

Newton Senior Center Updates as of May 20, 2022

Wednesday, May 25th - Construction in Senior Center Parking Lot

Due to construction, the entrance to the Senior Center parking lot located off Walnut Place will be closed from <u>8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.</u> on Wednesday, May 25th.

If you have a Newton Senior Parking Sticker, you have the option to park on Highland Avenue or in the Austin Street Municipal Parking Lot located off of Philip Bram Way. Please make sure to read the signage in the municipal lot. Your Senior Parking Stickers are for the 3 hour spots only.

If you have a handicapped-placard and/or need to park in our parking lot, please use care and enter from Highland Avenue (note this is also our exit) on May 25th and ONLY May 25th.

If you live in Newton and use the NewMo ride-share program, you will be dropped off on Highland Avenue, as close to our building as possible.

If you don't have a NewMo account and would like to use the service to come to the Senior Center the morning of Wednesday the 25th, please call our office at (617) 796-1675 by <u>Monday afternoon, May 23rd</u> to schedule an appointment with our specialists to set up your account. You may also call NewMo's call center at (617) 655-8019 to set up an account.

Memorial Day Closure

The Newton City Hall and the Newton Senior Center will be closed on Monday, May 30th in honor of Memorial Day.

- All programs in-person, remote, and off-site are cancelled that day.
- Due to the holiday NewMo will not operate that day.

Tips for Using NewMo

NewMo has been a game changer for people of all ages. Yet increased ridership has led to somewhat longer wait times recently, especially during peak hours.To address this problem, NewMo will add an eighth vehicle to the fleet during the month of June. We'll track usage and wait times to keep you informed and to determine a long-term



strategy for improving rider experience.

In the meantime, we strongly suggest that riders call the call center, at 617-655-8091, to pre-schedule all rides for <u>medical appointments</u> in the NewMo service area. Rides can be pre-scheduled the day before your appointment by 5 pm or up to five days in advance. If you request a ride on-demand for a medical appointment, we suggest you call an hour before a morning appointment and 75 minutes before an afternoon appointment.

For other activities, you should call 20-30 minutes before you want to be picked up. During peak hours – 3 to 5 p.m. – you should call 45 minutes before you want to be picked up.

We will continue using the data on usage and wait times to inform you about the best ways and times to access NewMo.

Mask-wearing is also encouraged, to help keep everyone safe.



Haiku Newton

Poetry is always blooming in Newton – on sidewalks, through readings and events. Now you can also view poetry on lawn signs that are on display in sites around the city.

The project, called Haiku Newton, was created by Newton poets Grey Held and the Senior Center's very own Elizabeth Lund. <u>Haiku Newton</u> features 20 haiku on 10 signs – with poems on the front and

back of each sign. The poems debuted in the Newton Centre Green and Cap. Ryan Park a few weeks ago.

One set was moved to the Upper Falls Greenway (1234 Chestnut Street, Newton Upper Falls) earlier this week. The second set will be installed at the Waban Library, 1608 Beacon St., Waban, later today. The poems will remain in those locations until June 1, when they will travel to other sites.

The purpose of the project is to create a calm, colorful oasis where people can experience the insights and artistry poetry provides. As one member of the Senior Center staff said recently, "the signs make me stop, think, and breathe."

Jayne Colino, Director of Senior Services, added: "We at the Senior Center are proud to have one of Newton's creatives on our staff."

Our Coming Special Programs for the Week

The following programs are planned by the Newton Senior Center. Our programs are open to any adults 55+, from any community, unless otherwise noted.

In-person programs take place at the Newton Senior Center, 345 Walnut Street in Newtonville, unless otherwise noted.

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(Dining Room) Ice Cream Social and Violin Concert with Ilana Zaks Thursday, June 2nd, 12:30 to 2:00 p.m.

