CONTINUED SUCCESSES:

2017 RAT PACK REUNION

More than 350 individuals attended the seventh annual Rat Pack Reunion on Oct. 27 at Skopelos at New World, in support of Council on Aging of West Florida and its programs. At the event, four local business leaders - John Peacock, Marianne McMahon, Nels Offerdahl and Roger Webb - were honored for their leadership and service to the community.

This year’s Rat Pack Reunion tradition included the fourth annual Rat Race 5K in downtown Pensacola. The gala and 5K raised $146,000 for Council on Aging.

COA AMONG “BEST OF THE COAST”

Council on Aging was honored for a third year in the 2017 Best of the Coast competition by Independent News.

Runner-Up Best Boss
John B. Clark
Runner-Up Best Charity Event
Rat Pack Reunion

COA HELPS SENIORS CHILL OUT

With the help of Sue Straughn, local media, Lowe’s Home Improvement stores, our wonderful sponsors, and the community, we brought back the Senior Chill Out to provide cooling assistance to seniors in need. Because of our generous community, we were able to collect more than 200 A/C units, 320 fans, and over $12,000 in monetary donations for local seniors.

COMBINED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Year Ended December 31, 2016

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My own family in South Florida used the services of Council on Aging to keep my grandmother at home for as long as possible. She passed away many years ago, but it was because of their help and assistance to my family that I wanted to give back to Council on Aging in our community. Enabling our loved ones to live at home or in the home of family members helps to provide a sense of security and socialization; it also provides a much-needed respite to the caregivers and family members.

Many of you know about our home and community based services described in this report, but Council on Aging does so much more for elders in Escambia and Santa Rosa counties and is always working to improve agency services and inform the public about issues and challenges facing elders.

Perhaps the best way to understand what Council on Aging programs mean is to quote from a letter we received from a Meals on Wheels participant who said, “Thank you to all responsible for Meals on Wheels. There are many days that we are unable to prepare meals. The meals provided are nutritious and convenient. I do not know what we would do without them. All the people we have dealt with at the Council on Aging have been kind and considerate, very caring. Thank you again for all the assistance that you all provide.”

Each of us encounter seniors daily in a variety of ways. We don’t have any idea what needs exist beyond the smile on their face when we say “hello.” I assure you the staff at the Council on Aging is at work behind the scenes providing services and meeting the needs of thousands of local residents and their families.

Thank you for all you do to support the efforts of the Council on Aging, whether it is financial or volunteering your time. You are a part of our success and without you, this work would not be possible. We look forward to another wonderful year and thank you, in advance, for being a part of it.

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