

Please visit the Senior Center and the Lancaster Community Center Behind the Town Green Complex

Community Crier

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Join us! Open Houses The BackStage Gym Monday June 10th 5p.m.-7:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 11th

9:00-11 a.m. Refreshments, Fitness Evaluations and more. Details inside. Ribbon Cutting TBA

Thanks to the Friends of Lancaster Seniors

Sue's Kitchen

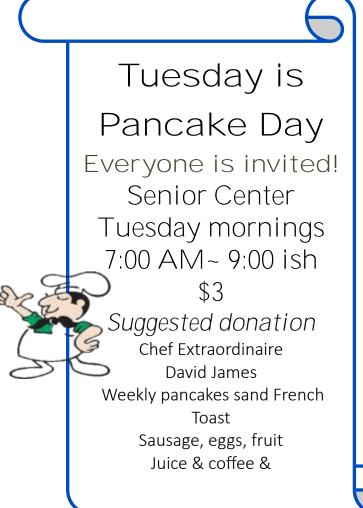
June 7th 2019 Noon

Shrimp Scampi with Homemade Fettuccini and Homemade Tiramusi

July 12th Noon Grill, Baby Grill! Assorted Grilled Vegetables and Meats Tickets Required. Seating Limited: \$5

Thoughts from the Director

Happy Anniversary to us! The Center is officially seven years old this month-boy have we grown, and still growing strong. We are excited about initiatives coming soon. Twelve years ago the Center was conceived as a product of the Master or Comprehensive plan. Extensive surveys and focus groups concluded Lancaster residents wanted a place for all ages to call their own, to relax, learn and socialize. Seven years ago this month The Lancaster Community Center (LCC) opened as a Senior Center, and Veterans and Recreation, Cable TV and more. Overtime we realized the wisdom and efficiencies of the past at the expression goes 'what is old is new again'. Now we share a Center blending generations and their interests into an All ages Center. No silos here! Our Center has become a model many towns have followed -it makes sense. Adults want recreation, kids a place to hang out, many enjoy our community garden and a place to 'play' with friends. Twelve years ago at the time of the planning I thought, 'ya all those would be nice' but how..... With town support, funding, and thousands of volunteer hours, grants and shear determination-we see the dream realized! We did it and are growing better each day. Each day I hear compliments about how vibrant, and homey our Center is. It makes me happy when I hear the giggles of people playing Pickleball, the joy of the kids trying something new from their garden or watch the good friendships flourish that began right here. Thanks to a grant from the Friends of Lancaster Seniors and a very generous donor we will soon debut the Backstage Gym (details inside). SMASH (Super Mario video gaming) tournaments are back too. Literally something for everyone. Thank you all that have helped by joining us for events, volunteering and toiling or supporting the Friends fundraisers. We could not have accomplished what we have without the help of many dedicated volunteers. We need your talents to move forward. This requires a lots of work of those with various skills. We need hands on trades, and cleaning. Hosts and Hostesses with the moistest, office helps, gardeners, weeders, phone help, friendly visitors and more. You will be surprised by the gratification you receive in helping your neighbors and all the free coffee you can stand! You are up to it-I know you are! As a small token of appreciation we are holding our volunteer appreciation party this month to honor our volunteers. Any volunteer who has contributed 20 hours of service to the Center this year is invited. You know who you are, and yes we keep track. I hope you are able to join us and if you have not volunteered this year we hope to see you at next years party! Hope to see you soon, Alix



OUR WISH LIST

We need VOLUNTEERS!

We can use all your talents, just call or drop by. Serving, meal delivery, crafts, exercise monitors and participants, office, gardening and more!

SUPPLIES

We always appreciate items for crafts classes, events, & every day fun. Thank you to everyone who has donated some amazing supplies. They bring great joy and keep the mind going. *Join us for upcoming classes*.

Check out our swap shop! for other items. Share, and Reuse!

It takes a Village.



Interested in Aging in Place? Do you think it is important to support the community so residents may Age in Place (Stay in their homes). Come learn about one tool Lancaster and Bolton is exploring.-

The Village Concept Discussion

June 5th@ 7 Bolton Library

Can't make it? Need more information ? Call Alix at 978-733-1249 ext 1102

Reminder 'NO" DOG POLICY

Town buildings are no longer dog friendly . Sorry, please leave your dogs at home when visiting unless they are a service dog.