(Function Room) Tai Chi Beginner Skills 10 Mondays beginning June 6th, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

(Art Room) Collage Workshop 5 Wednesdays beginning June 15th, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

(Library Lounge) Mah Jongg Workshop 4 Fridays beginning June 17th, 9:30 to 12:00 p.m.

(West Newton Cinema) All The Lonely People film Tuesday, June 15th, 6:30 p.m.

Ongoing Programs

<u>Meetings</u>

Council on Aging Meetings and NewCAL Meetings

Mah Jongg Open Play, Billiards Open Play, Sketching/Drawing Studio, Swing Band, French Conversation, and Puzzles

Fitness Classes

Muscle, Movement, & Balance, Seated Strength & Balance, Tai Chi (Beginner and Advanced), Zumba Gold, Yoga, and Meditation

Support Groups

Parkinson's, Caregiver, Declutter, and Bereavement

You may need to <u>click "view entire</u> <u>message"</u> in your mobile device to read our entire e-newsletter.

Swing Band Patriotic Concert



Tuesday, May 24th, 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. Newton Senior Center -- Function Room

In honor of Memorial Day, we'll have a patriotic concert with all of the traditional patriotic songs. Please wear red, white, and blue, and bring a flag! **Just show up!**



Zoom: Council on Aging Meeting

Tuesday, May 24th, 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.

The Newton Council on Aging (COA) invites you to attend our next Zoom Webinar meeting. Mark Development will present the Crafts Street Senior Living Project proposal for discussion.

Please note that due to the new Zoom Webinar format, advanced registration is required to receive the Zoom link to the meeting.

<u>Click here</u> or on the link below to register. <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_W4KsANEOToa3d03qSsHUlw</u>

Men's Club



Thursday, May 26th, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Zoom or Newton Senior Center – Dining Room

All retired and semi-retired men are welcome to join us for good conversation! This club gives you the opportunity to meet with men

who have similar interests and backgrounds and others who have varied interests and vastly differing backgrounds — but all will have an interesting story to tell.

Every month there will be a different theme for the meeting. This month's theme will be: "If I were to do it again."

We hope everyone in the group will learn something new at this meeting!



Healthy Cooking Class and Lunch Giveaway

Thursday, May 26th, 10:30 to 11:00 a.m. Newton Senior Center – Dining Room

This month's lunch: Chicken Scampi over Angel Hair Pasta

Join the Benchmark Newton Culinary team at the Newton Senior Center to learn about healthy cooking, the Mind and Memory Care diet, and get recipes, tips, and tricks. Participants will also take home a delicious lunch.

Register for the lunch by contacting llana at <u>iseidmann@newtonma.gov</u> or calling 617-796-1670. If you signed up for a previous Benchmark lunch, you do not need to register again.



The Swingin' Sixties- Women Singers Find Their Voice

Thursday, May 26th, 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. Newton Senior Center -- Function Room

In this one hour entertaining and educational program, the Retro Polatin Duo (Jill Goldman and David Polatin) will discuss the female singers and play songs from the Swingin' Sixties.

The program will feature music from singers including Petula Clark, Connie Francis, Dusty Springfield and many others. These females broke down barriers and paved the way for more women to follow.

This program is supported in part by a grant from the Newton Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

Just show up!







Ice Cream Social and Violin Concert with Ilana Zaks

Thursday, June 2nd, 12:30 to 12:55 p.m. Cabot's ice cream 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. Violin concert Newton Senior Center – Dining Room

In this afternoon concert of classical violin music, violinist Ilana Zaks returns to the Newton Senior Center to perform some transcriptions of piano works by composers including Schumann, Liszt, Rachmaninov, and violin favorites by Paganini, Telemann, Piazzolla and Prokofiev.

This program is generously sponsored by Right at Home--Boston MetroWest and Sunrise Senior Living of Newton.

Just show up!





NEWTON



Tai Chi: Beginner Skills

This is a **special workshop led by Aaron Crawford.** You will learn beginner skills in a small, supportive environment.

