



Golden Notes

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Property Tax Relief



The Senior Center is taking applications for the Homeowners, Additional Veterans and Freeze Tax Relief Program. Persons 65 and older in the year 2016 or those persons receiving Social Security Disability Benefits may be eligible for a discount on their property tax bills. Individuals earning less than \$35,200 and married couples earning less than \$42,900 during 2016 should consider applying for this benefit. These totals include Social Security benefits for last year. All income documents must be presented with each application.

Those persons who were enrolled in past years will receive a letter from the City Tax Assessor if they must reapply during 2017. If a married couple wished to apply for the benefit, it is only necessary for one of the spouses to have been over the age of 65 years in the year 2016 to be eligible for the program.

Call the Senior Center 860 -826-3553 to make an appointment or if you have any questions.



Valentine Bed Cover Raffle

Raffle tickets are available for a beautifully hand crafted queen size bed cover that was created and donated by a senior center member. The queen size cover measures 84" X 100" and has a green, yellow and pink pattern to it. Raffle tickets are \$1.00 and are available at the front desk. The drawing will take place on Wednesday, February 15th at 1:30 pm and all proceeds will support our Senior Center Activity Fund. Hope you will stop by and join in on the raffle!

AARP Tax Assistance Thru AARP Tax Aide

Tuesdays and Fridays, February through April 15

AARP Tax-Aide, a free program, provides income tax preparation assistance for low and middle-income taxpayers of all ages, with special attention to those 50 and older. It's free, it's easy. Here's all you need to do:

- If married, both husband and wife should be present during the income tax counseling session. Both signatures are required.
- Taxes are completed in one session, so taxpayers must bring with them all documentation necessary to complete their return:
 - *Complete copy of last year's 2015 tax return. Regardless of where it was prepared.*
 - Social Security or Individual Taxpayer ID numbers for household members and personal identification.
 - A personal check showing bank account and routing numbers (if direct deposit/withdrawal is requested).
 - All documents that relate to deductible expenses.
 - All 2016 income tax forms that have been received. This includes but may not be limited to:
 - * SSA-1099, Social Security Benefit Statement
- * 1099 forms, (1099-INT, 1099-DIV, 1099-R, 1099-B, 1099-MISC)
 - * W-2, Wage and Tax Statement forms
 - * W-2G, Certain Gambling Winner forms
- Documentation showing original cost of assets sold during 2016
- Health Insurance: Individuals should bring in health insurance coverage information for themselves and dependents. Also, anyone who purchased Health Insurance through the Health Exchange must bring in form 1095-A and income information for dependents with a filing requirement. Anyone receiving form 1095-B or 1095-C should bring that in as well.

To schedule an appointment with a certified Tax-Aide counselor or to obtain information, call the New Britain Senior Center at (860)826-3553.

Seniors in Action New Britain Meeting
Thursday, February 2, at 9:30 am
Business Meeting followed by a movie
Come and join the group for some valuable information and socialization.
Refreshments will be served
Next meeting will be on March 2, 2017 at 10:00 AM Bingo



Book Group Meeting

The Public Library – Senior Center Book Group will meet on Tuesday, February 21st at 1:00 pm here at the senior center. The book read for the February is *Bill O'Reilly's Legends and Lies: The Real West* by David Fisher.

**The book read for March will be *White Noise* written by Don DeLillo.
Hope you will join us.**

February Movies

Grease

Thursday, February 9th at 9:30 AM
Staring John Travolta. Olivia Newton-John and others

Chef

Friday February 24th at 12:45PM

Staring Jon Favreau, Robert Downey Jr. and Scarlett Johansson
A head chef quits his restaurant job and buys a food truck in an effort to reclaim his creative promise, while piecing back together his estranged family.

Greeter for AARP Tax Aide Program

Looking for something to do during the dull Winter Months?

Then consider joining the AARP Tax Team as a greeter!

Responsibilities include making sure people have appointments and necessary paperwork. No tax training or experience needed.

Hours are part-time Tuesday mornings and Fridays 9 to 4.

February thru April 15, If you're interested contact: the Sr. Center 860-826-3553 or Wendy, Tax-Aide, 860-828-3656

DAILY CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

February 2017

Monday

8:15 am to 11:10 am– Snack bar open
8:45 am to 9:15am. – Beginners Line Dancing
9:00 am to 11:30 am Exercise/Table tennis open
9:15 am to 11:30 am – Art class open
9:15 am to 10:00 am – Exercise Class with Chris
10:00 am to 11:00 am – Line dancing class
12:45am to 3:00 pm - Bingo

Tuesday

8:15 am to 11:00 am. – Snack Bar open
8:45 am to 9:15 am - - Beginners Line Dancing
9:00 am to 11:30 am Exercise/Table tennis open
9:15 am to 10:15 am – Exercise Class with Chris
9:15 am to 11:30 pm – Craft group meets
10:30 am to 11:15 am – Line dancing with Chris
12:30 to 2:30 pm – Wii Bowling – restart in March
1:00 pm to 3:30 pm – Craft group meets

Wednesday

8:15 am to 11:00 am – Snack bar open
9:00 am to 11:30 am – Exercise/Table tennis open
9:30 am to 11:30 am – Pinochle Club
9:15 am to 11:30 am – Art Class open
9:30 am to 11:00 am – Adult Coloring
1:00 pm to 3:00 pm – Ballroom Dancing

