# Community Crier



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# The Resolution Edition

#1 Improve diet and fitness #2 Make time for friends...

We have that covered...

The Great Souper Bowl Potluck! February 27<sup>th</sup> 5 p.m.

# We hope to celebrate a Pats victory~ either way we will eat! Join us!

Appetizers & mingling at 5 Crock Pots break open at 5:30

Don't cook, don't worry! We need bread, appetizers, beverages and SOUP!

Call and let us know what you will bring!

## Pencil in these dates!

February 7: **Engle Fest!** 

February 17: Family Fun Vacation Day

February 21st: WinterFest!

February 28th: No Snow Date

WinterFest

# Thoughts from the Director

This is an exciting time, a time for new beginnings, a time when we resolve to make positive changes in the year to come. I, too, have been known to make *well-intentioned* resolutions that I don't always stick to -.this year I will!

Fortunately, for those of us with weak resolve we offer lots of great exercise classes, events, and more at the Center. It is no surprise that studies show that people who resolve to improve their lives and have the support of a partner, or groups have much better results Our Center has grown tremendously in the last several years but there are many offerings that people do not take advantage of. So consider joining one of our programs.

#### Thanks!

Once again I would like to thank the many volunteers who make our Center possible. On behalf of the Center I would like to extend special thanks to Michele Macdonald who served as Chairperson of the COA until December 31st. Through her leadership the Center has grown and flourished. She is also a wonderful cook, new gram and all around great lady. She has promised to stay active here; in fact she may be recruiting you to help with a health fair she is spearheading - coming this fall. Get ready!

Nicole Kanis will be stepping up as Chair; she has big shoes to fill. I am sure she will do a great job, please feel free to contact her and wish her well. She is also a great lady, and could use lots of help and support.

Happy New Year! Alexandra 'Alix' Turner

# Tuesday is Pancake Day

## Everyone is invited!

Senior Center
Tuesday mornings
7:30 am until 9:30 am
\$2 adults/\$1 kids
Suggested donation
Presenting
Chef/Chair Extraordinaire
David James



All you can eat! Pancakes, sausage, juice, eggs coffee + 'The Top Ten'
We can help check these off!

- 1. Spend Time with Family & Friends
  - 2. Get Fit
  - 3. Eat Well
  - 4. Improve Health
  - 5. Enjoy Life More
  - 6. Improve my finances 7. Taxes!
  - 8. Learn Something New
    - 9. Help Others
    - 10. Get Organized

#1 Spend more time with Family and Friends

# WINTERFEST

And <u>soon</u> the Famous Lancaster Skating Rink be opening \*

February 21st 11-4 Low or no snow date February 28th

#### Look to the town website for 'Rules of the Rink' Hours, opening etc.

Chili Contest, Children's Art Show, Photography Contest, Thai Time, Bake Sale, Ice Sculpture, Skating, Cross Country and Snow Shoe Contest (BYOS), Broom Ball, Snow ball target contest, Mommy/Daddy Iditarod, Worcester County Sheriff Iris Scan, Fun Fair Food and more!

\*Watch the Website. Events sponsored by Thayer Field Foundation

#2 Get Fit Would you like to meet other area residents, find a 'work out buddy', or simply enjoy a reasonably priced class with no 'initiation fee, or contractual commitment? Then try a fitness class!

# Tai Chi at the Center Monday 9:30 am & Mednesday Evening 5:30 pm

Tai Chi uses gentle movements to reduce stress and improve health.

"Tai Chi Chuan strengthens the weak, raises the sick, invigorates the debilitated, and encourages the timid"

Tai Chi GrandmasterCheng Man-Ching 1947

Out of shape, In great shape but want to improve your balance or flexibility? Try Tai Chi! People rave about how much better they feel. Good for all levels- the first class is free! Try it- you will like it!

Reduces stress, improves balance, reduce aches and improve overall health then consider tai chi (TIE-chee). Described as "meditation in motion" Tai Chi promotes serenity through gentle movements — connecting the mind and body. Developed in China for self-defense, tai chi evolved into a graceful form of exercise that's now used for stress reduction and to help with a variety of other health conditions. Tai chi is a non-competitive, self-paced system of gentle exercise and stretching. To do tai chi, you perform a series of postures or movements in a slow, graceful manner. Each posture flows into the next without pause, ensuring that your body is in constant motion.

