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<u>FLU VACCINE CLINIC:</u> With our partners from Park and Recreation and Stop and Shop we will have a Flu Vaccine Clinic at the Southwick Senior Center on Thursday October 20th

from 9am-12pm. Please call the Senior Center to sign up and make arrangements to fill out the paperwork needed for registration.



On October 18th at 10:00am Attorney Mary Paier Powers from Powers Law Group, LLC, West Springfield, will discuss the ins-and outs of Health Care Proxies, Powers

of Attorney, and Last Wills and Testaments. Her discussion will focus on emergencies when you cannot communicate your health care decisions, how your assets can be managed when you are unable, and why having a will or estate plan is important. Attorney Powers will briefly touch upon the importance of long-term care planning. Refreshments will be provided



FUEL ASSISTANCE | 03

Senior Center Info



Crafts with Denise: Denise will be doing craft projects twice a month. You must sign up in advance and the cost is \$3.00 per class. Crafts will begin at 1:00pm

October 13— Bottle Cap Pumpkins

October 27th— Halloween Plagues





Sign up for lunch and wear your best costume on Monday October 31st. We will have special snacks and treats. Win a prize for best

costume. Lunch is served at 11:45am. We always have a blast!!!! You must sign up for lunch to participate.



FUEL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION: You must call the

office to make an

appointment to fill out the fuel assistance application. To help make your application process more efficient please make sure you bring in the following items: All Income (social security, retirement, and 1099 bank statements), Electric Bill, Oil or Gas Bill, Water Bill, Real Estate Tax bill, Homeowners Coverage, Photo ID, and 4 weeks of consecutive employment pay stubs if applicable. Please have document organized and ready to photo copy. These documents are required by Valley Opportunities not the Senior Center. The Senior Center assists you in filling these applications out. We do not make the decisions regarding fuel assistance. Your information remains confidential and a file is not kept in our office it is sent to Valley Opportunities. Please call the office to schedule an appointment at (413)569-5498.



Veteran's Dav Breakfast: we will hold a Pancake

Breakfast on Thursday November 10th at 8:30am. Come enjoy pancakes, sausage, fruit, and juice. The cost is \$2.00. VETERAN's EAT FREE. Everyone must sign up in advance by calling the office.



RELAX AND LEAVE YOUR CHRISTMAS WRAPPING TO US!

The Friends of the Southwick Senior Center will be hosting a "Christmas Wrapping Fundraiser to be held at the Senior Center (come in slider entrance) in the back of Town Hall

Saturday, December 21st

8:00am to 1:00pm.

All gifts must be "ready to wrap" (i.e. we will have no boxes, etc.). Wrappings will be provided. Donations are appreciated. Come and have a coffee and donut while your gifts are being wrapped.



Donna Charron:

Donna was a volun-

Center for many years. She was appointed to the COA Board in 2016. She made our Christmas parties amazing with all of raffle prizes received. She loved playing Bingo and coming to lunch everyday. She volunteered for as much as she could. We will miss Donna's laugh and stories here at the Senior Center. RIP Donna we miss you already.

04 | TRIPS



<u>Game Day</u> <u>Thursdays</u>

Beginning on September 8th from 1:00pm-3:45pm. Come into the Senior Center on Thursdays and enjoy playing some

board games such as Yahtzee, Dominos, Parcheesi, and any other games you would like. Bring a friend, friends, or just stop in to see who is here playing.



DEALERS CHOICE:

On Tuesdays , Wednesdays, and Thursdays we have Dealers Choice cards games. Friendly group of individuals looking for more players. They play from 12:15pm-3:45pm all three days. Check it out!!!

We also have a variety of card games on Tuesdays including Cribbage, Pitch, and Whist. We would love to have you.



<u>Billiards and Foosball Table:</u> We have a pool table and foosball tables you can enjoy everyday during our regular business hours. Bring a friend or a group of friends. The tables are located on the lower level you need to check in before you go downstairs.





New England Botanic Garden: The Volunteer Van will be going to The New England Botanic Garden in Boylston on Tuesday, October 4, 2022. The cost is \$19.00. Lunch will be at your own expense. The van will leave the Senior Center at 8:30 am.

Jimmy Mazz at Storrowton Lunch & Show: Take a musical journey across the United States and enjoy all types of music with Jimmy Mazz. Tuesday, October 11, 2022. The cost is \$44.00 and due by September 26, 2022. The van will leave the Senior Center at 11:00 am.

<u>Essex Steam Train and Riverboat Lunch Excursion:</u> Trip includes a leisurely ride on the steam train, boat ride up river and a three course meal on Monday, October 17, 2022. The cost is \$70.00. Payment is required by September 19, 2022. The van will leave the Senior Center at 9:15 am.

