Travel@aol.com.



Friday
Pinochle
Mount Laurel, NJ



The First Friday Pinochle Game is scheduled for June 2nd at 5:45 PM at the Mt. Laurel Community Center. Call Carol W. at 856.482.0365 to reserve a spot. Bring a snack to share and your own beverage.

Saturday
Service Project:
Milkweed Planting
Wenonah, NJ

To help the monarch butterfly population that has drastically diminished in recent years, volunteers are invited to help plant a milkweed meadow. Milkweed is the only plant the monarch can breed on and is critical for its survival. In creating a habitat for these remarkable butterflies, Tall Pines will be doing its part in this important conservation effort. Please bring your own garden trowel. Location: Tall Pines State Preserve, Bark Bridge Rd. and Indian Trail, Wenonah, NJ 08090. Fan 50s host is Den: 856.842.1790 or ddm444@comcast.net.



6/1 Saturday
7 PM Dance Party
Free Sewell

Dance to the oldies with Jack Peacock at Bogey's Club & Café, 501 Pitman Road. Call Bogey's for reservations 856.582.0160. Your host is Toni 856.340.5473 or email CToni4Travel@aol.com.



Thursday
Picnic & Watercraft Demo
Pitman, NJ **Free/Bring food**

The Gloucester County Nature Club is holding its annual picnic year at Alcyon Lake Park on the shores of historic and scenic Alcyon Lake. Attendees should bring a food item to share, and their own utensils, plates, and cups to cut down on the waste of disposables. As with all GCNC functions, the picnic is open to the public.



Following the picnic, come pick up and examine a 21 foot 17 pound outrigger canoe, an 18 foot 20 pound surfski, and a 21 foot 22 pound kayak. Check out paddles, PDF's, life jackets, rescue throw bags and much more in the hands on presentation on paddle craft and water safety.

Presenter: Glen Forest Green, P.E., U.S. Canoe Assoc. Safety Committee Chairman. Location is the picnic pavilion at Alcyon Lake Park, 100 Track Ave, Pitman, NJ Fan 50s host is Den: 856.842.1790 or ddm444@comcast.net. Map to Pavilion:



6/3 Friday
Happy Hour
Barrington, NJ **No Cover Charge**



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Saturday
Dance Party
Barrington, NJ **No Cover Charge**

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Wednesday
Canasta
Mount Laurel, NJ **Free**

Canasta is played at the Mount Laurel Community Center, 100 Mount Laurel Road (large white building behind the Police Station on Walt Whitman Ave). Come and join us for an evening of fun. Call Dot Crowe at 856.608.1068 to reserve your spot.

Thursday
Phase 10
Turnersville, NJ



Phase 10 will be held at Lynn K's house at 6 Cambridge Rd. in Turnersville on Thursday, June 15th at 1 PM. If you are new to the group please call 856.228.6075 to reserve a spot... those who are regulars need to call only if they cannot make it. Bring a snack and quarters.

Friday
Happy Hour
Barrington, NJ **No Cover Charge**

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So much to do, so little time!

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Saturday **6/17**
Dance Party **7:30 – 11:30 PM**
Sewell **No Cover Charge**
 Dance to the oldies with Jack Peacock at Bogey's Club & Café, 501 Pitman Road. Call Bogey's for reservations 856.582.0160. Your host is Toni 856.340.5473 or email CToni4Travel@aol.com.



Wednesday **6/21**
Meeting/Social **6 PM**
Bellmawr, NJ **\$10**



Enjoy pizza night and hanging out with your Fanfifty friends at the June Social. Back by popular demand is the "Fan 50's Antique Roadshow" featuring Bruce Dooley, proprietor of Aged To Perfection gallery. As in past years, Bruce will provide an assessment of antiques and/or interesting items brought to the Roadshow by Fan 50 members. They will present to the group in attendance information about each item and provide an idea of what the item is worth in the marketplace. This has been a big favorite for the past couple of years, so don't miss it. Bring one item to be appraised at the "Fan 50's Antique Roadshow" (please no jewelry nor art). There will be display tables set up for all the items to be displayed. Put your item on the display table immediately after you arrive and then enjoy the "munchies" and socialize with your Fan 50 friends. During the munching and socializing period (usually until around 7:15), Bruce will be appraising all the items. Starting around 7:15, Bruce will present to everyone his thoughts and appraisals for each item, one at a time.

Everyone in attendance gets to hear enlightening information about not only their item, but about all the items presented for appraisal. This is a really fascinating and entertaining evening, and the presentations by Bruce are excellent.