Jeff Cote: Instructor. Thursdays 10:30-11:30 am Seniors \$5 per class or 6 classes for \$25 General public \$7 per class or 6 for \$33

Buy a punch card for six classes. May use on any class, at any time-do not expire!

Jeff has taught in Chinese Medical schools and workshops around the country and internationally. He has been a guest lecturer at Northeastern University for graduate studies in holistic health. Jeff was the Traditional Chinese Medicine and Tuina instructor at Charles River Shiatsu School and is the Founder, & head Instructor of the Traditional Arts Institute.

Wear comfortable clothes



Every Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. Join us!

This class will benefit anyone, as it is an excellent way to relax. It is especially good for those who can't do strenuous workouts. You will <u>not</u> be 'getting down 'on mats. Free! Join us for lunch at 11:30 first.

Our thanks to Michelle Jones and River Terrace for sharing their talents with Lancaster.

#### Top Ten Reasons to Play Pickleball

- **10.** To meet people from the area, who knows whom you may meet on the court!
- 9. To show off those fashion forward sweat pants and new kicks.
- **8.** To practice humility in this season of giving, when you realize your racket does <u>not</u> have a hole in it as the ball flys by!
- **7.** To improve your mental dexterity, trying to remember the score.
- **6**. To save on oil working up a sweat.
- **5** To slim down and get into that sexy holiday number.
- **4.** You really wanted to go Pancakes but came a day early.
- **3**. You are so cutting edge and need to be ahead of the latest trends, so what is Instagram anyway?
- 2. You heard the Community Center, is THE place to hang out

#### **#1 Resaon to Play Pickleball**

**To say the word pickleball as much as you possibly can.** Just to watch people's faces. "I play pickelball! Or 'Do you want to join me in a game of pickleball?" or my favorite... "I hate to brag, but I am told I am kinda' a pickleball savant.

# What the Heck is Pickleball?

Come play

Now Wednesday mornings

Pickleball is a game sweeping the nation, and it coming here this fall! Interested? Never heard of it? Pickleball is a fun, fast-paced *game for all ages*. Pickleball is a low impact racquet sport combining badminton, tennis, and table tennis. It was created in the 1960s with one thing in mind: **fun!** It was designed to be <u>easy to learn and play</u> whether you're five, eighty-five or somewhere in between. For more information check out this website:

http://www.usapa.org or go to You tube for videos

Introductory Pricing Special! 2 Get Fit Pickleball Cards for Only \$40. Lots of fun, cheap!!

Wednesday and Friday Mornings 9-11am Or Mondays 1-3 pm if you are interested please reserve a paddle!

Questions about Pickleball, there are pros in our midst that are happy to answer your questions.

Weekend classes are coming soon! Call if interested.

Call us at 978 733 4076 or email aturner@lancasterma.net or meugene@lancasterma.net





# **Gentle Hatha Yoga Monday and Thursdays at 11 a.m.**

After a Tai Chi class your yoga will be better than ever! At least try one. Get the week started with gentle **Hatha yoga.** All ages, and abilities will benefit from this yoga class. Yoga is widely recognized as a way to improve balance, improve posture, keep your range of motion, improve clarity of mind and reduce stress.

Held on the Lower Level, we provide mats and water!

Louise Dorian has taught hatha yoga since 1989, Louise Dorian was originally certified by the Ayurvedic Whole Life Center in Brookline, Mass. She has since evolved her own unique style of teaching, incorporating the detail and precision of Iyengar yoga, the gentle, approach of Kripalu.

All Classes: Seniors \$5 per class or 6 classes for \$25 (Buy a card, no penalty for missed classes!) General public \$7 per class or 6 for \$33 (Invite your friends so we can keep prices low)!



