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### HAMPDEN SENIOR CENTER 104 ALLEN STREET

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**FREE WI-FI** 

### Welcome Back! We are open and most programs have returned!



Please let us know if you would like to receive this newsletter via email. Call us with your email address!

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Greetings!

We are so happy to have the building open to the public and classes up and running! While not all classes and programs have returned, we appreciate your patience as we work through the details of bringing larger group events back.

Community support of the senior center has always been tremendous, but especially during the pandemic. Many thanks to those that supported the shoe fundraiser. We raised just over \$600 for the building expansion fund! Also, thanks to Lori Cooney and Bethlehem Church for the use of their parking lot for our outdoor Union Jack concert. It was a great event, and the space was perfect! Continued thanks to those that have been so generous with monetary donations to the senior center. We appreciate your support.

There are so many great things coming up, I hope you will look at the calendar and join us for our regular programs and for our special events.

While you might not be looking forward to another vaccine just yet, flu shot appointments are being scheduled for Wednesday, September 15<sup>th</sup> here at the senior center. Appointments help to keep the clinic running smooth, so please call to schedule an appointment today!

Hopefully, August will bring sunny skies and warm weather for you to enjoy! BECKY.....

#### COA BOARD MEETING IS CANCELLED FOR AUGUST.

NEXT MEETING IS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 at 9AM In Person or VIA ZOOM.

ZOOM Meeting ID: 95866401813 - ZOOM Password: 639217

### NATIONAL ROOT BEER FLOAT DAY

Friday, August 6th @ noon

We are preparing a free "Welcome Back Treat" for you.

Please join us for a Grab & Go Lunch or just come on in

and say Hi and enjoy a delicious Root Beer Float!

We can't wait to greet you.

Event generously sponsored by:

YUM YUM!



Give us a call 413 566 5588 to reserve lunch and or just a float!

### **OUTREACH**

The Outreach Office is your resource center for information on a variety of services, assistance programs, home health care, alternative living options, insurance information, etc. The Outreach Program is partially funded by a grant from the **Executive Office of Elder Affairs and The Federal** Administration for Community Living. Please contact Wendy at 566-5588 or email outreach@hampdenma.gov for more information on any of the services.



**SNAP:** Provides a monthly supplement for purchasing nutritious food. Participants must complete an application and meet the following monthly income guidelines:

Income guidelines for 1 person household—\$2,127 Income guidelines for 2 person household—\$2,873

**BROWN BAG:** Free bag of groceries once a month in conjunction with the Food Bank of Western MA. Participants must be 55 or older and meet the following monthly income guidelines:

Income guidelines for 1 person household—\$1,968 Income guidelines for 2 person household—\$2,658 NEXT PICK-UP IS TUESDAY, AUGUST 17TH BETWEEN 1:30-2:30pm.

**EMERGENCY FUEL FUND:** Available to any Hampden resident who is in a heating crisis. A resident must have received a shut off notice from the electric company, have less than a quarter of a tank of oil, or be in another emergency heating situation. Please call for more information or to find out if you qualify for assistance. All information provided is completely confidential.

D & R FARM SUMMER FARM SHARE: D & R FARM is offering fresh produce and it is FREE with SNAP/HIP if you qualify! If you do not qualify for SNAP/HIP, you may purchase a share for \$10 cash per week. Your shares will be available for pick up Wednesdays until October 27th from 9:30-10:30 at the Hampden Senior Center. Please let us know if you need your share delivered. Shares are limited to sign up. D&R is located at 146 Thresher Rd. Call 413-244-3135 before visiting farm.

**REGISTRY OF MOTOR VEHICLES:** For RMV related questions, please call Wendy or email her at outreach@hampdenma.gov. She is available to help with processing RMV applications online. Beginning May 3, 2023, every air traveler 18 years of age and older will need a REAL ID compliant driver's license or ID card, state-issued enhanced driver's license, or another TSAacceptable form of identification at airport security checkpoints for domestic air travel.

### **HEALTH/WELLNESS**

### **MEMORY CAFÉ - Every Friday at 10AM**

Memory Cafe The Memory Café is a welcoming place for individuals with memory challenges along with their caregivers and/or family and friends to gather in a safe, supportive and engaging environment. Please call Wendy if you would like more information about the café. Sponsored in part by Friends of Hampden Seniors and private donations.

### Caregiver Support Group via ZOOM or by PHONE Tuesday, August 17th at 6:00pm

Are you caring for a loved one with dementia or other related memory impairments? This support group is a great way to help. Please call Wendy at 566-5588 for more information.



