The Millbury Council on Aging

Young at Heart



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On Behalf of the COA Board and the Entire Staff, We wish you all a Merry Christmas & A Happy Hanukkah!



"CHAIN OF LIGHTS"

The Millbury Chain of Lights will be held on Sunday, December 8TH from 11 am-4 pm.

Stop by the Senior Center for some Holiday Festivities.

Decorate a Gingerbread Cookie in our Beautiful Vintage
Railroad Car.

Our "Tea Room" will have sandwiches, homemade desserts, and wonderful entertainment!

Shop our many miscellaneous Hand Crafted items, we also have a large raffle table!!

Most Topy Bristol from 96.1 WSBS & spin the SBS prize

Meet Tony Bristol from 96.1 WSRS & spin the SRS prize wheel between 12:00 – 2P.M.

Free Trolley Rides
"Performing at the Chain of Lights"
Millbury High School Jazz Combo @ 12 p.m.
Irish Step Dancers @ 1 p.m.
H&H Dance Academy @ 2 p.m.

SOCIAL HOUR WITH TOWN MANAGER (3RDWed.)Dec.18th 9:30-10:30am. Stop in, talk, and enjoy coffee/pastries with the Acting TM/HR Director James Kelley.

PODIATRIST Fri. Dec 20th (3rd Fri.) 8:30-11 appt. only.

SENATOR MOORE'S OFFICE HOURS Mon., Dec.9th 10-10:45 am. Senator Moore will hold office hours here at the Center, walk-ins always welcome, please stop in.

REPRESENTATIVE PAUL FROST – Tues. Dec 3rd 11:-12:00 pm. Rep. Paul Frost will hold office hours here at the Center, walk-ins always welcome, please stop in.

WII BOWLING Every Monday 12:30-2PM. WII bowling is a fun interactive video game for all ages. All welcome!

SHINE CLINIC (Serving Health Information Needs of Elders) 1st Mon./Month Dec. 2nd, 9-12 by appt., call us.

CHRISTMAS MEAL Do you want a Holiday Dinner delivered to you on the 25th? Call the COA Office by the 18st of Dec. and request one. The meals come from Catholic Charities and they are delicious!



New Column

Do you know?...

What year was the 1st Town Hall in Millbury built?

Be the first one to submit the answer in "writing" to the COA office and win a prize!

This column will appear regularly.



Happy Birthday to You!

If you are celebrating a birthday this month, plan to join us Thurs. Dec. 19th Reservations must be made by noon Thurs.Dec.,26th. All are welcome, for transportation please call 48 hours ahead, 508-865-9247.

Janet Laforce
James Williams
Doris Colette
Stephen Sache
Mary Boucher
Joan Fogarty
Doris Ducharme
Nancy Leclaire
Judity Bunnewith
Eleanor Powers
Stella Weldon
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Audrey Arrington
Ron Richard
Diane Burke
Doris Taft
Jean Moe
Vincent Zigmont
Felice Burn
Sandy Stimpson
Charlotte Townsend
Frank Gagliardi

COMPUTER/CELL PHONE CLASS Every Thursday computer/cell phone classes. Call 508-865-9154 to sign up. It's free for Millbury residents. Computers are also available for use for all Millbury Seniors each weekday from 10-4 PM.

SHOPPING TRIP Every Friday, 9-11 AM. We have a shopping trip to the Fair Plaza. (Price Chopper, Dollar Store, Rite-Aid, Burlington) We start picking up at 9:00 and return at 11:00 AM. The transportation fee for Friday's shopping trip is \$2.00 (\$1.00 e ach way). We also provide transportation to local shopping venues (Shoppes at Blackstone Valley, Auburn Mall, Goretti's, Walmart, etc.) Call the center 48 hours in advance for transportation.

<u>"PASTEL DREAMERS" ADULT COLORING CLASS</u> Every Thurs.10–11:30 am. No Supplies needed.All welcome!

DO LIKE TO PLAY CARDS?

- Scat Monday, Tuesday & Friday 1PM
- Whist -Thursday 12:45 PM
- Bridge Friday 12:30 PM
- Cribbage Monday 1 PM

If you'd like to play a card game, but don't know how... we'll show you, just and come in. Bring a friend too!

STAY WELL CLINICS Blood Pressure Clinic every Tuesday 9-10AM, walk-in and have your Blood Pressure taken, stay for coffee and pastries.



FRIENDLY VISITOR PROGRAM The Friendly Visitor Program offers and provides companion-ship to the elderly of Millbury as well as encouraging and nourishing friendships between generations. If you are interested in this program call the center at 508-865-9154.

SNAP (FOOD STAMPS) The Center is now writing SNAP applications, Tues. & Thurs.,10-2pm. Call for appt. and to get a list of all paperwork needed.

<u>LIGHT EXERCISE</u> Every Monday & Friday 9:30 - 10:15am. It's a FREE, fun class with fun music too! Join us, everyone welcome.