# Join the Fit Club!

# **January Resolution special!**

Free Fitness Series

The Lancaster Community Center is offering a Free Beach Body Fitness Series for six weeks for all fitness levels. Give us an evening, you will be amazed! Tuesday evenings at 6:30 in the Gym for 45 minutes beginning Jan. 27. Wear comfortable clothes and sneakers/appropriate footwear. Taught by Pam Wier. For details contact us at the Center 978 733 4076

Feeling less than inspired or bored with your workout? Team Beachbody Fit Clubs are the ultimate way to get fit and have a blast at the same time! Come workout to the best selling Team Beachbody Fitness programs such as T25, 21 Day Fix, PiYo, P90X3

All fitness levels welcome, Appropriate for Ages 18 and over Please wear appropriate fitness footwear, Bring water, towel and your energy! Pam Weir

**Independent Team Beachbody Coach** Don't Wish For It...Work For It





# Family Fun Day



February 17th 7:30-11:30

Thanks to Corrective Chiropratic for helping sponsor our games, and the Friends for Breakfast.

## 7:30-9:30 All you can eat family Pancakes.

Choose chocolate chip, apple, or blueberry! Cocoa w sprinkles and more! Eggs, sausage ++ Adults \$2, kids \$1

9:00-11:00 Kids Crafts Stations.

Recycled Roses to make and take for you or your sweetheart Cactus Garden Make your own. Real cacti! (\$6 per garden) Sponsored by Lancaster Gardens

10:00-12:00 Free Games! Gym Time, Free Play

Free Game Stations! Ex Plinko! Basketball, parachute games, hula hoops and more

Lots more! Chiropratic Adjustments and more! Treats & lots of free or low cost fun, come enjoy your vacation with friends!

# #3 Eat Well -Join us for Lunch +

# **JANUARY, 2015**

\$2.25 suggested donation, reserve one day ahead @ 978 733 1249 x 1103

If you cannot make it here we offer Meals on Wheels, call 978 733-1249 for details

Or MOC 800-286-3441 for nutrition questions

This program is made possible in part by funding from the Executive Office of Elder Affairs

WEDNESDAY

**MONDAY** 

**TUESDAY** 

**THURSDAY** 

**FRIDAY** 

Lasagna Basil Meat Sauce Carrots with Dill Multigrain Bread Pineapple Tai Chi @9:30 Yoga @ 11	6 Turkey & Corn Stew (10 0z) Tossed Salad Garlic Bread Stick Fresh Oranges	7 Split Pea Soup Baked Chicken Breast Tarragon Sauce Red Bliss w/Thyme, Pepper Whole Wheat Bread Blueberry Buckle Tai Chi @5:30	8 Pork Roast Honey Ginger Glaze Couscous w/Red Pepper Broccoli Whole Wheat Bread Pears Yoga @ 11	9 9 am Pickleball 1 pm Bridge
Tomato Chickpea Soup Grilled Chicken Breast Mashed Potatoes Herbed Gravy (roux) Whole Wheat Dinner Roll Fresh fruit Tai Chi @9:30 Yoga @ 11	13 Potato Fish Spanish Rice/w parsley Roasted Brussels Sprouts Whole Wheat Bread Lemon Pudding Whipped topping	14 SPECIAL **HIGH SODIUM Vegetable Barley Soup Baked Ham Hawaiian Sauce Garlic Whipped Potatoes Parker House Roll Apple Cherry Crisp Tai Chi @5:30	15 Swedish Meatballs Egg Noodles/dill Toss Salad Whole Wheat Bread Pineapple  Yoga @ 11	16 9 am Pickleball 1 pm Bridge
19  Closed	20 Three C Soup Grilled Chicken Coq au Vin Sour Cream Chive potatoes Whole Wheat Bread Mixed Fruit	21 Pork Roast Soy Ginger Sauce Sweet Potatoes Tossed Salad Pumpernickel Bread Banana Tai Chi @5:30	22 Vegetable Gumbo Soup Chicken Divan Brown Rice Pilaf Whole Wheat Bread Fruited Jello w/C Whipped topping Yoga @ 11	23 9 am Pickleball 1 pm Bridge
26 Escarole Soup Meatball Cacciatore Bow Tie Pasta w/Peas Whole Wheat Bread Pears Tai Chi @9:30 Yoga @ 11	27 Pork Lo Mein Bok Choy/Carrot Mix Whole Wheat Bread Pineapple Fortune Cookie Beach Body 6:30	28 White Bean Kale Soup Grilled Chicken Breast Marsala Sauce Brown Rice Whole Wheat Bread Bateman Choc. Chip Tai Chi @5:30	29 Roast Turkey Rosemary Gravy GingerButternut Squash Tossed Salad French roll Mandarin oranges Yoga @ 11	30 <b>9 am Pickleball</b> <b>1 pm Bridge</b>

## There is a free lunch! Really.

Thanks you to Tufts and MOC we are accepting the first twelve people who would like to participate in *Seniors on the Move*.

