# Westminster Council on Aging August 2022 Newsletter

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Happy Birthday To all Seniors Born in August!



VETERAN'S COFFEE HOUR
EVERY SECOND TUESDAY
OF THE MONTH
10:00-11:30 AM
WESTMINSTER SENIOR CENTER

#### \*\*THE BENEFIT IS BACK!\*\*

Hello Neighbors!

We are so pleased to tell you all that after a long break due to the COVID-19 pandemic, our beloved Town Benefit Day is back on for SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, 2022!!

This year you will notice a combination of old and new! We will still be featuring our fan favorites like the Benefit Boutique, the Chinese Auction and Over the Top, Kids Flea Market, 5K Road Race (hosted by Zen Yoga Studio), Kids Zone and Teen Challenges, School Supply Store and much more!

In addition to these old favorites, this year we will also host four food trucks, an afternoon presentation by Animal Adventures of Groton, MA, Caricatures by Don Landgren Jr., and entertainment by Westminster's own Fred Ellsworth!

The Benefit would not be the same without the volunteerism and contributions of our local businesses and friends—if you would like to make a Tax Deductible donation please mail it to Westminster Benefit Fund, PO Box 63, Westminster, MA 01473 or if you or someone you know is interested in volunteering please fill out this form

https://forms.gle/VuP2xCS8XHFsxisa9 or contact us directly via phone, email or our social media platforms.

Stay tuned for more information on Benefit Day features and attractions! We truly cannot wait to see you!



Neighbors Helping Neighbors Westminster, MA





## COVID-19 VACCINE CLINIC

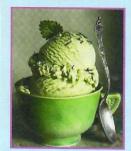
Thursday August 25th, 2022 Westminster Council on Aging 69 West Main St, Westminster 9:00AM - 12:00PM

Vaccines available: Pfizer, Moderna, and J&J <u>Dose:</u> All available doses <u>Ages:</u> 5+

Registration: encouraged; walk-ins welcome

To register: call the Montachusett Public Health Network COVID-19 Response Team at (978) 602-2356 Monday-Saturday 10:00AM-6:00PM

Please bring vaccine card and insurance card if you have one



## **SUMMER DESSERT CONTEST!**

THURSDAY, AUGUST 25 ~ 1:30 PM ~ WESTMINSTER SENIOR CENTER

BRING YOUR FAVORITE DESSERT ALONG WITH RECIPE COPIES TO SHARE VOTE FOR YOUR FAVORITE & WIN PRIZES! COFFEE & TEA WILL BE PROVIDED

\*PLEASE RSVP BY AUGUST 23 ~ SUMMER IS TOO SHORT! EAT COOL DESSERTS!

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The Westminster Council on Aging Board Meeting will not be held the month of August.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, September 13, 12:00 pm at the Westminster Senior Center.



## **COFFEE WITH THE CHIEFS**

Will not be held the month of August.
The next Coffee with the Chiefs will be September 22.





PATTI of THE GABLES ASSISTED LIVING
WILL BE PROVIDING BINGO DESSERT EVERY SECOND FRIDAY OF THE MONTH!
SWEET!!! THANK YOU PATT!!





BONNIE of BALDWINVILLE SKILLED NURSING & REHABILITATION CENTER WILL BE PROVIDING BINGO TREATS THE FIRST FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH.

ENJOY!! THANK YOU BONNIE!





The Friendship Club

No meeting held in August. Next meeting ~ September 7. State Senator ANNE GOBI ~ Office Hours
Westminster Senior Center
Tuesday, August 16
10:00-11:00 am





CARD BINGO & NATIONAL LEMON MERINGUE PIE DAY!

Monday, August 15 ~ 1:00-3:00 pm ~ Westminster Senior Center



Please sign up by August 12 ~ A lemon dessert to share would be appreciated!

CELEBRATE NATIONAL SERENDIPITY DAY! MAKE A FALL HOUSE DOOR HANGER!

THURSDAY, AUGUST 18 ~ 1:00-3:00 PM ~ WESTMINSTER SENIOR CENTER

\*NONREFUNDABLE COST AT SIGNUP FOR MATERIAL: \$5 \*LIMITED TO 12 PEOPLE PLEASE RSVP BY AUGUST 15 \*PHONE NUMBER REQUIRED AT SIGNUP HOPE YOU WILL JOIN US! (ACTUAL DOOR HANGER MAY DIFFER THAN PHOTO.)





Prescription Advantage Each year, thousands of Medicare beneficiaries reach a gap in the Medicare prescription drug plan that is often referred to as the "donut hole".

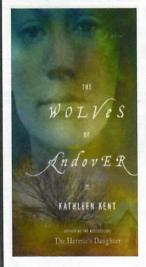
If you reach that gap, you will see your prescription drug costs increase dramatically! Don't let this happen to you. Prescription Advantage can help. Prescription Advantage is a state-sponsored program that supplements your Medicare drug plan to fill the gap.

