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Claire W. Teague Senior Center * 917 South Main Street * Great Barrington * MA, 01230

Polly Mann, Director ... Mimi Hassett, Assistant Director

January 2016

Open Monday through Friday * (except holidays) * 8:00 AM to 3:30 PM

Center: 41-528-1881 Dining Room: 413-528-4118 Transportation: 413-528-4773

SPECIAL TRIAD Program addressing senior safety *Wednesday January 13th 2:00pm-3:30*

Fire Chief Charles Burger will be our guest speaker at our January TRIAD. The topic is fire safety, evacuation, refreshments and demonstrations.

Officials from Sheriff's Department, Great Barrington Police Department, District Attorney's Office, Fairview Hospitals Emergency Management will also be on hand to answer questions. This is a great group of officials that care about the safety of our seniors. We offer monthly topics, if there is a topic that you are concerned about and want to hear about from emergency officials, please plan on attending and bring your requests for future topics to us. Refreshments served.

Calling all Tree and Lumber enthusiasts. Tuesday January 19th 10:00-11:30

We will be showing a video of sawmills with a discussion led by Gary Phillips on the topic. Wes Peterson will continue the focus on tree and lumber with a talk on timber cutting. Finally there will be a wood guessing contest led by Jim Soules.

All are welcome to attend and stay for lunch after the video and discussion.



Winter Basketry Workshop



A beginners basketry making course will be offered starting Thursday January 14^{th} , Thursday January 21^{st} and Thursday Jan 28^{th} from $12:30-1:30 \, pm$. We will be making a tote basket with a shaker tape handle.

This course is being offered at \$6.00 per class or \$18.00 per person which includes the basket, the tools, instruction and all materials. The class is being taught by basket maker Polly (Ogle) Mann, former basket maker Hancock Shaker Village. Please call 528-1881 for reservations by January 7th. Consider joining us for lunch on the class days

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Turning 65 soon? Know someone that is going

to be 65? Read on.. SHINE representatives from the Claire Teague Senior Center will begin meeting the 3rd Tuesday of every month (January 19th) at 5:30 PM to

discuss options when one turns 65. It is prudent for one to sign up the three months before your 65th birthday. If interested, grab a friend or colleague and your laptop and give us a call. 413-528-1881. Light refreshments will be served.



Exercise Classes

Monday

9:15 Cross Training with Misha (\$3.50) *

10:00 Awareness Through Movement Misha (floor) (\$3.00) *

1:00 Balance and Movement with Theresa (Chair)

2:00 Intermediate Tap Dancing with Carolyn (\$5.00)

Tuesday

3:30 Strength Training with Christine

Wednesday

9:30 Easy Does it Yoga with Joanne

Thursday

4:00 Misha's Advanced Class (\$10.00)

Friday

9:00 Tai Chi with Christine (\$3.00)

10:00 Chair exercises with Harriet

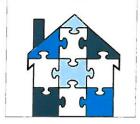
2:00 Intermediate Tap \$5.00

* Fee for this class is waived in January

Housing Rehabilitation Opportunity/ Discussion ... January 7 during lunch

Town Planner Chris Rembold will be joining us for lunch on Thursday January 7th and

will be explaining the housing rehab program for Great Barrington, Housatonic, and Sheffield residents. This is a great opportunity to find out if you are eligible and step by step instructions as to how to apply, bring your



Thank You !!!!

The Claire Teague Senior Center strives to provide a place for seniors to gather, have fun, learn and be well. There are a number of people who contributed to the December activities:

- The Messengers for their performances at our holiday dinner, look for their fuel assistance concert in Great Barrington in February
- Tom Cairns
- Devonshire Estate for the delicious desserts
- Fairview Commons for the free luncheon
- Timberlyn East for the ice cream and bingo event
- Helen Hinckley for her beading class
- The Teague Tappers for their performance during one of our lunches
- Sandra Sokul, Liz Macci and all of those that contributed to our very successful holiday sales table.
- Mimi, Maureen Avery and Barbara Bailly for the pretty holiday mugs
- The Earth Angels for their performance at our holiday covered dish
- Eva Schatz for her informative presentation
- Michelle Gilligan and Joan Ury for their volunteer service SHINE counseling

Finally a BIG thank you to all our volunteers and

Thank You

each and everyone that contributes to the success of the Claire Teague Senior Center and helps make it such a special place,.

Joke Corner: When is a piece of wood like a king or a queen?....When it's a ruler.

What kind of shoes are made from banana skins? Slippers

What runs around the farm yard yet never moves?.... The fence.