A cooking, exercise and nutrition class beginning Feb 25<sup>th</sup> The menu's look incredible, results almost\* guaranteed!

Most participants finish with better blood pressure, blood sugar readings and less weight!

# February, 2015

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2 Roast Turkey/Gravy Sweet Potatoes Green Beans Multigrain Bread Applesauce Tai Chi @9:30	3 Minestrone Soup Chicken Patty Parmesan Spaghetti/Marinara/ Mozzarella WW Roll –Orange	4 Salisbury Steak/Beef Gravy Mashed Potato/ Chives Carrots w/Dill Whole Wheat Bread Butterscotch pudding	5 Cajun Lentil Pork Stew Toss Salad Whole Wheat Bread Blueberry Buckle Yoga @ 11	6 Field Trip to MB 9 am Pickleball 1 pm Bridge
Yoga @ 11	Beach Body 6:30	Tai Chi @5:30		
9 Chicken Stew Kale Bread Stick Mandarin Oranges Tai Chi @9:30 Yoga @ 11	Stuffed Cabbage Casserole Marinara Sauce ItalianVeggies Rye Bread Chocolate Pudding Beach Body 6:30	11 Chicken w/Gravy Mashed Potato Mixed Vegetables Multigrain Bread Fresh Fruit Tai Chi @5:30	12 SPECIAL Potato Leek Soup Salmon & Peach Salsa Tossed salad Whole Wheat Roll Angel Food Cake Yoga @ 11	13 9 am Pickleball 1 pm Bridge
Presidents Day	Tomato Florentine Soup Chicken &Mushroom O'Brien Potatoes Whole Wheat Bread Mixed Fruit Beach Body 6:30	Fish Sticks Mac & Cheese Toss Salad Whole Wheat Bread Fresh Orange Tai Chi @5:30	19 Roast Turkey/Gravy Whipped Potato Carrots/Dill Whole Wheat Bread Banana Pudding/Topping Yoga @ 11	20 9 am Pickleball 1 pm Bridge
Escarole Soup Chicken/Tarragon Sauce Whipped Potato Whole Wheat Bread Fruited Jello Tai Chi @9:30 Yoga @ 11	24 White Chicken Chili Brown Rice Toss Salad Biscuit Pineapple Beach Body 6:30	25 Kielbasa Baked Beans Spinach Hot Dog Roll Tapioca Pudding Tai Chi @5:30	26 Beef Stroganoff (Shaved Steak) Parsley Egg Noodles Multigrain Bread Pineapple Yoga @ 11	27 9 am Pickleball 1 pm Bridge  Souper Bowl party

Join us for Breakfast- The most important meal of the day All you can eat- Pancakes every Tuesday.

Drop in 7:30am -9:30am! Lots of fun for only \$2.

Family Pancakes Feb 17<sup>th</sup>

#4 <u>Improve Your Health</u> It sounds easy, just start eating right and exercise. Anyone who has tried knows it is not that easy! Through grants we are now able to offer a free program to kick you off! Take time to invest in yourself, and discover the first truly free lunch with great rewards!

The key to good health, eat well and move more!

Now how to do it? We can help. Studies show people lose more weight with group support.

# Seniors on the Move! (SOM)

Who will be our "Biggest Looser?"

That is a title I strive for

Montachusett Opportunity Council (MOC) & the Lancaster COA Present

# Get Healthy in 2015! Seniors on the Move (SOM)

# A Free Cooking Lesson, Free Lunch & Fitness Program!

8 Wednesday's February 25th - April 15th. 11:00-1:30 p.m.

Would you like to feel healthier, maybe loose a few pounds, and lower your blood pressure without medication? Learn to cook some delicious, easy to prepare recipes? Then please join us for a series of classes, brought to us by a grant from Tufts and CMAA. A typical class consists of a cooking lesson, I have seen sample menus. <a href="Yummy!">Yummy!</a>! Quick too. Then enjoy the healthy freshly cooked meal we cooked, followed by nutrition education and a specially designed exercise program. Past classes have reported weight loss, and great results lowering blood pressure and getting healthier! The full brochure is on our website. This program is geared towards those who suffer from chronic illnesses such as but not limited to: Hyper-tension, Diabetes, COPD, CVD or Cancer. Anyone over 60 may participate.