<u>Foxwoods:</u> The Volunteer Van will be going to Foxwoods Casino on Friday, November 4, 2022. The cost is \$5.00. The van will leave the Senior Center at 8:00am.

<u>Shopping & Lunch Trip:</u> The Volunteer Van will going to the Christmas Tree Shops new location in Holyoke and TJ Maxx with lunch at the Cracker Barrel on Tuesday, November 15, 2022. The cost is \$4.00. The van will leave the senior center at 9:30am.

Jimmy Mazz at Storrowton Lunch & Show: Jingle All the Way with Jimmy Mazz. Yankee Pot Roast with salad, potato, vegetable, dessert and coffee or tea. Tuesday, December 6, 2022. The cost is \$44.00. Payment is due by November 21, 2022. The van will leave the Senior Center at 11:00 am.

<u>Bright Nights:</u> The Volunteer Van will be going to Bright Nights on Thursday, December 15, 2022. The cost is \$3.00. The van will leave the Senior Center at 4:30pm.

Take 5 Restaurant: The Volunteer Van will be going to Take 5 in Agawam for lunch on Tuesday, December 20, 2022. The cost is \$3.00. The van will leave the Senior Center at 11:30apm.

Westfield Technical Academy Buffet: The volunteer van will be going to the WTA for their amazing buffet on a Friday in November or December. Call the office to find out which day we are going.

COA SERVICES



Back by popular demand: <u>Foot Care Clinics</u> will be held at the Southwick Senior Center by our new Foot Nurse Debra J. Deane, RN,BSN. The cost of this service is \$40.00 paid directly to the nurse. Appointments will be held every month. We are currently scheduling appointments for October 18thand November 15th. You must call the Senior Center and schedule an appointment.



<u>Blood Pressure screenings</u>: The Fire Dept. will be doing a blood pressure screenings It will be held every Monday from 11:00am-12:00pm. This screening should not take the place of your regular doctor visits, and the nurse will not be giving out medical recommendations. This is a drop in screening so no appointments are necessary.



<u>Veteran's Representative:</u> Southwick's Veteran's Representative will have office hours at the Southwick Senior Center on the second Thursday of the month from 9:00am-11:00am. If you have any questions or need assistance please come by the Senior Center during this time.

Medicare health an rollment. <u>Check yo</u> cial Socu

Medicare's Open Enrollment Period is from October 15 to December 7, you can enroll in health and drug plans for 2023. Use these quick tips to get ready for Medicare's Open Enrollment.

Serving the Health Check your mail. You may get important notices from your current plan, Medicare, or Social Security about changes to your coverage or any Extra Help you may get paying for prescription drugs. Just remember —plans aren't allowed to call or come to your home.

<u>Review your new "Medicare & You" handbook</u>. It has information about Medicare coverage, as well as Medicare plans in your area. Review your current coverage plans change and your needs change. Carefully review any materials and changes in costs or coverage that will happen in 2023, and decide if your current Medicare coverage will meet your needs for the year ahead.

<u>Preview 2022 health & prescription drug plans online.</u> Our new and improved Medicare Plan Finder makes it easier than ever to compare coverage options and shop for plans. Go on your Medicare account or create a Medicare account. SHINE is open for in person appointments to find new drug plans only. Please call the office at 569-5498 to schedule your consultation with Cara. Southwick Residents Only



<u>Senator Velis Office Hours</u>: Senator Velis' office will be at the Senior Center on Wednesday October 5th, November 9th, and December 7th from 11:00am-12:00pm. Please stop in if you have any questions for the Senator. Please note the day and time change.

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Weekly Activity and Exercise Schedule

Senior Center is closed on Monday October 10th

Monday 9:00am- Quilting and Sewing Social Group Monday 10:00am- Chi-Gong with Kathleen \$2 Monday 12:30pm- Chinese Language and Culture Class

Tuesday 10:00am– Tai-Chi with Lenny \$2 Tuesday 12:00pm– Cards Tuesday 1:00pm– Cribbage, Whist Card Game, and Pitch

Wednesday 10:00am - Line Dancing with Clara \$2 Wednesday 1:00pm - Scrabble Wednesday 1:00pm - 3:00pm - BINGO with Cara and Special Guests

Thursday 9:00am - Zumba with Becca \$2 Thursday 10:30am - Yoga with Renee \$2 Thursday 12:15pm - Cards and Board Game Afternoon Thursday 1:00pm - Crafts with Denise (2X per month)

Friday 10:00am- Chair Yoga with Heidi \$2



<u>Aerobics:</u> If you are interested in taking an Aerobics class please call the Senior Center. If we have at least 10 people who are committed we will look for an instructor. or come back if it's been awhile.

Monday Morning Movement:

Walk with Cara and start your busy week off right. Meet outdoors at the ramp entrance to the Senior Center at 8:30am. Cara will decide the Route and walk for approximately 45 minutes. Please call the Senior Center to register.