

Bernardston COA and Senior Center MAY 2024



# **The Bernardston Town Crier**

Franklin First Federal Credit Union will be presenting a FREE Lunch and Learn event on Elder Financial Exploitation and Scams on Friday May 24th, at 11:00. A hot lunch will be served by Stone Soup Café followed by a presentation by a panel of experts. Presenting speakers will include Sgt. John Richardson from the Bernardston Police Dept.

Representatives from the Elder and Persons with Disabilities Unit of the Northwestern DA's office as well as the Consumer Protection Unit. This event is designed to not only provide you with education on how to identify a scam and what to do if you believe that you have been the victim of a scam but also to

encourage you to participate through asking questions and sharing your stories. The community members are the best resource the community has and by attending our event we hope that you will learn something new that will help protect you or a loved one in the future. Please RSVP by May 17,2024, to the Bernardston Senior Center at 413-648-5413.





**Senior Center** 

#### Hours

- Monday: 1:00– 5:30
- Tuesday: 9:00– 3:00
- Wednesday: 9:00- 3:00
- Thursday: 9:00- 3:00
- Friday: 9:00- 1:00

Closed 5/27/2024

 Bernardston Cultural Council Sing Along with Sara Snyder

 Monday, May 6th 3:00

 Sing Along with Sara Snyder

 Mission Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts

 Cultural Council. Evening Café will be sloppy joe's, potato wedges, broccoli and cauliflower and mandarin orange. \$3.50 donation is suggested

 Eli Elikus Musical Storyteller



# Eli Elikus Musical Storyteller Monday, May 13th 3:00

Eli Elkus is a Musical Storyteller,

Song Craftsman, and Folk Activist. Evening Café will be American chop suey, Tuscany vegetable blend and a dinner roll. \$3.50 donation is suggested



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# **Contact Us**

Bernardston Senior Center 20 Church Street PO Box 504 Bernardston, Ma 01337 coa@townofbernardston.org (413) 648-5413 Main Line (413) 768-1824 Van (413) 768-1148 Outreach (413)648-5319 Dining Center

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School PTO & BSC COA





May 7th: 12:30-2:30 Open Painting Participants should bring a painting they have been working on and want to complete like the fox and snow scene. Some supplies and limited help are available. Participants will need to set up and clean up their workspace. Sign up is advised. \$3.00 Donation to cover the cost of supplies!



#### Nutrition Check Up Event Friday, May 31 at 10:30

We invite you to attend a presentation by LifePath's Nutritionist Bi-sek Hsiao, PhD, MS, RD, LDN, which will include information about the signs of malnutrition, how to prevent malnutrition, eating a healthy diet, healthy snacks, etc. We will also conduct individual malnutrition risk screenings.



#### My Art Company presents: Butterfly and Flower May 21st & 28th 12:30– 2:30

Come learn and practice basic water color techniques like wet on wet, half wet, damp and dry brush, mixing colors, creating values, composition and using brushes and other tools. Painting participants can sign up for <u>one class</u>,

limited to 10 participants each class. New participants are welcome . Make it an afternoon and sign up for lunch! Artists can bring their own paints and brushes. Most supplies will be available. **\$5 per class** to offset the cost of the program.

# <u>Get th</u>

#### Get the Lead Out Writing Group Every Monday at 1:00 BSC writing group provides a

distraction-free time and space for writing. Dedicated to writing, they help writers establish and meet short- and long-term writing goals. Writing group members typically set their own schedules, and each group member sets their own writing goals.

#### Author Sara Campbell Monday, May 20th at 3:00

Women have contributed to commerce, agriculture, social and religious life, education, and on the most basic level, raising each generation of citizens. Their achievements can inspire the current generation in many ways if we take the time to notice them. This book explores the lives of a dozen largely invisible women of the past to

shine a light on their stories.

It is more difficult to document women in history than the men who left their names in many more public records. This book knits together the documentary "breadcrumbs" which started with a cache of Married Woman's Business Certificates in the City Hall vault in Greenfield. Who were the women who left their signatures on these forgotten pages?

All of us have a story to tell, as did our mothers and grandmothers. Ask yourself if you really knew them. Scrapbooks and ticket stubs, formal gowns, and treasured heirlooms in the attic whisper from the past. Creating a timeline starts to build a skeleton of a woman who can seem more alive with each new fact.



#### May Lunch with Chef Clare! Wednesday, May 22 11:45

Roast Turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy and carrots. \$3.50 donation, make reservations at 648-5319.

#### Photography Camera Club Friday, May 17th 11:00



Stop by and learn about our upcoming photography show. Learn about our assignments and partake in the fun, it's not too late to join! This class is free and pre-registration is not required.