Day one will include taking weights and blood pressures for baseline assessment.

All materials are provided courtesy of CMAA, and Tuft's Health Plan Foundation Grant

Well Adult Clinic~ It is FREE!

With our town nurse, Tamara Bedard. 1st Tuesday of each month 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month 11am-12pm

Advice, Blood pressure screenings and more



# Piano Lessons

**Interested in learning the Piano?** 

We now offer 'one on one' Piano lessons with Peter.

Wednesdays at the Center For children age 5-up

½ hour lessons available by appointment between 3 pm-5 pm

Only \$13 per ½ hour lesson

To schedule or for questions

# Papa Pasta Dinner

Buffett Pasta night A large assortment of Pasta and sides

**NEW DATE: January 30th** 

One seating at 6:30PM

This is a change due to the storm Jan 24th



#### \$10 adults \$5 kids and 65 over

Sponsored by the First Church, to help their Religious Education and those in need

Tickets suggested: www.FirstChurchLancasterMA.org

# #6. Improve my Finances

# **SHINE**

(Serving Health Insurance Needs of Everyone)

Help!..My new Part D Plan doesn't cover all my Medications!!"

Transition Refills~ A nice tool.

If you have a <u>new</u> Medicare Part D plan and have found out that your new plan does NOT cover a drug you have been taking, you should know about *transition refills*. Transition refills may give you *temporary* coverage (one-time, 30-day supply) for a drug that is not on your new plan's formulary *OR* that has restrictions (prior authorization or step therapy). It is important to understand that a <u>transition refill is only a temporary</u> solution. You need to call your doctor right away to talk about switching to a drug your plan does cover *OR* filing a request with your Part D plan for a "formulary exception" (which may or may not be approved). A transition refill is not for new prescriptions. You can only get one if you were already taking the drug before you signed up for the plan. Also, a transition refill does NOT apply to drugs that Medicare doesn't require Part D plans to cover (like Valium and Ativan).

If you are in the <u>same</u> plan as last year, you *may* still be able to get a transition refill if your plan removed a drug you had been taking in 2014 from its 2015 formulary, for reasons other than safety.

Not all pharmacists know about transition refills.

Ask your pharmacist to call your Part D plan for special instructions.

**SHINE on line www.shinema.org.** 

## #7 Taxes: We all hate 'em but it we all need to do them!

(Even if you are low income you may be due money back)!

AARP offers a Tax-Aide Program for low and moderate income taxpayers with special attention to those over 60. To make an appointment call 1-888-OUR-AARP (1-888-687-2277) and leave your name and number.

Currently AARP is booking appointments at many area Senior Centers and Libraries

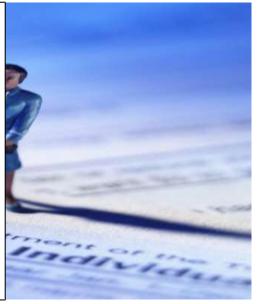


#### **AARP** Tax Sites close by

Clinton Senior Center 200 High St Clinton MA 978 365 9416

Sterling Senior Center 1 Park St Sterling MA 978 422-3032

Leominster Public Library 30 West Street Leominster MA 978 534-7522



You do not need to be a resident of the town to visit, We are able to transport you.

# #8. Learn Something New! Did you know....

Did you know there are real benefit\$ to getting older...

College costs are through the roof; two possible solutions- first ace your tests, or turn 60! Many state institutions now offer <a href="#">FREE</a> classes to those over 60. We are surrounded by wonderful learning opportunities; *Mt. Wachusett, Fitchburg State University, Framingham*,

**Quinsigamond, Worcester State-** just to name a few. They offer classes to those over 60, tuition free. Some charge a fee, many do not. All charge for books (but not if you know our Thayer librarians and can get a book list).

Private institutions in the <u>Worcester College Consortium</u> also offer deeply discounted classes. Check out <u>www.assumption.edu/wise</u> for a sample. WISE is an affiliate of the Elderhostel Institute Network.