The Lancaster Community Center (LCC)

The all ages hub for community events. Nurturing the Body, the Mind, and the Soul

www.ci.lancaster.ma.us And on Facebook www.tinyurl.com/lancastercc Or call—978-733-4076 Business Office hours 8:30-12:00 M-TH & by event

Where: The Community Center is located behind the Town Green, directly behind the Prescott Building. Enter on the upper level, handicapped access use the lower level-elevator at end.

<u>What:</u> The Center, formally the Tercentenary School is home to many special events open to all ages. A full schedule is on line, scroll down our page to view the calendar. The LCC is home to Lancaster Social Services offices. Each office keeps their own office hours; Veterans Affairs, Commission on Disability, Council on Aging and Recreation. The LCC Is also home to Senior Center, and offers meeting space for town boards, commissions, and non-profits.

IN ADDITION THE CENTER OFFERS:

• Year Round Fitness Classes as well as special fitness series. Tai Chi, Yoga, Aerobics, Ballroom Dancing, Pickleball as well as summer and winter sporting events.

- Healthy Cooking Class Series: and Nutrition classes
 - Arts and Crafts Classes and drop in Art Group
 - Community Garden Beds
- Community BBQ's, Holiday events, Concerts, Fairs etc.
- Social Services support, SNAP, Fuel Assistance, Referrals
 - Nashoba Wellness Clinic, first Tuesday of the month
- Information series by guest speakers on topics relating to Lancaster
 - Field Trips

Rentals:

The LCC is available for rentals, Birthday Parties, Cookouts, Reunions, Meetings and more!

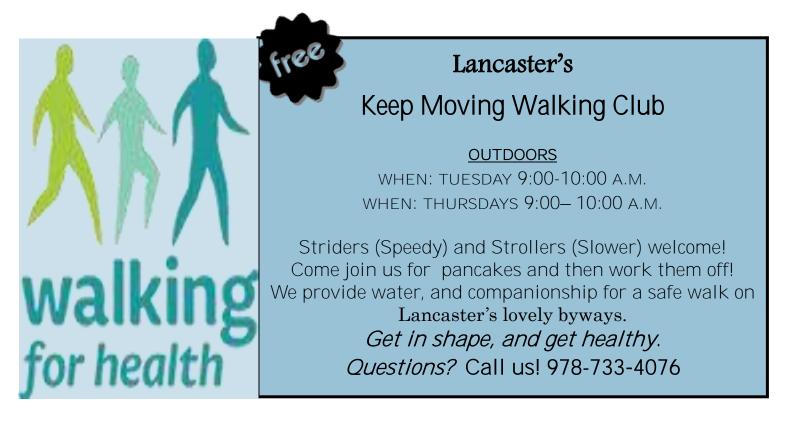
Please see our calendar for availability, and the website for our rental forms. There are a variety of spaces, a kitchen, meeting rooms, a gym and a lovely shaded patio. The Center is a great space for birthday parties, family gatherings, club meetings and more! Let us show you our space.



For more information contact Alexandra Turner, director at ext. 1103 or aturner@lancasterma.net

Health & Fitness

To insure a space please pre-register at 978-733-4076 or mpelletier@lancasterma.net





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

If you're looking for another way to reduce stress, consider tai chi (TIE-chee). Tai chi is described as "meditation in motion" because it 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. Monday Mornings 9:30 a.m. Tuesday Evening 5:30 p.m.

\$5 per class or 6 classes for \$25 Lancaster Community Center

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



OPEN HOUSE FOR THE BACKSTAGE GYM AT THE LANCASTER COMMUNITY CENTER

MONDAY, JUNE 10TH 5:00-7:00 PM TUESDAY, JUNE 11TH 9:00-11:00 AM

COME SEE THE STAGE GYM AND ALL OF THE EQUIPMENT PROVIDED BY THE FRIENDS OF THE SENIORS

A FITNESS INSTRUCTOR WILL BE THERE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS. THEN, YOU CAN SIGN UP FOR TRAINING OF THE EQUIPMENT

HAVE FUN, GET FIT, FOR FREEL

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS SERVED

ENTRANCE TO THE BACKSTAGE GAM IS AT THE FRONT OF THE COMMUNITY CENTER

LEARN TO PLAY PICKLEBALL!