### **Sassociation**® alzheimer's (

Did you or someone in your family recently receive a diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease or another form of dementia? Would you like some help navigating decisions after a diagnosis? Are you worried about how to provide the best care for a loved one? Are you concerned about your own memory?

Our 24/7 Helpline is available at 1-800-272-3900 to anyone who needs to talk about the challenges of dementia during this time. Our Helpline staff are available around the clock for any questions or concerns you might have.



If you need help navigating the Medicare maze, call 566-5588 and leave a message for Becky who will return your call.



notes from the We are reading and hearing less about COVID 19 cases, yet it continues to dominate public health management,

access to and allocation of resources, and policy. Recommendations regarding best practices developed to control the spread of this terrible disease continue to evolve and change. For example, guidelines used by many businesses use to prevent the spread of this infection are varied. Some individuals even challenge the practices designed to optimize the public's health. We are in a better place, but we cannot become complacent. Many but not all have done a great job following public health guidelines. However, we must continue to be smart about the places we go and the people we see. Hampden's Public Health Nurse -Sheila Rucki PhD, PCNS, BC

## Services and Information



### **DAV (Disabled American Veterans)**

If you are looking for support, please contact the department service officer Michelle Barrett at (573) 355-6076 or email her at davveteran7@yahoo.com.





If you need Notary Services please call the Senior Center at 566-5588 for more information.

### THE TRI TOWN TROLLEY FOR SENIOR TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

The TRI Town Trolley operates for **Hampden**, East Longmeadow & Longmeadow Seniors Mon-Fri, 9:00am-3:00pm. **Hampden Seniors can book rides for medical appointments, grocery shopping, and banking, in the Springfield / East Longmeadow area by calling 413-525-5412.** 





### SILVER LININGS FREE WALK-IN BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC

New Time: Every Tuesday and Thursday from 9:15 to 10:45





The Hampden Senior Center reserves the right to utilize photos or videos of participants for publicity purposes. Participants not wanting their image used must notify the senior center in writing.

### FRIENDS OF HAMPDEN SENIORS 2021 YEARLY / MEMBERSHIP DUES

Use this form to JOIN THE FRIENDS, PAY ANNUAL DUES, OR MAKE A DONATION! The Friends is a non-profit organization established to assist in the funding of programs and activities to promote the dignity and well being of Hampden Seniors. Everyone who works for the "FRIENDS" is a volunteer, including the directors. Membership is open to persons any age from any location. If you desire to become a member, wish to renew your membership, or make a donation please complete this form. Please make checks payable to "Friends of Hampden Seniors" and mail to Friends of Hampden Seniors, Inc., 104 Allen Street, Hampden, MA 01036 or drop off at the senior center. We appreciate your support!

FRIENDS OF HAMPDEN SENIORS 2021 MEMBERSHIP FEE \$5.00:

Donation From:		Address:		Donation Amount: \$			
In Honor Of:			In Memory Of:				
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Use donation for: Me Other (Specify)	emory Café	Food Pantry	Emergency Fuel Fund	Programs & Activities	General Needs		
Please check here if you would like a donation receipt for your taxes and provide your email address (if applicable)							
	Email:						

### WHAT'S NEW...



### SAVE THE DATE: Wednesday, September 15th Annual Flu Shot Clinic

The annual flu shot clinic will be held on September 15th. This year, you **MUST** have an appointment time for your shot. Please call the center for an appointment.

Sponsored by CVS Pharmacy

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### TRIPS WITH BOBBI GRANT ARE BACK...

Thursday, December 2nd – The Newport Playhouse, (I couldn't resist this one!) "A Christmas for Carol"

A hilarious holiday farce at the office party, with wacky hi-jinks, pranks, even folks caught in their underwear! More information next month. Vaccination card needed and masks are optional. \$101/per person. If you would like information, please call Bobbi directly at 413-566-8271 or email her at bobbijg2@charter.net.



### COMING SOON... FREE Technology Help Sessions hosted by Wilbraham & Monson Academy



Do you need assistance on how to use your Phone, iPad/Tablet, or Laptop Computer? Students from Wilbraham & Monson Academy will be here to help! Please call the Senior Center if you are interested or for more information.

### WALK MASSACHUSETTS CHALLENGE

Grab a friend, lace up your sneakers, and earn money for the Hampden Senior Center and Possibly Win A Gift Card!

Sign up is easy at <a href="https://www.mcoaonline.com/walkma">www.mcoaonline.com/walkma</a>.

Call the Hampden Senior Center at 566-5588 if you don't have a computer and need help registering. The challenge runs through September 30th, 2021. So what are you waiting for?

