



SENIOR SPARKS

VOLUME 39 ISSUE 5 MANSFIELD SENIOR CENTER ASSOCIATION, INC. MAY 2013
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“Spring Bazaar”

at the Mansfield Senior Center

Saturday, May 4th, 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

***White Elephant, Jewelry
Hand-Knitted/Crocheted Items, Toys
Books, Fine Gifts, & so much more ...***

***Bring your friends and brighten your spring with the wonderful
treasures you will find at our Spring Bazaar,
and stay for lunch, too!***

We will gladly accept bake sale items (individually packaged, please)
the day before or the morning of the sale.

Call 860-429-0262x0 for further information.

We look forward to seeing you!

HIGHLIGHTS FROM CLIR MAY– JUNE, 2013

With only one exception, CLIR will be specializing in single-session offerings during the months of May and June. They all sound fascinating, so here is the listing, without further ado, leading off with the one multi-session class. You may register by calling 860-486-3331.

19th-Century U. S. Medicine from a Feminist Perspective: This period saw the transformation of medicine from an unclaimed field of work to its recognition as a profession of profound science. After an historical overview, participants will read male and female authors who were instrumental in effecting the transformation. Presented by Sharon Harris, Director of Humanities Institute and Professor of English, UConn. Tuesdays, June 4 through 18, 1:15 – 2:45 PM.

The Day the Sky Went Dark: Presented by historic disaster specialists Mayor Ernie Eldridge and Anita Sebestyen. The subject is the Halifax, Nova Scotia Disaster of 1917, when the town was leveled by a big bang from a supply ship in the harbor. Tues., May 14, 1:15 – 2:45 PM.

Recent Art & Writing: Willimantic artist Dick Wolf will show and discuss his recent children's book, "Philip the Famous" and some of his other recent works. Wed., May 15, 1:15 – 2:45 PM.

Jews Didn't Invent Gefilte Fish; Irish Didn't Eat Corned Beef: A round-table discussion led by our own Betty Heiss, lover of food and student of ethnicity, centered around Jane Ziegelman's book, "97 Orchard, an Edible History of Five Immigrant Families in One New York Tenement." Monday, May 20, 1:15 – 2:45 PM.

My Sea Turtle Adventure: David Corsini, Emeritus of Family Studies at UConn, will tell about a nine-day Costa Rican Sea Turtle expedition as an Earthwatch volunteer. Tuesday, May 21, 10:15 – 11:45 AM.

The Appreciation of Art: Art appreciation is a skill that has to be personally learned. Paul Zelanski, artist and Emeritus of Art, UConn, argues that it begins by looking with awareness, and then evolves with exposure and knowledge. Wed, May 22, 1:15 – 2:45 PM.

The U.S. Economy: Where We've Been, Where We Are, and Where We May Be Going: Economist David Edens considers the nature of the Great Recession, why it has been relatively slow, and the prospects for full recovery. Wed, May 29, 1:15 – 2:45 PM.

Health Care Ethics: Robert McCarthy, Dean of the School of Pharmacy and Vice Provost for Engagement, UConn, asks "How do we honestly treat all parties in health care: patients, the many care providers, the public, and the system as a whole?" Wed., June 5, 10:15 – 11:45 AM.

Attila the Hun and the Roman Empires: Born a barbarian, educated in Rome, this ruler threatened both the Eastern and the Western Roman Empires. Dr. Ron Barks, lecturer on "Asian Invasions of Europe," and other history, argues that the effects of his invasion linger to this day. Thurs., June 6, 10:15 – 11:45 AM.

Editing a Progressive Catholic Newspaper in a Time of Regression: Kathleen McGrory, Pres. Emerita of Hartford College for Women and Adjunct Professor of English, ECSU, a former nun and still a member of the Church in good standing, edited and helped found a newspaper with a diverse readership. In a round-table format, participants will identify the major issues causing a split in the Roman Catholic Church today. Wed., June 12, 10:15 – 11:45 AM.

A 1916 Ford Model T World War I Ambulance Attends the Obama Inauguration: George King III, retired as Chief Engineer for Projects at Mystic Seaport and as manager of their engine collection, also has a company, Connecticut Antique Engine Restoration in North Franklin. He recreated the historically accurate ambulance that appeared in the Inauguration Parade and will drive it to class so that all may marvel at it. Wed., June 19, 10:15 – 11:45 AM.

Mansfield Senior Center

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Hours: Monday to Friday
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The Municipal Agent for the Elderly, & Director, Dept. of Human Services: Kevin Grunwald, MSW, (860) 429-3315.