Pickleball is a fun sport that combines elements of tennis, badminton and ping-pong. **It's played on a badminton**-sized court, with a paddle and a plastic ball with holes. It has simple rules and is easy to play. Come Join the FUN! No experience necessary.

Mondays 1-3 p.m. Lancaster Community Center \$3 Call first as we may be outside!





Get into Shape for Summer! All ages. Strength and Weight Training Fridays May 31-June 28th 5 week session 11:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Get in shape for summer with this five week class. . Strengthen your core, improve your flexibility, work on your balance while working out in air conditioned comfort with resistance training and weights. *All ages and abilities will benefit*. Lancaster Seniors (50 and over) Series price \$30 all others \$45 for all others. Call to reserve. Limited space. 978-733-4076

Arthritis/Chair Yoga

Tuesdays 10:30 a.m.

Seniors \$5 per class or 6 classes for \$25 General public \$6 per class or 6 for \$30 Wachusett Wellness

Arthritis/Chair Yoga Class is designed for all ages and abilities.

No matter what your capability/ ailment or restriction is, you will learn tools and techniques to carry with you to help with discomfort, lubricate the joints, calm the mind, AND get a good work-out! We will start with seated poses, core work, twists, balance, spine lengthening and strengthening and grounding work off the chair (with modifications if needed in chair), and end with a guided relaxation. This class promises to leave you feeling more peaceful, energized, and uplifting in the body, mind, and spirit.

*Julianna will work with your specific restrictions, such as sciatica, knee/hip replacements, etc. Please let her know prior to class.

Julianna Record is the founder of Wachusett Wellness Center located in Clinton MA. Practicing and studying yoga, therapeutics and holistic healing techniques since the 90s, she holds numerous training certifications and degrees in Yoga, Group Fitness, Therapeutics, Barre, and Pilates, Yin, Meridian, Energy Flow, Senior, Chair Yoga, Sport and Injury related therapeutics, Arthritis, and more. In addition to Yoga and Barre, Julianna has gained extensive knowledge studying in Energetic Fields such as Reiki, Meridian Therapy, Thai Bodywork, Acupressure, and Energetic Healing Modalities.



Gentle Hatha Yoga

11 am-12 pm Mondays <u>&</u> Thursdays 9:30 a.m. Saturday, <u>Got Stress? You need to relax!</u>



Worried about falling, twisting? *Improve* your balance, and keep your range of motion. Stay young! Yoga is widely recognized as a way to improve posture, improve clarity of mind and reduce stress.

We provide mats, and chairs~ Bring yourself!

Seniors \$5 per class or 6 classes for \$25, General public \$6 per class or 6 for \$30

All ages, and abilities will benefit from this yoga class. Louise Dorian has taught hatha yoga since 1989, She was originally certified by the Ayurvedic Whole Life Center in Brookline, Mass. and has since evolved her own unique style of teaching, incorporating the detail and precision of Iyengar yoga, the gentle, individualized approach of Kripalu, the inner focus and playful quality of <u>Angela Farmer's</u> innovative teaching, while still maintaining the balanced focus of Ayurvedic principles. Louise has taught yoga in corporate settings for over ten years, to improve employee's health and reduce stress.



LEARN TO DANCE!

Thursday Evenings 6:00-7:00 p.m. Lancaster Community Center No Partner? No Problem!

Learn from the best! Jim Cole has repeatedly been voted best and his students agree. A fun casual class for beginners and pros alike. No partner, no problem! Come alone or bring friends. Great exercise, good for the body and mind and yes your social life. Call for information on which dances are currently taught. Choose from Waltz, Rhumba, Cha Cha and more! All ages! Dress is casual.

Please bring an extra pair of dry, clean shoes to change into.

DROP IN for \$13 or buy a <u>three week session for \$30! pp</u> Register at aturner@lancasterma.net or 978-733-4076



Medicare Outpatient Observation Notice (MOON)*

For some being in the hospital can have devastating financial consequences if a patient is 'held for observation' rather than being admitted. You have a right to know what your status is. Two hospitalized seniors may receive the exact same treatments and tests, but one of them is inpatient and the other an outpatient.