Tai chi is an ancient Chinese tradition that is practiced today as a form of low-impact exercise. It involves a series of movements performed in a slow, focused manner and 10 Mondays: June 6th, 13th, and 27th, July 18th and 25th, August 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th (no class June 20th, July 4th or July 11th) 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Newton Senior Center -- Function Room

The cost of the class for the 10 weeks is **\$75.** Minimum 11 students, maximum 13 students. **Please contact llana at** <u>iseidmann@newtonma.gov</u> or 617accompanied by deep breathing.

796-1670 to register.



Collage Workshop

Donna Calleja, Instructor

5 Wednesdays: June 15th, June 22nd, June 29th, July 6th, and July 13th, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Newton Senior Center-- Art Room or at home using Zoom

Collage is an art form used by artists working in a wide range of styles and subjects. In this workshop we will explore color, pattern and composition to create beautiful collage and mixed media works from materials you already have at home. We will look at the collage art of contemporary and master artists including Picasso and Matisse to inspire your unique collage work. The class will include instructor demonstration and hands on making of independent projects with guidance from the instructor. This class is designed for students with no prior or limited visual art experience or artists working in other art disciplines.

Required materials

All students must provide their own heavy paper or cardboard (at least 5 inches and no more than 12 in any direction), scissors, pencil or pen, glue stick or white glue and 1-4 selections of printed paper. Printed paper selections may include some of the following, newspaper, magazines, photos, construction or lined paper, old postage stamps and junk mail. If you already own markers, watercolor or acrylic paint you may want to use this too. **Please no glitter, rubber cement, oil paint or any solvent based art materials.**

Registration required by Tuesday, June 7th. Minimum 7 students, maximum 9 students. **The class fee is \$80.**

Donna Calleja has worked as a teacher and artist for more than 35 years. Her paintings have been shown in recent exhibits at the South Shore Art Center, Concord Art, Gallery Twist, and Room83Spring. Her paintings can be viewed <u>here.</u>

Email Ilana to register at <u>iseidmann@newtonma.gov.</u> Indicate whether you want to take the class at the Newton Senior Center, or on Zoom.



Beginner Mah Jongg Workshop

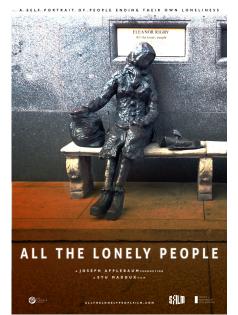
4 Fridays: June 17th, June 24th, July 8th, July 15th (no class July 1st) 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Newton Senior Center – Library Lounge

This course will introduce you to the basic rules of the game. You only need a short amount of time and effort to master the elementary principles. By the second class, students will be playing a game. Instructed by Martha Tomanelli.

Registration required by Thursday, June 9th. Minimum 8 participants, maximum 10. **The fee for the workshop is \$70.**

Email Ilana to register at iseidmann@newtonma.gov

All The Lonely People



Film Screening at West Newton Cinema

Wednesday, June 15th, 6:30 p.m. West Newton Cinema

Please join us for a special screening of *All The Lonely People*, a new groundbreaking documentary about a handful of people's stories of resilience, overcoming crippling social isolation and loneliness. Followed by a Q & A with Producer Joe Applebaum.

Hosted by: City of Newton Department of Senior Services, Newton at Home, Good Shepherd Community Care, Unitarian Universalist Society of Newton, Temple Emanuel, The Village Bank, HouseWorks, and FriendshipWorks.

Advance ticket purchase required. Tickets available on a sliding scale \$0-\$20. Fully handicap accessible theatre. Film included subtitles.

Get your tickets now by <u>clicking here.</u> For more information or help with purchasing tickets please call 617-796-1675. Masks are strongly encouraged.