Transportation: Dial-a-Ride Transportation & Medical Transport outside the Dial-a-Ride Region: (860) 456-1462, **48 hours** in advance.

Where's Waldo?!

Find the hidden item somewhere in this issue, and send in the answer on the entry form to: Mansfield Senior Center/MSCA, 303 Maple Road, Storrs CT 06268, by May 7th, or drop in the box at the Front Desk, in order to qualify for the drawing. We will draw one name from all of the correct entries, and that person will win a free lunch on the Association here at the Center. The May winner will be announced in the June issue of *Sparks*. Please, only one entry per person. Good luck!

April Winner: Wilhelmina Gore
Congratulations!

"Hidden Item" Entry Form

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Correct Page & Where: _____

Hidden Item: the word "nuts"

MISCELLANY

Thank You

Many thanks to John Adamcik, Jim Campetelle, June Curtis, Beryl Griffin, Sam Gordon, Alice Jansen, Sue Kwastel, Karen Peters, and Svein Winther for collating the April issue of *Sparks*. *Thanks so very much!*

Welcome to the
newest members
of the

Mansfield Senior Center
Association:

Kathleen Dochter
Mary Ann & Butch Simpson
Donna Linkkila



Senior Hobby Display Case

Share your talent!

*“Carved Elephant Herd” &
“Carved Nativity Scenes
by Frank Trainor”*

- Courtesy of Marilyn Gerling

Please let Linda know if you have items you would like to display.

Genealogy Group

The Genealogy Group with Helen Collins meets on Tuesday, May 14th, at 10:00 AM. Everyone is welcome to this informal group, no matter what your level of genealogy is. Join us!

Sparks Submissions

Please submit your articles, in writing, for the June newsletter by May 7th. Thank you.

KAY WARREN - TRAVEL CHAIR - “LET’S GO!”

Hello Tripsters! The following trips have been planned at the Mansfield Senior Center. The flyers are now available at the Mansfield Senior Center. To sign up for a day trip you need to send in, or bring in, your \$25.00 deposit; for any overnight trip, the down payment is \$75.00. If you wish to purchase insurance, that money has to accompany your deposit. Any trip can be put on a payment plan—just ask me. Most trips are payable in full 30 days before the trip. Save these dates:

~ Wednesday, May 8th: **The Lucky Lobster & Mohegan Sun Casino.** Two meals plus casino benefits. \$67.00.

~ Thursday, June 27th: **Newport RI Luncheon Cruise** and a tour of **Rosecliff**, the mansion that *The Great Gatsby* was filmed. \$92.00.

~ Saturday, July 13th: **Block Island.** Luncheon at the famous National Hotel plus a guided tour of Block Island. Three main courses to choose from. \$94.00.

~ Thursday, August 8th: **Triple Lobster** or Prime Rib w/Polynesian Show at the Hu-Ke-Lau in Chicopee, MA. \$80.00.

~ Saturday, September 7th: **9/11 Memorial in New York.** Lunch at Houlihan’s in NJ with five main courses to choose from. Visit to the Teardrop Statue. \$72.00.

~ Tuesday, October 8th: **Vermont Foliage.** Visit Kringle Candle Co., and wine tasting and tour at Honora Winery. \$81.00.

~ Thursday, November 14th: **Clams & Casino at Capt. Jack’s** with a visit to the Mohegan Sun casino. Two meals with casino benefits. \$67.00.

~ Tuesday, December 10th: **1716 Concord Colonial Inn Christmas.** Visit Orchard House, the home that Louisa May Alcott lived and wrote Little Women and a stop at Colonial Candies. \$81.00.

My hours will be M-W-F, 9:00 AM-2:00 PM. Call the Travel Desk at **860-429-0262x6**, or call me at home at **860-487-3744**. For meal choices on the trips, please see the flyer or call me. Any suggestions for trips for next year please let me know or put a message in my mailbox at the Center. Thank you.

Kay Warren, Trip Coordinator, Mansfield Senior Center Association

In Memory Of

Joyce Roscoe
Vivian Putnam
Gwen Duff



BLUEBERRY STUDY

Blueberries must be ordered by
Tuesday, May 7th, 12:00 PM

NO EXCEPTIONS!

Blueberry pick-up is
Friday, May 17th, 11:00 AM

Blueberries are available to study participants only; however, you may become a new participant in the study by contacting Howard Raphaelson.