A study conducted by Brown University found there is a growing number of elderly patients "under observation" rather than admitting them as inpatients. "Observation" services are considered outpatient services and are billed and covered differently by Medicare. Patients considered as 'Observation' pay a Part B deductible and 20 percent of the Medicare-approved cost for each test and treatment they receive. They may also have to pay full price for any prescriptions they receive during their hospital stay. Supplemental insurance plans will differ in what the patient actually owes.

This billing practice not only affects coverage of the services and products a patient receives while in the hospital but also affects how their care is covered after being discharged. A three-day inpatient hospital stay is required to qualify for Medicare coverage of rehab care in a skilled nursing facility. If a patient never fulfills this three-day requirement, then the full cost of post-discharge care in a nursing home must be paid for out of pocket.

According to Medicare.gov, a patient may receive a Medicare Outpatient Observation Notice (MOON) that lets them know they're being treated as an outpatient in hospital or critical access hospital. A patient who is getting outpatient observation services for more than 24 hours **must** receive this notice no later than 36 hours after outpatient services have begun. This may be too late from a billing perspective. The MOON will explain why the senior is an outpatient getting observation services, instead of an inpatient. It will also explain how this may affect personal care costs incurred while in the hospital and following discharge.

The Center for Medicare Advocacy (CMA) urges caregivers and family members to find out the status the day a patient enters the hospital and advocate for admission vs observation with the physician and social worker. If your loved one can return home safely, the CMA suggests that you ask the hospital or community physician to order home health care. So long as your loved one is homebound (i.e. leaving home requires a taxing effort and occurs infrequently) and requires skilled nursing care or physical or speech therapy, Medicare should pay for short-term in-home care services. If this is your plan of action, be sure to have this care set up as part of the discharge plan before leaving the hospital.

Excerpts from article: "Hospital Observation Status Can Be Financially Devastating for Seniors" by John L. Roberts, April 8, 2019

* Enacted August 6, 2015, the Notice of Observation Treatment and Implication for Care Eligibility Act (NOTICE Act) requires hospitals and Critical Access Hospitals (CAH) to provide notification to individuals receiving observation services as outpatients for more than 24

hours explaining the status of the individual as an outpatient, not an inpatient, and the implications of such status. <u>https://www.cms.gov/newsroom/fact-sheets/medicare-outpatient-observation-notice-moon</u> <u>https://www.medicare.gov/what-medicare-covers/what-part-a-covers/inpatient-or-outpatient-hospital-status-affects-your-costs</u>

Central Massachusetts Agency on Aging, Inc. ElderCare 2019



Educational Event for Seniors Including Raffle Bonanza!!

FREE ADMISSION | FREE EDUCATIONAL EVENT | FREE PARKING

12 Dynamic & Distinguished Speakers

Dr. Michelle Hadley, Cardiologist - St. Vincent Hospital

Worcester County Sheriff - Lew Evangelidis

Worcester County's Finest - First Responder Panel Featuring WPD Chief Steven Sargent & District Attorney Joseph D. Early, Jr.

Dr. Justin Maykel - Chief of Colon & Rectal Surgery at UMass Memorial Health Care

Special Retirement Celebration - Dr. Robert Dwyer, CMAA Executive Director

60 EXHIBITORS | DISCOUNTED LUNCH AVAILABLE | BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC

Wednesday, June 12, 2019 from 9:30 am - 1:30 pm

Worcester State University - Wellness Center 486 Chandler Street, Worcester, MA Sponsored by



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A Lancaster Tradition the

Strawberry Festival

Sunday Jun 23 @ 4:00PM - 07:00PM Lawn of the First Church– Main St. Lancaster

The annual Strawberry Festival will be held on the lawn of the historic First Church. Come enjoy homemade chicken salad, ice cream, strawberry shortcake and more.

The festival has been a tradition in Lancaster for nearly 100 years!

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Blood Pressure and Wellness Clinics

Lancaster Community Center

OPEN TO ALL RESIDENTS

1st Tuesday of the month from 8-10am

Your Local board of health provides a town nurse to serve as a free resource in an effort to improve and protect the health of the community

Come & Visit with the Town Nurse

Courtesy of the Nashoba Associated Board of Health



SHINE HELP

Serving the Health Insurance Needs of Everyone

Turning 65? Facing a lay off? Bad Insurance? We can help.