Introduction to Watercolor Painting

with instructor Catherine Byun Min

6 Tuesdays: July 12th, July 19th, July 26th, August 2nd, August 9th, and August 16th, 10:00 a.m. to noon Newton Senior Center – Art Room

Learn the fundamentals of watercolors and brush techniques through a focus on still life and landscape paintings. Catherine Byun Min received two Master's of Fine Arts degrees in painting — from the Pratt Institute in Brooklyn and Hong-ik University in Seoul, Korea. She has taught art classes for many years.

Registration is required by July 1st. A minimum of 7 students is needed with a maximum of 9 allowed. The class fee is **\$100** and includes materials. Email Ilana to register at <u>iseidmann@newtonma.gov</u>.

ZOOM: Newton Center for Active Living (NewCal) Community Meeting,

Thursday, June 16th, 6:30 p.m.

The NewCal project team will be presenting the latest plans. The Design Committee has been hard at work incorporating the feedback received. You can register for the meeting in advance by clicking <u>here</u>. The link is also posted on the project website: <u>https://newcal.projects.nv5.com/</u>

Our "Ongoing Programs" for the Week

(Classes marked "Outdoor" may be moved to our Function Room in the case of inclement weather).



Join Springwell & Your Friends for lunch at the Newton Senior Center!

Starting May 2nd, Springwell will offer an updated dine-in program to local adults aged 60+.

For **dine-in only**, you will be able to choose a hot or cold lunch option when you call to make your reservation. Springwell will also continue the grab-and-go pick-up, but will only offer one meal option .

Dine-in and pick-up lunches are available Monday-Friday (except holidays) from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Newton Senior Center, 345 Walnut Street, Newtonville.

To make a meal reservation, please leave a message at 617-796-1668 two business days in advance. Your message should include your name, what day you would like to attend, and, if you will be dining in-person, whether you want the hot or cold menu option. If you are choosing grab-and-go, please note that as well, but there will not be a choice of meal. <u>Click here</u> to view the monthly menu.

The meal is free to all. However, an optional donation of \$2 to Springwell, a local non-profit, is suggested.



Mah Jongg Play

Mondays and Thursdays, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Newton Senior Center – Dining Room

Come for a friendly game of Mah Jongg, inside the building! Your group is welcome. Please meet in the Dining Room; please arrive after lunch is cleared, at 1:00 p.m.

Are you interested in other games, especially Bridge and Chess? Please contact Nancy at <u>ngagnon@newtonma.gov</u> or 617-796-1675. She maintains a list of people who would like to play at the Senior Center. When a quorum is reached, everyone on the list will receive each other's contact information so you can arrange afternoon game play at the Senior Center.



Billiards Play

Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Newton Senior Center – Game Room

Come for a friendly game of pool! All players are welcome.

Sketching/Drawing Studio

Mondays, 9:00 to 11:30 a.m. Newton Senior Center – Dining Room

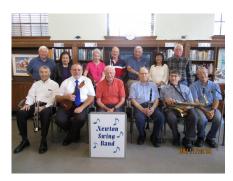
Art is long; life is short. Now is a good time to practice drawing



skills – in a creative, friendly, and rewarding way.

Drawing Studio is free, meets weekly, and is open to all seniors – beginner to advanced. Instruction is available. Participants can work on drawings, sketches, studies and/or previous projects started away from the studio. The studio's goal is to enhance your drawing ability.

Please bring your own drawing kit: Pencils, paper and a sturdy support backing. Some limited supplies will be available, but it's always best to use your own personal favorites. Traditional easels and lap-friendly seated accommodations will be key. All are welcome!



Swing Band

Tuesdays, 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. Newton Senior Center – Function Room

The Swing Band will not meet on June 21st or June 28th.

The Newton Senior Center Swing Band, which performs around the city, welcomes audience

members to their weekly rehearsal. All are welcome to sit in and listen, or to sing and dance!

