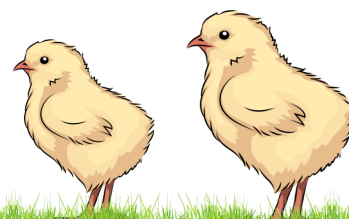
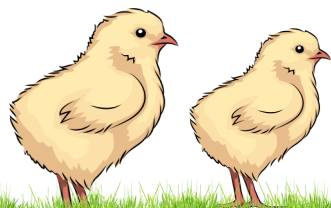


THE BUZZELL BUZZ

THE DEPARTMENT OF ELDERLY SERVICES

APRIL 2022



BUZZELL SENIOR CENTER

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MONDAY – FRIDAY
9:00AM– 4:30PM



NEWS & UPDATES

Spring is finally here and we are excited about the coming months. As a department, we have been very busy planning new and fun events for the upcoming Spring, Summer and Fall months this year. Our outdoor tent will be returning in May which will allow us to have more space for activities and events. Check out page 3 for some save the dates and be sure to keep an eye out for important sign up dates in future newsletters.

Tuesday, April 5, 2022 marks the last day of our income tax appointments. We want to thank our fantastic AARP volunteers for taking the time to help over 160 Wilmington seniors file their taxes this year. It is a great service they provide and we are extremely happy to have been able to have them again this year.

There was a great response to the chair dancing class with Jan on Tuesdays. The class resumed on Tuesday, March 29, 2022. If you are interested in this class or any other class/activity offered please call the center to sign up. A full listing of our weekly and monthly classes can be found on the back page.

We had a lot of raffles in March. For the month of April we will be having our usual candy raffle, movie basket raffle, and we will also be raffling off a fun spring themed basket. This raffle is free to enter, make sure to stop by the center and fill out a raffle ticket. More information about this raffle and to see our March raffle winners check out page 5.

There will be a special meeting held at the senior center on Wednesday, April 6, 2022 at 3:00PM about the new senior center project. All are welcome to attend. See page 6 to read an update.

The center will be closed on Monday, April 18, 2022 for Patriot's Day. Home delivered meals recipients; please note that there will be no home delivered meals on Friday, April 15, 2022 and Monday, April 18, 2022. There will be Minuteman meals from Tuesday, April 19, 2022 through Friday, April 22, 2022.



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IMPORTANT • Town Elections: Saturday, April 23, 2022
REMINDER: • Annual Town Meeting: Saturday, April 30, 2022

COUNTRY LINE DANCING



Back by popular demand! Country line dancing with Sam will be returning this month! Class will begin Thursday, April 14, 2022 at 10:30AM and will meet weekly on Thursdays at 10:30AM. Please call the center to sign up. Sign up for Wilmington residents first, if space is still available sign up will be open to non Wilmington residents.

DRIVE-THRU LUNCHEON

When: Tuesday, April 12, 2022 at 12:30PM

What's on the Menu: Lunch from AJ's Kitchen

Join us to celebrate SPRING! Thank you to an anonymous donor for making this event possible. There is no charge to attend this luncheon.

Sign up for this event will begin on Wednesday, April 6, 2022 at 1:30PM.

Drive Thru Game: How many bunnies can you find hiding throughout this newsletter?



BON APPETIT, JULIA!

When: Thursday, April 21, 2022 at 1:00PM

Sign up for this event will begin on April 8, 2022 at 9:30AM

A live performance featuring two actresses, Bon Appetit, Julia! is a sequel to Delvena Theatre Company's ever-popular *Meet Julia Child!* show. Set in the late 1980's, the show will focus on an insight into the beloved chef, Julia Child's, life at that time. Julia will be demonstrating her culinary skills, with real ingredients, and encouraging help from the audience. Julia being Julia! An interactive, fun show! The cast will open up after the show for discussion regarding Julia Child.



MAUREEN'S CRAFTY CREATIONS CORNER

Join Maureen on Monday, April 25, 2022 at 1:00PM to create this cute spring hat! This class is free to join.

Sign up will begin on Thursday, April 14, 2022 at 9:30AM.



DORIS' CRAFT CORNER

Join Doris to make this fun craft on Wednesday, April 13, 2022 at 10:30AM. All you need to bring is a pair of sunglasses! This class is free to join.

Sign up for this class will begin on Monday, April 11, 2022 at 9:30AM



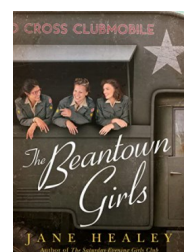
BOOK CLUB

The Book Club meets on the 4th Monday of the month at 1:30PM.

The next meeting is Monday, April 25, 2022 at 1:30PM

If you are interested in joining, please call the center.