SHINE Councilors are available

Wednesdays

Barb Blom by Appointment

By Appointment Only 978-733-4076

Town of Lancaster

Want to help your town? While working for a reduction in your taxes. Call us about the-

Senior Tax

Abatement Program

Are you 60 or older and own your own home? You may be eligible to lower your real estate tax bill by performing jobs for the Town of Lancaster. There are still a few slots left. Contact the Assesors office to apply

978-365-3326 ext 1312

~☆ ☆ Application and income requirements are on the town website. This is a work program, we \$ will match your skills and interests to departments needs. Call us or visit Town of Lancaster \$ website for more information.

Well Adult Clinic~ It is FREE!

With our town nurses, Susan Hoag and Tamara Bedard. 1st Tuesday of each month, 8am-10am



VNA Network

4th Tuesday of each month 8am-10am Advice, Blood pressure screenings and more

Coffee, Crumpets, & Coloring! Chatting too.

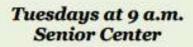
Join us Tuesday mornings 10-11:30 to relax over a nice cup of coffee and some toast or crumpets (whatever goodies we have or make). We provide coloring books and colored pencils to draw the morning away!

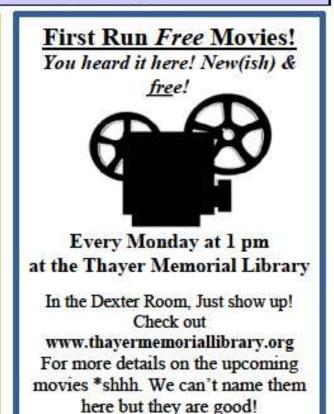
Thank you Sumner Family for the great supplies



Come join us to exchange ideas, kudo's and complaints about gardening. This is <u>not a</u> <u>formal garden club, r</u>ather a no cost group to exchange ideas, seeds, plants and more.

Led by Sandy Reardon the wonderful gardener who taught at Tower Hill and lectures on Gardening. We will have tea/coffee and goodies and exchange ideas and learn and grow! (Pun intended.).





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A Memory Cafe

Socialization & Information Networking for Care Partners

Who: Individuals with memory loss and those with developmental disabilities plus memory loss, and their Care Partners

What: Informal, Stigma Free, and Relaxed Atmosphere

Time: 1:00pm to 3:00pm Contact: (978) 365-4537 When: Usually The Last Thursday of the Month Where: Lancaster Senior Center 695 Main Street, Lancaster, MA 01523

Forever

Young

RSVP

978-733-4076

June 27th





Guests requiring personal care assistance must attend with a care partner.

ABOUT TOWN



THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

Invites you to their

MEN'S CLUB CHICKEN BARBEQUE

> Saturday, June 15 th 11 :00 AM to 2:00 PM.

803 Main St. Lancaster MA

1/2 chicken, hotdogs, salad, baked potato and dessert. Take Out Too!

\$8.00 for children and seniors, and \$10.00 for adults. Main St. Tickets at the Door.

<u>Hope to see you there!</u>





Saturday June 1st 9-1 p.m.

Florence Sawyer School Bolton. FREE!!! All Welcome!

What is a Repair Café? A volunteer based project of handy community members who will help fix your broken belongings for FREE! Reuse! Better than recycling! Meet Friends, make some. A great free project by Nashoba Rotary. Items such as as clean mendable clothing, lamps, small appliances, computers and other electronics, bikes, outdoor power equipment, toys, and jewelry. They can also sharpen knives, scissors, and garden tools. You only pay for needed parts. If you know what parts are needed, please get them ahead of time and bring them to the Repair Café to save time.

KIDS TOO! We will continue our activity for kids at this event. Bring your children or your grandchildren so they can work on taking something apart at the supervised take-apart table to see how it works. Putting things back to-

The Friends of the Thayer Memorial Library Present MUSIC ON THE GREEN Wednesday Evenings at 6:30 June 26 through July 31



6/26 T.J. Wheeler
7/3 Tootie Pa and His Great Big Thang
7/10 Knock On Wood
7/17 The Delmatics
7/24 The O-Tones
7/31 Decatur Creek

The Friends of the Lancaster Seniors

Barbecue

Featuring Kalon Farms hamburgers and sausages



In case of rain, the concert will be held in Town Hall You are invited to join us to celebrate 'Girl' Power!