The band is actively seeking new players, especially on brass and woodwinds. As the band's director, Jim Barr, says, "If you'd like to get that old instrument out of its case and put it to use, come join us. We are a low-stress activity and have a lot of fun making music together."



French Conversation Group

Thursdays, 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. Newton Senior Center– Library Lounge

Gather to speak in French about a variety of subjects. Bring a French newspaper, if you'd like, or another form of French media. All levels are welcome. Just show up!



It's Puzzle Time – Anytime!

Newton Senior Center - 1st Floor - Dining Room & Cafe

Join us at the Newton Senior Center to put together a puzzle with friends. Bring a pal with you or meet a new friend here. You can also bring your favorite puzzle – or use one of ours. We hope to see you

soon!

Spring Fitness and Wellness

All of our in-person and virtual fitness and wellness classes are "drop-in," meaning **no pre-payment; no preregistration**! We want to make it easy for you to participate!



In-person Fitness classes take place in our Function Room, unless otherwise noted.

To join a virtual class, download the free Zoom app on your smartphone, iPad, laptop, or computer at <u>https://zoom.us/download</u>. Click on your class link (below) a few minutes before its start time.

Zumba Gold with Jo Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. beginning May 25th

Newton Senior Center – Function Room

Jopeng Tseng ("Jo"), a Zumba Gold-certified instructor, was born and raised in Taiwan. She absolutely loves dancing and truly believes that dancing makes everyone happy and healthy. She has been teaching Zumba, Zumba Gold, Zumba kids and Aqua Zumba for almost 6 years. She says, "Come and try my class!! I guarantee you will have a blast!"

Zumba Gold Toning with Yachun Fridays at 1:00 p.m.

Newton Senior Center – Function Room

Zumba Gold Toning combines the cardio part of a Zumba® Gold class with body toning exercises using light weights (1 pound to 2.5 pounds each max). You can also join the class without using any weights or by using two 16.9 oz bottles of water. You will enhance muscle strength and endurance while dancing along different rhythms. The class is taught by Yachun (YC) who is an AFAA certified Group fitness instructor and specialized in active agers exercises.

Muscle, Movement, & Balance with Nicole Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. Newton Senior Center – Function Room

Join a balance, movement, and strength-building class using exercise loops and weights (provided by the Senior Center). The class focuses on strengthening areas that are prone to injury. Modifications are offered, exercises can be done seated, and all abilities are welcome!

<u>Seated Strength & Balance with Pearl</u> Wednesdays at 12:00 p.m.

Newton Senior Center – Function Room or Zoom

Join a Seated Strength & Balance class using weights (provided by the Senior Center). This class begins with a thorough warm-up and is followed by strength training and balance exercises.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83928646511? pwd=K29UenJFUzNFLzIsSWZzOENVbUpYUT09 Meeting ID:839 2864 6511 Passcode: 8119

<u>Seated Strength & Balance with Pearl (Zoom)</u> Mondays at 12:00 p.m.

This seated class begins with a thorough warm-up and is followed by strength training and balance exercises. The class concludes with gentle stretching.

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Tai Chi with Aaron

Intermediate/Advanced Tai Chi: Mondays at 11:00 a.m. – Newton Senior Center – Function Room

Intermediate/Advanced: Fridays at 9:30 a.m. – Newton Senior Center – Function Room

<u>Beginner: Fridays at 11:00 a.m.</u> – Hyde Community Center, Gymnasium, 90 Lincoln Street, Newton Highlands.

Tai chi is an ancient Chinese tradition that is practiced today as a form of low-impact exercise. It involves a series of movements performed in a slow, focused manner and accompanied by deep breathing.

Zumba Gold with Ketty (Zoom) Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, at 11:00 a.m.

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Meeting ID: 825 779 957 Passcode: 336304

Yoga with Diane (Zoom) Thursdays at 1:00 p.m.

Chair yoga embraces the traditions of yoga with options for seated and standing postures. All the poses we do can be modified to be done while sitting in a chair. Our yoga practice will include movement and focused breathing to open the mind, body, and spirit.