This month's book is
The Beantown Girls
By: Jane Healey



CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP

The role of a caregiver can be a very difficult one, especially during these last 2 years. The Department of Elderly Services is offering a Caregivers Support Group that meets on the third Monday of each month. This month's meeting will be Monday, April 25, 2022 due to the Patriots Day holiday.

If you are caring for a loved one, relative, or friend, come and meet with others who understand all that you are going through and who can offer support and provide helpful coping strategies.

During this month's caregivers support group a virtual program from the Alzheimer's Association will focus on legal/financial planning. Learn more about these topics and how to put an effective plan in place. Please feel free to contact Laura Pickett, case manager, at 978-657-7595.



SAVE THESE DATES!



GAME NIGHT RETURNS!

Game Night is back by popular demand, starting on Thursday, May 19, 2022! It will be held from 4:30PM-7:00PM, indoors or out in our outdoor tent area. We will be having this once a month throughout the Spring, Summer, and Fall on the third Thursday of the month. You will be able to have a light dinner and dessert (pending), and fun activity. (\$5.00 per person). Don't miss out on the fun!

Mark your calendar for future Game Night dates: Thursday, May 19, 2022; Thursday, June 16, 2022; Thursday, July 21, 2022; Thursday, August 18, 2022; Thursday, September 15, 2022.



Sign up date for the May game night will be announced in the May newsletter.



UKULELE CLASSES

Want to try an instrument that is fun and easy to play? Join Julie Stepanek as she shows the fundamentals of ukulele playing. You'll learn how to tune, strum and read chords. After a short lesson, you'll be able to play songs. No experience necessary. Bring your own ukulele or borrow one of hers.

Julie is a singer, songwriter and musician. Originally from Nebraska, she now makes her home in a pine forest in western Massachusetts and for the last 16 years has been teaching and making music at libraries, schools and senior centers throughout New England. *This is a three part class.*

Sign up date will be announced in the May newsletter.

Wednesday June 1, 2022 at 1:00PM

Wednesday, June 8, 2022 at 1:00PM

Wednesday, June 15, 2022 at 1:00PM



MUNSEY MAGIC SHOW

On the evening of Wednesday, June 29, 2022 at 6:30PM, come enjoy *Munsey's Magic* a fun-filled show packed with audience participation, comedy, surprises, magic, mystery, mentalism and more. Adults will find themselves to be as surprised as they are fooled (and fooled badly)!

With over 25 years of performing experience, Jim has had repeat bookings for some big names in Boston. With a "feel" all its own, Munsey's Magic captivates audience members of all ages and leaves them believing that maybe, just maybe, there really is some magic in this world.

Sign up date and more information will be announced in the June newsletter.



Happy Birthday



We can't help you blow out the candles on your cake unless you tell us your special day!

Call the senior center to confirm your birthday month so that we can mention you in future newsletters!

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Alma D' Antonio Joanne Kelleher Barbara Sullivan
Lorraine Casey Arthur Martell Theresa Temple
Terry Driscoll Linda Murray
Stanley Dancewicz Shirley Pumfrey
Diane Hancox Ruth Russo
Diane Holden Peggy Surrette

ZOOM TRIVIA

Join Kelly for zoom trivia! This month's trivia topic is the letter S. How it works: Either the topic of each question or the answer will begin with the letter S. Test your knowledge, see some friendly faces, and most of all... have fun! We are always interested in hearing your suggestions for zoom trivia topics. If you have an idea, call the center and ask to speak with Kelly.

If you are hesitant to sign up because you have never used zoom, call the center and speak with Kelly. Zoom may seem intimidating but it is actually very easy and fun to use. Kelly can set up a one on one zoom meeting with you and walk you through all the steps over the phone or just answer any questions you may have.



The winner for the letter M trivia will be announced in the May newsletter



The letter S trivia:

**WHEN: Tuesday, April 19, 2022;
11:00AM-12:00PM**

Winner will be announced in the May newsletter

HOW TO SIGN UP:

Call the center and give us your email address. We will email you the link to the zoom event.

HOW TO PLAY:

All you need is a pen and paper! I will ask a question and players will write down their answer. Once all players have their answer written down, everyone will hold up the piece of paper with their answer on it. I will be keeping score and whoever has the most correct answers at the end of the game will win a prize!

DRIVE-THRU TRIVIA GAME FROM 3-16-2022

How many shamrocks can you find hiding around this newsletter?

ANSWER: 33

CONGRATULATIONS TO FREDA GRAHAM-ROGERS



Freda won the
St. Patrick's Day drive thru game!



SNACK BASKET RAFFLE CONGRATULATIONS TO CHRISTINE FORD



Christine won the
Snack basket raffle!

CONGRATULATIONS TO TERENCE DRISCOLL



Terence won the
March movie raffle!

CONGRATULATIONS TO MARYANNE MAZAKA

There was 686 candies in the jar
and Maryanne guessed closest
with 680!