**Mansfield Senior Center Association, Inc.
Proposed Budget for FY 2013/2014**

Budget Items	Budget
Income	
Assoc. Income	\$ 500.00
Bread	\$ 300.00
Bridge	\$ 200.00
Cards	\$ 200.00
Coffee	\$ 200.00
Donations	\$ 250.00
Jewelry	\$ 300.00
Knitting	\$ 500.00
Sparks Sales	\$ 300.00
Sparks Subscriptions	\$ 3,500.00
Special Lunch Income	\$ 1,600.00
Travel	\$ 2,000.00
z Craft Fairs (2)	\$ 530.00
z Holiday Bazaar	\$ 1,850.00
z Spring Bazaar	\$ 1,500.00
Total Income	\$ 13,730.00
Expenses	
Assoc. Expense	\$ 500.00
Food supplies	\$ 1,750.00
Insurance	\$ 830.00
Music	\$ 500.00
Paper goods	\$ 350.00
Program Entertainment	\$ 3,500.00
Sparks Expenses	\$ 3,800.00
Special Lunch Expenses	\$ 1,600.00
Ways and means expenses	\$ 600.00
Petty Cash	\$ 300.00
Total Expenses	\$ 13,730.00

CALL TO MEETING

All Mansfield Senior Center Association Members:

The Mansfield Senior Center Association's Annual Association Meeting will be **Wednesday, June 12, 2013, at 12:00 PM**. There are items to discuss and vote upon, to include the annual proposed budget and the election of officers for the MSCA's Executive Board. The newly elected officers shall then assume their duties effective July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2015. We encourage all Association members to attend this important annual meeting. ***(Please note that the annual Spring Banquet will also be held at the same time.)***

Slate of Officers

The Nominating Committee of the MSCA has selected the following to be nominated to fill the corresponding Executive Board positions:

President: Rita Braswell

Vice President:

Secretary: Beverly Gotch

Treasurer: Michael Beschler

Finance Officer: Don Stitts

Member-at-Large:

In accordance with Article X. Nominations and Elections, Section 2, of the MSCA's by-laws: **"Nominations may be made from the floor at the Annual meeting, provided the consent of the nominee has been secured."**



Come visit our beautiful adult community and meet many of our members enjoying life with friends and neighbors.

Refreshments will be served.

Please call 860-429-2202 with any questions.

*** Glen Ridge Community ***

**Open House Invitation
*in the Community Room***

11 Sycamore Drive, Storrs, CT
(one mile west of the Mansfield Community Center)

SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 2013

2:00 to 4:00 PM

WELLNESS PROGRAMS & SUPPORT GROUPS

Please call Kathy Yaffee at 860-429-0262, ext. 4, Monday through Thursday, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM, to schedule appointments with the providers listed below, unless otherwise noted.

ADULT HEALTH SCREENINGS by VNA East Nurse Mary Hess. Nominal charges for blood pressure, cholesterol, HDL cholesterol, blood glucose, earwax, and foot care. Checks payable to VNA East. May 15th. **Note:** Beginning in May, Mary will be coming to the Center once a month only.

CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP with Kevin Grunwald usually meets the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 PM. This month's meeting is May 16th.

FREE BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM, offered by Interim Health Care. No appointments necessary.

ELDERCARE LAW with Attorney Gates from CT Legal Services provided free to people 60 years or older, usually the fourth Monday of each month, 1:00-3:00 PM. May 20th.

FOOTCARE with Dr. Walter, Podiatrist, Tuesday, May 7th, beginning at 9:00 AM. Medicare will be billed if you are eligible. Dr. Walter carries Dr. Comfort shoes, including M/C Diabetic shoes.

JIN SHIN JYSUTSU one Tuesday per month from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Call Kathy for your 50-minute session appointment. Cost is \$20.00 payable to the practitioner, June. Tuesday, May 21st.

LOW VISION GROUP with Kevin Grunwald on Monday, May 13th, at 11:00 AM.

MINI-SPA from 9:00 AM to noon. May 13th & July 8th. Call Kathy for your appointment. Haircuts by Michelle, and nails by Hope.

M.S. SUPPORT GROUP normally meets the second Tuesday of each month in the Craft Room from 6:30 to 8:00 PM. The group will meet May 14th. For more information, please contact Joan at 860-429-7271 or Jennifer at 860-450-0530.

***New* REFLEXOLOGY:** Please join Hope Charette, currently in training for Reflexology and needs to get in some hours. She will be here from 9:00 AM to noon on Monday, May 20th. Please call Kathy Yaffee for your appointment.

