

# Choice

## The Newsletter Of AARP Chapter 1952

"To Serve – Not To Be Served"

Warner Robins, Georgia

www.Choice1952.com

September, 2007

Volume 11

Issue 9

Issued Monthly

Meeting Dates/Time: **Wednesday, September 19<sup>th</sup>** and Wednesday, October 24<sup>th</sup> | 10:00 A.M.

Location: Wellston Center - 152 Maple Street | Warner Robins, GA 31093

Officers	Names	Telephone	Board Of Directors	Telephone
President	John Echols	953-5060	Rosita Huckeba	987-7220
Vice President	Bob Watson	929-4711	Howard Jordan	929-2202
Secretary	Ivis Bedrick	923-4533	Suzanne Burgess	922-2003
Treasurer	Nancy Harrison	922-1526	Phyllis Blount	956-4134
Chaplain	Winona Smith	923-6997	Mary Lappano	923-6382
Choice Editor/Typist	Greg Davis	318-0471	Betty Lou Lovain	922-7774
			Maureen Echols	953-5060

### BIRTHDAYS FOR SEPTEMBER ☺

Greg (I'm Da Baby) Davis	1 <sup>st</sup>	Mary Lappano	1 <sup>st</sup>	Dore Montes	4 <sup>th</sup>
Myrtice Mitchell	6 <sup>th</sup>	Agnes Partlow	6 <sup>th</sup>	Phyllis Blount	8 <sup>th</sup>
Martha Alexander	14 <sup>th</sup>	Ivis Bedrick	15 <sup>th</sup>	Harris McMillan	16 <sup>th</sup>
Allen Henderson	17 <sup>th</sup>	Donald Cunningham	19 <sup>th</sup>	Raymond Broom	19 <sup>th</sup>
Mildred Norris	29 <sup>th</sup>				

*Happy Birthday!* ☺

### BIRTHDAYS FOR OCTOBER ☺

Hugh Morris	1 <sup>th</sup>	Minel Ruth Lasley	11 <sup>th</sup>	Jack Peck	18 <sup>th</sup>
Sara Holden	21 <sup>st</sup>	Frances Roland	25 <sup>th</sup>	Jane Speer	26 <sup>th</sup>

*Happy Birthday!* ☺

### WE CARE

For each new morning with its light, For rest and shelter of the night, For health and food, For love and friends, For everything Thy goodness sends. - **Ralph Waldo Emerson (1803-1882)** Sympathy Cards were sent to **Ivis Bedrick** - comfort for the passing of her sister; **Minnie Hilton** - comfort for the passing of her sister; and **Shirley Murphy** - comfort for the passing of her sister. "Blessed are those who mourn, For they shall be comforted." **Matthew 5:4**

**Attention Readers Of This Newsletter:** "Local Chapter Membership" Has Its Rewards And Privileges! Members: Please keep your dues (only \$5.00/year) and membership directory information (birthday, address/phone number, etc) current! If you are NOT a member of our local chapter **but** you are a member of AARP please consider joining us ... only \$5.00/year! Thank you! ggd ☺

### Note From The President

This month's meeting will be held **September 19<sup>th</sup>** due to Wellston Center's usage during the **2007 Georgia Golden Olympics** (September 24<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>). **Remember to bring a "covered dish!"**

The 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Les Still Big Band Concert (Benefit Concert For Literacy) will be held **Saturday, September 29<sup>th</sup>** at the Warner Robins Civic Center. Admission is \$10.00. Contact **Marcella**

**Cunningham 478/923-0047** to purchase your tickets!

Welcome to new member Lena Farr!

**John Echols**

**September 11, 2001**



Never Forget!  
ggd

## Editor's Notes

Our Newsletter – *Choice* - is online! Visit [www.Choice1952.com](http://www.Choice1952.com)! Please get your newsworthy information to me as soon as possible!

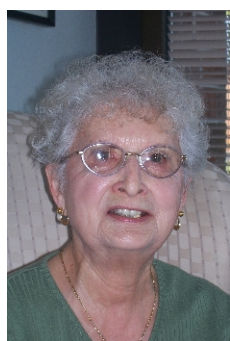
Our member's exciting life experiences have been informative, educational and inspirational! This issue we spotlight **Suzanne Burgess!**

As **your** Editor I'm open to suggestions for our newsletter! Additionally, **please contact me to be featured in future newsletters!** I can be reached at **478/318-0471** and/or via e-mail at **gdavismail@gmail.com!**

Sincerely,

**Greg (I'm Da Baby) Davis ☺ (ggd)**

## Member Spotlight



I grew up in the country in a small town near Eaton, Ohio and attended Dixon Township School with my two sisters and my brother. In fact, all twelve grades were in one building! My graduating class included most of the 21 classmates I started first grade with!

