## September 2017

# The Mashpee Senior Connection



The Mashpee Senior Center will be closed on Monday, September 4, in observance of Labor Day. All activities including the van are cancelled for this day.

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NATIONAL SENIOR CENTER MONTH— Tuesday, Sept. 19, 12:30

pm. In honor of National Senior Center Masters of Aging Month, join us for pizza and beverages followed by a musical performance by

guitarist Brian Kelly! The national celebration theme is: Senior Centers: Masters of Aging! The theme highlights the many ways senior centers lead communities and inspire individuals to master this phase of life. At the senior center, you will find programs and resources that inspire you. Celebrate the many ways your senior center cultivates masters of aging! Please Rsvp to the Mashpee Senior Center, (508) 539-1440, or stop by the front desk to sign up. *Mashpee seniors only, please*.

GOOD START SOCIAL BREAKFAST - Monday, September 11,

10:00 am. Join us on September 11 for a continental breakfast and good conversation. Please Rsvp to the Mashpee Senior Center, (508) 539-



1440, or stop by the front desk to sign up. Mashpee seniors only, please.

FIT & STRONG! — Mondays and Thursdays, starting September 11 at 2:00 pm. Fit & Strong! is an evidence-based program that



combines flexibility, strength training, and aerobic walking with health education for sustained behavior change among older adults with lower extremity osteoarthritis. Each class will begin with an hour of

exercise and end with a 30 minute health topic discussion. PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. Please call Amy at (508) 957-7423 to register. On Thursday, September 7, at 2:00 pm, participants need to attend to complete paperwork and get fitted for weights. Presented by the VNA of Cape Cod. Mashpee seniors only, please.

MY LIFE, MY HEALTH — Tuesdays, September 12 through October 24, 1:30 pm. My Life, My Health provides information and

teaches practical skills on managing chronic health problems. It also gives people the tools and motivation they need to manage the challenges of living with a chronic health con-



dition. The overall goal is to enable participants to build selfconfidence to assume an active role in maintaining their health and managing their chronic health conditions. The workshop is conducted over six sessions, meeting weekly for two and one-half (2½) hours per session. September 12 will be a 1-hour information session. Presented by Healthy Living Cape Cod. Please Rsvp to Healthy Living Cape Cod at (508) 957-7620.

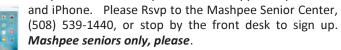
RAD\*BALL — Fridays, September 8 through October 13, 1:00 pm. A new exercise program led by Rose Digregorio, M.Ed



Health Sciences! Did you know a soccer ball can do wonders for the body and spirit? You know you need fo increase your physical activity...or may be healing from an injury or other life situation; this is an easy and fun way

to get back in the game of exercise by tossing the ball, stretching. and other movements, at your own pace. Bring your own soccer ball (optional) and wear comfortable shoes, clothes and bring water. There is a small fee. Please Rsvp to the Mashpee Senior Center, (508) 539-1440, or stop by the front desk to sign up.

APPS FOR IPAD AND IPHONE — Thursday, September 21, 10:00 am Join Karyn Wendell to help learn about apps for your iPad



BURIED IN TREASURES WORKSHOP — Thursdays, 2:00 pm, September 14, 2017, through January 11, 2018. Would you like to learn tips on how to de-clutter and stop over-acquiring

with people who know what it's like? Join us for this group created by and for people who are ready to live a life less-cluttered! Each week we'll discuss a skill from the book, Buried in Treasures, and com-



plete challenging and rewarding exercises. Facilitated by Renee Proctor of Southbay Community Services. Please Rsvp to Renee Proctor at (508) 760-1475.

**DINE-AROUND** — Monday, September 25, 12:30 pm. We are bringing back the "Dine-Around". Join us for lunch on the 4th Monday of each month at 12:30. This month we will be dining at Mezza Luna in Buzzards Bay. It is a great way to meet people.



Order off the menu, and the restaurant agrees to give individual checks. No walk-ins please as we do call and make reservations. Please Rsvp to the Mashpee Senior Center, (508) 539-1440, or stop by the front desk to sign up by a dead-

line of noon, Friday, September 22.