Conversation with Betty

Usually the first Thursday of the month from 11:00 AM to Noon, Mansfield Wellness Center

Thursday, May 2nd:

"My Pet Peeves"

(*ex: last night's dishes ...*)

Thursday, June 13th (second Thursday):

"Aging: How I'm Dealing with It"

Everyone welcome for this friendly, lively discussion. Please call Betty at 860-429-6324 if you have any questions.

A.A.R.P. Spring & Fall Driver Safety Courses

taught by Lynne White, District Coordinator,
at the Mansfield Senior Center

Tuesday, November 12th, 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

\$12.00 A.A.R.P. Members (*please bring your card*)
& \$14.00 Non-Members

Payable to the class instructor at the time of the course; however, please call the Mansfield Senior Center at 860-429-0262, ext. 0, to sign up. Class is limited to 25, so please sign up early.

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CLASS UPDATES

- * Bridge with Chinky will be discontinued at the end of May.
- * Drawing/Watercolors with Bill will be discontinued at the end of May.
- * Gentle Yoga with Sharon will be discontinued at the end of May.

The classes above are being discontinued/combined due to lack of enough participation in these programs. We do wish to extend our thanks to the instructors.

DESPERATELY SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

Receptionists needed for Monday and Tuesday AM shifts. Training will be provided. 9:00 AM to Noon. Substitutes needed, too! Please call 860-429-0262x3.

Meals-on-Wheels Drivers substitutes needed. One hour in the morning. Training provided. Please call 860-429-0262x8.

Volunteers for the Computer Committee to teach, assist w/teaching, or just helping out. Please call 860-429-0262x7.

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SAT. & SUN.

May 2013

*"What potent blood
hath modest May"*

~ Ralph W. Emerson

1.
9:15 & 10:15-T'ai Chi
10:00-Writing Group
11:30-12:30-Blood Pressure
12:00-Causeries en Français
12:00-Birthday Lunch
12:30-Van Run to Big Y
1:00-Sr. Police Academy
6:30-9:00-Evening
Quilting w/Pat

2. 8:30-Strength/Stability
9:00-Yoga w/Sharon
10:00-Sparkettes / Wii Bowl
10:00-Quilting w/Pat
10:00-Bridge w/Chinky
11:00-Conversation w/Betty
11:30-Foodshare
12:00-Lunch & Food for
Thought with Beth Hankins
12:30-Strength & Toning
1:00-Bridge 1:00-Jewelry
2:30-Wii Bowl
3:15-Senior Aerobics
5:30-6:30-Picnic Dinner
6:30-Dick Santi Orchestra

3.
9:00-T'ai Chi
10:00-Scrabble
10:00-Knitting &
Crocheting
10:00-Photo Club
10:15-Zumba Gold
12:00-Lunch
1:00-Art Studio
Bazaar Set Up

4. Saturday
Spring Bazaar
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

5. Sunday

6.
9:00 & 10:00-
T'ai Chi
10:00-Sparkettes
10:00-Art Studio
10:00-Computer Help
12:00-Lunch
1:00-Mahjongg
1:30-Chorus
3:15-Senior Aerobics

7.
8:30-Strength/Stability
9:00-Dr. Walter
10:00-Scrabble
10:00-Wii Bowl
10:30-Watercolors w/Bill
11:00-Ways & Means
12:00-Lunch
12:30-Strength & Toning
1:00-Bingo
2:30-Computer Mtg.

8.
AM Trip to Lucky Lobster
9:15 & 10:15-T'ai Chi
10:00-Writing Group
10:15-Executive Board
12:00-Causeries en Français
12:00-Lunch
12:30-Van Run to Library
1:00-Sr. Police Academy
2:00-Non-Fict. Book Clb.
6:30-9:00-TNT Quilters

9.
8:30-Strength/Stability
9:00-Yoga w/Sharon
10:00-Sparkettes
10:00-Wii Bowl
10:00-Bridge w/Chinky
10:00-Quilting w/Pat
12:00-Lunch & Food for
Thought with Beth Hankins
12:30-Strength & Toning
1:00-Bridge
1:00-Jewelry
2:30-Wii Bowl
3:15-Senior Aerobics

10.
9:00-T'ai Chi
10:00-Scrabble
10:00-Knitting &
Crocheting
10:15-Zumba Gold
10:30-Tour of Mansfield
Big Y & Snack
12:00-Lunch
1:00-Art Studio

11. Saturday

12. Sunday



*Mother's
Day*

13.
9:00 & 10:00-T'ai Chi
9:00-Mini Spa
10:00-Sparkettes
10:00-Art Studio
10:00-Computer Help
11:00-Low Vision
12:00-Lunch
1:00-Mahjongg
1:30-Chorus
3:15-Senior Aerobics

14.
8:30-Strength/Stability
9:00-Internet Class
10:00-Genealogy
10:00-Scrabble
10:00-Wii Bowl
10:30-Watercolors w/Bill
12:00-Lunch
12:30-Strength & Toning
1:00-Bingo
6:30-9:00-M.S. Spt. Grp.

