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Silver Threads

TOWNSEND SENIOR CENTER

From the Desk of the Director

Thank you! It's been an eventful month at the Townsend Senior Center! The daffodils in the Memorial Garden were a veritable carpet of cheer, our May Day festivities spurred on the coming of better weather, and the drought is officially over!

The highlight for me was meeting Dorothy "Dot" Manceau and having the distinct pleasure of hosting the presentation ceremony for her receipt of the Boston Post Cane as the oldest resident in Townsend. She is a delightful lady whose diminutive stature is certainly no reflection on her huge heart and zest for life. We all congratulate Dot for her receipt of this honor.

June brings a change in routine. Women's Meditation and Gentle Yoga will be on sabbatical until September, we will be offering a variety of field games every other Friday, and we are offering a limited supply of fruit to encourage healthy eating habits.

As a reminder, the Senior Center is a cooling center. If it's too hot outside, come on in. Bring in a friend or neighbor. Cool off and try something new. We have plenty to choose from!

Happy summer!!!

Karin Canfield Moore

SPECIAL EVENT



Bridges Together Thursday, June 8, 15 & 22, at 1:30pm

Take part in this intergenerational project, working with Hawthorne Brook Middle school students. Projects will include exploration of favorite foods, seasons of life, and family trees. Most events will involve outdoor activities. Requesting 6-8 senior center participants.



New and Improved!

Some of our regular programs have gotten a makeover. Keep an eye out for the symbol!

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Karin Canfield Moore, Director Janet Cote, Outreach Coordinator Donna Fenton, Kitchen Manager/Volunteer Coordinator Abby Foster, Asst. Program Coordinator Donna Howard, Lead Van Driver Katie Petrosssi, Program Coordinator

Townsend Senior Center Hours

Monday-Thursday: 9am-3pm Wednesday: 9am-8pm Friday: 9am-2pm

SPECIAL EVENTS (RSVP requested)



Book Signing:
The Widows Walk On
Thursday, June 1, at 12:30pm
Books will be available for sale and signing by the author.



Hope Community Chorus
Concert

Saturday, June 4, at 2:00pm

The vocal ensemble will feature tunes All About America.



Therapy Dog Visit Monday, June 5, at 12:30pm

Take advantage of the benefits of interacting with a trained therapy dog, including lowered blood pressure, decreased experience of pain, and overall relaxation.



Assistive Hearing Seminar Wednesday, June 7, at 12:30pm

Learn about the benefits of new phone technology which allow for increased hearing and better communication.



NMRHS Student Council Luncheon

Tuesday, June 13, at 11:30pmCelebrate intergenerational connections. Please sign up for the bus before hand.



Book Making & Haiku Friday, June 16, at 11am Cost: \$25

Create 3 books, including handmade papers, and multiple poems, in this workshop led by artist Kate Chadbourne. Light lunch included.



Diabetes Prevention Monday, June 19, at 12:30pm

Enjoy lunch while learning about prediabetes and potential risks, and take home 2 proven methods of cutting your risk in half.



Police Picnic

Wednesday, June 21, at 12pm

Mingle with Townsend's finest, and get acquinted with local law enforcement in this community event.



Alzheimer's Basics Thursday, June 29, at 12:30pm

Learn of the potential risks and treatment options for this disease.

MONTHLY EVENTS

Birthday Party

Thursday, June 1, at 12pm

Please join us for our monthly celebration honoring this month's birthdays. Festivities will include a delicious homemade meal and birthday cake.

Book Club

Wednesday, June 14, at 1pm

The book club meets the 2nd Wednesday of every month, and new members are always welcome. Books are usually available at the Townsend Public Library. This month's group will discuss *Cleopatra's Daughter* by Michelle Moran.

Bach's Lunch

Thursday, June 15, at 1:30pm (Bus leaves at 12:45) Cost: \$3.50 (bus transportation); RSVP requested

Free concert by Indian Hill Musicians featuring vocalists and songs from musical movies. Complimentary coffee, tea, and cookies served, or bring your own lunch to enjoy.

Council on Aging Board Meeting

Tuesday, June 13, at 10am

Visitors are welcome.

Genealogy Club with Dwight Fitch

Friday, June 9, at 10:30am

Trace your ancestry and find out where your family tree has roots. Join anytime, no need to sign up.