**CROQUET** — Wednesday, September 20, 3:00 pm. We'll have another afternoon of fun and giggles as we continue to learn to play croquet. Come join us on the lawn of the Mashpee Senior

Center. We will learn the rules and enjoy the company of Mashpee Seniors of all ages, as we play croquet. Refreshments will be provided. Call the Mashpee Senior Center to reserve a mallet or just



come by and see what all the excitement is about. Mallets will be provided. Please Rsvp to the Mashpee Senior Center, (508) 539-1440, or stop by the front desk to sign up.

GET FIT WITH DONNA - Tuesdays, September 5 through Octo**ber 17.** Would you like to have a Registered Physical Therapist work with you on your personal fitness goals and then evaluate your own strength, flexibility, posture and balance? This one-on-



one opportunity is presented by the VNA of Cape Cod at no charge. Please schedule only one appointment in order to allow others the opportunity as well. An

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appointment can be scheduled for a Tuesday at 2:00 pm, 2:45 pm or 3:30 pm through October 17. To register, please call Amy at the VNA at (508) 957-7423.

CRAFTS — MAKE A RESIN FRAME — Thursday, September 21, **2:30 pm.** Come join us as Karen Thurber will help you make a

beautiful resin frame. She will supply sea glass, shells, scrapbooking, and decorations. Come on in and create! There is a fee. Please Rsvp to the Mashpee Senior Center, (508) 539-1440, or stop by the front desk to sign up.



MONDAY MORNING MOVIE MUSINGS - Mondays, 10:00 am. Our current series is "5 best actress Academy nominations with



only one winner". We will watch, at home, all films from 2010 with Academy best actress nominees, and meet at the Senior Center and compare the performances. The movies in September:

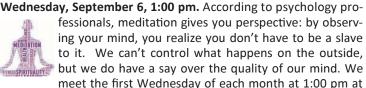
September 11 - Black Swan with Natalie Portman September 25 - Blue Valentine with Michelle Williams

**MASHPEE MEN'S CLUB** — We invite retired or semi-retired men over the age of 50 to join our club which meets on the first Tuesday of each month starting with coffee at 10:00 am followed by a brief business meeting at 10:30 and a speaker. We also have a variety of interesting trips on and off Cape each month. If you are a prospective member and would like to join our club, please contact new club president Bob MacColl at <a href="maccoll@comcast.net">irmaccoll@comcast.net</a>.

**BOOK CLUB** — The Book Club meets on the 3rd Friday of each month at 2:00 pm. Our selection for the September 15 meeting is A Long Way Home, a memoir written by Saroo Brierly. He relates his story of being lost as a five year old in Calcutta, India, being adopted by an Australian couple, and years later using modern technology, finding the way back to his original home and fami-

ly. It is an inspirational story of survival, triumph, hope, and family, celebrating the importance of never letting go of what drives the human spirit: hope. Please join us led by Volunteer Beryl Dwight.

## MEDITATION AT THE MASHPEE SENIOR CENTER





**FUEL ASSISTANCE** — It's that time of year again to watch your mail for your application to recertify for fuel assistance. If you have been receiving fuel assistance, it is now time to recertify for the 2017-2018 season. If you need help with this process, please call our Outreach Coordinator, Darlene Perkins, to set up an appointment. Along with the application you will need to send in all your **documentation:** 1) Last 4 weeks' gross income for everyone in the household 18 years and older; all income must be documented such as child support, odd jobs, veterans, pension, AFDC, Social Security, etc.; 2) Any adult receiving income for a minor must have proof of that income; 3) For the self employed, a copy of 2016 Federal Tax Return with pages and schedules; and 4) full time students need documentation from the school or college. You will also need 1) complete electric bill; 2) heating bill; 3) mortgage, homeowner's insurance, real estate tax or lease; photo ID; and 5) Social Security cards and birth dates for all in household. For new applications the process for applying starts November 1, 2017. Call Darlene Perkins for help or questions at (508) 539-1440.