<u>Division of Unemployment</u> offers free seminars, even if you are not on unemployment

Take advantage of the States best kept secret!

Unlock your mind, start another career, just enjoy!

Interested in more information, or speaking with 'older students'? The COA has some friends who are happy to share their success stories (free Master's degrees over 60, etc.). Call, or write and we will help, or refer you.



# #9 Help Others: Visit, Volunteer or more.

# Thoughts from the Chair

This new year make it your resolution to volunteer in the community. The senior center is a great place to get involved with a variety of events. Your time is valuable to the senior center and will help provide services to those who need assistance, ensure new programming can be offered as well as enhance the current offerings at the center.

Volunteering is not only good for the community but also for you! There are numerous health and wellness benefits to volunteering. Volunteering is good for both physical and mental health. Research has shown that older adults who volunteer in the community have lower rates of disability and increased longevity when compared to older adults who do not volunteer. Volunteering can also lead to improved physical and mental functioning. Those who volunteer also have lower rates of depression and increased levels of happiness, selfesteem and life satisfaction. Volunteering can give individuals a sense of purpose and meaning and also increase social networks. If you spent any time last year volunteering you know how good it feels to give back to you community!

Come down to the Senior Center and see what you can do to get involved. There are a variety of opportunities available. You can offer to help every week or help at special events such as concerts or special meals that are offered. Every little bit helps the senior center offer programs and resources to the residents of the town.

Nicole Kanis

# It is good for you!

## **January is National Blood Donor Month**



Blood is traditionally in short supply during the winter months due to the holidays, travel schedules, inclement weather and illness. January, in particular, is a difficult month for blood donations. January has been designated as National Blood Donor Month (NBDM) to encourage donors to give or pledge to give blood.

Blood Donors must be in good general health and feeling good on the day of donation. Healthy means that you feel well and can perform normal activities. If you have a chronic condition such as diabetes, healthy also means that you are being treated and the condition is under control. Donors must be also be 17 years of age and weight at least 110 pounds. If you are in good health, please consider donating blood this month. If you cannot, encourage a friend or family member. You just may save a life!

#### Go Prepared

- Have a light meal and plenty to drink.
- Bring your donor card, driver's license, or 2 other forms of identification.
  - Bring the names of medications you are taking.

#### The Process

- Registration- A volunteer will sign you in and go over basic eligibility and donation information.
- Mini Physical- A review of your health history and place you have travelled, as well as temperature, pulse, and blood pressure check. A blood sample will also be taken to check your hemoglobin level.
- The Donation- The actual donation process takes about 8-10 minutes. It is safe and sterile.
- Refreshment- After donating you should have a snack and something to drink in the refreshment area. You can typically leave 10-15 minutes after donating.

Thank you! Nashoba Nursing Service and Hospice

#### **Perkins School Blood Drive** January 27+2 pm-7 pm

For an appointment try redcrossblood.org or 800-RED CROSS



# #10 Get Organized

Let's make it a year to 'declutter'! Remember clutter has no age limit (I am testimony to that)! As we age clutter becomes even more troublesome, it takes our precious time and left in the way it can contribute to falls etc. Below are just a few resources that would happily repurpose you 'clutter'. We do not endorse merchants, just giving you options. CHECK Charitywatch.org to a rate charities works, or Charitynavigator.org before you donate. (If you need more help, call us and we will see what we can offer).

#### \*To Give/Donate

#### **Got Books?**

\*Friends of The Library

Drop off at the Library during business hours

Too many Cloths, Household Items?

\*Friends of Lancaster Seniors

Spring and Fall Sales-Look for the ads for drop off days or call the COA

www.FriendsoftheLancasterSeniors.org

\*WHEAT Store/Hidden Treasures Clinton MA

www.wheatcommunity.org

(978) 365-3085

\*Ginny's Thrift Store, Leominster

(978) 537-1387

\*Goodwill Industries

www.goodwillmass.org

617-445-1010

\*Salvation Army

www.salvationarmy.org

800-958-7825

\*Household Goods Recycling of Massachusetts

www.hrgm.org

978-635-1763

\*MA Coalition for the Homeless

www.mahomeless.org

781-595-7570

**Old Sneakers!** Believe it or not

\*The Nike Factory Store (to recycle rubber for roads, playing fields-10 pairs max)

Wrentham Mall 508-384-1800

#### **Furniture/Appliances etc.**

\*SEE MANY OF ABOVE.