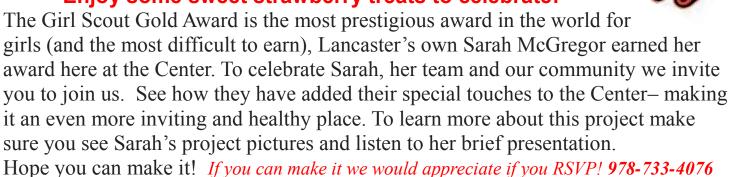
Come see

Sarah McGregor's Gold Award Project

with help from special seniors who worked to improve our Center.

June 17th at 6:30 p.m.

Light refreshments. Short remarks at 7 p.m. Enjoy some sweet strawberry treats to celebrate!



Got Stress? Don't we all and it is NOT good for you. Join us to learn how to Destress your life! Wednesday, June 26 at 12:00 – 1:00 P.M.

Join us after lunch for some herbal ice tea and treats and learn from Sharon Nolli or Summit Health will teach us how to how to de-stress your life. She will discuss

Bringing laughter in your life ~ Making healthy choices

Socializing~ Exercising ~ Being thankful

Town Wide Yard Sale-Sat June 15th 8a.m.-1 p.m.

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On the Green and around town-RAIN OR SHINE

\$10 to have your address listed on the interactive map. Tables available on the Town Green. To Learn More and Register: LANCASTERTOWNYARDSALE@GMAIL.COM

Classes and Workshops To ensure a space please pre-register at 978-733-4076 or email aturner@lancasterma.net.

Edible Landscaping: The Latest Garden Design with Chef Liz Barbourowner of the Creative Feast

Tuesday, June 4 @ 6:00 p.m.

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED AS SEATING IS LIMITED! This cooking demonstration and food tasting will teach you how to utilize your limited garden space so that it can be productive and beautiful at the same time. This program is funded by the Rosemary Davis Memorial Fund grant from the Greater Worcester Community Foundation. REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED AS SEATING IS LIMITED! Phone 978-368-8928 ext. 4 to register.

Join us for FREE Gardening Classes Thursday mornings!

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We have a wonderful instructor. Sandy Reardon, former instructor at Tower Hill Botanic Garden. Please call to reserve. A bed maybe available too! Great organic soil, good gardening friends! Call for details. Alix at 978-733-1249 ext 1102

Center Village Table Gardens

An intergenerational community garden and cooking project

> interested/ www.ci.lancaster.ma.us Or 978-733-4076

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Your Ticket to FREE Summer Fun! 100 VENUES! 10 FRIDAYS!

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Please visit HighlandStreet.org or call 617.969.8900 for more information

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The Lancaster Garden Club

Invites you to

Good Bugs-Bad Bugs 7 p.m.

Lancaster Community Center

Everyone is welcome to join a

Pot Luck dinner and Tour

of the Community Garden 5:30 p.m.



Not all insects are bad for the garden. In fact, we rely on many

to rid us of other unwanted invaders. This presentation describes some of the common beneficial and pest insects that gardeners encounter in New England. We will take a look their habits and their lifecycles as we discuss how their presence affects the success of our garden year.

Bonnie Power, has an MA in Zoology from Boston University and taught college level science courses for over twelve years before leaving teaching for industry. After she retired she began taking courses to augment her love of gardening by working on certification at Garden in the Woods in Framingham and by becoming a certified Master Gardener in the fall of 2016. In 2015 she began volunteering on a Facebook page for insect identification and began learning about insects. Out of these experiences she developed a talk aimed at gardeners to acquaint them with beneficial and pest species of insects and other arthropods.

Please RSVP if you would like to bring a dish for the potluck. RSVP is optional for attendance

Free! You are invited

Choose Wellness A Community Health Fair

Sunday, June 23rd 2019 from 11-4

AUC Field House, 103 George Hill Rd Lancaster, MA

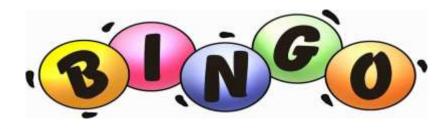
Health Screenings, Workshops, Cooking Demos, Farmers Market, Food Court, Kids area, Touch a Truck, Walks +!