I graduated from high school in 1951 then went to Miami Jacobs Business College from 1952-1953. While working at a Buick agency I met a handsome young man - Clarence (Bud) Burgess – who was stationed at Wright Patterson Air Force Base (Fairborn, Ohio). Bud was from Anniston, Alabama and we went to movies and spent as much time together as possible. Although I roomed at the YMCA, Bud – on the weekends - would drive me home to the farm!

Following a “short romance” Bud and I married in 1953 and quickly started a family and the beginning of several military assignments!

Those assignments took us to Washington DC, Italy, two separate tours in Virginia and a tour in Japan. In among these Bud also had two **isolated** assignments ... one to Iceland and the other to Johnston Island in the Pacific. Each time I moved back to Ohio, first with two of our children (Michael and Barbara) and next with five children (Michael, Barbara, Kathy, Charles, and Ann)!

In 1970 - following our tour in (Wakkanai) Japan – we came to Warner Robins (Robins Air Force Base) and lived in base housing. Since our children were in high school Bud and I decided to stay in Warner Robins as long as possible. Eventually our children graduated from high school, got married (except for Michael) and have blessed Bud and me with seven grandchildren ... Shawn, Jason, Chad, Tony, Angela, Lindsey and Kelli!

In 1976 Bud retired after an exciting 28-year career and we bought the first house we ever owned in the Shirley Hills area! After retirement Bud spent a year just working on the house and yard before taking a job in the maintenance office of the Macon Housing Authority. I did some work with the Georgia Easter Seal Society but **I found the most satisfaction in volunteering.**

Christmas was really something at our house ... Bud, me, our children and grandchildren ... you get the idea! Bud and I spent some wonderful times together until he lost his battle with cancer and heart problems in 1986. In that same year I started volunteering with a group of people who formed the Humane Society.

I also did volunteer service with the Red Cross and Meals-On-Wheels. In 1998 I began volunteer service with the Houston Medical Center and I am still there two days a week!

I still attend the Base Chapel where Bud and I worshipped and I am thankful for my family and friends in the Warner Robins Senior Social Club and in the local AARP chapter and the other volunteers at the hospital!

Three grandchildren are married so I'm waiting for great grandchildren now!

Thank you **Suzanne** for all that you do!  
☺ ggd

**KNOCK KNOCK!**

Who's there?

Old lady!

Old lady who?

I didn't know you could yodel!



**ggd**

# Please Support These Advertisers That Support Us!

AARP Chapter 1952 - Helping Us To Help Others!

## Raccoon Stone & Tile Works

Granite, Marble & Limestone  
We cater to your fabrication needs!  
Counter Tops, Vanities And More!

### Mary Coon

Tel: 478/956-2222 Fax: 478/956-2221  
Showroom: 2347 HWY 247C  
Byron, GA 31008

## McCullough Funeral Home

### Michael McNeal

*Vice President – Funeral Director*

Tel: 478/953-1478 Fax: 478/953-3139  
Voice Mail: 478/953-3214 Ext 229  
417 S. Houston Lake Road  
Warner Robins, GA 31088  
michael@mcculloughfh.com  
www.mcculloughfh.com

## Operation House ID

“NightVISION” Reflective Address Signs!

- Practical!
- **Elegant Designs**
- Brilliantly Reflective!
- Complements Any Landscape!
- Highly Visible Both Day And Night!
- Only \$57.50 – Installed On A 48” Pole!

<p>\$50.00 For AARP Members!</p>
--

### Gregory G. Davis – Area Coordinator

**Tel: 478/318-0471**

www.Elegant911Signs.com

## Houston Orthopaedic Surgery & Sports Medicine

An Experienced Team of Board-Certified  
Orthopaedic Surgeons

3051 Watson Boulevard  
Warner Robins, GA 31093  
478/953-4563

www.middlegaortho.com

## The Childress Team

*Golden Key Realty*

“Everything We Touch Turns to SOLD!”