15. 8:30-VNA East
9:15 & 10:15-T'ai Chi
10:00-Writing Group
11:30-1230-Blood Pressure
12:00-Causeries en Français
12:00-Lunch
12:30-Van Run to Library
12:45-Entertainers
Atwater-Donnelly
1:30-Sr. Police Academy
2:00-Red Hatters
6:30-9:00-Evening
Quilting w/Pat

16.
8:30-Strength/Stability
9:00-Yoga w/Sharon
10:00-Sparkettes / Wii Bowl
10:00-Quilting w/Pat
10:00-Bridge w/Chinky
11:30-Foodshare
12:00-Lunch & Food for
Thought with Beth Hankins
12:30-Strength & Toning
1:00-Bridge 1:00-Jewelry
2:30-Wii Bowl
3:15-Senior Aerobics
6:30-Caregiver's Spt. Grp.

17. 9:00-T'ai Chi
10:00-Scrabble
10:00-Knitting/
Crocheting
10:00-Photo Club
10:15-Zumba Gold
11:00-Blueberry Pick Up
12:00-No Lunch Today
(TVCCA Program Closed)
1:00-Art Studio
1:00-Duplicate Bridge

18. Saturday
Armed Forces Day



19. Sunday

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SAT. & SUN.

20.
 9:00 & 10:00-T'ai Chi
 9:00-12:00-
 Reflexology
 10:00-Sparkettes
 10:00-Art Studio
 10:00-Computer Help
 12:00-Lunch
 1:00-Mahjongg
 1:00-Atty. Gates
 1:30-Chorus
 3:15-Senior Aerobics

21.
 8:30-Strength/Stability
 9:00-Internet Class
 9:00-Jin Shin Jysutsu
 9:30-Van Trip to Outlets
 10:00-Scrabble
 10:00-Wii Bowl
 10:30-Watercolors w/Bill
 12:00-Lunch
 12:30-Strength & Toning
 1:00-Bingo
 1:00-Word 2010 Class
 1:00-Program Planning

22.
 9:15 & 1-15-T'ai Chi
 10:00-Writing Group
 12:00-Causeries en
 Français
 12:00-Lunch
 12:30-Van Run to Library
 1:00-Sr. Police Academy
 Graduation
 2:00-Non-Fiction
 Book Club
 6:30-9:00-TNT Quilters

23.
 8:30-Strength/Stability
 9:00-Yoga w/Sharon
 10:00-Sparkettes
 10:00-Wii Bowl
 10:00-Bridge w/Chinky
 10:00-Quilting w/Pat
 12:00-Lunch & Food for
 Thought with Beth Hankins
 12:30-Strength & Toning
 1:00-Bridge 1:00-Jewelry
 1:00-Word 2010 Class
 2:30-Wii Bowl
 3:15-Senior Aerobics

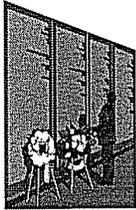
24.
 9:00-T'ai Chi
 10:00-Scrabble
 10:00-Knitting/
 Crocheting
 10:15-Zumba Gold
 12:00-Lunch
 1:00-Art Studio

25. Saturday

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**26. Sunday**

**27.**  
**MEMORIAL DAY**



**CENTER CLOSED**

**28.**  
 8:30-Strength/Stability  
 9:00-Internet Class  
 10:00-Scrabble  
 10:00-Wii Bowl  
 10:30-Watercolors w/Bill  
 12:00-Lunch  
 12:30-Strength & Toning  
 1:00-Bingo  
 1:00-Word 2010 Class

**29.**  
 9:15 & 1-15-T'ai Chi  
 10:00-Writing Group  
 12:00-Causeries en  
 Français  
 12:00-Lunch  
 12:30-Van Run  
 to Library

