# LIFE & TIMES

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The Senior Center will be CLOSED for Labor Day:
Monday September 4th

Tech Help
Every Monday in August
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM in the Dining
Room at 11 Allen Road.

Volunteer David can help you with your cell phone!

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR UPDATES, RESOURCES & SIGN UP FOR OUR WEEKLY EMAIL: WWW.NORWALKSENIORS.ORG

#### **ANNUAL PICNIC**

### Tuesday September 12 | 11:45 AM-2:30 PM Cost: \$20.00 per person

Our annual picnic will be in the Norwalk Senior
Center Courtyard this year and will feature a
Country Western theme, so dust off your cowboy
boots, hats and bandanas! Food will be catered
by Ripka's on the Beach food truck. There will be live music for
dancing by Pete Leone. The picnic will feature a line dancing
demonstration by dance class instructor Simone Assboeck. This will
fill up fast! Sign up with payment at the front desk by **Sept 1 st** or by
calling 203-847-3115. Reservation & payment is required in advance.

### Car Talk with Vinny Scicchitano Tuesday August 22 | 12:30 PM

Is your car ready for this hot weather? Does your car make a "ticking" sound? Come meet Vinny Scicchitano, owner of Accurate Auto Repair. He will be here to talk and answer any questions you may have about keeping your car in good repair. Everyone is welcome! Mark your calendar!



### **Membership Drive**

Not a member of the Norwalk Senior Center yet? Don't wait another minute. Join in & have some fun! We need new members! Membership only costs \$25 per year and entitles you to: affordable transportation, a benefits review, and discounts on trips & classes. Financial assistance is available.



When you sign up for membership, you are supporting our non-profit, private senior center in Norwalk. Unlike the majority of senior centers in CT which are fully funded by their municipality, Norwalk Senior Center raises 59% of our operational costs through contributions from: corporations, foundations & individuals, fundraising events and trip revenue. Fill out the membership form on page 18 and drop off at the front desk or mail to: 11 Allen Rd, Norwalk, CT6851.

Norwalk Senior Center continues a comprehensive series of programs designed to help you organize and plan for the future. For more information, please call the center (203) 847-3115.

#### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

The Norwalk Senior Center offers assistance to seniors 60+ classified as low-income for: membership fee, exercise, transportation, and congregate lunch. If you or someone you know is in need of a scholarship please contact Eva Beau-Span at (203) 847-3115 ext. 115. Don't miss out on the fun!

### **VETERANS AFFAIRS**

Veterans Affairs representative Ramon Agosto assists Veterans in the Norwalk Area.

Call (203) 336-2570

Visit www.connecticut.va.gov

### FREE LEGAL SERVICES

1177 Summer St 4th Floor Stamford CT, 06905 (203) 348-9216 https://ctlawhelp.org/en/home CT Legal Services will be helping those who need legal assistance by phone.

### Bereavement Group 1st & 3rd Thursday of the Month 9:30 AM

Location: 11 Allen Road Please RSVP by calling Eva: (203) 847-3115 ext. 115



#### MEDICARE SAVINGS PROGRAM

#### Do you qualify for this great benefit?

Pays the Medicare premium taken out of your social security check. Enrolls you in the Extra Help for Prescription drugs program (pays for Medicare Part D and lowers your drugs to \$3.30-\$8.25)

Can pay your Medicare co-pays.

There is no asset limit!

### To apply call Eva Beau-Span at the Senior Center (203) 847-3115 Ext 115.

All calls are kept confidential.

### MSP Income Limits effective March 1, 2023

The <u>Federal Poverty Limits</u> (FPL) have been revised for 2023. These new limits are used by DSS for updating MSP income limits for 2023, among other state programs. DSS has released these numbers and we are in the process of revising CHOICES materials, including the Quick Guide, for 2023.

### Medicare Savings Program (MSP) income limits effective 3/1/23

SSA COLA (1/21) 1.3 %

SSI (1/21) \$794 (single) \$1191 (couple)

MSP Level:	Status:	Income Limit:	Status:	Income Limit:
QMB (211% FPL)	Single	\$2,564 / mo	Couple	\$3,468 / mo
SLMB (231% FPL)	Single	\$2,807 / mo	Couple	\$3,797 / mo
ALMB (246%	Single	\$2,989 / mo	Couple	\$4,043 / mo

### Celebration of Life Ceremony "Honoring Life, Celebrating Love" Thursday August 24th at 10:00

If you've lost a loved one and would like to join the celebration of life ceremony, we'd love to have you.