Get healthy, have fun and join the challenge today!!



### THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

Thanks to those who have donated to the Friends of Hampden Seniors, the Building Fund and to our Senior Center. We appreciate you supporting our essential programs and services.



### PART-TIME

### **NEWS FROM PARKS AND RECREATION**



### Hampden Park and Rec is looking for a Seasonal/Part Time Maintenance/Groundskeeper

This position is responsible for general maintenance of Memorial Park and the baseball/soccer fields at Thornton Burgess School and more! Hours are flexible and vary depending on the time of year. Applicants must be at least 18 years old and having experience with landscaping equipment is a plus. Please call Park and Rec at 413.566.2151 x 108 for more information or for an application.

# Senior Center Activities

Welcome Back! We are very pleased to offer activities again and will be including additional activities as we are able. If you would like to see other activities, perhaps something you tried during shut down, I would be happy to try and accommodate. Please remember the traffic pattern is BACKWARDS in the parking lot during our Grab N' Go lunch program Tuesday through Friday from 11:00 - 12:00, so **PLEASE USE CAUTION** when entering the parking lot. We look forward to seeing everyone! If you have any questions or would like to sign up for an activity, please call 413-566-5588. Thanks Nan!

ACRYLIC PAINTING with Nan Thursdays, 10:00-noon,

\$20/per class, includes all materials.

<u>BRIDGE</u> Mondays, 9:30-noon. New players welcome, will teach.

<u>BILLARD ROOM</u> Tuesdays, 9:00-noon. Women's lighthearted no rules play.



<u>BILLARD ROOM</u> Thursdays, 9:00-noon. Men's play.

BINGO Thursdays, noon-2:00. Will resume in the Fall.

**BUNCO** Tuesdays, 12:30-3:00, \$4/per week.

<u>CHAIR YOGA</u> with <u>Sue Kent</u> Tuesdays and Thursdays, 11:00-noon, \$5/per class.



**FACIALS with Diane Neill** 2nd Thursday of every month. Please call for appointment and pricing.

**FOOTCARE** 4th Wednesday & Thursday of every month. Please call for appointment and pricing.



GENEALOGY/FAMILY HISTORY Will resume in the Fall.

JEWELRY Will resume in the Fall.

**KNITTING/CROCHET** Mondays, 9-noon.

New people welcome, will teach.

MAHJONG Fridays, 10:30-2:00. New people welcome, will teach.

MANICURES with Cathy Will resume in the Fall.

MEMORY CAFÉ Fridays, 10:00-noon.



**PITCH** Will resume in the Fall.

**QUILTING** Fridays, 9:00-3:00. **New people welcome, will teach.** 

**TAI CHI with Heather Duncan** Mondays, 9:00-10:00 \$5/per class.

TRIVIA Wednesdays, 10:00. Always looking for fresh minds!



WATERCOLOR with Chris Sterritt Wednesdays, 9:30-noon or 12:30-3:00. \$100 for ten classes. Classes begin September 15th. Please sign up to receive material list.

WEIGHT TRAINING with YMCA Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:30-10:30. Purchase a \$40 punch card at the Senior Center or \$5/per class. Please pay cash or make checks payable to: YMCA of Greater Springfield and place A.O.A. in memo section.

Please note new times for some activities.

Please check our events calendar monthly for any CANCELLED classes.

Please call 413.566.5588 for additional information

### **AUGUST 2021**

Hampden Senior Center 104 Allen Street Hampden, MA 01036

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	
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9:00 Knitting/Crochet 9:00 Tai Chi 9:30 Bridge	9:00 Ladies Billiards 9:15 - 10:45 Blood Pressure Clinic 9:30 Weights w/YMCA 11:00 Chair Yoga 11:30 Grab N' Go Lunch 12:30 Bunco	9:30 FARM SHARE 10:00 Trivia 11:30 Grab N' Go Lunch	9:00 Men's Billiards 9:15 - 10:45 Blood Pressure Clinic 9:30 Weights w/YMCA 10:00 Acrylic Painting 11:00 Chair Yoga 11:30 Grab N' Go Lunch	9:00 Quilting 10:00 MEMORY CAFÉ 10:30 Mahjong 11:30 Grab N' Go Lunch 12:00 Root Beer Floats - Call to reserve lunch and/or just a float	
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### \*\*AUGUST 2021 Grab 'n Go Lunch Program: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday at 11:30 A.M.\*\*

You must be 60 or older as this is a Title IIIB, Older Americans Act funded program. Reservations must be made. The deadline is 2pm on Friday the WEEK BEFORE you want lunch. You do not have to wait until Friday to call! Meals MUST BE picked up at the senior center at 11:30 A.M. A drive thru process is set up and no one will get out of their car. YOUR NAME MUST BE ON THE LIST IN ORDER TO PICK UP

**A MEAL**. A suggested voluntary donation of \$2.00/meal will be accepted. Call 566-5588 and leave a message with your name, telephone number and the day (s) you would like to pick up lunch. It's that easy...if we need additional information, we will call you back.