For more information about Prescription Advantage, call MassOptions at 1-800-243-4636, Monday through Friday, 9:00am to 5:00 pm, or visit <u>prescriptionadvantagema.org</u>.

The Westminster Senior Center Book Club 69 West Main Street, Westminster, MA Open to all!

Meets Every Month on a Monday Morning
Next Meeting is August 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:30

Come and spend an hour discussing a great book about Massachusetts history!



In the harsh wilderness of colonial Massachusetts, Martha Allen works as a servant in her cousin's household, taking charge and locking wills with everyone. Thomas Carrier labors for the family and is known both for his immense strength and size and mysterious past. The two begin a courtship that suits their independent natures, with Thomas slowly revealing the story of his part in the English Civil War. But in the rugged new world they inhabit, danger is ever present, whether it be from the assassins sent from London to kill the executioner of Charles I or the wolves — in many forms — who bunt for blood.

A love story and a tale of courage!

COPIES AVAILABLE AT THE FORBUSH MEMORIAL LIBRARY

The Westminster Public Library is located at 118 Main Street

**Event Date:** Tuesday, August 16, 2022 - 5:30pm to 8:30pm

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live. National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. Furthermore, it provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances.

Millions of neighbors take part in National Night Out across thousands of communities from all fifty states, U.S. territories and military bases worldwide on the first Tuesday in August (Texas and select areas celebrate on the first Tuesday in October). Neighborhoods host block parties, festivals, parades, cookouts and various other community events with safety demonstrations,

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AUGUST 16, 2022 5:30-8:30PM

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seminars, youth events, visits from emergency personnel, exhibits and much, much more.

# YOGA WITH PAULA MAGEE Every Tuesday ~ Month of August 9:30-10:15 am

Join Paula to add both physical and emotional strength, flexibility, and balance to your daily activity. This 45-minute class is designed for ALL, no floor work, and will include a chair for seated and standing support. Sneakers/rubber-soled shoes are optional. Signup not required.





## **SUMMERTIME BARBEQUE!**

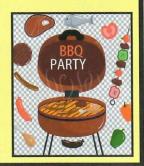
**HOSTED BY THE WESTMINSTER FIRE DEPARTMENT** 

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 ~ 12:00 NOON WESTMINSTER SENIOR CENTER

HAMBURGERS, HOTDOGS, & COLD DRINKS PROVIDED
\*SIDE DISHES & DESSERTS TO SHARE WOULD BE APPRECIATED\*

PLEASE RSVP BY SEPTEMBER 6

AN INFORMATIVE "GENERAL HOME SAFETY" PRESENTATION WILL BE MADE DURING BBQ





## Join the LEO Club! (Let's Eat Out)

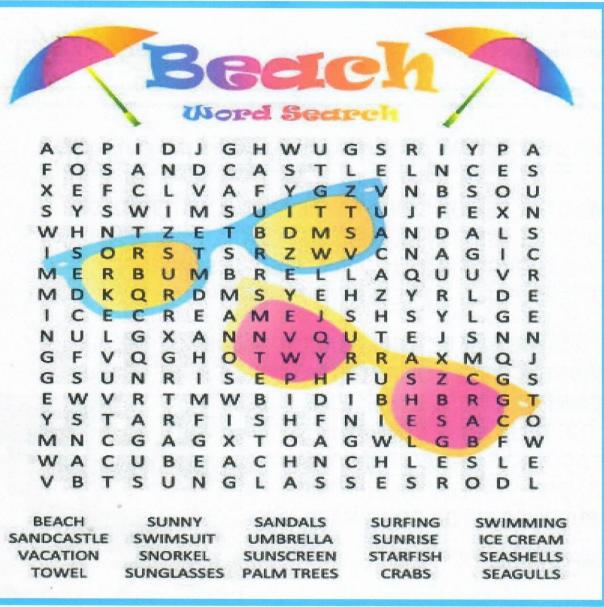
Do you enjoy eating out, but don't like going alone? No need to! Join other seniors for lunch at local restaurants. This month's lunch will be held on Wednesday, August 17 at <u>BARBER'S CROSSING</u> in

Leominster. We'll meet at Westminster Senior Center for 11:45 am, then carpool from there. We order off the menu and pay our own way. The Club will be limited to 12 people. Drivers needed. RSVP 978-874-7402 by August 15. Please join us to celebrate National Sandwich Month!



### FREE BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC

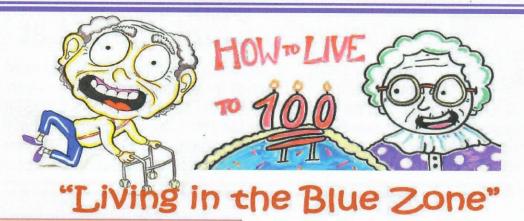
FRIDAY, AUGUST 19 / 10:00-11:00 AM
WESTMINSTER SENIOR CENTER
WALK-INS WELCOME











Tuesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>
Westminster Senior Center
11am-12pm

Registration required.