# Quilters Coterie Thursdays 9:00-12:00



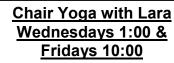
Open quilting and sewing in the center's sewing room. The Center has a great space with 4 sewing machines, 1 serger, many supplies and large tables to work on your own project or help someone else with their project. **BEGINNERS ARE WELCOME!** 



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## <u>Healthy Bones & Balance</u> <u>Tuesdays at 10:00</u>

PSVP volunteer, Kathie Curnick, will be leading the program. Increase participant's strength, mobility, flexibility, and balance. Healthy Bones & Balance classes are a free, fun way to exercise and socialize.



In this ALL-Levels class we will use the chair in poses to stretch, strengthen, and relax in safe and effective ways! Lara is very skilled in being able to adapt the practice to most any participant's needs, providing many modifications as well as ways to challenge. You will leave class feeling a ton of feel-good endorphins. **\$3 per class!** 

## YMCA Programs

Enhanced Fitness Tuesday, Thursday and Fridays 9:00 led by Linda Allis, Grayson & Sandy Kosterman. Each class session includes cardiovascular, strength training, balance and flexibility exercises and the fostering of strong social relationships between participants. \$1 donation suggested.

LifePath

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**Self Monitoring** with Kathie Curnick 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 11:00.

**Blood Pressure Self-Monitoring** is one part of Y-USA's suite of evidence-

based chronic disease prevention programs. Since 2005, the Y has worked to become a leading provider of chronic disease prevention programs to communities across the U.S.

#### Participants will:

 Take and record their blood pressure at least two times per month.

 Attend two consultations a month with a Healthy Heart Ambassador at the Senior Center on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month at 11:00



# Cribbage Games

Come play modified ACC cribbage with a fun group of people! Every

Wednesday at 9:00. Email Rick Roy rickroypvwa@gmail.com for questions or beginner training. Free to play for all ages!

Games with Donna Newton! Pitch Mondays 1:00

#### Wednesdays 10:00 Quiddler

In this game the object is to combine all the cards in your hand into words. High score wins!

# Thursdays 12:30 Bingo

\$4.50 to play, \$3.00 for cards and \$1.50 for specials.



Fridays 9:00 Hand and Foot Card Game, Call for details

# The Romeo's!!!

Every Thursday at 11:00 the Romeo's will be pickin and grinnin. Come to listen or come to sing along!





#### Shuffleboard!

Shuffleboard takes over Cushman Park! Round up a couple of your friends or come by yourself and join

the ranks of the obscurest athletes in all of Franklin County! Come just play for the exercise! The Senior Center will supply the equipment and

you provide the fun!

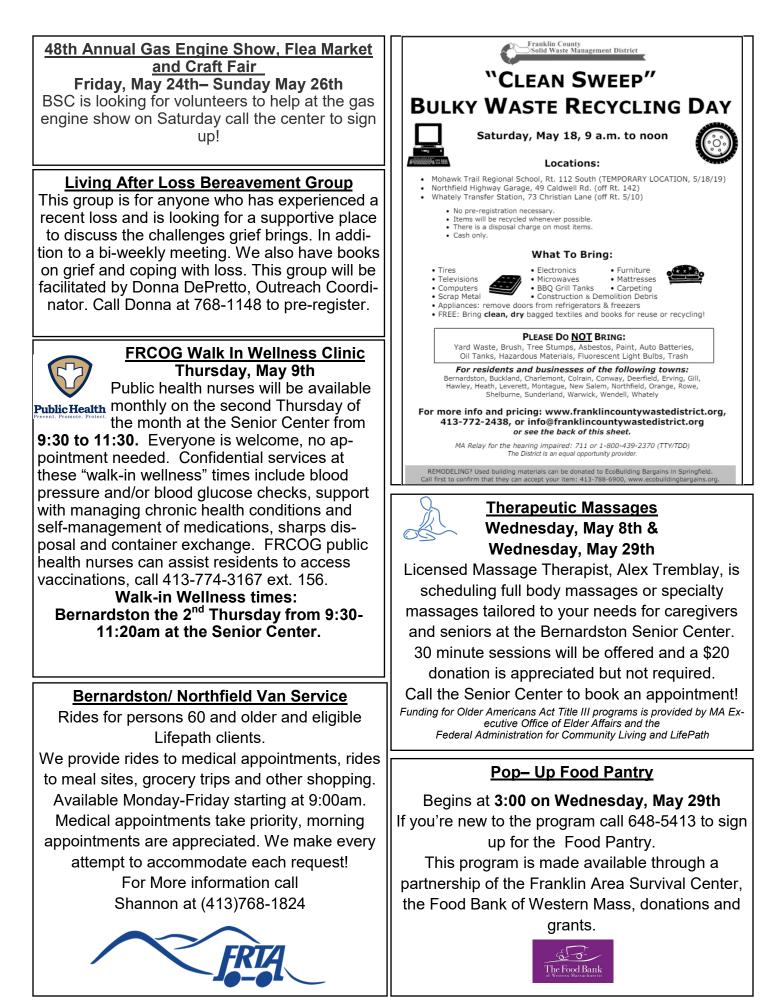
\* Equipment also available at Antonio's

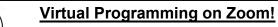
#### Public Computer Use Computers are available during all business hours!!!











