Swampscott Senior Center



COMPASS

Get centered at the senior center

# THE MISSION STATEMENT OF THE SWAMPSCOTT COUNCIL ON AGING IS

- To serve all seniors with dignity and positive regard.
- To identify and respond to the needs of elders and to advocate on their behalf.
- To promote an awareness in the community of issues regarding seniors.

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Hello seniors, family members and friends,

May is finally here and so is spring. March and early April were certainly gray, dreary and damp. It was so nice to have the sunshine and warmer weather arrive. I think I actually jumped for joy when the temperature went above 60 degrees.

Our garden is once again blooming and thriving with the help of our volunteer gardeners. The BOCCE group is rearing to go and would love to see a few new faces on Friday morning. Just a reminder a beginner Canasta class will start the first Tuesday in June. Sign up and meet a group of new friends who may become competitive with you as you master the skills of a new game. All of you need to pick up a Compass and check out monthly what our menus are; what new activities there might be; and what special events might be planned.

Thanks, to all who joined me for a tour of the Louisa May Alcott home in Concord. We also had a delicious lunch at the Colonial Inn. Lexington and Concord are beautiful towns with many historical sites and wonderful shops to explore. Do you have a destination you would like us to plan a day trip to? Talk with Anne or Marilyn as summer time is often easier to arrange trips for than during the fall and winter.

Once again we will honor our many volunteers with a catered lunch on June 7. Thank you to each and every one of them as they make this senior center run smoothly. They also help create an atmosphere that is open and welcoming to all.

I hope many of you will try to attend our health seminar on aging and cognitive decline. We will offer a light supper for all who sign up. Heidi Whear who has many years of experience working with seniors and who is on our town board will be presenting this month. Be on the lookout. Enjoy each day. Be grateful for your many blessings. Remember to laugh.

# **New Service!**

# We are now offering Medical Rides.

- Must be a Swampscott resident, 55 Years +
- \$2.00 Each Way
- Out of town seniors may utilize this service FROM the Senior Center. \$4.00 each way.
- Van will take clients to appointments in Swampscott and nearby communities including MGH Danvers
- Reservations must be made 1 week in advance by calling the Senior Center at 781-596-8866
- Appointments must be between the hours of 9:30 and 1:30 depending on pickup location.
- Reservations must be made with a receptionist. No Voicemails.



-Marilyn

### Summer Hours

After Memorial Day we will begin our summer hours which means we will close after lunch.

\*\*Bingo will begin at 9:45 on Fridays\*\*

## Bone Density—Tue May 8th 9-10:30

Make an appointment to have a free bone density test with a registered nurse from the VNA.

## The Price is Right—Tue May 22nd 10:00am

Life Care Center of the North Shore will host a Price is Right game. Everyone gets a prize and one person will be the lucky showcase showdown winner. Please sign up at the front desk or call 781-596-8866

# FOXWOODS - Tuesday June 26th

The bus will leave the Essex Street side of the Stop & Shop at Vinnin Square no later than 7:00 am. Please plan on being there at 6:45am. The cost is \$28.00 per person but you will receive a \$10.00 coupon for food or a free buffet plus a \$10.00 bonus slot play upon your arrival. June Birthdays get in to Bingo for FREE!

## Chess—Thursdays 12:30

This friendly group is always welcoming new participants. Come *check mate* it out!

### New Canasta class Tuesdays 10:00-12:00

Get out and try Canasta with Elaine Newburg. 6 weeks for \$45. Classes will begin on June 5th. Please sign up at the front desk.

# Movie Matinees—Fridays at 9:30am

Every Friday, we will show a movie and serve some delicious snacks. Movies will be announced during the week and we are always open to requests. Lights! Camera! Action!

# Ultimate Walking Meditation—Tuesdays 1:00

You will build strength in your legs and increase stability. This class is a mindfulness program that Improves balance, posture and of course progress in your walk.

### **Blood Pressure**

Every Tuesday and Thursday from 10:30-11:45am.

## <u>Poker</u>

Meets from 12:30 to about 4pm Mon., Wed., and Fri. They are always looking for more poker players. Come on in! New players should try our Wednesday group.

# **Knitting**

A very social group that meets from 12:30-3:00pm in the living room Wednesdays. All skill levels are welcome.

# New Senior Center Email Address

Would you like to contact us via email? Use our new email address and will send a prompt response. swampscottseniorcenter01907@gmail.com

# Tech Ninjas

We are hoping to continue our program with the High School students throughout the summer. We are currently working on a schedule. Call to check availability.

# <u>Candy</u>

We are in need of candy donations again. We appreciate your donations greatly!

### Check out a Chromebook Laptop

While spending time at the Senior Center, laptops are available for use and wifi is available. Please inquire at the front desk. You must have a gmail account to use these but if you do not have one, we can help you create one.

### **Fire Evacuation Procedures**

For your safety it is important that you take the time to read and understand our Fire Drill Procedures which are located on the walls in our Lobby, Lunch Room, Sitting Room and Activities Room.

# Walking Group—Tuesdays at 10:00

Enjoy the warmer weather with a 1 mile walk around the building. Go at your own pace and even add hand weights. Let's go!!

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Cost, \$2.00 per Meal

Monday	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	Friday
	1 Cranberry Orange Chicken Or Grilled Chicken Sandwich w/ Potato Leak Soup	2 Hot Dog & Baked Beans Or Tuna Sandwich w/ Cauliflower Cheddar Soup	3 Pot Roast w/ Gravy Or Ham & Cheese Sandwich w/ Barley & Green Soup	4 Fish w/ Tartar Sauce Or Cuban Sandwich w/ Corn Chowder
7 Chicken Cacciatore Or Egg Salad Sandwich w/ Mixed Green Salad	<b>8</b> Roast Beef w/ Onion Gravy Or Turkey Gobbler Sandwich w/ Caesar Salad	9 BBQ Pork w/ Sweet Potato Wedges Or Chicken Pesto Sandwich w/ Garden Salad	10 <u>Mother's Day Special</u> Broccoli & Cheese Stuffed Chicken, Aug- ratin Potato, Baby Carrots, Multigrain Bread, Strawberry Shortcake	11 Spinach & Cheese Bake Or Gourmet Pork Sandwich w/ Greek Salad
<b>14</b> Pork Ragout Or Tuna Sandwich w/ Garden Salad	15 Lemon Thyme Chicken Or Turkey Cheddar Sandwich w/ Caesar Salad	16 Sweet & Sour Meatballs Or Chicken Caesar Wrap w/ Mixed Green Salad	17 Beef Stew w/ Mashed Potato Or Egg Salad Sandwich w/ Chef Salad	18 Stuffed Shells Or Roast Beef Sandwich w/ Garden Salad
21 Shepard's Pie Or Turkey Cran-Apple Salad Sandwich w/ Spinach Salad	22 Chicken Marsala Or Ham & Pineapple Salad Sandwich w/ Greek Salad	23 Cold Roast Beef Salad Or Chicken Salad Sandwich w/ Chef Salad	24 Chicken Pot Pie Or Turkey & Swiss Sandwich w/ Caesar Salad	25 Fish w/ Tartar Sauce Or Grilled Chicken & Cheese Sandwich w/ Mixed Green Salad
28 Memorial Day Closed	Chicken Meatballs w/ Memorial Day Pasta		31 Meatloaf w/ Gravy Or Grilled Chicken Sandwich w/ Chef Salad	



SENIOR CENTER HOURS

MON, TUE & THUR 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. WED 9:30-3:00 FRIDAY 9:00am—3:00pm

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