Space is limited.

Please RSVP By Aug 16<sup>th</sup>

\*978-874-7402\*

Handouts will be provided.

Light refreshments will be served.

Join Michele Morin, Community Relations, for a presentation on living in the Blue Zones. You will learn the secrets of centenarians from around the world to help you live to 100 and beyond!

\*HINT\*

It's not a sunny disposition or a low fat, gluten free diet!

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## **INTERESTED IN PAINTING IN WATERCOLOR?**

WESTMINSTER SENIOR CENTER WILL HOST A WATERCOLOR BEGINNERS CLASS ON FRIDAYS THE MONTH OF AUGUST, STARTING AUGUST 5, 9:30-11:30 AM. LIMIT 10 STUDENTS. PLEASE CALL EARLY TO RESERVE 978-874-7402.

CLASS WILL BE RUN BY A SELF-TAUGHT ARTIST OF THE WESTMINSTER CIRCLE OF ARTISTS. LUCILLE KUMSTIS HAS

BEEN PAINTING SINCE RETIREMENT
FROM THE TELEPHONE COMPANY 27
YEARS AGO. SHE HAS ATTENDED MANY
WORKSHOPS. LUCILLE WILL PROVIDE
SOME SUPPLIES IF YOU DON'T HAVE ANY.

DON'T BE BASHFUL ~ SIGN UP!





## ACTIVITIES



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
*Hawaiian Meatballs 1 11:30 Lunch 1-4 Mah Jong	*Sloppy Joes 2 9-11:30 Art 9:30-10:15 Yoga 11:30 Lunch 1-3 Bingo	*Chicken Drumstick 3 9-11:30 Art 11:30 Lunch 12-3:30 Bridge 10:15-11:15 Class at Library Chair & Stand	*Beef & Lentil Chili 4 9-11 WOW 9-12 Wood Carving 11:30 Lunch 1-4 Crafts 10:15-11:30 Class at Library Stretch, Strength, & Balance	*Potato Pollock 5 9-11:30 Art 11:30 Lunch 1-3 Bingo
*Macaroni & Cheese 8 10:30 Book Club (with Barbara Friedman) 11:30 Lunch 1-4 Mah Jong	*Chili Cheeseburger 9 9-11:30 Art 9:30-10:15 Yoga 10-11:30 Veteran Coffee 11:30 Lunch 1-3 Bingo	*Lasagna Roll 10 9-11:30 Art 9-3 SHINE (by Appt) 11:30 Lunch 12-3:30 Bridge 10:15-11:15 Class at Library Chair & Stand	*Grilled Chicken Breast 11 9-11 WOW 9-12 Wood Carving 11:30 Lunch 1-4 Crafts 10:15-11:30 Class at Library Stretch, Strength, & Balance	*Roast Pork 12 9-11:30 Art 11:30 Lunch 1-3 Bingo
*Breaded Fish 15  11:30 Lunch 1-4 Mah Jong	*Shepherd's Pie 16 9-11:30 Art 9:30-10:15 Yoga 11:30 Lunch 1-3 Bingo	*Chic & Sausage Paella 17 9-11:30 Art 11:30 Lunch 12-3:30 Bridge 10:15-11:15 Class at Library Chair & Stand	*Chicken Teriyaki 18 9-11 WOW 9-12 Wood Carving 11:30 Lunch 1-3 Card Bingo 1-4 Crafts 10:15-11:30 Class at Library Stretch, Strength, & Balance	*Roast Turkey/Gravy 19 9-11:30 Art 10-11 Blood Pressure 11:30 Lunch 1-3 Bingo
*Beef Bolognese 22 11:30 Lunch 1-4 Mah Jong	*Chicken Fajita 23 9-11:30 Art 9:30-10:15 Yoga 11:30 Lunch 1-3 Bingo	*Ravioli Primavera 24 9-11:30 Art 11:30 Lunch 12-3:30 Bridge 10:15-11:15 Class at Library Chair & Stand	*Roast Pork/Gravy 25 9-11 WOW 9-12 Wood Carving 11:30 Lunch 1-4 Crafts 10:15-11:30 Class at Library Stretch, Strength, & Balance	*Turkey Corn Stew 26 9-11:30 Art 11:30 Lunch 1-3 Bingo
*Chicken Breast 29 11:30 Lunch 1-4 Mah Jong	*Potato Pollock 30 9-11:30 Art 9:30-10:15 Yoga 11:30 Lunch 1-3 Bingo	*Meatballs Marinara 31 9-11:30 Art 11:30 Lunch 12-3:30 Bridge 10:15-11:15 Class at Library Chair & Stand	Ahhhhh We hope you are enjoying the last few lazy days of Summer!	

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