The \$10 includes admission, pizza (all kinds!), salad, and soft drinks from the bar. You can BYOB if you wish or buy drinks from the VFW. The bar offers a full selection of drinks starting at \$2. Don't miss an enjoyable night out with your FanFifty friends. Doors open at 6:00 pm.

Something to consider when traveling to the Bellmawr VFW is that Route 295 traffic is often backed up during the timeframe you are trying to get to the hall. This is especially frustrating for the folks traveling south from the Cherry Hill, Burlington County areas. Consider alternate routes such as the NJ Turnpike, from Exit 4 or 5 depending on where you live, get off at Exit 3 and you are a couple of blocks away from the hall. Take the exit onto Route 168 going towards Bellmawr, turn left at the first light at Wendy's (Benigno Blvd), turn right on the second street (Lowell) and go up two blocks to the hall. Also consider Kings Highway Route 41 through Haddonfield, turning left onto Warwick Road to Little Gloucester Road and turning right; a couple of miles on this road and you are at the hall (1st left after the Route 168 traffic light).

Wednesday **6/21**
Canasta **6:30 PM**
Mount Laurel, NJ **Free**

Canasta is played at the Mount Laurel Community Center, 100 Mount Laurel Road (large white building behind the Police Station on Walt Whitman Ave). Come and join us for an evening of fun. Call Dot Crowe at 856.608.1068 to reserve your spot.

Friday **6/23**
Happy Hour **5 - 8 PM**
Barrington, NJ **No Cover Charge**

Join Jack Peacock for Happy Hour Specials at Time Out Restaurant and Entertainment 241 White Horse Pike. Host is Toni 856.340.5473 or email CToni4Travel@aol.com.



Saturday **6/24**
Dance Party **5 – 8 PM**
Barrington **No Cover Charge**



Join Jack Peacock at Time Out Eatery and Entertainment 241 White Horse Pike. Host is Toni 856.340.5473 or email

CToni4Travel@aol.com.

Wednesday **6/28**
Canasta **6:30 PM**
Mount Laurel, NJ **Free**

Canasta is played at the Mount Laurel Community Center, 100 Mount Laurel Road (large white building behind the Police Station on Walt Whitman Ave). Come and join us for an evening of fun. Call Dot Crowe at 856.608.1068 to reserve your spot.



Friday **6/30**
Happy Hour **5 - 8 PM**
Barrington, NJ **No Cover Charge**

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Planning Ahead

Thursday **7/6**
Book Club **7 PM**
Westmont, NJ **Free**

The book discussed this month will be *River of Doubt* by Candice Millard. Meet at the William G. Rohrer Library, 15 MacArthur Blvd, Westmont. For info or questions, call Sallie U at 856.742.5540.



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Saturday 7/15
Lewes Delaware Tour via Cape May Ferry
Cape May, NJ



This event will involve meeting at the Ferry, then touring historic

Lewes DE via a local tour

company. We plan a meal at the end of the tour before coming back to Cape May via the ferry. More information will be given in the Wednesday Wake-Up as it becomes known. Hosts Don N. 856.772.9270 and Shirlee C. 856.495.6232.

rain or shine. R.S.V.P by July 12, 2017 (at the latest). To obtain directions and reserve your spot, please call him at 856.224.0697. This is a fun day! You won't want to miss it. I am sure those who were in attendance last year will attest to what a fun time was had by all. Hope to see you there.

Saturday 8/5
Monmouth Park
Monmouth, NJ
9:15 AM
\$12.20 + food

How about joining me for a fun day at Monmouth Park? We'll carpool to the Hamilton train station and take NJ transit directly to Monmouth Park. NJ Transit offers a package for \$12.20 which includes round-trip rail ticket, grandstand admission and an official track program – purchased at the station on the day of travel. As a group, we can make reservations for lunch in one of the park restaurants. Or you can grab a bite on your own.



The Philly POPS 2017-18 Season lineup offers a year filled with truly one-of-a-kind musical experiences. Maestro Michael Krajewski — together with an amazing Orchestra, Festival Chorus, and the country's best and brightest guest vocalists — will entertain you with music from your all-time favorite artists and eras, with plenty of laughs and surprises along the way!

Besides hearing the wonderful 65 piece orchestra, all the shows have guest singers/performers to add to the show's theme.

Reservations are now being taken for the Philly Pops 2017-2018 Season.