Jan 3 Marion Smith Jean Deming Jan 4 Jan 5 Joan Rehm Jan 8 Marilyn Sauer **Betty Boddie** Jan 10 Jan 17 **Preston Tinker** Jan 18 Connie Hamilton Jim Soules Jan 27 Jan 29 Martha Wool Vera Thyberg Jan 30 Richard Needelman Jan 31

<u>Witty Wisdom:</u> "The world is a book, and those who do not travel read only one page." .St Augustine, quoted in the Tatler (UK)

Fun Outings in January

Monday January 11 at 11:30 AM Out To

Lunch Bunch to Koi

Friday January 22 at 5:00pm: Gad Abouts go-

ing to Hillside Diner

If you need a ride please indicate on the sign up sheet

Trip Planning for 2016

February: Casino Trip (Atlantic City)

March: Irish Celebration with Tony Kenny

April: Foxwoods and Country Royalty afternoon

performance

May: Day trip to New York City

June: Strawberry Festival

July: To be determined

August: Pennsylvania (Overnight)

September: Bennington, VT Robert Frost House

More information available at the Claire Teague Senior Center. Call 413-528-1881 for additional

details and to sign up.



Dining Specials on Wednesdays ... The dining room will be serving Wednesday specials beginning on 6th with tomato soup and grilled cheese sandwiches. Jan 13th is "Breakfast at noon" bacon, pancakes, and quiche, Jan 20st will be and assortment of subway sandwiches and Jan 27th is pizza. All for the same \$2.00 donation......Also of note the **birthday lunch** will be the last Wednesday of each month. Those with a birthday that month will receive a free lunch and a prize.

Devonshire Estates offering a special one night stayDid you enjoy the wonderful desserts that were served at our holiday lunch? Those desserts were prepared and donated by Devonshire Estates in Lenox. Have the winter blues? Do you need a special night away in a lovely furnished apartment and have all your meals served to you in an elegant dining room? Devonshire Estates is offering a one night stay with all meals included for free for a limited time. If you are interested in this great opportunity please call Devonshire at 413 637-1700

Devonshire Estates also offers a trip to the Mohegan Sun Casino the first Wednesday of the month through King Ward Travel. The bus picks up at Devonshire prior to a continental breakfast. The cost is \$35.00, for more info call 413 637-1700

~MONTHLY EVENTS~

CENTER EVENTS

- Monthly Movie ~ Monday January 4 at 12:15 Frozen
- News and Views meets 9:30 AM on Thursday for lively discussions on current events and other topics.
- Veterans eat for free— lunch for free January 14 ... Thank you for your service.
- Out to Lunch Bunch—Monday January 11 at 11:30 Koi Restaurant
- Gad Abouts: Going out on Friday January 22 at 5 PM Hillside Diner
- **Brown Bag** will be distributed on **Wednesday January 13** at 12 Noon. **Note:** Due to storage space and refrigeration, bags not picked up cannot be guaranteed to be held. No early birds PLEASE.
- AVADA Hearing will be on site Tuesday January 5 by appointment. (413) 442-0184
- Foot Nurse: Second Monday and Friday of each Month: Dates this month: January 11 from 9-12 Noon and January 15 from 9-12 by appt. Cost \$35. Call 528-1881 for appointment.

CENTER MEETINGS

- Quilting Guild will meet on Tuesday January 12 at 7PM.
- A.G.E. TRIAD meeting January 13 at 2 PM (Special meeting .. see front page article)
- Women's Cancer Support Group will meet on Thursday January 14th and 28th from 4PM to 5:30 PM.
- Council on Aging Meeting .January 27 at 1:15 PM
- Caregivers' Support Group will meet on Wednesday, January 20 from 1PM to 2:30 PM



Friday Winter Jams

Do you play an instrument? Friday between 11:00-1:00 the dining room is available for any senior or anyone for that matter that wants to try to organize an instrumental session with both acoustic instruments or wind. Bring your instrument, beginner or pro and let's see where this takes us.

Walkabouts

During the winter months when walking becomes unsafe, the senior center dining room will be available along with a walking tape video to walk by. Join Polly and Grace for this fun walkabout. Starts 9:00am Monday through Thursday



Exercise



Check out the exercise schedule for the center... We have a number of great classes for all levels. Tai Chi on Fridays with Christine helps to destress and focus. Misha provides several classes for different abilities. Join her Monday classes in January and the fee will be waived. Improve your balance with Theresa's class on Mondays.

FREE AARP Tax-Aide Program returns in February

Free tax return preparation will be offered again at he Claire Teague Senior Center every Wednesday from February 3 through April 6 from 9AM to 12 Noon. The service is available to all middle and low income taxpayers with special attention to those aged 60 and older. Volunteers trained in cooperation with the IRS will assist you in filing our return either on paper or electronically. You do not need to be a member of AARP or a retiree to use this service.