## MEDICARE'S OPEN ENROLLMENT IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER...

SHINE Don't wait until it is too late! The Open Enrollment Period (October 15 – December 7, 2017) for Medicare Advantage Plans (Part C) and Prescription Drug Plans (Part D) will be here before you know it and it is very important to re-evaluate your Medicare options for 2018 during this period. Each year Medicare plans can change premiums, deductibles, co-pays and the prescription formulary (list of drugs they cover). In addition, Medicare Advantage Plans (HMOs, PPOs) often add and/or drop primary and specialty physicians, skilled nursing facilities and hospitals. Your current plan is required to notify you of the Annual Notice of Coverage (ANOC) by September 30 of any changes for the coming year. Please make sure you review it. If you decide to stay with your current plan, there is no further action required. If you switch your Medicare Advantage (Part C) or Medicare Prescription Drug (Part D) Plan during the Open Enrollment Period, it will take effect January 1, 2018. (Please note - this

enrollment period may not affect you if you have retiree coverage). SHINE appointments fill up quickly so don't forget to call the Senior Center late September or early October to make your SHINE appointment for this year's open enrollment. Remember — don't wait until it is too late. If you don't make a change during the Open Enrollment Period (October 15 - December 7, 2017), you may have to stay with your existing plan for another whole year.

Save the Dates! More info in the October Newsletter!							
Thursday, Oct. 12, 12:00 pm	How to get the most out of your smartphone with Greg McKelvey. Mashpee seniors only, please.	Thursday, Oct. 19, 2:30 pm	Silk Fairies Flower Class				
Mondays, 3-part series, Oct. 16, 23 and 30	An invitation to WWII and Korean War men and women veterans: Please join us to share wartime memories and reflect on friendships and experiences. There is transportation available for Mashpee seniors if needed. Please Rsvp to the front desk, light refreshments will be served. There is no charge for the discussion group series.	Thursday, Oct. 26, 10:00 am	Reaching Seniors Team. Presented by the Mashpee Council on Aging Outreach Coordinator and Mashpee Police Department Victim Advocate who will discuss how they can assist Mashpee seniors.				
Monday, Oct. 18, 1:00 pm	SHINE Open Enrollment Presentation	Tuesdays, Oct. 31 through Dec. 19, 1:30 pm	Matter of Balance: 1 hour info session from 1:30-2:30; 11/7-12/19 workshop from 1:30-3:30 pm				
Monday, Oct. 18, 10:00 am	Art Class: Painting Ceramic Tiles	Tuesday Oct. 31, 1:00 pm	Halloween Party with pumpkin carving and performance by Dave Valerio, keyboard performer.				

SEPTEMBER TRAVEL CLUB NEWS: Foxwoods 9/05, \$35; Peabody Essex Museum - Ocean Liners-Glamour, Speed and Style 9/08, \$69; Eastern States Exposition "Big E" Military Appreciation Day 9/15, \$59; Les Miserables Matinee at PPAC 9/24, \$95/\$118; Essex Rail and Sail w/lunch on Train 9/29. \$120; King Arthur Flour, Lunch, Shopping 10/06, \$115; Southern Vermont Foliage &

Lunch 10/13, \$109; Kinky Boots Matinee at PPAC 12/09, \$76/\$110; Love Never Dies (Phantom Sequel) Matinee at PPAC 12/30, \$80/\$115; Beautiful - The Carole King Musical at PPAC 3/01/18, \$80/\$115; On Your Feet-Gloria Estefan Musical Boston Opera House, 1 pm, orchestra, 4/22, \$120; On Sale 9/15, Holiday Pops Boston! For a complete listing of all trips stop by the Senior Center or visit adventures with karynwendell.com. Karyn is here Thursdays from 9:00 am to 11:00 am. For more information, contact Karyn Wendell at (508) 420-5288 - Karynmw1@comcast.net. Mail payments for travel to Karyn Wendell, P. O. Box 161, Centerville, MA 02632. See "Adventures with Karyn" ad every Sunday in the Cape Cod Times.

# Health, Wellness, and Appointments

ASK-A-NURSE — Julie Pursel, Mashpee Town Nurse — VNA of Cape Cod, Friday, September 22, 9:00 — 10:00 am.

Hi! I am Julie Pursel, Public Health and Wellness RN with the VNA of Cape Cod. I am at the Mashpee Senior Center on the 4th Friday of every month from 9:00 to 10:00 am. Are you on blood

pressure medication? Would you like to have your blood pressure monitored? Do you have any questions about any of the medications that you take? Do you have guestions about your diet or need tips on how to vantage of this free service at the Senior Center and stop by!