**Diane Childress: CRS, GRI, CSP, ABR**  
*Certified Residential Specialist*

Direct Line: (478) 953-2907  
Office: (478) 329-0006 or (800) 329-4445  
www.TheChildressTeam.com  
Diane@thechildressteam.com

## Stephan F. Holcomb, D.M.D., P.C.

In The Office Of:

Dental Associates of Warner Robins  
General Dentistry

229 Carl Vinson Parkway  
Warner Robins, GA 31088  
478/922-4922

## The Medicine Shoppe

### Barry M. Bilbro, R.Ph.

Compounding Pharmacist

1550 Watson Blvd | Warner Robins, GA 31093

www.medshoppe.com

Email: barrybilbro@msn.com

**Tel: 478/922-2067 Fax: 478/922-5025**

Warner Robins Oldest Independent Pharmacy

## Kubias' Service Center

**Complete Auto and Truck Repair**

“You Have Our Word On It.”

### John Kubia III

*Owner*

4001 Watson Blvd  
Warner Robins, GA 31093

### Bridgestone

*Dealer*

478/971-7400  
Fax 478/971-7401

johnkubia@yahoo.com

## Middle Georgia Memory Makers

Group Travel

### Franki Hodge, Trip Coordinator

209 Fall Harvest  
Centerville, GA 31028  
Tel: 478/953.0636 | Cell: 478/951.4874  
E-mail: fahodge@cox.net

## Signature

Jewelers

Steve Franklin, Owner

2724 Watson Blvd., Suite I  
Warner Robins, GA 31088

Next to Super Wal-Mart

Tel: 478/953-8252 | Fax: 478/953-8543

## U-SAVE-IT PHARMACY, INC.

202 Gunn Road  
Centerville, Georgia 31028  
“Taking Care of You”

### Michelle Corzine, Pharm D

Mon – Fri: 9-6

Sat: 9-12

Bus: 478/953-8118 | Fax: 478/953-5527

## JIM'S QUICK LUBE

### JAMES DAVID (JIM) SPEER

857 Warren Dr. (West Hwy. 96)  
Warner Robins, GA 31088  
478/218-0279  
Email: jimsppeer@aol.com

**FAMOUS  
Bojangles'**

\* Chicken 'N Biscuits \*

**"Come Taste The Difference"**

Aaron Mays – Owner

**\*\* FREE SENIOR DRINK W/PURCHASE \*\***

495 Booth Road | Warner Robins, GA 31088

Tel: 478/225-2337

**Homecare Medical Products**

140 A Hospital Drive

Warner Robins, GA 31088

478/923-3865

*Medical Equipment For The Patient At Home*

**24 Hour Oxygen Service**

**Rentals & Sales**

*Houston County's Oldest Medical Supplier...*

*Since 1983*

**Randy Pratt**

## September 11, 2001 – Never Forget

Patriot Day was September 11<sup>th</sup> ... However, here is the ORIGINAL Proclamation from 2002:



### By the President of the United States of America A Proclamation

On this first observance of Patriot Day, we remember and honor those who perished in the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001. We will not forget the events of that terrible morning nor will we forget how Americans responded in New York City, at the Pentagon, and in the skies over Pennsylvania -- with heroism and selflessness; with compassion and courage; and with prayer and hope. We will always remember our collective obligation to ensure that justice is done, that freedom prevails, and that the

principles upon which our Nation was founded endure.

Inspired by the heroic sacrifices of our firefighters, rescue and law enforcement personnel, military service members, and other citizens, our Nation found unity, focus, and strength. We found healing in the national outpouring of compassion for those lost, as tens of millions of Americans participated in moments of silence, candlelight vigils, and religious services. From the tragedy of September 11 emerged a stronger Nation, renewed by a spirit of national pride and a true love of country.

We are a people dedicated to the triumph of freedom and democracy over evil and tyranny. The heroic stories of the first responders who gave their all to save others strengthened our resolve. And our Armed Forces have pursued the war against terrorism in Afghanistan and else-where with valor and skill. Together with our coalition partners, they have achieved success.

Americans also have fought back against terror by choosing to overcome evil with good. By loving their neighbors as they would like to be loved, countless citizens have answered the call to help others. They have contributed to relief efforts, improved homeland security in their communities, and volunteered their time to aid those in need. This spirit of service continues to grow as thousands have joined the newly established USA Freedom Corps, committing themselves to changing America one heart at a time through the momentum of millions of acts of decency and kindness.