Mahjong lessons

FREE! Wednesdays 10:45 a.m.

Keep your brain 'fresh and supple', *play Mahjong*! A great game played with 144 tiles, dealt in 'hands'. Fun people willing to help teach.



Every Tuesday at 12:30 pm *Everyone is welcome*

Bring your quarters, odds are better than the lottery!

Bridge

Area residents are invited to join us for friendly bridge Friday afternoons. Don't play? Come watch and learn. There are lots of patient teachers here. Come to the Center for friendly bridge games with nice people and nice snacks, Suitable for all levels, novice to pro. We provide the cards, teachers, and friends. Fridays 1:00-4:00

> Free! calling ahead is strongly suggested Questions Call Jean at 978-273-2418

<u>First Run Free Movies!</u> You heard it here! New(ish) & <u>fre</u>e!

Every Monday at 1 pm at the Thayer Memorial Library

In the Dexter Room. Just show up! Check out <u>www.thayermemoriallibrary.org</u> for more details on the upcoming movies *shhh.

We can't name them here but

they are good.

Stop by the Community Center for lunch or lemonade on the way over.



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MART Transit Van

MART provides Council-On-Aging transportation services throughout the 'MART' member communities for elderly (60+) and disabled residents.

Fees & Policies

Reservations: Call 978 733 4076 - 48 BUSINESS hours' notice to reserve a ride

Reservation requests may be placed by phone, leave your request on our voicemail. Requests will be accepted in the order received, with preference given to medical appointments.

Office hours are Mon—Thurs 9:00 to 12 pm.

Messages will be returned next business day by 12 pm.

- Lancaster Community Center /Senior Center: *Free* for elderly (60+) and disabled residents.
- Service in Town: 50c in town, per stop
- Service outside Lancaster to a contiguous town: \$1 Clinton, or \$2 Leominster/Sterling/Bolton (Multiple stops may be charged, call for details)
- Special Events will be priced according to the trip.

Shopping on the Van**

Reservations Required

**Rides for medical appointments take priority over shopping trips and may result in shopping schedule changes.

Trips may fill up quickly or be cancelled if there are no reservations.

- Monday 1 p.m. Clinton Shopping and banking e.g. Hannafords, CVS, Walgreen, Rite-Aid, downtown
 - ♦ \$1.00 plus 50c per additional stop
- Wednesdays 1 p.m. Leominster Shopping e.g. Water Tower Plaza, Shaws, BJ's, Restaurants
 - ◊ \$2.00 plus 50c per additional stop
- Thursdays 1 p.m. 117 Shopping e.g. Walmart, Lowes, Restaurants
 - ◊ \$2.00 plus 50c per additional stop
- 1st Fridays 9 a.m. Whitney Field Mall Leominster return 1 p.m. -e.g Mall stores, Market Basket, Restaurants
 - ◊ \$2.00 plus 50c per additional stop
- 3rd Fridays 8:15 a.m. Stow Food Pantry and Highland Commons in Berlin/Hudson return 1 p.m.
 - ◊ \$2.00 plus 50c per additional stop

Inclement Weather

Van will not run if Nashoba Regional School District

JUNE LUNCH CALENDAR

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Worcester Elder Services and WLEN Invite you to the Rainbow Lunch Club

Every 2nd Wed. Noon

Unitarian Church, 90 Holden St. Worcester Questions or to RSVP 508-756-1545

Resources and Help



Join Jon Roper *after Pancakes* 8 am on- Drop in! Jon will help with your laptop, or our computer ipad or phone.

Jon Roper is our hero! Tuesday mornings 9 a.m.



Keeping citizens informed.

The Town of Lancaster has a emergency notification system (also known as Reverse 911). This system allows Lancaster residents to receive neighborhood specific emergency notifications issued by the town's public safety agencies.

These can be sent to you by phone,

e-mail and/or text message, all of which can be set up by you through an easy-to-use web page. To enroll in this free service go to the CodeRED Community Notification Enrollment page listed below. This data is held securely and is used only for the purpose of emergency notifications.