Thursday

8:15 am to 11:00 am – Snack bar open
9:00 am to 11:30 am Exercise/Table tennis open
9:30 am to 10:30 am –ZUMBA with Amy
9:15 am to 11:30 am – Craft Group meets
12:30 pm to 3:30 pm – Pinochle Club
1:00 pm to 3:30 pm – Craft group meets

Friday

8:15 am to 11:00 am – Snack bar open
9:00 am to 11:30 am Exercise/Table tennis open
9:15 am to 11:30 am – Art class open
1:30 pm to 3:00 pm Square Dancing
12:45 pm Monthly movie (Usually the 3rd Friday of each month)

**SERVICES BY APPOINTMENT
DIAL-A-RIDE**

At least a 2-day notice is required for rides to the Senior Center, medical appointments, shopping and other destinations at any time within the month. Call 826-3555 for an appointment. There is a suggested donation of \$1.50 each way.

MEDICARE/MEDICAL INSURANCE INFORMATION

Persons seeking help in filing Medicare claims or appeals, interpreting medical bills and assistance in making decisions concerning Medicare supplemental insurance can make an appointment with Senior Center Staff by calling the Center at 860 826-3553. Advice on Living Wills and how to deal with advance medical directives is also available.

From the Nursing Desk

Generally, the Public Health Nursing Office is staffed on a daily basis from 8:30 am to noon. However there may be times when staffing schedules cannot be met so we ask people to call ahead to ensure nursing staff are available. Services offered include; blood pressure monitoring, blood glucose check, basic physical assessment, weight checks, nutritional counseling and medication instructing and management. The Nursing Office also conducts seasonal clinics as well as various educational presentations through the year so, keep checking for upcoming events.

GOLDEN NOTES SUBSCRIPTIONS

NAME _____ DATE _____
STREET _____
ADDRESS _____
CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
CODE _____
HOME PHONE # _____ CELL PHONE # _____

Make checks payable to: **NEW BRITAIN SENIOR CENTER**

Return to:

GOLDEN NOTES

New Britain Senior Center

55 Pearl Street

New Britain, CT 06051

Annual Fee: \$6.00 non refundable

Cash _____ Check _____

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February Calendar

◀ January		February 2017					March ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
			1	2	3	4	
5	6 Commission on Aging 1:00 PM	7	8	9 Movie Grease 9:30 AM	10	11	
12	13 Lincoln's Birthday Center Closed	14 Valentines Day	15	16	17	18	
19	20 Presidents Day Center Closed	21	22	23	24 Movie Chef 12:45 PM	25	
26	27	28	Notes:				

New Britain Parks, Recreation & Community Services Department Trips

Maple Madness SHARED TRIP

Saturday, March 11, 2017

Trip Content:

Spring into spring with an old New England Springtime Tradition- Maple Syrup. Visit Ioka Farm's Sugar House in the Berkshires for a pancake lunch then off to the Norman Rockwell Museum, and a visit to Stockbridge MA. -RT transport, visit to the Ioka Valley Farm Sugar House, pancake lunch, Admission to the Rockwell Museum, free time in Stockbridge Ma.

Registration deadline 02/10/2017

Fee: \$109.00 per person Activity# 4154-1

New York Food & Markets TOUR SHARED TRIP

Saturday, March 18, 2017

Trip Content:

What better way to experience NYC than by walking its streets and "noshing" your way through the affordable culinary treats that are available. Weave your way through a combination of Asian, Italian, Jewish, Middle Eastern, Eastern European and American bakeries, delicatessens, pizzerias, bagel, bialy and knish shops, gourmet donut shops, vintage candy shops, pasta makers, meat markets, street vendors and much more! This trip features round trip motor coach transportation.

Registration deadline 02/17/2017

Fee: \$79.00 per person Activity# 1153-1

Cherry Blossom Festival

in Washington D.C. SHARED TRIP

March 31, 2017 – April 2, 2017

Trip Content:

Visit Washington DC at cherry blossom time.

Trip includes: Tour director, round trip coach transportation, two nights' accommodations at the Marriott Falls Church, Two full American breakfasts and one dinner. This trip will visit several DC area landmarks including, WWII Memorial, FDR Memorial, Iwo Jima Memorial, Lincoln Memorial, Vietnam Memorial, Korean War Memorial, Jefferson Memorial, Washington Monument, Arlington National Cemetery, Smithsonian Buildings and the US Capitol & White House Shops.

Registration deadline 03/03/2017

Fee: \$549.00 per person (single occupancy) Act. #: 1104-(1)

Fee: \$499.00 per person (double occupancy) Act. #: 1104-(2)

THE REGISTRATION DEADLINE FOR SHARED TRIPS

IS ONE MONTH PRIOR: Shared bus trips are offered to several communities, exact departure times are dependent upon towns attending. Departure times for most shared bus trips are between 6:00am and 9:00am; Most trips depart from the commuter parking lot across from the New Britain Target store located at 475 Hartford Road, New Britain. Participants are notified via letter of exact departure times/location at least two weeks prior to trip. Participants must be over the age of 18 or accompanied by an adult.