Health tips (Removing a Tick, Mayo Clinic, June 2017)

If you find a tick on your skin, remove it as quickly as possible using these tips:

- Grasp the tick as close to your skin's surface as possible, using tweezers if available. If mouth parts do remain in the skin, leave the area alone and let the skin heal. Your body will expel the mouth parts over alcohol or soap and water.
- Place the tick in a plastic bag in case you develop any of the symptoms including a characteristic rash shaped like a bulls eye. Bring the tick with you when you see your doctor.
- If the tick that is very swollen and engorged with your blood, discuss with your doctor whether an antibiotic such as doxycycline (Monodox, Vibramycin, others) should be prescribed to prevent Lyme disease.
- Prevent ticks from getting to your skin by wearing light colored long sleeves and pants, shoes and socks. Remember to check yourself, family members and your pets after being outdoors.

#### CARES PROGRAM — HOPE DEMENTIA & ALZHEIMER'S SERVICES

This program is specifically for people with memory impairment and their

care partners. Wednesdays, September 13 and 27, 1:30 pm — 3:30 pm. CARES provides an opportunity for families affected by memory impairment to participate in two separate support groups — held simultaneously — that provide information, guidance, and respite to care partners, and conversation and socialization for those with memory im-



pairment. The sessions are available at the Senior Center on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and  $4^{th}$  Wednesday each month from 1:30 — 3:30 pm. To register or for more information please call Hope Dementia & Alzheimer's Services at (508) 775-5656.

PARKINSON SUPPORT GROUP — Thursday, September 14, 10:00 am. Parkinson Support Network

Join us for the monthly Parkinson support



group at the Mashpee Senior Center (2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month). For information,

please contact Jeanne Jackson at (508) 367-4267.

HEARING TESTS — Wednesday, September 6, 11:00 am — 1:00 ☐ pm by appointment. Please call the Mashpee Senior Center at (508) 539-1440 or stop by to schedule an appointment. Available the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month.



FOOT CARE — Wednesday, September 20, 10:00 am — 3:30 pm by appointment. There is a fee. Call the Mashpee Senior Center at (508) 539-1440 to make an appointment. Available the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month.

**LEGAL ASSISTANCE** — We are fortunate to have attorneys that visit the Senior Center on a monthly basis. Their appointment schedules are always completely booked. Please be aware that these appointments are

for Mashpee seniors only, for consultations only, and not for dealing with on-going legal issues. We respectfully request that you limit your appointments during the year so that others may be accommodated. The Attorney and the fields that each would feel most qualified to assist seniors with by appointment are:



Atty. Thomas Kosman of SCCLS: Monday, September 25, 10:00 am -The South Coastal Counties Legal Services, Inc. (SCCLS) Elder Law Project manage your diabetes? We can discuss these and other health concerns has attorneys who visit Cape and Islands senior centers weekly including or questions you may have. No appointment is necessary — take ad- Mashpee and provide legal services to elders who are economically or socially disadvantaged. Priority areas include housing, government benefits, Medicare, Medicaid, reverse mortgage counseling, and general health law concerns. (4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month)

> Atty. Michael Lavender: Tuesday, September 5, 1:00 pm — General legal problems, trusts, wills, estate planning and settlement. (1st Tuesday of each month)

Atty. Patricia Mello's office: Tuesday, September 12, 9:00 am - Wills, time. After removal, clean the area with an antiseptic such as rubbing health care choices, nursing home/Medicaid planning, estate planning, asset protection, guardianships. (2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month)

> Please try to consider the urgent questions that you have and try to choose the appropriate attorney. PLEASE NOTE: The lawyers do not handle questions regarding criminal matters.

INDEPENDENCE HOUSE RELATIONSHIP EDUCATION AND ADVOCACY -

Friday, September 8 10:00 am. Independence House, Inc., is the only comprehensive community-based organization on Cape Cod providing free and confidential specialized services and programs for adults, teens and children (ages 6 and up) who are survivors of or affected by domestic and sexual violence. Anyone who has experienced abuse in the past or present



or has a friend that is experiencing abuse can call its toll free hotline at (800) 439-6507 to speak confidentially to a counselor. Independence House has a representative at the Mashpee Senior Center every 2nd Friday from 10:00 am - 12 noon who will be available for sharing information, answering questions and assisting individuals with relationship concerns, as needed. Appointments are not necessary; just stop by.