MOVIE RAFFLE

Call the center to sign up for our movie raffle! It is free to enter. We will be raffling off a movie and some movie snacks so you can have a fun movie night at home!



A lucky winner will be chosen on
Tuesday, April 19, 2022

CANDY RAFFLE

Stop by the front desk to take a guess at how many candies are in the jar. Whoever guesses the closest without going over will win a special prize and of course... the candy!



A lucky winner will be chosen on
Tuesday, April 19, 2022



SPRING TIME BASKET RAFFLE!

Stop by the center to enter our special Spring themed basket! This raffle is free to enter.
One lucky winner will be chosen on Wednesday, April 20, 2022.

HOME DELIVERED DRIVERS WANTED

Are you currently looking to fill a few hours in the morning doing rewarding work? The Department of Elderly Services is looking for home delivered meals drivers for Friday mornings. (Back up driver positions also available). Responsible for delivering meals to roughly 30 elders in Wilmington. Hours are 9:30AM-12:30PM. Stipend of \$26 per day plus mileage. Training is provided. Please contact the senior center for further information.



COVID TESTS KITS

We have COVID-19 home test kits available at the senior center for Wilmington seniors. If anyone is in need please give us a call. Supplies are limited.
Only one test per person Thank you to WOW for generously donating these tests to the senior center!



UPDATE ON NEW SENIOR CENTER PROJECT

Here's what has been happening since our last Update in the March Newsletter:

- The Senior Center Building Committee met on February 23 and March 23. Its next scheduled meeting is April 6 and will be an in-person meeting at the Town Hall. In addition, there will be a presentation that same afternoon, April 6, at the Senior Center at 3 PM. We will remind everyone of this meeting via our Facebook and Twitter accounts, as well as posting the time and date in our reception area. The architect from Dietz & Co., our OPM Dan Pallotta and 1 or 2 members of the Senior Center Building Committee will make a presentation on the status of the project and they will be available to answer questions and receive your feedback. So, mark your calendars.
- Discussion at both of the recent meetings involved the interior layout of the building. Based on input from the Committee at the February 23 meeting, the architect revised the location of some of the spaces for further review at the March 23 meeting. Although much progress was made in that regard, there are still a few spaces that remain to be finalized.
- The location of the building on the property generated much discussion at both meetings. After reviewing several options, the consensus of the Committee was that the option that placed the building closer to Main Street was preferred. The setback from the street would put the building approximately in line with the front of St. Dorothy's Church. With this option, the parking would be behind the building.
- The Committee and the architect have been reviewing various layouts for parking and traffic flow through the site to maximize the number of spaces and to make the entrance to the building convenient for everyone.
- Regarding the building exterior, discussion took place regarding a "traditional" design and a "contemporary" design. Although no final decision was made, it appears that the Committee prefers a more "traditional" looking building.
- At the March 23 meeting, a Heating/AC subconsultant for the architect gave the Committee a brief preliminary overview of the various types of heating and AC systems that are available for the building. A final decision in this regard is further down the road in this process.
- Remember the afternoon meeting on April 6 at 3 PM. It is your chance to give your opinion and ask questions. This will be your Senior Center. Let's make it what you want.



AUTOMATED CALLS FROM THE SENIOR CENTER



Please note that you may receive automated calls from the senior center that will appear as (855) 997-7375 and may say Belmont, MA. These are not spam calls and will be recordings with important center information and updates. They may be voice recorded calls or automated calls. Feel free to call with any questions or concerns.

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SUDOKU: Use deductive logic to complete the grid so that each row, each column, and each 3 by 3 box contains the numbers 1 through 9 in some order. The solution is unique.





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Please call the center if you are in need of any of the following items...

- Male incontinence products
- Female incontinence products
- Hearing aid batteries size 312
- Word search/crossword/sudoku puzzle books
- Puzzles
- DVD's & books available to borrow



Monday

BUZZELL PROGRAMMING

Tai Chi: 9:00AM

Blood Pressure Clinic: 9:30AM

Special Exercise: 10:30AM

Quilting: 1:00PM

Book Club: 4th Monday of the month at 1:30PM

Caregivers Support Group: 3rd Monday of the month at 10:30AM

Tuesday

Hiking Group: 9:00AM

Dance & Tone: 9:30AM

Chair Dancing: 1:00PM

Wednesday

Special Exercise: 9:30AM

Cards & Games: 1:00PM

Poker: 1:00PM

Thursday

Yoga: 9:00AM

Art: 9:45AM

Country Line Dancing: 10:30AM

Knitting & Crocheting: 10:30AM

Ceramics: 1:30PM

Friday

Zumba: 9:00AM

Sewing: 9:30AM

Chair Yoga: 12:30PM

Poker: 1:00PM