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Every Tuesday, 9:30-10:30 am \$3.00 FUN CLASS! ZUMBA

Every Tuesday, 10:45-11:30 am FREE FUN CLASS! YOGA

Every Friday, 10:30-11:15 am FREE FUN CLASS!

VETERANS

Veteran's Administration information regarding service & benefits for Veteran's Website: mass.gov/veterans Phone: 1-800-827-1000



" Memory Café"

Please join us for our Memory Café
4th Tuesday of Month
No Meeting for December

Call to RSVP please; 508-865-9154

JOIN US!

"HELPING HANDS" Do you need help with some yardwork? Call the Center and we will assign you a "Helping Hands" teenage worker. THIS IS A FEE FOR SERVICE program, where you pay them for services.

RMV ASSISTANCE NOW AT THE SENIOR CENTER

The Registry of Motor Vehicles has asked us to assist Seniors who would like to renew their licenses and car registrations, by starting their paperwork online first so then it can be brought into the registry or a AAA office. This service is offered every Wednesday, 10 am-12 pm by appt. There are new Driver's License & ID Requirement Requests. Visit Mass.gov/ID for more information and a complete list of acceptable identification documents.

TRANSPORTATION Our Transportation services are offered M-F from 9-3 pm. Our added service is from 7am to 4:45 pm for ADA clients and job assignments (disabled). We require a 48 hour reservation for a ride. The cost for a one-way van ride in town is \$1.50; one town out is \$1.75; our ADA ride cost for in town \$2.75; one town out \$3.00. We would like to help you get to and from a job site on a regular basis. We would offer a special rate. Call our office for more info. Our service is curb to curb. All rides to and from the Senior Center are 25 cents. We have a team of wonderful van drivers who are here to assist you in getting in and out of the van if you need it. We also provide transportation escorts to accompany you.





OUR FACEBOOK PAGE IS MILLBURY SENIOR CENTER









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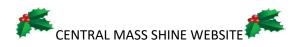
The Medicare Open Enrollment ends on December 7th. Every year, Medicare Part D and Medicare Advantage (HMO, PPO), plans can change their premiums, co-pays, deductibles,



formularies (list of drugs covered) and preferred pharmacies. In the case of Medicare Advantage Plans they can also drop providers from their Plan. It's important to review your options EVERY year to make sure you have the plan that works best for you next year. This year we are anticipating that there may be some new plans and choices for you to make. Along with these new plans and choices we expect there will be some aggressive marketing with an unusual high volume of plan sponsored meetings.

REMEMBER!! YOU NEED TO BE SURE THAT YOUR PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIAN AND OTHER PROVIDERS ARE COVERED IN THE PLANS NETWORK **BEFORE** YOU CHANGE TO A DIFFERENT MEDICARE PLAN. YOU SHOULD ALSO BE SURE YOUR MEDICATIONS ARE COVERED AS WELL.

Assistance is available from the SHINE program. Call your Senior Center and ask for a SHINE appointment. Trained SHINE volunteers offer free, confidential counseling on all aspects of health insurance to anyone on Medicare.



The Central Mass Region has recently launched it's website. You can visit us on the web at www.shinema.org. Our site has valuable general information and links to other agencies that can assist you with your insurance needs.

Trained SHINE (Serving Health Information Needs of Everyone) volunteers can help you! They offer free, unbiased, confidential counseling on all aspects of health insurance to anyone on Medicare. Call your senior center and ask for a SHINE appointment. You can also call 1-800-AGE-INFO (1-800-243-4636)...then press or say 3. Once you get the SHINE answering machine, leave your name and number. A volunteer will call you back. During Open Enrollment it may take a couple days to return your call. You can now visit us on the internet at shinema.org

Thank you to the Millbury Police for sponsoring a delicious Pasta & Meatball dinner for the Seniors! It was well attended and a great night out for all.

We appreciate all you do for us.





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Monday

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9:00 am	Cards
9:30-10:15 am	Light Exercise
12:00 noon	Lunch
12:30 pm	Wii Bowling
12:45-3:45 pm	Mahjong
1:00 pm Cribbage, S	crabble & Scat

Tuesday 9-10 am.....Blood Pressure 9:00 am Cards 9:30-10:30amTai Chi 10:45-11:30pm.....Zumba 11:00 am Sing-a-Long 12:00 noon.....Lunch 1:00 pm Cribbage & Scat

Wednesday 9:00 am Cards 9:30 amCraft Class 12:00 noon.....Lunch 1:00 pmSocial Bingo

Inursday	
9:00 am	Cards
10:00 am	Adult Coloring Class
12:00 noon	Lunch
12:45 pm	Whist
2:30-3:30 Co	omp./Cell Phone Class

<u>Friday</u>	
9:00 am	Cards
9:30-10:15 am	Light Exercise
10:30-11:15	Yoga
12:00 noon	Lunch
12:30 pm	Bridge & Scat

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