MASHPEE SUBSTANCE USE TASK FORCE DROP-IN NIGHT — First Tuesday of every month, 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm, Location: Community Health Center of Cape Cod/Mashpee, 107 Commercial Street, Mashpee, Phone: (508)



www.jwen.com/sls/.

477-7090. Community Health Center of Cape Cod hosts a substance use drop-in night the first Tuesday of every month. The drop-in nights takes place from 4:00 — 8:00 pm at the Health Center's Mashpee location at 107 Commercial Street. Launched by the Mashpee Substance Use Task Force, the drop-in night provides treatment options, counseling and education to individuals and families

struggling with substance use and addiction. This drop-in center model is the first of its kind on Cape Cod. Cost: Free; no rsvp is required. Outreach Coordinator, Darlene Perkins, is a member of the task force and is participating in the drop-in nights.

SIGHT LOSS SERVICES PEER SUPPORT GROUP - Friday, September 22, 10:00 am. This support group meets at the Mashpee Senior Center on the 4th Friday of every month from 10:00 am - 12:00 noon This group is open to anyone with vision issues from diagnosis to legal blindness and provides access and information on services available. For more information, call Sight Loss Services at (508) 394-3904 or visit their website:



## **Mashpee Council on Aging Regular Events**

Activities are held weekly unless indicated otherwise by a specific week in parentheses ( ).

MONDAYS		TUESDAYS		WEDNESDAYS	
8:30-9:30 9:00-12:00 9:45-11:00 10:00-11:30 11:00-12:00 12:30-4:00 12:30-3:00 1:00-4:00	Strength Training PC Laptop Skills (1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> ) * Gentle Yoga Atty Kosman (4 <sup>th</sup> ) * Chair Yoga Mah Jongg Pinochle Hand and Foot/Pony Canasta	8:30-9:30 9:00-12:00 9:00-11:00 10:00-12:00 11:00-12:00 11:00-2:00 1:00-4:00 1:00-3:00 1:00-3:00 1:00-3:00 2:30-3:30	Exercise Woodcarving Atty Mello (2 <sup>nd</sup> ) * Men's Club (1 <sup>st</sup> ) Zumba Gold Sea Mist Swimming *** SHINE * Watercolor Painters Scrabble Atty Lavender (1 <sup>st</sup> ) * Aerobics for the Brain (2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> )	8:30-9:30 10:00-3:30 10:00-12:00 1:00-3:00 11:00-1:00 1:00-2:00 1:00-3:00 12:30-3:00 1:30-3:30 2:30-4:30	Strength Training Foot Care Clinic (3 <sup>rd</sup> ) * Painting Painting Hearing Tests (1st) Line Dancing Meditation (1 <sup>st</sup> ) Canasta CARES Support Group (2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> ) Tai Chi for Healthy Aging **
THURSDAYS			FRIDAYS		SATURDAYS
8:30-9:30 9:00-12:00 9:30-11:30 10:00-11:30 11:00-2:00 12:00-2:00 12:15-1:15 1:00-2:30 1:00-4:00 7:00-9:30	Exercise SHINE * Mashpee Singing Seniors Cribbage Parkinson Support Network (2 <sup>nd</sup> ) Sea Mist Swimming *** PC and Gadgets * Ballroom Dancing Sketching Social Bridge Tai Chi (Beginners, please come 1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs)	8:30-9:30 9:00-10:00 9:15 9:45-10:45 10:00-11:30 10:00-12:00 11:00-12:00 12:30-4:00 1:15- 3:30 2:00-3:00	Strength Training Ask-A-Nurse (4 <sup>th</sup> ) Bowling (Ryan Amusements) Ageless Yoga Neighborhood Sight Loss Services Spt. Group (4 <sup>th</sup> ) Independence House Relationship Education and Advocacy (2 <sup>nd</sup> ) Zumba Gold Mah Jongg Veterans Services (1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> ) * Book Club (3 <sup>rd</sup> )	8:30-9:30 Exercise  NOTES:  1. Transportation is available for activities, either through our van or Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority at (800) 352-7155.  2. Activities are held weekly unless indicated otherwise by a specific week in parentheses ( ).  * Appointments required; please call the Senior Center (508) 539-1440 or stop by the front desk to schedule  **Waiting list sign up required. Please stop by the front desk or contact the Mashpee Senior Center at (508) 539-1440 to add your name to the wait list.  *** Open to Mashpee seniors only. Please stop by the Front Desk at the Senior Center to complete a liability form prior to going to Sea Mist for swimming.	