One **must** make an appointment to use this this service and bring the appropriate documents to complete the forms.

APPOINTMENTS will be taken after January 3. Please call the Senior Center (413-528-1881) for an appointment beginning Wednesday February 3rd through April 6th.

BRING TO YOUR APPOINTMENT:

- Social Security numbers for yourself and all dependents to be claimed
- Copies of 2014 Federal and State Returns
- All supporting documents for wages, interest, dividends, and other income (Forms W2, 1099, Brokerage reports, Social Security, etc.)
- Records of estimated taxes paid in 2015
- Records of original cost and date of purchase for any assets such as stocks or a house
- Records of original cost, sales tax, and date of purchase of a new car, energy improvements on your home or purchase of a first home in 2015
- Records of a foreclosure or cancellation of mortgage debt, educational costs, or student loan payments; child care expenses (with provider's name, address and SSN/EIN)
- Documentation if you wish to itemize deductions
- Proof of Health Insurance. Coverage information for taxpayer, spouse, and all dependents; Information should also be provided showing what months were covered and for months there was no coverage. If health insurance purchased through the Market Place/Exchange bring FORM 1095-A which should be received by January 31, 2016. Finally documentation of a Health Care Exemption received from the IRS or Marketplace/ Exchange, if applicable.
- If filing a Massachusetts return also bring receipts for property tax paid in 2015 and water and sewer bills (homeowners) or rent (renters), paid in 2015



January 2016 (Year of the Monkey)

Winner for December Word Search (by drawing): Veronica Deome Below is a list of words taken from our November Newsletter and hidden in the above search square. The words are displayed horizontally, vertically, or diagonally. Note: a word may be reversed

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AARP TAX SUPPORT
APPRECIATION
BASKET WEAVING
WOOD GUESSING
LUNCH SPECIALS

EXERCISE
GREETINGS
HOME REHAB
VOLUNTEERS
CAREGIVER

SAW MILLS
MONKEY
NEW YEAR
JANUARY
TRIP PLANNING

SHAKER THANK YOU TRIAD

To be eligible for a monthly lottery ticket drawing just fill in your name and phone number and return your completed search to Polly at the Senior Center.

Name: Ph	one:
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WORD OF THE MONTH: Monkey (2016 is the year of the Monkey)

November's word (Holiday Greetings) of the month winner: Priscilla Rueger

Make as many words (3 letters or more) as you can, using only the letters in this word. Use the letters as you would a scrabble letter set. If a letter appears in the word once it can only appear in any of your words once. However as in this case if a letter appears more than once such as "n" it can appear in your words that number of times (3). Use only your brain and write down the words, sign your name, tear off this page and give it to Polly or Mimi We will announce how many words were created at lunch **Wednesday January 22**

Name:	Phone:	

Elder Services of Berkshire County - Nutrition Program

January 2016

SENIORS 60 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER - Suggested Donation - \$2.00

All contributions are returned to the community toward the cost of Nutrition Program and Services. **NEW YEAR'S DAY** FRIDAY products. most fats that have saturated fat and Trans-fats are solid at room temperature. These fats include beef fat, pork fat, butter, shortening and stick Choosing a healthy fat. Two types of fat, saturated fat and Trans fats are likely to be harmful to our bodies, because they increase total blood cholesterol butter, red meat, and full fat dairy products. Trans fats are found in very small amounts in food, but are generally made from oils by hydrogenation which involves adding hydrogen to vegetable oils and resulting in a solid fat that doesn't spoil by becoming rancid. Hydrogenated fats are widely used in baked and low-density lipoprotein cholesterol levels increasing your risk of cardiovascular disease (heart disease). Saturated fats are the solid fats found in margarine. Always check labels for saturated fat and Trans fats (made by partial hydrogenation) and try to avoid them to decrease your risk of heart WEDNESDAY