FOR ALERTS TO PHONE AND EMAIL

https://public.coderedweb.com/cne/en-US/F1A940D55774

FOR ALERTS TO A MOBILE DEVICE APP

https://ecnetwork.com/codered-mobile-alert-app/

If you do not have access to a computer we can help you sign up at the Lancaster Community Center , lancastercommunitycenter@gmail.

In need? Got help!

Food pantry options

WHEAT

NEW NUMBER! 508-370-4943 Call for extensions

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 TRANSPORTATION ON 3rd FRIDAY \$2, call to reserve

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.

Home Resources

Need home goods? Fuel, repairs? Call Marilyn 978-733-1249 x1109

Medical Equipment Loan Program Crutches, canes, commodes, wheelchairs + some first aid, incontinence, supplies more to loan. (978) 733 4076 aturner@lancasterma.net

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Friends of Lancaster Seniors, Inc. **All Ages Pancake Breakfast** Every Tuesday Morning! 7:30am - 9:00am **Donations Graciously Accepted!**

\$3 is a suggested donation, but any donation is appreciated.

Blueberry and plain pancakes, French toast, sausages, scrambled eggs, fruit, muffins, orange Juice, coffee /tea/milk.





Several years ago the Friends received an anonymous \$5,000 contribution, with the stipulation that it be used for senior fitness programs. I am pleased to say that, because of their generosity, we were able to purchase several pieces of equipment and additional supplies for the new BACKSTAGE GYM!

If that person is reading this, please know that we are extremely grateful for your contribution to the seniors of Lancaster. THANK YOU!!!

Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) - What is it?

Are you over 70 and 1/2 years old? Do you have an IRA from which you must take required distributions? Do you contribute to charity? Then consider a QCD this year.

With the increased Standard Deduction, many people can no longer take advantage of the charitable deduction on their taxes (which you can do only if you itemize deductions). This past year, as an AARP Tax Aide, I processed over 150 tax returns. ONLY THREE itemized deductions! A QCD is a transfer (contribution) directly from your IRA to the charity. At tax time, this contribution is deducted from your taxable income, without having to itemize! This is doubly beneficial if your Social Security benefits are being taxed!

Want more information? Contact your financial adviser or fund manager.

We encourage you to consider supporting the Friends of the Lancaster Seniors, Inc., a non-profit 501(c)3 corporation. You don't have to be a Senior to be a Friend! Please help us by making your tax-deductible donation today! All monetary donations will be considered fully tax-deductible, and you will receive and letter and receipt to that effect. We even accept credit cards! Ask for David James the next time you are at the Senior Center or donate using PayPal on our web site! Website: http://friendsofthelancasterseniors.org/index.html
Email: FriendsoftheLancasterSeniors@GMail.com
To support the Friends, fill out the information below, and send it and your check (payable to Friends of the Lancaster Seniors, Inc.) to:
Friends of the Lancaster Seniors, Inc.
PO Box 173
Lancaster, MA 01523
Name:
Adress:
Email:
Enclosed is my TAX DEDUCTIBLE contribution of \$ (you will receive a receipt). Thank You for supporting Lancaster Seniors



We welcome everyone! Office hours Monday-Thursday 9-12 Or for special events



<u>To all our amazing volunteers</u>, without your help we could not run the Center! Even an hour or two makes a huge difference-thanks!

To *Shaws* of Clinton for donating pastries.

A big thank you to **River Terrace** for their generous.

To Harvard Community Health Foundation for their generous support, and MCOA.

Special Thanks to:

Bridget, Maureen, Deb, Sandy, Bev and Deb, Jude, Claire, Celeste, Nicole, Shelia, Theresa, Jon, Jay, Jean, Dick, Sue, Marie, Maribeth, Jay, Theresa, Judi, Robert, Katherine, Jon, Fred, Nancy, Laura, Dave, Sandra, Judy, Michele, Pam, Gretchen, Kathy, Joe, John G, Marie, Mark, Marilyn, , Sean, Marie, Kathy, Sandy, Shelia, Tim and so many more for all their hard work and support.

Special Events and Trip Policies:

Our space is limited, so we book first come first serve, booking is complete with payment. Any cancellations after due date will not be refunded unless we fill your spot from a waiting list, usually we can. Trips may be cancelled due to low enrollment, if we cancel we will refund all monies.