## **Ongoing Activities Spotlight**

PC and Gadgets Clinic	Thursdays, 12:00— 2:00 by appointment	The "Gadget Guy" will answer your questions about your gadgets (cell phones, GPS, email, Facebook, etc.). Please bring your devices fully charged, power sources are limited.  No charge <i>Mashpee seniors only, please</i> .
Veteran's Services	1st and 3rd Friday by appointment	Veterans' services officers (VSO) in the Commonwealth help veterans learn about, apply for, and in some cases receive benefits. If you are a veteran or a spouse of a veteran, meet with one of the representatives at the Mashpee Senior Center. No charge.
PC Laptop Skills	1st and 3rd Monday by appointment	PC Laptop Users — (NOT APPLE) — Upgrade/improve your email, word processing, or spread-sheet skills on YOUR OWN LAPTOP. One-on-one coaching appointments with Volunteer Ray Goodale.

### Mashpee Police Department's Tip of the Month

Mashpee Police Department continues to receive reports of the grandparent, Sheriff's Department, Eversource and IRS scams. NEVER give out any personal information over the telephone or provide money through gift cards. Recently, in other counties in Massachusetts, scammers are using technology known as "spoofing" to make it appear the calls are coming from the local senior center. Trust your

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instincts, if you feel uncomfortable with a call or the scammer is trying to bully information out of you, HANG UP! REMEMBER, you don't have to answer the telephone, let it go to the answering machine. If you do answer, DO NOT disclose any personal information such as your date of birth, social security number, bank account or credit card numbers. Any questions please contact Special Officer and Advocate Tara Carline at (508) 539-1480, ext 7253.

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## MASHPEE SENIOR CENTER VAN SERVICE

DOOR TO DOOR SERVICE! Are you getting tired of driving? Reluctant to drive in bad weather? Or just trying to save on gas? Don't be shy, give us a try; you're sure to love our van service! Are you looking for a ride to a doctor's appointment, hair salon appointment, rehab appointment or for some other appointment in the towns we serve? How about shopping trips? We will pick you up at your home, drop you off at your appointment, and then bring you back home when you are finished! Here is our schedule; come join us. The van will take you wherever you wish to go in each town it serves. To schedule rides, please call our receptionist at (508) 539-1440 at least 24 hours ahead of time. Our van cannot guarantee time of pick up or drop off.

PLEASE NOTE: The van is handicapped-accessible with a wheelchair lift. If not in a wheelchair, riders must have independent mobility as safety is very important to us. We ask that if you need assistance, aides and companions are welcome to ride our van with you. Please include this information in your van reservation. If you need special assistance, please contact Darlene Perkins, Outreach Coordinator, at (508) 539-1440. Van rides are free of charge. Donations are gratefully accepted. If we are not able to meet your transportation need, please call the Cape's public transportation service, the Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority (CCRTA) at (800) 352-7155 for a ride.

Mashpee and Sandwich — Weekly — Mondays. Please make appointments between 10:00 am and 1:30 pm.	Mashpee only — Weekly — Wednesdays, Thursdays (except 2nd and 3rd Thursdays), Fridays (except last Friday). Please note that Wednesdays are food pantry days. Please make appointments between 10:00 am and 1:30 pm.
Falmouth — Weekly — Tuesdays. Please make Falmouth appointments between 10:30 am and noon.	Sagamore — Bourne — Sandwich — Once a month — 2nd Thursday of each month. Please make appointments between 10:30 am and noon
Hyannis — Once a month — 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month. Please make Hyannis appointments between 10:30 am and noon.	<b>SPECIAL MONTHLY OUTING</b> — On the last Friday of each month, you can ride the van to our "Day Trip Town of the Month." <b>Join us on September 29 to go to Dennis/Dennis Port.</b> Please plan to meet at the Mashpee Senior Center for a 9:00 am departure.