Bus Trip: Peabody Essex Museum

Friday, June 9 at 9:30am

Cost: TBD+\$3.50 (bus) + lunch money; RSVP requested

Explore outstanding artistic and cultural creativity. Current exhibits include *Lunar Attraction*, featuring artwork and interactives focused on the moon, *Importing Splendor: Luxuries from China*, and *Raven's Many Gifts: Native Art of the Northwest Coast.*



Women's Meditation Group Meditation will resume in the fall.

Gentle Yoga Thursdays, at 1:30pm-2:45 Cost: \$5/class

Relieve stress, increase flexibility, improve balance, and relax muscles.

Qi-Gong Mondays, at 12:30pm Cost: \$5/class

Qi Gong is a gentle, soothing form of exercise excellent for seniors. It is also effective in improving balance, relieving pain, encouraging mobility and reducing stress.

Healthy Living Group Monday, June 5, at 1pm

This group offers the opportunity for open discussion on healthy eating, exercise, and well-being. A new topic of discussion is introduced each month. New members are always welcome to introduce new areas of discussion.

Reflexology, Manicures & Pedicures Friday, June 2, 9 & 23, and Wednesday June 21; By Appt. Cost: Reflexology (\$25/half hr.); Manicure

(\$15); Pedicure (\$22)

Well Adult Clinic Wednesday, June 14, 12pm-2pm

Massage

Tuesday, June 13 & 27; Afternoon appt.'s Cost: \$20/20 min.

Chair and table massages available.

Grief Support Tuesday, June 20, at 1pm

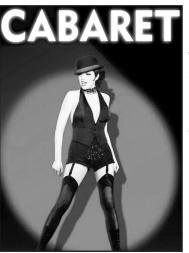
Hearing Clinic Wednesday, June 21, 10am-12pm

Caregiver's Roundtable Wednesday, June 14, at 6pm



Caregivers are welcome to come for respite, to share their experiences and concerns in a supportive environment, led by Joy Niemiera. Free on-site caregiving available so caregivers are able to bring their loved one for fun, safe, professional attention while receiving the resources needed for support.

UP & COMING



Cabaret Lulu:

Happy Days Are Here Again Wednesday, July 26

Cost: \$48.50 + bus (cost TBD)
Lunch and show at the lovely,
Sturbridge Host Lakeside
Theater. Dine in an elegant
golden ballroom and enjoy
the entertainment, featuring
a tribute to the great ladies
of the American song book,
including Barbara Streisand,
Judy Garland, and Rosemary

Clooney. Hosted by the Friends of the Townsend Seniors, cost of transportation will be dependent on attendance (\$3.50 for 17 or less, \$10 for a coach if there are more attendees). Sign up sheet is now available.

Warm Weather Walking Club Tuesdays at 9:30am



Our usual walking club is getting a makeover!
Keep track of your steps, miles, or time and log it with Katie. The Walker with the most movement logged monthly will win a prize, in addition to a 4 month Grand Prize winner coming in at the end of the summer.

Chair Exercise

Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays at 10am Exercise through video instruction.

Stretch & Tone

Tuesdays & Thursdays at 10am Cost: \$20/4 classes; \$35/8 weeks; \$7/drop in

Line Dancing

Fridays 10am-11am

Cost: \$3/class. Advanced class continues until 11:30. \$5 for both classes

Mission Statement: The Townsend Council on Aging is committed to the continued growth and wellbeing of our senior citizens by providing programs, education, information and referral services with a goal of helping seniors achieve the best quality of life possible.

ARTS & CRAFTS (RSVP requested)



Knitting Group

Mondays, at 1pm (Drop In)

Woodburning

Tuesday, June 6, 13 & 20 at 10:00am Cost: \$50

Illuminate your design with watercolor.