We have the option this season, of subscribing to 5 OR 6 shows: The 5 shows are as follows and cost \$165.00:

THE MUSIC OF ELTON JOHN, with Michael Cavanaugh, NOV. 12, 2017 Welcome back, Michael Cavanaugh! After sold-out Music of Billy Joel shows with the POPS in 2016, Cavanaugh and his energetic band return to Verizon Hall to rock Elton John's greatest hits, including "Rocket Man," "Tiny Dancer," "Your Song," "Candle in the Wind," "Crocodile Rock," and, of course, "Philadelphia Freedom". An in-demand artist who tours the globe, Cavanaugh earned Grammy and Tony nominations as the lead in Broadway's *Movin' Out*. Celebrated conductor Stuart Chafetz leads this tribute to Elton John, complemented with music by his contemporaries: Paul McCartney, Pete Townshend, and many more.

LENNY'S REVOLUTION, a centennial Bernstein Celebration, with David Charles Abel Conducting, Feb. 4, 2018 The POPS joins in a citywide tribute to Leonard Bernstein in his 100th anniversary year. Bernstein revolutionized music by forever blurring the lines between classical and

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Saturday 7/22
Summerfest
Gibbstown, NJ \$5.00 contribution
1:30 PM

Bob "G" invites everyone to his ninth annual "Summerfest" at his home in Gibbstown on Saturday, July 22, 2017. Gates open noonish with good food and beverage and lots of friendly folk. Bob has lined up a bunch of fun filled events starting at approximately 1:30 p.m. that span the day and evening. There will be Bocce, Ping Pong, Beer Pong, Horseshoes, Bean Bag Toss, just to name a few. Participation is encouraged or you can just hang out or swim, or boo the opponents, or just enjoy the music, get outdoors and grab a bite to eat. If you want to cool off, you can use the pool and/or hot tub.

Bob will be providing roast pork, chicken, baked beans and beverage, soda, water, iced tea, beer and wine. You are also welcome to bring your own beverage.

Bob is asking a \$5.00 contribution to help defray the cost of food and beverage. Summerfest is happening

Our day at the races is Saturday, August 5, 2017. The park opens at 11:30 a.m. and the first race is at 12:50. The train ride takes 2½ hours with a train change at Rahway. We would get the 9:05 a.m. train and arrive at the park at 11:36 a.m. Please email Rhoda at rmathias95@comcast.net or call me at 856.222.0432 if you are interested and tell me if you'd like a group lunch. For information about Monmouth Park, visit Monmouth Park's website at www.monmouthpark.com.



THE PHILLY POPS 2017-2018 SEASON

Join us now for our next season 2017-2018 of Great Entertainment all you Music Lovers. All our shows are on Sunday afternoons at 3pm.

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popular, most famously with his iconic hits West Side Story, Candide, and On the Town. David Charles Abell, Bernstein's protégé and a Philly favorite and native son, conducts the popular Bernstein repertoire in anticipation of the soon-to-premiere exhibition at the National Museum of American Jewish History. The show features Broadway vocalists Lisa Vroman, Alli Mauzey, and Ryan Silverman — plus the 180-voice Philly POPS Festival Chorus!

BEST OF BROADWAY, MARCH 11, 2018. Three of Broadway's most celebrated stars join the Philly POPS and conductor Todd Ellison — hailed by The New York Times as one of "Broadway's electric conductors" — to showcase the finest in show tunes. It's the songs you can't stop humming from Gypsy, Funny Girl, Chicago, Thoroughly Modern Millie, South Pacific, Cabaret, Beauty and the Beast, Wicked, Phantom of the Opera, and more. With two dozen Broadway shows under their collective belts, vocalists Debbie Gravitte, Susan Egan, and Christopher Seiber are the perfect trio to bring the best of Broadway to life on the POPS stage.

SINATRA & FRIENDS, APRIL 8, 2018 Music Director Michael Krajewski has created a splendid homage to Frank and his Rat Pack! Sinatra and Friends features Michael Andrew, back after his sold-out POPS' Sinatra series in 2015, and Ashley Brown, Broadway's darling fresh from star turns in Mary Poppins, Beauty and the Beast, and The Sound of Music Live! Sinatra staples like "My Way" and "You Make Me Feel So Young" will pair with Dean Martin's "Everybody Loves Somebody", Sammy Davis Jr.'s "That Old Black Magic", and Liza Minelli's shared Sinatra blockbuster "New York, New York" to put a spell on all who attend.