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
EFATER SPRINGRED.	3	4	5	6 Root Beer Float Day
SENIOR SERVICES	Roast Beef & Swiss on Rye (2) Coleslaw Fresh Fruit	Chicken Caesar Wrap Lettuce/Tomato Pasta Salad On a Spinach Wrap Mandarin Oranges	Spinach Salad w/French Cucumber Onion Salad WW Bread Fruit Parfait	Ham Salad on Wheat (2) Tomatoes w/Ranch Chilled Peaches
	Cal:583 Carb:73 Na:1032	Cal:782 Carb:89 Na:860	Cal:613 Carb:85 Na:722	Cal:510 Carb:59 Na:1145
Menu subject to change without	10 High Sodium Day	11	12	13
notice.  Suggested voluntary donation - \$2.00.	Mediterranean Pasta Salad Sliced Carrots/White Bean Cucumber Salad WW Pita Chilled Pineapple Cal:884 Carb:126 Na:1263	Chilled Turkey Sesame Noodles/ Cabbage Slaw Cranberry Snack Loaf Mixed Fruit Cal:756 Carb:108 Na:391	Cape Cod Tuna Salad w/ Lettuce & Tomato Pickled Beets 1/2 Wheat Wrap SF Lemon Cookie	Turkey Club on 12 Grain Lettuce/ Tomato/ Peppers/Ranch Cinnamon Apples
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Key for Symbols: Cal = Total Calories Carb = Total	17	18	19	20
Carbohydrates Na = Total Sodium High Sodium Day Tot Sodium & Cal include regular dessert, milk 100mg NA) & margarine	Ham & Swiss & Mustard With German Potato Salad On Whole Wheat Bread (2) Chilled Pineapple	Chef's Salad w/French With Turkey Cheddar Egg Italian Bread Fruit Parfait	Curry Chicken Salad Tomato Onion Salad Mixed Greens Wheat Pita Fresh Fruit	Salami and Provolone w/ Roasted Red Pepper Medley On LS Wheat Bread (2) Applesauce
(15mg Na)	Cal:638 Carb:92 Na:879	Cal:713 Carb:85 Na:833	Cal:570 Carb:75 Na:670	Cal:680 Carb:84 Na:1123
Just a	24	25 Join us inside for	26	<b>27</b>
reminder  Don't forget to sign up for our Special Lunch and Entertainment on Wed, 8/25 with Davis Bates. Call 566-5588.  Meatloaf Sandwich With Potato Salad And Veggie Pasta Salad On White Bread (2) Cinnamon Apples Cal:695 Carb:109 Na:1160		Campfire Tales w/ Boxed Lunch & Ice Cream Social GSSSI Lunch = Cottage Cheese/Broccoli Slaw Chilled Peaches Wheat Roll / SF Cookie Cal:531 Carb:77 Na:1016	Salmon over Mixed Greens, Cucumbers, Carrots & Cabbage French Dressing White Bread/Mixed Fruit Cal: 546 Carb:51 Na:493	Grilled Chicken Sandwich Chilled Peaches Confetti Coleslaw Hamburger Bun Fruit Parfait Cal:766 Carb:107 Na:909
If you have any special concerns regarding the menu, contact the GSSSI Dietitian at 781-8806, EXT. 136 for more information.	31			
	Tarragon Tuna Salad Three Bean Salad English Pea Salad 12 Grain Bread Strawberry Applesauce			

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### Relax and Enjoy

DAVIS BATES

Wednesday, August 25th @ 11:30 am



### Campfire Songs and Tales

Free: Program, Boxed Lunch and Ice Cream Social

The staff at the Senior Center is preparing a yummy boxed lunch of Ham & Cheese on a Roll, chips and a drink.

We are pleased to welcome back Davis Bates, captivating us with his wit and song and then top it all off with an refreshing Ice Cream Social!

Can you think of a better way to spend a few hours?

We hope to see you here...Please call 413 566 5588 to reserve.

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blanket bug spray campfire chairs flame forest guitar hot dogs log marshmallows matches nature night outdoor cooking roasting sticks s'mores sing alongs smoke snacks stars stories summer vacation wood