# Spanish Class with Nick Berte 2nd & 4th Thursdays at 10:00

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89559411899? pwd=ZU93UTZTZ2pIaEZGcTIJMURBUnFCdz09 Meeting ID: 895 5941 1899 Passcode: 829028

Virtual YMCA programming allows you to stay healthy & connected from wherever you are. Our



virtual programming includes live zoom classes with your favorite instructors and pre-recorded videos (YouTube), all to

help you achieve your goals no matter where you are! Call the center for instructions on how to sign up!

> Hybrid Events on Zoom! Sara Snyder Sing Along Monday, May 6th 3:00

Eli Elikus Musical Storyteller Monday, May 13th 3:00



Franklin 1st Federal Credit Union Friday, May 24th at 11:00

# **BSC Lunch with Clare**

Lunch is served at 11:45 on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Grab and go is available on Monday and Friday at 11:00. This meal is available to adults 60 years old and older, their spouse of any age or any disabled person. There is a \$3.50 suggested voluntary donation.

A weeks notice to reserve a tasty lunch is very much appreciated! Call Clare at (413) 648-5319.



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# 2 Foot Care Clinics Now!

#### Piper's Professional Foot Care Tuesday, May 21st FootCare by Nurses Thursday, May 16th

\$20 donation is appreciated.

Call 648-5413

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#### Brown Bag: Food for Elders Thursday, May 2nd 12:30

This program provides a free bag of healthy groceries to eligible seniors once a month at local senior centers. Call the Senior Center to apply!

#### <u>Outreach</u>

May is powered by connection, which recognizes the profound impact that meaningful relationships and social connections have on our health and well-being. Connectedness plays a role in independence and aging in place by combatting isolation, loneliness, and other issues. For more information to access programs call Donna at (413)768–1148.

#### Caregiver's Support Meeting Monday, May 20th 3:00

There are many caregivers in the area and they all have common needs: recognition, counseling, support, information, problem sharing and, in many cases, peer socializing. Caregivers are valuable assets, but often their needs are lost in the care recipients' problems. Therefore, having a place where caregivers can be themselves, share experiences and insights and have the positive input of their peers is critical. We have an informal gathering of people whose lives are directly or indirectly affected by the caregiving needs of another. Please stop by yourself or with your person you

care for.

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# MAY 2024

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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LIFEPATH Congregate Lunch Meals- May 2024 PLEASE CALL YOUR MEAL SITE BEFORE 9:30 AM ONE SERVING DAY AHEAD TO ORDER OR CANCEL A MEAL. Athol 978-249-9001, Bernardston 413-648-5319, Charlemont 413-834-7413, Greenfiled 413-772-1517 Ext 2 , New Salem 978-575-0116, Petersham 978-821-5549,

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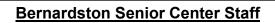
If you have a concern regarding the sodium, contact the Nutritionist for guidance on managing your intake to meet your diet requirements at 413-773-5555, Ext. 2415 \*Indicates higher sodium items greater than 500mg. Due to availability, menu subject to change without notice.

Sodium and Carbohydrate Levels are listed next to each individual menu item. Meals are based on a No Added Salt (3000 - 4000mg sodium diet) for healthy older adults.

#### **Bernardston Council on Aging**

Chair -Nancy Bordewieck (413) 834-5733 Vice Chair- Leah Gibson Secretary- Donna Giard Kathy Porrovecchio Donna Newton Chris Beaulieu Nancy Pride Marcella Hebert Ingrid Skiff Next meeting Tuesday, May 21st 9:30





Jennifer Reynolds......Director Lou Guillette Shannon Wissman-Hoar & Sandy Holzhauer...Transportation Donna DePretto & Matt Aversa.....Outreach Mikki Telega.....Administrative Assistant Bev Boykan.....Program Assistant Donna Newton....Program Assistant Clare Maguire.....Dining Center Manager



## Bernardston & Leyden Lock Box Program for Homebound Elders

A lock box is a small secure box with a combination (that you choose) that holds your house key. The location and combination will be on file with the Bernardston Police Department and Bernardston Fire Department. When an emergency call goes to the police department, the dispatcher will inform the responding officer or paramedic (via secure format) of the lock box location and combination which will allow the officer quicker entry to offer assistance. The lock box will be installed by a qualified volunteer. The Council on Aging would appreciate any donation to help with the costs of running this program. Call 648-5413 for more information!



#### Bernardston Senior Center Open House Friday, May 31st & Saturday, June 1st

Stop by and sample some of our programs, sign up for membership, transportation, enjoy a meal and meet new people!













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