POPS ROCKS, Queen, Stone, Zeppelin, and more, APRIL 29, 2018 Get ready to belt out your favorite classic rock with the POPS! Sing along with Broadway's Bryce Ryness and the Philly POPS Festival Chorus to the most memorable songs of the Rolling Stones, Led Zeppelin, Queen, and more. We'll rock the hits that get you on your feet, including "Satisfaction", "Stairway to Heaven", and "Bohemian Rhapsody" with chart-toppers from The Beatles, Journey, ELO, Peter Gabriel, Styx, and more. Ryness most recently delighted Philly POPS audiences in 2016's The Carole King Songbook and

has starred in Matilda, Hair, and Legally Blonde on Broadway. The 6 shows cost \$198.00, and are the same shows as above, but also include:

A STAR WARS CELEBRATION, OCT. 22, 2017 John Williams has won five Academy Awards, four Golden Globe Awards, seven British Academy Film Awards, and 22 Grammy Awards. With 50 Academy Award nominations, Williams is the second most-nominated individual, after Walt Disney. What would E.T., Raiders of the Lost Ark, Jaws, or Harry Potter be without his signature music? You'll hear it all with the second half of this thrilling tribute devoted to Star Wars in this 40th anniversary year of the space fantasy. The program features the Philly POPS Festival Chorus and, as an added bonus, expect a visit from the fabulous Garrison Carida of the 501st Legion recreating the Star Wars galaxy of characters!

There was a small price increase from last season, but for the quality of entertainment that they offer, where can you go for \$33.00 a show?

So, call me now to reserve your seats. Betty Gentile 856.787.8611.



From the 2016 season: The Fantastic 50's gathering inside the Kimmel Center for another great show.



The Philly Pops onstage - the Conductor's Circle is directly above the orchestra.



There is something here for everyone!

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Friendly faces greeted Fantastic 50's members and guests as they checked into Touch of Class in Delran on May 17th.



Don N. and Shirlee C. are all smiles enjoying the festivities.



Fantastic 50s Anniversary Dinner Dance guests express their appreciation of singer/entertainer Kevin Peterson with smiles and applause.



The King and Queen for a day, Den D. and Debra S. beam benignly at the subjects of their temporary Kingdom.

Payments

Except for membership, or if otherwise noted, please send all payments/bills to:

Fantastic 50s
c/o Loretta Krewson
237 S. Atlantic Ave. East, Unit B
Haddonfield, NJ 08033

Treasurer's report

Balance as of 04/01/17 . \$ 1,495.91
Deposits 545.12
Expenses 200.00
Balance as of 04/30/17 1,841.03

Meeting/Social Location:

**81 S. Lowell Avenue
Bellmawr, NJ 08031**

From Route 295, take exit 28 for State Hwy 168 S toward NJ Tpke/

Runnemede/ Bellmawr, then Black Horse Pike south a few blocks to a right on Browning Road, then left on S. Lowell.





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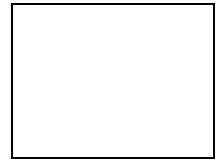


Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 	2 	3 Service Project Milkweed Planting  ----- Dance Party 
4	5	6	7	8 Picnic & Watercraft Demo 	9 	10 Dance Party 
11	12	13	14 Canasta ----- 	15 	16 	17 Dance Party 
18 Father's Day 	19	20	21  Meeting/Social ----- Canasta	22	23 	24 Dance Party 
25	26	27	28 Canasta 	29	30 	





Fantastic 50's
521 Whitman Drive
Turnersville, NJ 08012



Joining and Renewing!

To join, or to renew your membership, send a check made payable to “Fantastic 50’s” for \$25 and mail to **Fantastic 50’s, 521 Whitman Drive, Turnersville, NJ 08012**. Write *Membership* on the check and include your email address and phone number so that we may update our membership records. If you’re a member of Fantastic 50’s, and you’d like to know **when** to renew, check the address label on your newsletter. There you’ll see “Your membership expires mm/dd/yyyy” (where mm/dd/yyyy is your date of expiration.) Renew a month **before** then!

Our Club—A Quick View

When we started this club in October of 2000, our goal was to provide interesting social activities for people over 50 years of age.

Since that time we’ve sponsored thousands of activities from free concerts in local parks to trips to Hong Kong.

While not intended to be a partnership meeting place, many of us have found lasting friendships. We’ve noticed that

the more involved you are, the more satisfying the friendships become. As you might expect, we’ve seen our share of marriages as well.

Some other events include dance parties at local clubs, pinochle games, Kimmel Center concerts, dinners, trips and special interest groups like photography and birding.

We have no limit as to what adventure might be sponsored. Belonging is lots of fun. Lonely nights tend to disappear.

We provide descriptions of events and current information by way of a monthly newsletter, a web site and a weekly email. We email special changes as needed.

The basis of our club is members hosting events for other members. That is what keeps the club vibrant and moving forward. So think of something you would like to do or attend, and host it as a club event. We need your participation.