GRAPEVINE April 2024

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Websites: www.townofgb.org and www.greatbarringtonseniors.org
Open Monday through Friday * (except holidays) * 8:00 AM to 3:30 PM
Center: 413-528-1881 TriTown Connector (Transportation) (413) 591-3826

GUEST COOK LUNCHES

All lunches require a reservation **at least 24 hrs** in advance (for Mondays; please call by noon on the Friday before) by calling us at **413-528-1881.**

Thursday, April 18th at 11:30 am
Barbara's Breakfast for Lunch
Quiche,
Dessert



Please RSVP <u>before</u> Monday, April 15th by calling (413) 528- 1881. \$ 5 per person

Geer Village:

Sponsoring FREE Box Lunch

followed by a 30 min Balance Class

Where: Claire Teague Senior Center

917 Main St Gt Barrington When: Tue., April 23rd

Time: 11:30 –12:30 pm







On Wednesday, April 10th at 11:30 am

Bob's Goulash Caesar Salad, Garlic bread Dessert

Please **RSVP** before Monday, April 8th by calling (413) 528- 1881.

\$ 5 per person

Claire Teague Senior Center will be closed on April 15th:



SAVE THE DATE:
TRIAD EVENT HERE
April 17th at 1:00 pm
413 CARES

How to access care; map of support systems

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST



ART CLASSES

• Drawing/Painting w Eunice Agar At 10 am— 11:30 am \$ 5/class

Paula's Sea Glass Windows - on Tuesday
 April 16th 10 am—12 pm (all supplies included)
 5 x 7 size \$20 and 8 x 10 size \$30
 Reservation required—call by April 12th (528-1881)

• Vera's Painting Class: Thursdays at 10:30 -11:30 am

JOIN US : MAHJONG

Thursdays at 10 am Beginners are welcome.

BRIDGE

Tuesdays at 12 pm

PITCH

Wednesdays at 12 pm

BINGO *

Tuesdays at 12:30 pm ~* refreshments included

**MORE PLAYERS NEEDED



BEGINNER'S BRIDGE

Fridays at 12:15 pm

Cooking for One

Join us with Sheryl Iodice, RDN, LDN Dietitian from Elder Services

> Monday, April 29th At 12:15 pm

Join us for discussion and suggestions about cooking for one (taking leftovers from one meal and creating variations for another meal).

EXERCISE CLASSES:

- Sage Moves w/ Senta on Mondays and Thursdays at 10 am \$ 3/ per class
- Move and Groove w/ Dee Foster on Tuesdays & Thursdays at 9:30 am \$ 5 /class
- Strength Training w/ Christine Faber on Tuesdays at 3:30 pm \$ 3 /class
- Tai Chi w/ Christine Faber on Fridays at 9:00 am \$ 3 /class

For more information or to register for classes call 528-1881.

Chances are you know someone who has fallen or who is afraid of falling. A Matter of Balance is an evidence based program designed to help people manage concerns about falls and increase physical activity.

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This program emphasizes practical strategies to manage falls.

Participants learn to:

- •view falls as controllable
- •set goals for increasing activity
- •make changes to reduce fall risks at home
- •exercise to increase strength and balance

Classes are held in 8 sessions 2 hours per session:

APRIL CLASS is filled. INFO ON NEXT SESSION WILL BE IN MAY'S NEWSLETTER

At Claire Teague Senior Center 917 Main Street Great Barrington (Only a couple slots left)

There is a suggested donation of \$10 for all 8 sessions.

OLLI is the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at Berkshire Community College.

OLLI is a dynamic learning community that provides a variety of free and affordable learning, social and volunteer opportunities designed especially by and for people 50+ (but anyone can join!) berkshireolli.org Annual Membership is \$60 A discounted membership is also available.

OLLI

POETRY CLASS (W103)

Poems That Might be Great | Don Barkin

Wednesdays 11:30 a.m. − 1:00 p.m.

In-person at the Claire Teague Center in Great Barrington

Limit: 15

Six Sessions; 4/17, 4/24, 5/1, 5/8, 5/15, 5/22

Course Description: What makes a poem great? This spring we'll read some of the most famous poems in English, and along the way try to figure out what "great" means. **Instructor Bio: Don Barkin** has degrees from Harvard College and Cambridge University. He taught seminars for a number of years at Yale and Wesleyan Universities. The author of three books of poetry, he has also been a newspaper reporter and school teacher.

Registration will open March 5 at 9 a.m. - berkshireolli.org Class registration fees for OLLI members:

\$50 for 1 course \sim \$95 for 2 or 3 courses \sim \$125 for 4 +courses within a semester

BINGO a la MODE Scholarship Fundraiser

(for the students of Monument Mountain & Mount Everett)

Presented by: The Thursday Morning Club

Sat; April 27th at 2 pm at the

Claire Teague Senior Center 917 Main Street Great Barrington, MA

Bingo and great tasting pies. Donations \$ 15.00 (includes pie, beverage & bingo cards).