Those whom we lost last September 11 will forever hold a cherished place in our hearts and in the history of our Nation. As we mark the first anniversary of that tragic day, we remember their sacrifice; and we commit ourselves to honoring their memory by pursuing peace and justice in the world and security at home. By a joint resolution approved December 18, 2001 (Public Law 107-89), the Congress has authorized and requested the President to designate September 11 of each year as "**Patriot Day.**"

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE W. BUSH, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim September 11, 2002, as Patriot Day.** I call upon the people of the United States to observe this day with appropriate ceremonies and activities, including remembrance services and candlelight vigils. I also call upon the Governors of the United States and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, as well as appropriate officials of all units of government, to direct that the flag be flown at half-staff on Patriot Day. Further, I encourage all Americans to display the flag at half-staff from their homes on that day and to observe a moment of silence beginning at 8:46 a.m. eastern daylight time, or another appropriate commemorative time, to honor the innocent victims who lost their lives as a result of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this fourth day of September, in the year of our Lord two thousand two, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and twenty-seventh. **GEORGE W. BUSH**

**Now You Know The History Of "Patriot Day!" ☺ ggd**

**Taxes, Taxes And More Taxes – Let Me Count The Ways!**

**\*\* Received Via E-Mail \*\***

Tax his land,  
Tax his bed,  
Tax the table  
At which he's fed.

Tax his tractor,  
Tax his mule,  
Teach him taxes  
Are the rule.

Tax his cow,  
Tax his goat,  
Tax his pants,  
Tax his coat.

Tax his ties,  
Tax his shirt,  
Tax his work,  
Tax his dirt.

Tax his tobacco,  
Tax his drink,  
Tax him if he  
Tries to think.

Tax his cigars,  
Tax his beers,  
If he cries, then  
Tax his tears.

Tax his car,  
Tax his gas,  
Find other ways  
To tax his a\*\*

Tax all he has  
Then let him know  
That you won't be done  
Till he has no dough.

When he screams and hollers,  
Then tax him some more,  
Tax him till  
He's good and sore.

Then tax his coffin,  
Tax his grave,  
Tax the sod in  
Which he's laid.

Put these words  
upon his tomb,  
" Taxes drove me to my  
doom..."

When he's gone,  
Do not relax,  
Its time to apply  
The inheritance tax.

**Types Of Taxes (Not All Inclusive)!**

- Accounts Receivable Tax
- Building Permit Tax
- CDL license Tax
- Cigarette Tax
- Corporate Income Tax
- Dog License Tax
- Excise Taxes
- Federal Income Tax
- Federal Unemployment Tax
- Fishing License Tax
- Food License Tax
- Fuel Permit Tax
- Gasoline Tax (42 Cents Per Gallon)
- Gross Receipts Tax
- Hunting License Tax
- Inheritance Tax
- Inventory Tax
- IRS Interest Charges IRS Penalties
- Liquor Tax
- Luxury Taxes
- Marriage License Tax
- Medicare Tax
- Personal Property Tax
- Property Tax
- Real Estate Tax
- Service Charge Tax
- Social Security Tax
- Road Usage Tax
- Sales Tax

- Recreational Vehicle Tax
- School Tax
- State Income Tax
- State Unemployment Tax
- Telephone Federal Excise Tax
- Telephone Federal Universal Service Fee Tax
- Telephone Federal, State and Local Surcharge Taxes
- Telephone Minimum Usage Surcharge Tax
- Telephone Recurring and Non-recurring Charges Tax
- Telephone State and Local Tax
- Telephone Usage Charge Tax
- Utility Taxes
- Vehicle License Registration Tax
- Vehicle Sales Tax
- Watercraft Registration Tax
- Well Permit Tax
- Workers Compensation Tax

\*\*\*\*\*  
Not one of these taxes existed 100 years ago. The United States was the most prosperous in the world. We had absolutely no national debt, had the largest middle class in the world, and mom stayed home to raise the kids. So what do YOU think happened?  
\*\*\*\*\*



**AARP** Chapter1952  
*The power to make it better.*

P.O. Box 7481  
Warner Robins, GA 31095  
www.Choice1952.com

NON PROFIT ORG  
US POSTAGE  
PAID  
Warner Robins, GA  
PERMIT NO. 43

Meeting Dates/Time: **Wednesday, September 19<sup>th</sup>** and Wednesday, October 24<sup>th</sup> | 10:00 A.M.  
Location: Wellston Center - 152 Maple Street | Warner Robins, GA 31093



\*\* Received Via E-Mail \*\*

**FREE GRILLS!**

Available At  
MOST  
Grocery Stores,  
Supermarkets And  
Department Stores!  
Hurry – Supplies  
Are Limited!



☺ ggd