## CAPE COD REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY (CCRTA) INFORMATION

The Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority (CCRTA) has been providing public transportation services since 1976 to residents and visitors for all 15 Cape Cod communities. Dial-A-Ride Transportation (DART) Service is a daily general public service that is a door-to-door, ride-by-appointment, transportation service. This service is available to all Cape Cod residents for any purpose. Boston Hospital Transportation is a transportation service to Boston area hospitals that runs Monday through Friday, by reservation. For more information, please call the toll free number (800) 352-7155;

local number (508) 385-1430; or TTY: (800) 439-0183 or visit its website: http://www.capecodtransit.org/.



Did you miss some of your summer activities? They are back in September! Here are the activities that are scheduled to resume in September:

- Mashpee Singing Seniors Thursdays, 9:30 11:30 am, resumes September 14
- Bowling Fridays, 9:15 am, resumes September 8
- Sea Mist Swimming Tuesdays and Thursdays, 11:00 am 2:00 pm, resumes September 8
- ◆ Sight Loss Services Support Group 4th Friday, 10:00 11:30 am, resumes September 22
- ◆ PC and Gadgets Clinic Thursdays, 12:00 2:00 pm, resumes September 14

- ◆ PC Laptop Skills 1st and 3rd Monday, 9:00 am 12:00 pm, resumes September 18
- Sketching Thursday, 1:00 2:30 pm, resumes September 21 through October 18

# **Emergency Preparedness**



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HURRICANE SEASON CONTINUES THROUGH NOVEMBER 30, and now is the time to prepare in case Mother Nature pays us an unwelcome visit. You can find detailed preparedness information on the National Weather Service's website: http:// and FEMA's at

www.nhc.noaa.gov/prepare/ready.php ready.gov site for hurricanes http://www.ready.gov/hurricanes. To prepare for a hurricane, here are some of the following measures to take to protect you and your family:

Build an emergency kit and make a family communications plan; learn community hurricane evacuation routes and how to find higher ground. Determine where you would go and how you would get there if you needed to evacuate; make plans to secure your property; be sure trees and shrubs around your home are well trimmed so they are more wind resistant; clear loose and clogged rain gutters and downspouts; plan to bring in all outdoor furniture, decorations, garbage cans and anything else that is not tied down.

And don't forget about your pets! Check out Cape Cod DART. at www.capecoddart.org for complete details, but here are some basics: Know which shelters in your area are pet-friendly. If you go to a shelter, if possible bring a crate for your pet. Prepare an emergency go-kit for your pet including at least 3 days of food in an airtight, waterproof container, at least 3 days of water specifically for your pets, and an extra supply of your pet's meds in a waterproof container. List the name and contact information for your pet's veterinarian. Keep up-to-date copies of your pet's registration information, adoption papers, vaccination documents and medical records in a clean plastic bag or waterproof container in your kit.

Local Shelters (which ones will be designated as pet-friendly will be determined at the time of the emergency)

- ♦ Barnstable Intermediate School, 895 Falmouth Road, Hyannis
- ◆ Falmouth High School, 874 Gifford Street, Falmouth
- ◆ Sandwich High School, 365 Quaker Meetinghouse Road, Sandwich

Do you know about all the different things that are available to keep you informed with activities, education, and entertainment at the Mashpee Senior Center?

- ♦ Mashpee Enterprise: Every Friday the Mashpee Enterprise newspaper's column called "Mashpee Senior Center" lists the activities at the Mashpee Senior Center. You can check it out in the newsletter or find it on the Mashpee Enterprise website.
- Mashpee Council on Aging/Senior Center Website: The website will keep you current with News and Announcements, Monthly Newsletter, Council on Aging Meeting Minutes, Frequently Asked Questions, Directory of Service Providers for Elders, and Mashpee Senior Center Activities. Check out the calendar on the website to show you the activities at the Senior Center.



**BOWLING IS STARTING AGAIN THIS MONTH!** Join us each Friday at 9:15 am. For questions, please call Volunteer Leader, Lorraine Malcolm (508-477-7346) for information. It's a fun-loving great group of seniors, and it's also a great way to exercise. Join in the fun — preregistration not required; just show up and join in! Beginners are welcome. Our regular bowlers are happy to tutor newcomers. There is a fee (includes shoes).



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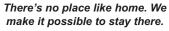
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