Have you missed going to church?
Do you need to find a ride there?

TriTown Connector is looking to see if there are people that would like to return to church on Sundays?

The fee is reasonable.

If you have an interest,
please call us at the
senior center ~
528-1881 so we can
gather info and get it to
TriTown.

FOR FUN:

New Bridge Group On Fridays 12:15 pm—2 pm

FUN-not competitive Beginnners are welcome.

We have someone with experience helping with instruction.



• Foot Nurse by appointment only

On Mon; April 8th



• BROWN BAG
is on Wednesday,
April 10th
at the Claire Teague
Senior Center

"There's power in allowing yourself to be known and heard, in owning your unique story, in using your authentic voice.

And there's grace in being willing to know and hear others." — Michelle Obama, "Becoming"

SUPPORT AND HEALTHCARE:

• Caregivers Support Group

Meets the **1st** and **3rd Wednesday** monthly at 1:00 pm and will be facilitated by Elder Services of Berkshire County.

• Alzheimer Support Group

Cara Holcomb, Director of Neighborhood at Wingate at Melbourne Place will be hosting a Alzheimer's support group here at the Claire Teague Senior Center.

The meetings are monthly on the 3rd Mon at 3:00 pm For more information please call Cara at (413)717-2824

• TriTown Health Wellness Clinics



on **April 18th** from 10:00 am -11:00 am •Blood Pressure

- •Blood Pressure
- Wellness HandoutsSign up required

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

On the third Friday of each month at 1 pm

Losing a loved one is difficult. Talking with others who have had similar experiences can help ease this burden. Join Rachel Lively, Bereavement Coordinator with HospiceCare in The Berkshires, Inc. and the group to listen and share with others who are also on this journey.

• CHP Mobile Unit

?on Friday April 12th ~ 9 am -11:30 am At the Claire Teague Senior Center



Do you need to be seen for a sick visit, or wellness check? Do you still need your COVID vaccine or booster or Flu vaccine. The MHU team is here to help with your medical needs. Our team can also assist with signing up for benefits, Mass Health, and more SNAP. To Schedule an appointment by calling us at

(413) 528-0457 ~ Walk-ins welcome

SHINE COUNSELOR

On Tuesdays—10 am By appointment only

SHINE (Serving the Health Insurance Needs of Everyone) provides free health insurance information & counseling to all Massachusetts residents with Medicare and their caregivers. People who have Medicare or who are about to become eligible for Medicare can meet with a counselor to learn about benefits and options available. Clients must be 65 or over (or very close to 65) · Please bring: current financial information, current prescriptions, Medicare and insurance cards.

INSTRUCTIONAL ASSISTANCE

Carlos' Tech Tips Tuesdays 12-2 pm

Get individual help w/ smart phones, laptops, email, networks, Wi-fi, internet access/navigation & other tech issues. Appointments are required so call the Senior Center. Usual scheduled time is 30 minutes, but longer can be scheduled if needed. Call to schedule 528-1881.

Doug's i-phone Help

- •Do you own an i-phone? An i-pad?
- •Are you still trying to figure out how to use it?

Doug Wilber is an *i-phone wiz*! Doug will be here on the <u>first</u> and third Thursday of each month 1—3 pm.

~ When scheduling an appointment, please make sure you bring any and all passwords with you. For an appt.

* call us at (413) 528-1881.

If you see these folks out in the community, please wish them a Happy Birthday!

Diane Wilson Charles Van Ausdall

Carol Piontek Judy Hearn

Jeanne Holcomb Gail Heath Ken Otsuka Pat Kinne

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Michelle Gilligan Linda McMeekin

Linda Tornicelli Claudette Callahan

Kenneth Gurney David Rutstein

Kathy LaRose Pete Hirbour

Margery Kirchner Louise Briggs

James Harris Jane Green

Marlene Soudant Carol Purcell

Peter Spadacini Theresa Matava

Liz Gore Katie McTeigue

Caryl Lennon Margaret Blackwell

Carolyn Jones Bev Race

"So many books, so little time."



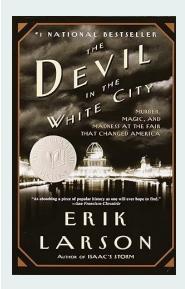
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BOOK CLUB

Please join us on

Tuesday, April 30th 10 am - 11 am

When we will discuss:



You can get a copy of the book by borrowing from us (courtesy of the Mason Library) or you can purchase your own copy. You can 528-1881 or can Email: jpeters@townofgb.org if you want a copy.