> https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83381525259? pwd=OTZhOEcvdUVpNEVEYnFxWGdCL1h1dz09 Meeting ID: 833 8152 5259 Passcode: 214114

<u>Meditation with Betsy (Zoom)</u> Thursdays at 9:00 a.m.

The group will meet <u>in-person (instead of on Zoom)</u> in the Newton Senior Center's Function Room on the first Thursday of every month.

Practice paying compassionate attention to all that moves through us: thoughts, emotions, sensations, and conditions. The group is a supportive space to begin or continue a meditative practice.

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81218001857? pwd=VVpUU3NwNmVzajVvZURXUXpLRk11dz09 Meeting ID: 812 1800 1857 Passcode: 100202

CLICK HERE FOR ONLINE PAYMENTS

How Do I Pay for My Fitness/Wellness Classes?

(Echeck & Credit Card)

We ask for a \$5 contribution per class (more if you can, less if you can't). We kindly ask that you pay monthly, if possible. There are four ways to pay:

1) Click this link for <u>Credit Card or Electronic Check Online</u> (Please note there is an additional 3% convenience fee for credit cards).

2). Bring a monthly check to the Newton Senior Center. You can leave it with Reception, Norine Silton or Ilana Seidman. Make sure to note which classes you are taking.

3). Mail in a Check

Please make payable to "Newton Senior Center" and write the class name on your check. Donations may be mailed to: Newton Senior Center, Attn: Fitness Contributions, 345 Walnut Street, Newtonville, MA 02460

4). Credit Card by Phone (business hours only)

Please call Norine Silton at 617-796-1664 (note there is an additional 3% convenience fee).

New participants are always very warmly welcomed! Our classes are led by certified instructors.

Support Group Links

In-person and Zoom: Parkinson's Support Group Last Monday of every month Monday, May 23rd (moved one week earlier due to Memorial Day), 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Newton Senior Center – Art Room

The Parkinson's Support Group has re-started with the new leadership of volunteer facilitator Dan Reilly. You can come to the Senior Center or meet us on Zoom.

The objectives of the group are to: obtain information on PD and treatment; gain emotional support, advice, and tips from others; learn from the experience of others; provide guidance based on experience with disease; develop a sense of community and partnership; learn about and from other professionals in the area; fight loneliness and anxiety; understand that you are not alone.

Register in advance for this meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwkcumsrDIsHNDI- Tx17IASzlirFI6I3VP

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

In-Person: Caregiver Support Group First Tuesday of the month Tuesday, June 7th, 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. Newton Senior Center – Library Lounge

Open to all family caregivers of seniors. Learn from, and share with, other participants

who are caring for an older family member. Register with Case Manager Emily Kuhl at <u>ekuhl@newtonma.gov</u>.

Zoom: Declutter Support Group Second Friday of every month Friday, June 10th, 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Get support from others while learning strategies for de-cluttering. This program is co-sponsored by the Newton Department of Senior Services and Riverside Community Care. For more information, contact Karin Lehr, 617-969-4925, ext. 5958.

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82991985788?pwd=TStBSVR3cWE5TDFFY2dITkJacys1UT09

Meeting ID: 829 9198 5788 Passcode: 398359

In-Person: Bereavement Support Group: <u>Healing our Grief</u> Third Thursday of every month Thursday, June 16th, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Newton Senior Center – Library Lounge

Are you suffering a loss? Join holistic health educator, spiritual care provider, and mindfulness teacher Betsy Simmons for a healing support group. You can come to the Senior Center or meet us on Zoom.

Zoom: Caregiver Support Group Third Tuesday of the month Tuesday, June 21st, 2:30 to 4:00 p.m.

Open to all family caregivers of seniors. Learn from, and share with, other participants who are caring for an older family member. Register with Case Manager Emily Kuhl at <u>ekuhl@newtonma.gov</u>

Other Senior Center Information



Looking for a COVID-19 Booster or Vaccine?

