

NEXT MEETING

Friday May 19, 2023, 11:30AM University Inn Best Western+

Friday, May 19 meeting to hear what our District 6 Representatives have to say about what did (didn't) happen in the 2023 Legislative Session.

MENU: Chicken Bacon Ranch Wrap - with shredded iceberg lettuce, sun dried tomatomayo and sliced tomatoes served with crispy potato wedges and house coleslaw

Pease call Carolyn Strong 208-875-1689. Reservations <u>MUST</u> be made if you plan to have lunch. If you make a reservation and do not show, you may be billed \$16. ALSO, you may attend for FREE and not have lunch.

Latah County Library District Board Elections are Tuesday, May 16. There are two open positions - - one for 4 years and one for 6 years. Early voting at the Courthouse runs May 1-12. You can register & vote at the same time.

Food Drive/Door Prizes

Latah AARP has traditionally done Two Things at Our Member Meetings. First, anyone purchasing lunch & attending the meeting is given a '*raffle ticket*' and there are usually 4-6 drawings for items. If you bring food for the FOOD DRIVE, you will receive 2 raffle tickets!

President's Memo

Latah AARP President's Memo

This will be an unusual Latah AARP Newsletter for several reasons. We hope to hear from you as to whether it's a 'good' or 'bad' idea.

You can email President Louise Regelin at <u>regelinl@genesee-id.com</u> or call her at **208-882-2789**.

We will be deciding whether to do more of a **Memo** format as opposed to a traditional newsletter. That will create an opportunity to provide more frequent & current communication with our members.

It's been an interesting Spring on the Palouse. Many things happened in the 2023 Idaho Legislature; COVID numbers are down, but still present; Idaho AARP has been very active; UI hosted a successful Our Financial Conference April 7 - Latah AARP was a sponsor & exhibitor and VP Rhonda Comstock a presenter; and, Your Board had a productive Meeting to plan for 2023.

Our next 'event' after our May 19 meeting will be a Financial Program to be presented in Potlatch on Wed, June 14. More details will be presented at our May 19 meeting and via a newsletter or Memo.

We then take a 'vacation' and Your Board will meet to plan our Fall Schedule - likely on August 10.

If you are considering being a Board Member, OR wish to recommend someone, please contact President Louise. We currently have 3 or 4 vacancies for Board members and an open slot for Second Vice President.

Our Fall schedule is shaping up as follows: Member Meetings on September 15, October 20 and December 8. Likely programs are a City Council Candidate Forum in September; Health Care issues in October, and a Social meeting in December. There will probably be Board Meetings in August and November. If you have ideas or suggestions for programs or speakers, please let an officer or board member know.

Please come to our Friday, May 19 meeting to hear what our District 6 Representatives have to say about what did (didn't) happen in the 2023 Legislative Session. There will be an opportunity for Questions & Answers. Lunch will be served at 11:30 and program will begin at Noon at the University Inn. See elsewhere to make your lunch reservations.

A final note: Idaho AARP arranges various 'conferences' with Idaho officials. You have already received a Memo re: Tuesday, May 2, at 11:00 a.m. tele-conference with Governor Little.

We would like to know how many Latah AARP members 'called in' and what their

reactions to such telephone conferences might be. My email & phone number are above.

Thank you for your consideration. Please make plans to attend our May 19 meeting. It's an excellent opportunity to obtain information and 'connect' with our District 6 Legislators. See you May 19th,

Louise Regelin President 208-882-2789 regelinl@genesee-id.com

Upcoming Events

May 19: Latah AARP Meeting at UIBW: Program: Come meet Our District 6 Representatives to hear what did/didn't happen in the 2023 Legislature Also, their comments regarding specific issues and concerns and what will happen or change in the future. This is your chance to 'listen & learn'.

June 14: Latah AARP will be hosting a FRAUD ALERT Class in Potlatch - coordinated by VP Rhonda Comstock, and Board Member Karen Richel with UI Extension. It's expected to last 3 hours, likely over/during Senior Meal event. More details to come.

August 10: Latah AARP Board Meeting. Interested in becoming a Board Member? We also have a VP opening. If you are, please contact me -- we could use 3 or 4 more interested people to participate in leadership. We will be making decisions regarding September 15, October 20 and December 8 Member meetings. In addition, we may be planning a September/October SCAM Jam - - date & place & presenters to be determined.

September 15: AARP Member Meeting. City Council Candidate Forum (tentative) to be held at UIBW. There are three council positions open.

October 20: AARP Member Meeting. Program to be selected - - do you have suggestions? Please let me know - and, do you want to coordinate?

December 8: Usual Holiday AARP Member Meeting & Officer & Board Elections. We will be looking for & recruiting potential Board Members & Officers. Think about it! Have you paid dues for 2023? Our 'system' has been unpredictable the past 3 years due to Covid. IF you have not paid dues recently, Please pay them for 2023. Our dues are \$10/year. You can bring cash or check to May 19th meeting and deliver to Treasurer Carol Bennett. Thank you.

Latah County AARP Chapter 2023 Board of Directors

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If you are interested in serving or wish to nominate someone, please contact President Louise at 208-882-2789 or by email at regelinl@genesee-id.com



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE April 28, 2023

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AARP IDAHO TO HOST TOWN HALL WITH GOVERNOR LITTLE All Idahoans invited to attend via telephone May 2 at noon

AARP Idaho is inviting Idahoans to join Governor Brad Little for a statewide telephone town meeting. The one-hour conversation with Governor Little and AARP Idaho state director Lupe Wissel will focus on the 2023 legislative session and other topics important to Idahoans.

"This past legislative session AARP Idaho staff and volunteers worked diligently to advance legislation that benefited Idahoans of all ages. This is an opportunity to discuss what was accomplished, what it means to you, and what's left to do," said AARP Idaho state director Lupe Wissel. "We hope Idahoans will use this opportunity to make their voices heard and speak directly with the Governor about what's important to them and their families."

The conversation begins at noon MTN, Tuesday, May 2.

Participants can join by:

- dialing toll-free 866-767-0637
- registering in advance by visiting <u>https://vekeo.com/aarpidaho/</u>
- watching on Facebook at <u>https://www.facebook.com/AARPIdaho</u>

This is an interactive forum and participants are encouraged to call and speak directly with the Governor. Questions may also be submitted ahead of time via email at <u>aarpid@aarp.org</u>.

With a membership more than 185,000 Idahoans, AARP is the largest organization in the state and regularly hosts thousands of participants during statewide telephone town hall forums. The typical audience size for an event like this ranges from two to three thousand listeners.

This call is available for anyone regardless of AARP membership.