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Elder Services of Berkshire County - Nutrition Program

SENIORS 60 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER - Suggested Donation - \$3.00

All contributions are returned to the community toward the cost of the Nutrition Program and Services.

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*High Sodium **Modifications for restricted sugar available Dietary Information: All meals include 1% Milk 110 calories/125 mg sodium

Calories and sodium from salad dressings, margarine, crackers and condiments are not included. Nutrition information provided is not exact but will help guide you. Menu subject to change without notice.

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Great Barrington Seniors presents

"Daniel" is coming to Lancaster, PA

hope-filled stories as it comes to life in this brand-new original stage produc-From the fiery furnace to the infamous den of lions, DANIEL is a spectacular theatrical experience for the whole family. Witness one of the Bible's most tion from Sight & Sound Theatres!

3 Day Tour - May 21-23, 2024









PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- Roundtrip Deluxe Motor Coach 2 Nights at the lovely 4 Star Eden Resort
 - \$30 Bonus at SANDS Casino Dinner at Shady Maple Smorgasbord Breakfast Buffets at the Hotel
- Dinner in a real Amish Home Family Style "DANIEL" at the Sight Sound Theater * RESERVED Orchestra Sears up Frontl Guided Amish Country Farmland Tour Pretzel & Home Made Root Beer stand

Travel Insurance available \$49 pp

\$75 Deposit at SIGN UP Final Payment is due: 4/29/24

\$545. Triple \$725. Single

\$575. Double

- Kitchen Kettle Village
- Hershey Chocolate World
- Baggage Handling & All Taxes Driver's Gratuity







For Reservations Call: CASINO.RESORT BETHLEHEM Dand

(413) 528-1881 ext. 7002 jpeters@townofgb.org Joan Peters

won will be made along the way Rest Stops and Lunch on your at on/off service plazas

Great Barrington Seniors Presents...

BASEBALL HALL OF FAME



Sunday June 30, 2024 Cooperstown, NY

PER PERSON \$99

(413) 528-1881 ext. 7002 Joan Peters

General Admission to Baseball Hall of Fame

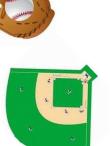
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PACKAGE INCLUDES









HALL OF FAME

SPORTS DIVISION
OF THE TRAVEL GROUP





Bus Departs 8:00 am Great Barrington Senior Center 917 Main St.

Great Barrington, MA Returns Approx.. 7:00 pm

Community Wellness Program at the Kilpatrick Athletic Center Simon's Rock at Bard College

Walking Wellness led by Susan Beckert, ACSM-EP, Fitness Director Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 10:00am-11:00am \$5 per visit

Join the group on Monday, Wednesday, and Fridays for a walk on our safe, handicap accessible, climate controlled indoor track. On Monday's, join Susan as she leads the walk with a light stretching routine, gentle strength training and support to be physically active and socially connected to other local community members. Begins Wednesday Jan 10th

<u>Water Wellness</u> led by Aqua Fitness Instructor, Colleen Cox Monday and Friday 11:00am-12:00pm \$5 per visit

Join us in the water for a strengthening and stretching water fitness workout. Appreciate the benefits of the water with a no/low impact workout to increase flexibility, improve heart and lung function and build strength around the bones and joints!



For more information contact The KAC 413-528-7777

If you are interested, we are hoping to create a run with TriTown for those seniors who would like to take advantage of the Water Fitness Class especially!! Call Joan at 528-1881 or jpeters@townofgb.org



Come and join us
Have a cup of

coffee and
get to know
us....we would
love to have you!

Another Hold the Date! Coming in MAY

<u>Nutrition check ups</u>—to learn what contributes to
malnutrition, its consequences and what to do about it!

This session includes a three-question quiz to check
your own nutrition status. Led by Tara Hammes, RD of
the Massachusetts Councils on Aging, this lively
session will share resources and ideas for next steps.



Sheffield Transit Expansion

Weekdays, 6:30 AM - 4:30 PM:

Starting April 1 and running until June 30,
Sheffield residents can access on-demand transit
service from 6:30 AM - 7:30 AM &
8:30 AM - 3:30 PM. This service covers areas
within 2 miles of the Route 7 corridor. It replaces
the 10:30 AM + 12:30 PM Sheffield Connector
trips, providing improved access for seniors, ADA
riders, and the public. The 7:38 AM + 3:25 PM
Sheffield Connector trips remain unchanged.
Starting July 1, residents will enjoy full 7-day per
week on-demand transit service from the
TriTown Connector. Weekday service will run
from 6:30 AM - 9 PM, and
weekend service from 8 AM - 8 PM.
Call 413-591-3826 to book your ride.







Ask Me How to Sponsor a Veteran During the Parade

FLOWER NAMES WORD SEARCH PUZZLE

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