Calligraphy

Monday, June 12 at 10:30am Cost: \$12

Wire Wrapped Jewelry Wednesday, June 14, at 3pm Cost: \$12

Needlefelting: Cupcakes Tuesday, June 20, at 9:30am Cost: \$3

Jewelry Making: Earrings Tuesday, June 27, at 10am Cost: \$5

Batik

Wednesday, June 28, at 5:30pm Cost: \$6



Watercolor Classes with Linda

Cost: \$30/4 weeks

- Watercolor I Mondays at 10:30am
- Watercolor II
 Tuesdays at 1:30pm
- Beginning Watercolor Wednesdays at 10:30am
- Watercolor III Thursdays at 10:30am

Wood Carving

Wednesdays, 12:30pm-2:30pm (Drop In)

Try something new! Experienced carvers available to assist those new to the craft.

Quazy Quilters Qub (Drop In) Fridays, 9am-2pm

No quips about it! Sewing machines, fabric, and ideas available, or bring your own, and fellow quilters will assist in piecing things together.

FOR FUN



Movie Matinee

Friday, June 9, at 12:30

Lion, with Nicole Kidman, Dev Patel, and Rooney Mara.

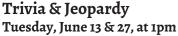
Friday, June 23, at 12:30

Hidden Figures, with Taraji P. Hensen, Octavia Spencer, and Janelle Monàe.



Bridge

Mondays, at 1pm



Let's exercise our minds, and have fun and socialize at the same time! Trivia helps to keep the mind sharp while enhancing cognitive functioning.



Cribbage Thursdays at 1pm & Wednesday, June 7, at 6pm

Cribbage Tournament

Thursday, June 15, at 9:00am Cost: \$5 (to be divided for prizes)



June 1, at

5pm

☆ ALL NEW ☆

Galloping Gourmets

Tuesdays, June 6, 20 & 27, at 11am

This group will visit a new or favorite lunch spot every other Tuesday. In the off week, meet with fellow Gourmets to write a review, which will be published in the newsletter. Meet here, carpool, and the only cost is your meal. Visit Parker's Maple Barn on 6/20.

Guided Meditation

Wednesdays, June 7, 14, 21 & 28, at 6pm

A new meditation group led by Deborah Evans-Hogan will help you get centered to relax, reduce anxiety, lower blood pressure, and improve sleep.

Afternoon Tea

Wednesday, June 28 at 4pm

Take your afternoon tea in style, sipping tea from the Cozy Tea Cart. Please sign up in advance, so we'll know how many party favors we need!



Thank you to Hannaford's for the bread and pastry donations on Mondays and Wednesdays, and to Stewart's Florist for the birthday carnations each month.

☆ ALL NEW ☆

Sports Parties

Monday, June 19 at 11am (US OPEN)

Wednesday, June 21 at 2:15pm (Red Sox @ Kansas City)

Join fellow fans to view your favorite sports. Refreshments will be served. Please sign up so we know how much food we need!

Women's Conversation Group

Wednesdays, June 14 & 28, at 11am

Join us to discuss rotating topics of well-being, aging, personal history, current events, and anything else the group desires. The group will create our own discussions of impact.

Beatles For Sale

Friday, June 16 at 6pm

Join is on the library lawn for this fun family friendly concert, featuring a Beatles tribute band! Bring lawn chairs, picnic blankets, and snacks; the concert will move inside if the weather is bad. Registration requested but not required. Sponsored by the TPL Endowment, The Friends of the Library and The Friends of the Seniors!

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Complete the sudoku puzzle and turn it in to Katie. All correct puzzles will be entered in a drawing!

WANTED:

Teen/young volunteers to assist with reception tasks on Wednesday afternoons and to run summer field games every other Friday.

Manor on the Hill will now be providing lunch on the 4th Thursday of the month!

Bread Delivery distribution will now take place on Mondays and Wednesdays in the kitchen after lunch. Thank you to all of the volunteers who have helped with the bread for so many years and continue to assist with this valuable benefit

ROADRUNNER BUS SCHEDULE

Please Call In Your Reservation 48 Hours In Advance!!

Reservations called in later may not be accomodated.

- Mondays: Townsend- Pharmacies, Banks, Harbor Mall, Townsend Doctors/ Dentists, Hairdressers/Barber And Errands
- Tuesdays: Fitchburg, Leominster, Lunenburg– Medical Trips & Shopping/Errands If Possible
- Wednesdays: Townsend- Pharmacies, Banks, Harbor Mall, Townsend Doctors/ Dentists, Hairdressers/Barber And Errands
- Thursdays: Pepperell, Groton, Ayer– Medical Trips & Shopping Errands If Possible
- Fridays: Lunenburg, Fitchburg-Shopping Day.