\*ReStore | Habitat for Humanity of North Central

Massachusetts Leominster

www.restorencm.org

(978) 227-5556

One of my favorites, Lancaster Recycling!

#### To Consign/Sell

#### **Clothing**

The Garment District, Cambridge

Vintage or High end

www.garmentdistrict.com

617-876-5230

Six 20 Six Fashion Consignment

www.six20six.com

(978) 368-6262

FAV Leominster

www.favconsignment.com

978-401-0303

#### **Records and Music**

Looney Toons, Boston

www.vinylhigh.com

617-549-5067/617-247-2238

Cheapo Records, Boston

www.cheaporecords.com

617-354-4455

**Newbury Comics.** Leominster and others

www.newburycomics.com/

978-537-9517

#### **Antiques and Furniture**

Gallery 56 Clinton Ma

www.gallerv56.com

(978) 365-6456

Tables to Teapots, Acton

www.info@tablestoteapots.com

978-266-1115

StillLifeHome, Hudson

www.stilllifehome.com

(978) 562-3221

**Auctioneers** 

Skinners, Marlborough

www.skinnersinc.com

978-779-6641

Bill Eckleberry, Spenser

508-579-6615

**BILLEKL@VERIZON.NET** 



Bring your mendable clothes, lamps, bikes, toys and more! If you have or need parts try to bring them too.

Enjoy a drink, snack and a fix!

Brought to you by Nashoba Rotary and Bolton Local

January 24, 2015 9am-1 pm
Davis Hall First Church Bolton, MA
673 Main Street

Ray (978)779-5545 or Richard (978) 835-4432

# Need 'one on one' Insurance Counseling?

Make an appointment with

Gretchen Pruden
Our Trained SHINE volunteer

Tuesdays by appointment

Call Gretchen at 508-502-8279 Our office at 978-733-4076

# In need? Got help! Food pantry options

#### WHEAT

978-365-6349 Clinton MA

Offering variety of fresh produce (seasonal), baked goods. You may choose from an assortment of meat products as well, and an ample supply of pantry items such as canned goods, pasta, rice etc.

An elevator is located in the rear of the building for your convenience.

## **Village Church**

South Lancaster
Thursday Evenings
6 pm-7 pm
Offering a wide variety of wholesome food

#### **Stow Food Pantry**

335 Great Rd (Rt 117)
Stow, MA 01775
(978) 897-4230
Offering variety of fresh produce
(seasonal), baked goods. You may
choose from an assortment of meat
products as well, and an ample supply
of pantry items such as canned goods,
pasta, rice etc.



## **Dog Licenses**

-On Sale NOW!

Cash or check accepted. \$10 neutered or spayed, \$20 not altered

May License your dog on Line \*processing fee applies

Clerk's Office hours of Monday, 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM Tuesday through Thursday, 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

If you wish to mail in for the license, please enclose your check, payable to the "Town of Lancaster" and payment & include a self-addressed-stamped-envelope with additional postage (\$0.69) to have the tag(s) mailed to your home.

Alternatively, licenses can be paid for, on-line at:

<a href="http://www.ci.lancaster.ma.us/Pages/LancasterMA">http://www.ci.lancaster.ma.us/Pages/LancasterMA</a> WebDocs/billpay

Any questions, call Mary Dealderte, Town Clerk or Or Dianne Reardon

at 978 365 2542 M 8:30-5 or T-TH 8:30-4:00

Town Clerk's Office is in the Lower Level Town Hall

695 Main Street,

#### **Sharps Collection Program**

rought to you by Nashoba Board of Health(BOH)

For a \$5 (5 quart) or \$10 (10quart) Nashoba BOH will provide a safe container for sharps disposal. In these approved containers sharps may be accepted for disposal.

Call 978-772-3335 or www.nashoba.org for more information.



## Shopping and Entertainment Trips

Reserve early! Trips may fill or be cancelled if there are no reservations. (Shopping trips are two dollars round trip\*; Home Pick up and Drop off CALL 978 733 4076)
Other trips as priced, trips are non-refundable unless we can fill your slot. We often can!