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veal & Peppers	Beef Stew			×
Scalloped Potatoes	Boiled Potatoes	y Wednesday Special:	Creamed Chicken	Soup & Sandwich
Winter Blend Vegetables	Com		Green Beans	Corn Chowder
Oatmeal Bread	Multigrain Bread	Tomato Soup	Red Boiled Potatoes	Egg Salad
Peaches	Applesauce	Grilled Cheese Sandwich	Biscuit Mixed Errit	Broccoli Florets
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Stuffed Cabbage Casserole	Baked Chicken w/ Grave	2	77	15
Yellow Squash	Mashed Potatoes	Wednesday Special:	Baked Fish	Roast Turkey w/ Grayyy
Mixed Greens	Wax Beans	Breakfast for Lunch	Red Potatoes	Mashed Potatoes
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MARTIN LUTHER KING JR	Sweet Potatoes Broccoli Florets	Wednesday Special:	Baked Beans	"Crabby Cakes"
DAY	100% Whole Wheat Bread		Colesiaw	Pose Pose
	Peaches	Subway Sandwiches	Hotdog Roll	Rye Bread
			Applecrisp	Orange
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	26	27		Sodium: 869 Calories: 842. Sodium: 659
Cheeseburger	Lasagna W/ Meat Sauce		V	29
Potato Puffs	Mixed Greens		Soup & Sandwich	Roast Pork w/ Graw
Spinach	Carrots	Wednesday Special:	Cream of Cabbage Soup	Garlic Mashed Potatoes
Hamburg Roll	Italian Bread		Tuna Salad	Brussel Sprouts w/ Cheese Spring
Mixed Fruit	**Vanilla Pudding w/ Topping	Pizza	Sugar Snap Peas	Dinner Roll
Caloriae: 476			Multigrain Bread	Mixed Fruit
Sodium: 690 Calories: 362	Calories: 362 Sodium: 407		Calories: 313	Green Salad
Dietary Information:			South. 246 Calones: 414	Calones: 414 Sodium: 286

Dietary Information:

Calonies and sodium from salad dressings, margarine, crackers and condiments are not included. This nutrition information is not exact but will help guide you. Calorie & Sodium counts are noted for Entrée, Starch and Vegetable only. **Modifications for restricted sugar available * High Sodlum Meal

Other Foods, Average Calorie/Sodium counts:

Baked Dessert/Pudding = 1/2 cup = 230 calories / 200 mg sodium Bread = 1 slice = 85 calories / 145 mg sodium Fruit = 1/2 cup = 65 calories / 5 mg sodium Milk 1% = 1 cup = 95 calorie / 100 mg sodium

HOME DELIVERED MEALS:

If you will not be home when your meal is delivered, please tell your MOW Driver or CALL US at 1-800-981-5201.

		January 2015		
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
For Questions and to Schedule Appointments call: 413-528-1881 Claire Teague Senior Center				Center Closed
8:30 Coffee Hour 9:15 Cross Training (FREE) 10:00 Awareness through Movement (FREE) 10:30 SHINE by Appt 11:30 Lunch—Veal and Peppers 12:00 Movie: Frozen 12:30-3PM Diabetic Class Pat Donovan 1:00 Balance & Movement 2:00 Tap Dancing—Intermediate	8:30 Coffee Hour 9:00 AVADA Hearing (by Appt) 9:00 Bingo 10:00 Crossword Puzzle 11:30 Lunch— Beef Stew 12:00 Cards, Bridge 12:15 Computer Class 12:30 Bingo 3:30 Strength Training	8:30 Coffee Hour 9:30 Easy Does it Yoga 11:30 Lunch— tomato soup / grilled cheese sandwiches 12:30 Cards 4:00 Decorative Arts	8:30 Coffee Hour 9:00 Bingo/ Bagel 9:30 Painting with Vera 10:00 New and Views 11:00 Chris Rembold Housing Rehab 11:30 Lunch— Greamed Chicken 12:00 Crafty Hands 12:00 Bridge 4:00 Misha's Advanced Exercise	8:30 Coffee Hour 9:00 – 12:00 Foot Nurse 9:00 Tai Chi 10:00 Harriet's Chair Exercise 11:30 Lunch— Corn Chowder / Egg Salad 12:00 Bridge 2:30 Intermediate Tap
8:30 Coffee Hour 9AM – 12 Noon Foot Nurse 9:15 Cross Training (FREE) 10:00 Awareness through Movement (FREE) 10:30 SHINE by Appt 11:30 Lunch Stuffed Cabbage Casserole 11:30 Lunch: Koi 11:00 Balance & Movement 2:00 Tap Dancing—Intermediate	8:30 Coffee Hour 9:00 Bingo 10:00 Crossword Puzzle 11:30 Lunch- Baked Chicken 12:00 Cards, Bridge 12:15 Computer Class 12:30 Bingo 3:30 Strength Training	8:30 Coffee Hour 9:30 Easy Does it Yoga 12:00 Brown Bag 11:30 Lunch— bacon, pancakes, and quiche 12:30 Cards 2-3:30 PM TRIAD Meeting (see article) 4:00 Decorative Arts	Veterans Lunch 14 8:30 Coffee Hour 9:00 Bingo/ Bagels 10:00 News & Views 11:30 Lunch - Baked Fish 12:00 Crafty Hands 12:30 Basket Weaving Class 12:30 Bridge 4:00 Misha's Advanced Exercise 4:00 Breast Cancer Support Group	8:30 Coffee Hour 9:00 Tai Chi 10:00 Harriet's Chair Exercise 11:30 Lunch—Roast Turkey 12:00 Bridge 2:00 Intermediate Tap
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