FARES: \$1.25 ONE WAY WITHIN TOWNSEND; BUS CARD \$22.50 Pay for 9 rides, get 1 free. \$.50 Round trip to the Senior Center from Atwood Acres/Townsend Woods \$1.75 ONE WAY OUTSIDE TOWNSEND; BUS CARD \$31.50 Pay for nine rides, get one free.

Please schedule appointments between 9:30 AM and 12:30 PM. The bus goes to the Senior Center Monday through Friday. Bus Stop at Atwood Acres/Townsend Woods at 9:00 AM Mon-Fri.

*Any trip to or from the Senior Center for residents of Atwood Acres or Townsend Woods is .25 each way regardless of the time of day subject, to availability. **Rides any time other than 9 AM pick-up need to be scheduled by calling 978-597-1730.**



THE FRIENDS' RALLY CRY IS... LET'S REV UP OUR ENGINES and BUILD THE FRIENDS' MEMBERSHIP RANKS!

The Friends of the Seniors is an active organization begun in 2000. The Friends raise funds to supplement the Council on Aging's budget to purchase necessary equipment and support ongoing activities. Members come from all age groups and you don't have to be a Townsend resident to join. If you have not had the opportunity, we invite you to renew your membership or become a new member. We raise a lot of Fun as we help support the Friends' many activities. Come, have some fun and join in on a short-term committee.

**Board Meetings are the first Monday of each month, 4:00pm at the Senior Center and meetings are open to all members. The next Board Meeting is Monday, June 5th.

WILLIAM E. MAY AWARD NOMINATION TIME ~ Friday June 2nd is the Deadline to receive Nominations for the 2017 William E. May Endowment Award. If someone was nominated in the past and not selected, you may re-submit that individual for consideration. Nomination forms are at the Senior Center and at the Town Clerk's office.

THURSDAY, JULY 6th FOXWOOD TRIP ~ \$30 per person, with reservations paid in advance. Everyone receives coupons for 'free play' and the buffet lunch. This is a fun trip and it's open to all adults. Sign-Ups for the trip: Senior Center, 978-597-1710 or Avis Roy, 978-597-6829.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM
2017 Friends of the Townsend Seniors MembershipRENEWALNEW MEMBER\$5 Friend\$10 Family
\$25 Benefactor \$Supporter\$100 Lifetime Membership (Individual or Family) I am interested in volunteering for:PhoningProgram DevelopmentFund Raising Food (Prepare a main dish or dessert for a Fund Raiser)Other
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Checks are payable to: Friends of the Townsend Seniors. Please drop off at the Senior Center or mail to P.O. Box 972, Townsend MA 01469. Thank you very much for your continued support.

JUNE 2017 EVENTS

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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5 10:00 Chair Exercise 10:30 Watercolor I 11:00 Chorus 12:00 Lunch 12:30 Qi Gong 12:30 Therapy Dog Visit 1:00 Rummikub 1:00 League Wii Bowling 1:00 Healthy Living Group 1:00 Bridge 1:00 Knitting Group 4:00 Friends meeting	9:30 Warm Weather Walking Club 10:00 Woodburning 10:00 Stretch & Tone 11:00 Hand & Foot 11:30 Galloping Gourmets 1:00 Scrabble 1:30 Watercolor II	7 10:00 Chair Exercise 10:30 Beginning Watercolor 12:00 Lunch 12:30 Woodcarving 12:30 Assistive Hearing Seminar 1:00 Bingo 5:00 Quilting 6:00 Cribbage 6:00 Guided Meditation 6:30 TOPS	8 10:00 Stretch & Tone 10:30 Watercolor III 12:00 Homemade Lunch 1:00 Cribbage 1:30 Gentle Yoga 1:30 Bridges Together Intergenerational Project	9:00 Quazy Quilters 9:30 Bus Trip: Peabody Essex Museum 10:00 Chair Exercise 10:00 Line Dancing 10:30 Geneaology 11:00 Intermediate Line Dance 12:00 Hairdresser 12:30 Movie: Lion Manicures/Pedicures Reflexology by Appt.
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