*\*Last day to register  
 for June classes*

**30.** 8:30-Strength/Stability  
 9:00-Yoga w/Sharon  
 10:00-Sparkettes  
 10:00-Wii Bowl  
 10:00-Bridge w/Chinky  
 10:00-Quilting w/Pat  
 11:00-Foodshare  
 12:00-Lunch  
 12:30-Strength & Toning  
 1:00-Bridge  
 1:00-Jewelry  
 1:00-Word 2010 Class  
 2:30-Wii Bowl  
 3:15-Senior Aerobics

**31.**  
 9:00-T'ai Chi  
 10:00-Scrabble  
 10:00-Knitting/  
 Crocheting  
 10:15-Zumba Gold  
 12:00-Lunch  
 1:00-Art Studio  
 1:00-Duplicate  
 Bridge

**Food for Thought  
 w/Beth Hankins, LCSW  
 (Thursdays @ Noon)**

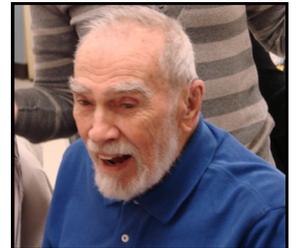
*May 2: Social Workers-  
 How Can We Help?  
 May 9: Sleep Issues-It's  
 more than Counting Sheep  
 May 16: Relaxation-Good  
 for the Body, Good for the  
 Brain  
 May 23: Facing a  
 Challenge*

**MAY BIRTHDAYS**

**Flower:** *Lilly of the Valley for Purity*

**Birthstone:** *Emerald for Happiness*

- 1 Barbara Alley, Eleanore Gaynor  
Constance Greene, Patricia Hiser  
Angeline Paulson, Naomi Sanders
- 3 Elizabeth Norris, John Roulier
- 4 John Berg, William Nauss, Shirley Olsen
- 5 Jean Alcorn, Fred Emmert
- 6 LeRoy Faulkner, Lillian Gyure  
Alice Raphaelson, Pamela Skoog
- 7 Lloyd Duff, Gladene Fait, Ivan Franson  
Bettejane Karnes, Louise Longo, JoAnne Wood  
George Waller
- 8 William Lonergan, Jr., Joan Watson
- 11 Jean Landry
- 12 Camille Ayala, Robert Guttay, Barbara Hood  
Patricia Kirtley, Maybelle McCormick  
Louis O'Mara, Doris Ouimette, Brenda Shaw
- 13 Patricia McHugh, Howard Yorke
- 14 Paula Clebnik, Sylvia Corcoran  
Helen Dombrowski, Joan Griffith  
Clyde McKenna, Alice Reynolds
- 15 Bernard Baldwin, Robert Burns  
Benjamin Cosenza, Kay Holt, Kenneth Moorhead  
Joanne Nolan, Kathorin Stuart
- 16 Mary Thatcher
- 17 Edith Breault, Albert Ching, Mary Turcotte
- 18 Fred Brown, I. Ridgeway Davis  
Winifred James, Barbara Roy, Betty Savage
- 19 Joan Debella, Linda Frazier, Louise Hawkins  
Ron Milavsky, Harriet Pettingill, Carl Raynor
- 20 Elinor Chovnick, Georgette Comeau  
Catherine Johnson, Jim Loyzim
- 21 Eunice Brewer, James Fandell
- 22 Evelyn Budzinski, Maureen Cepelak  
Jim Durdan, Beverly Young
- 23 Walter Banas, Erika Kares, Gerda Michaels
- 23 Caroline Provost, Dorothy Rondeau  
Helen Schroeter
- 24 Maggie Chambers, Paul Klemens, Martina Wharton
- 25 May Guttay, Hedi LaBranche
- 26 Jessie Daniels, Theresa Galipeau
- 27 Richard Brown, Kim Henryk, Sandy Martino  
Anne Piontek
- 28 Henry Bemont
- 29 Aline Booth, Jane Howard, Marion Ryan
- 30 Paul Barbeau, Granville Beschler  
Shirley Corcoran, Mary Francis, Suzanne Hill  
Lois Meyers, Donald Stitts
- 31 Elinor Gadoury, Susan McDougall  
Barbara Moore



Happy Birthday to our  
April Birthday Lunch Attendees:  
*Jim Campetelle, Rose Ferreri (103!),  
Marilyn Gerling, Beverly Gotch,  
Ruth Gunn, and Ted Lamb*