- February 6th: Market Basket/Whitney Field
- *February 7th :* Eagle Fest in Newburyport, Field Trip!
  - February 13th: Solomon Pond Mall
  - February 27th Souper Bowl Party! 5 pm
  - March 6<sup>th</sup>: Market Basket/Whitney Field



# Join us for Eagle Fest 2015

Join on us a special Saturday trip up to the North Shore, ending in Newburyport to celebrate the Merrimack River Eagle Fest.

We arrive and head directly to a special Raptor show in Newburyport's town hall. After the show we head to Angies, an inexpensive but yummy, casual stop for an early lunch. After

lunch we hop on another bus to travel to Deer Island with our Audubon tour guides. Our guides will have their telescopes set up and trained on their 'marks', American Eagles. If we are lucky we may see other rare birds too. We will certainly learn a lot! After exploring the island it is back on the bus to return to downtown Newburyport. You will have a few minutes to grab a coffee, or explore a shop and then back on the bus to return to the Center. Deer Island is rugged and there is some walking involved so wear good shoe, and layer! We will be in and out so dress appropriately.

Seniors and Children \$17, Adults \$20 Lunch is not included (bring cash). We meet at the Center at 8 am for coffee and will be home for supper around 5 p.m. Dress comfortably. We will go unless there is a serious storm and Audubon cancels. Any cancellation subject to fees, unless we can fill your spot in advance. To reserve call 978-733-4076 or email <a href="mailto:aturner@lancasterma.net">aturner@lancasterma.net</a>

# THE FINANCIAL PAGE\$ & COMMUNITY NEWS

#### We are a Warming Center!

If you or someone you know is cold, come use our heat, our coffee, TV, Wii and friendship. Call for details 978 733 4076

## **Fuel Assistance:**

The heating season is here and the predictions for the coming winter are for lots of cold and snow. The state gross annual income limits for

fuel assistance are as follows: for a household of one, \$32,618; for a house-hold of two, \$42,654; for a household of three, \$52,691. Also try Joe for Oil & The Angel Tree or call us.

#### It's Census Time

Soon you will be receiving your town census. Mailed by the Town Clerk's Office per Massachusetts General Law.. If you have your mail sent to a post office box, you may have to check in with the post office to see if you have one waiting for you. Anticipated mailing date of the census is January 15th.

#### Why return the Census?

If you are a registered voter, failure to respond shall result in removal from the active voting list and may result in removal from the voter registration rolls. If you are not a registered voter, it is still important for you to return your census form – many public benefits require proof of residency, which our office can provide for any resident who has been counted in the census. In addition, an accurate count of residents in Lancaster leads to better municipal services



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## **Friday February** 13th 10 am.

Come join our studio audience for the taping of Cooking with Laura. We learn more of Laura Kryger's cooking secrets. We get to taste too! My favorite part!!This month Laura and her special guests will prepare a Valentine's Day inspired menu. Laura will teach us some of her short cuts and health tips and maybe even a few of her jokes.

The classes are lots of fun, a great casual way to spend a morning. Join us FREE!

#### **Electric Bill Questions, Concerns?**

Bring your bill and come meet Corey.

Corey Manson is our very own National Grid Representative. He will help you with Fuel Assistance, errors on your bill. Tips and more. One on one time with Corey

February, 18th at 9:00-10:00 AM

#### **Lancaster Council on Aging**

Lancaster Community Center Suite 7, Lancaster Ma 01523 978-733-1249 or www.lancasterma.net

# Join us Council on Aging Board Meetings Third Wednesday of the month January, 21 February, 18 March, 18 All at 9 am Free Coffee! Join us.

#### Many thanks

To the many generous donors who helped our neighbors. Your generousity this holiday season the holidays warmer!

To Rose, Thorn and Fiddle for sharing their talents.

To all our bakers for delicous cookies, thanks! *Shaws*, for donating pastries each week. To River Terrace too, Jon, John, Chris and Matt, Thelma, Laura, Maribeth, Kathy and Lynn, Dave, Jean Michele, Claire, Nilah, Susan, Celeste, Geno, Gretchen, Judi, Judy Rachel, Doc Frigoletto, Thanas, Monique, Rachel, Don and Dianne, Charlotte, and more for all their hard work making the Center special (and all those I forgot to mention here!)