If you are looking to schedule a COVID-19 booster or vaccine, there are many ways to do so. Find out how by going to <u>www.getboostedboston.org</u>. The website offers options for VAX Finder (a list of vaccination sites in your area), Mobile Pop-Up Clinics, and home visits. You can also dial 211 on your telephone for information.

Would You Like to Refer A Contractor?



Do you have a contractor (plumber, electrician, A/C technician, home improvement, handyman, etc.) that you've had a good experience with? If so, the Senior Center is looking to add to our list to refer to our patrons. Please email us their name, telephone number, and type of service they provide to <u>nsilton@newtonma.gov</u>. Details about your experience or why you appreciated their work would be helpful too.



Senior Parking Stickers

The Senior Center is open and we can process Senior Parking Stickers via mail-in, drop-off, or during our drop-in hours. you can call us at 617-796-1675 to check our drop-in hours each day. Additional information can be found on our website at <u>www.newtonseniors.org</u>, or you can contact us at <u>sccustomerservice@newtonma.gov</u> or (617) 796-1675.



Book Donations

The Newton Senior Center is once again taking book donations of books – 5 years old or less – to add to our current library. If you have some to donate, you can either drop off at our reception desk or leave them in our vestibule located off the Senior Center's rear parking lot. Questions? Please call us at (617) 796-1675. Thank you!

Other Opportunities

Announcement

There are SO many wonderful events happening in our community!

Beginning in 2022, the Newton Senior Center's weekly e-newsletters will no longer feature information about programs or events from outside organizations (unless they are co-sponsored by the Newton Senior Center).

If you're interested in an organization's events, please subscribe to their e-mail list directly.

NewTV also has a Community Calendar which posts upcoming events happening in the Newton community:

https://newtv.org/about/community-calendar

To have your event posted, please email Valerie at NewTV – <u>valerie@newtv.org</u> – with the following information:

- Event Name
- Hosting Organization
- Date, Time, Location, Brief description
- Website URL for event information and/or registration
- A graphic, preferably 1:1 aspect ratio

Reaching the Staff at the Newton Senior Center

Call our main number (617) 796-1660. Then press the appropriate number as noted below:

Press 1 for our Programs Information Line where you can listen to a recorded listing of our weekly activities

Press 2 for Lunch Reservations, Served Monday through Friday at the Senior Center Press 3 for the Food & Essential Items Coordinator, Including Grocery Shopping & Prescription Pick-up Requests

Press 4 for Vaccine or Booster information

Press 5 for Durable Medical Requests and Durable Medical Donations (such as wheelchairs, shower chairs, rollators, etc.)

Press 6 for Emily Kuhl, Case Manager & Social Services.

Press 7 for Elizabeth Lund, NewMo Transportation & Community Engagement Press 8 for Julie Joy, Volunteer Coordinator

Press 9 for an appointment for SHINE Medicare Options Counseling, for all other questions and to speak to the receptionist

Direct Telephone Extensions for Staff

Jayne Colino	Director	(617) 796-1671
Eliza Dodge	Food and Essential Items Coordinator	(617) 796-1669
Julie Joy	Volunteer Coordinator	(617) 796-1674
Emily Kuhl	Case Manager	(617) 796-1672
Elizabeth Lund	Outreach and Engagement Coordinator	(617) 796-1665
Ilana Seidmann	Programs Coordinator	(617) 796-1670
Norine Silton	Executive Administrator	(617) 796-1664

If you know other 55+ adults who might like to receive this e-newsletter, please ask them to send their email address to <u>iseidmann@newtonma.gov</u> or direct them here: Click here to sign up for our weekly e-newsletter.

We also encourage you to sign up for Mayor Fuller's e-mail updates. She emails information about COVID-19, and other important information. You may do so by <u>clicking here.</u>