**Atwater-Donnelly**

*Traditional American Folk Music & Dance*



*at the Mansfield Senior Center  
Wednesday, May 15, 2013—12:45 PM*

**Sign up for the noon meal, followed with entertainers  
Atwater-Donnelly.**

Cost: \$3.00 suggested donation 60 years +  
\$9.78 under 60

Entertainment only: \$2.00 payable with receptionist

**MEAL PROGRAM**

The TVCCA meal program is subsidized through the Older Americans Act and available to seniors 60 years or older at a suggested donation of **\$3.00**. **Individuals younger than 60 are welcome to eat, but are asked to pay the actual cost of the meal, which is now \$9.78. Reservations must be made 24 hours in advance by 10:00 AM.** Guests, nuts, and new members will need to complete a registration form at the time of their reservation. Homebound seniors may call 1-800-953-1365 to receive Meals-on-Wheels.

**May Menu:**

Wed., May 1: Orange Glazed Ham  
 Thurs., May 2: Swedish Meatballs  
 Fri., May 3: Chicken Marsala

Mon., May 6: Eggplant Rolette  
 Tues., May 7: Stuffed Chicken Kiev  
 Wed., May 8: Sloppy Joe's w/Bun  
 Thurs., May 9: Cod Newburg  
 Fri., May 10: Cheese Ravioli

Mon., May 13: Western Omelet  
 Tues., May 14: Beef Stroganoff  
 Wed., May 15: Chicken Stew w/Rice  
 Thurs., May 16: Noodle Casserole  
 Fri., May 17: No Lunch Served  
 (TVCCA Program Closed)

Mon., May 20: Chicken Florentine  
 Tues., May 21: Cheese Manicotti  
 Wed., May 22: Salisbury Steak  
 Thurs., May 23: Stuffed Chicken  
 Fri., May 24: Braised Pork Loin

Mon., May 27: **Memorial Day**  
 (Center Closed)  
 Tues., May 28: Hot Dog w/Bun  
 Wed., May 29: Crispy Fish Cakes  
 Thurs., May 30: Western Omelet  
 Fri., May 31: Meatloaf

**We would like to thank everyone who has donated so many beautiful cards to the Mansfield Senior Center; however, we have such an overflow at this time, we ask that all you nice people hold off for just a little while.**  
**Thank you very much!**

**\*\*\* New Weekly Mansfield Senior Center Van Runs! \*\*\***

On Wednesdays of each week (except the first Wednesday of the month), we will be making van runs to the Mansfield Public Library on the following schedule:

12:30 PM: depart Senior Center  
 12:45 PM: pick up at Jensen's Club House  
 1:00 PM: pick up at Glen Ridge bus stop  
 1:05 PM: pick up at Wrights Way bus stop  
 1:10 PM: pick up at Juniper Hill (Silo Bldg.)  
 1:20 PM: arrive at Mansfield Public Library

2:30 PM: depart Mansfield Public Library  
 2:55 PM: arrive at Jensen's Club House  
 3:15 PM: arrive at Glen Ridge bus stop  
 3:20 PM: arrive at Wrights Way bus stop  
 3:25 PM: arrive at Juniper Hill (Silo Bldg.)

The first Wednesday of each month, we will be making a van run to Big Y in Mansfield on the following schedule:

12:30 PM: depart Senior Center  
 12:45 PM: pick up at Jensen's Club House  
 1:00 PM: pick up at Glen Ridge bus stop  
 1:05 PM: pick up at Wrights Way bus stop  
 1:10 PM: pick up at Juniper Hill (Silo Bldg.)  
 1:30 PM: arrive at Mansfield Big Y

2:30 PM: depart Mansfield Big Y  
 3:00 PM: arrive at Jensen's Club House  
 3:15 PM: arrive at Glen Ridge bus stop  
 3:20 PM: arrive at Wrights Way bus stop  
 3:25 PM: arrive at Juniper Hill (Silo Bldg.)  
 3:30 PM: arrive at Senior Center

**RESERVATIONS NEED TO BE MADE IN ADVANCE!**  
**Please contact the receptionist at the Senior Center at 860-429-0262x0.**

**Friday, May 10th, 10:30 AM**  
 Tour of Mansfield Big Y on Health Healthy Foods  
 The tour will take one hour and will end with a snack.  
 Van trip limited to 10.  
 Sign up at the Receptionist Desk.

**\*\* VAN TRIP \*\***

**CLINTON CROSSING, TANGER OUTLETS & LUNCH AT DONAHUE'S MADISON BEACH GRILLE!!!**

**Tuesday, May 21st**

Join us for a nice day at the outlet malls in Clinton! We will be stopping for lunch at the Madison Beach Grille—depending on the weather. There may even be al' fresco dining! Following are the details of this fun-filled day:

9:30 AM: Van departs Senior Center promptly  
 3:30 PM: Van will be returning to Senior Center

**Please note:** Lunch cost will be at the individual's expense. A copy of the menu is available at the Reception Desk for your viewing.

**Note:** 10-person maximum per trip. Register with the receptionist.

## MSCA Computer Learning Center Classes

All computer courses are \$10.00. You must come to the Mansfield Senior Center to sign up for the classes. Checks are payable to: MSCA Computer Learning Center.

**Internet Workshop:** Prerequisite: Introduction to Computers or equivalent. Electronic communication through e-mail and searching for information via the world-wide web. Instructor George Jones. Dates: May 14, 21, & 28; 9:00 AM to Noon.

**Word:** Our new computers have Microsoft Office Word 2010 installed. This is very different from the earlier version. If you have taken a Word course previously, this will be a chance to become acquainted with the new features. If you have never taken a Word course, this could be the time to learn how easy it is to use the new technology. Instructor: Mike Beschler. Dates: May 21, 23, 28, & 30; 1:00 to 4:00 PM.

- Free help for PC users with Dan Gebben every Monday from 10:00-11:00 AM in the Computer Lab.
- Free "Photo Club" with Dan Gebben every first and third Friday of the month in the Computer Lab from 10:00 AM to noon. This is an ongoing club, and all are welcome to attend.
- Free help to Mac users. Call Mike Palmer at 860-429-0262x7, to make an appointment. Leave your name and phone number and Mike will call you back.

*A full class schedule through July is available at the Mansfield Senior Center. A Genealogy Course will also be offered soon. Watch for details.*

## TRIAD'S SENIOR POLICE ACADEMY at the Mansfield Senior Center (1st day)



*From left to right:*

Elizabeth C. Paterson, Mayor, Town of Mansfield  
Sgt. Richard Cournoyer—Mansfield Resident Trooper Sergeant  
Renee Goupille, Market Manager VP, UConn Market, People's United Bank  
Lieutenant Paul Vance—Connecticut State Police  
Dianne Kent—Senior Community Relations, People's United Bank  
Wilfred Bigl—Police Officer, Town of Mansfield  
Cindy Dainton—Senior Center Coordinator, Town of Mansfield

## SUMMER SERIES

*at the Mansfield Senior Center*

### **Thursday, May 2nd: Dick Santi Orchestra**

(15 pieces) and a picnic dinner.

"Enjoy the rich, mellow sounds of the big band era, blended with contemporary styling's." Bring your own picnic dinner. Dinner from 5:30 to 6:30 PM, and the band begins at 6:30 PM. Bring your dancing shoes!



*Dick Santi*

**Thursday, June 6th: Seldom Heard**—"a string band with tight vocal harmonies" from the local area. Pizza and salad will be provided. Sign up at the front desk by Monday, June 3rd at 4:00 PM.

**Thursday, July 11th:** Movie and a Picnic. Movie is "*Les Miserables*" starring Hugh Jackman, Anne Hathaway, and Russell Crowe. Nominated for eight Academy Awards and winner of three. Bring your own picnic dinner to eat during this wonderful movie!

**Thursday, August 1st: Shiny Lappels** (tentative). This event will feature a pot luck dinner. Please bring your favorite dish to share.

### **SPEAK UP! SPEAK OUT!**

Do you have any comments, articles, a favorite poem, etc., you would like to see in the *Sparks*? Please see Kathy Rule, or leave a message at 860-429-0262, ext. 5. She will return your call as soon as she can. Thank you.

⇒ Watch for the short story "**Bring Back the 50's, Please!**" by Cheryl S. McClain, that will appear in our June issue of *Sparks*.

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**Thank You**

The Ways & Means Committee of the Mansfield Senior Center Association, Inc., would like to thank everyone that volunteered their time to help with the Craft and Collectables Fair on March 23, 2103. Thank you to those that helped with set-up and take-down, the cooks, the bakers, and everyone behind the scenes who so often go unheralded and to anyone we may have forgotten.

- Toni Drescher*
- Estelle Elliott*
- Alma Maldonado-Cordner*
- Beverly Gotch*
- Kathy Rule*
- Alice Jansen*
- Mate Magyar*

Thank you to all and we hope you will consider volunteering for the Spring Bazaar on May 4th.

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