Bring a picture or special memory.

Light refreshments served

For more information call Eva
Beau-Span at (203) 847-3115 X115

### Senior Health & Wellness and Resource Fair Saturday August 19th 11 Allen Road 10:00am - 1:00pm

Join us for a morning of health and wellness information. Find out about all of the local, state and federal resources that seniors may be eligible for! And take a tour of the Norwalk Senior Center! "Your connection to life and learning!" Bring a friend or two.

Senior Farmer Market Food Cards will be distributed by appointment only.

Call Eva Beau-Span at (203) 847-3115 X115 to schedule an appointment.

### **Eligibility requirements:**

HOUSEHOLD	MONTHLY	ANNUAL
1	\$2,248	\$26,973
2	\$3,041	\$36,482
3	\$3,833	\$45,991
4	\$4,625	\$55,500
5	\$5,418	\$65,009
6	\$6,210	\$74,518



Join us for an insightful panel discussion on the current state of senior healthcare in Connecticut. Explore challenges, innovative initiatives, and future directions in senior healthcare.

### Key Highlights:

- Expert panelists discussing the latest trends and developments.
- Interactive Q&A session with audience participation.
- Networking opportunities with healthcare professionals and stakeholders.

### Topics of Discussion:

- The current landscape of senior healthcare in Connecticut.
- · Addressing disparities in access and quality of care.
- Promoting preventive care and mental health support.
- · Leveraging technology for improved senior healthcare.
- · Support for caregivers and community-based programs

DATE: TBA. Call Eva Beau-Span for more information (203) 847-3115 ext. 115

#### **ABOUT US**

The Norwalk Senior Center is a private not-for-profit 501(c)(3) tax-exempt, nonsectarian organization. Our mission is to promote successful aging for 55+ adults & their families in the greater Norwalk area. The Senior Center is designated as a community focal point by the Area Agency on Aging & the Aging & Disability Resource Center for Norwalk.

We work collaboratively with other service providers to enrich and improve the quality of life for mature adults, their friends & families. We offer a wide variety of educational, recreational & cultural programs, trips, exercise classes, & direct services; they are provided for free or at a reasonable cost.

THE NSC MEMBERSHIP YEAR IS FROM JULY 1, 2022 - JUNE 30, 2023. HOURS: 8:30AM - 4:30PM AT 11 ALLEN ROAD & 8:30AM-2:00PM AT 92 CEDAR ST.

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- · Long-term skilled nursing

  - · Geriatric assessment center

Wilton Meadows 203.834.0199 The Greens At Cannondale 203.761.1191



### **Shopping Schedule:**

Monday 9-12 & 12:30-2:30 Stew Leonard's

Tuesday 9-12: Shop Rite Wednesday 9-12: Shop Rite Thursday 9:00- 12:00: Shop Rite

Friday: 10-1 & 12:15 to 2:30: Stew Leonard's &

Wal Mart 8:30 AM

**Monday - Thursday:** Pick up for banks, volunteer service, medical appointments (when available) & workplace for seniors no later than 2:00 PM in Norwalk only. If scheduling a ride for a medical appointment, you are required to allow for 30 minutes for the transportation service to pick you up and transport you to your appointment.

### **NSC Transportation:**

Let us drive you to Stew Leonard's!

Every Monday & Friday 9:00 -12:00 or 12:30 to 2:30

### **Two Morning Pickup Routes:**

8:30 AM & 10:00 AM

Monday through Friday

### **Afternoon Trips Home:**

12:30 PM

Monday through Friday

### To schedule your ride, call:

(203) 847-3115 ext 107



### **Passenger Guidelines:**

- 1. Norwalk Senior Center membership is required; annual membership fee is \$25 and renews on July 1st.
- 2. The fee for transportation is \$10 per month. Payment is due by the 5th of each month. There is no additional shopping fee for shopping trips leaving from our Center to the grocery store. (All passengers are required to carry their bus cards or paid receipt.)
- 3. At this time: face masks are required on NSC buses.
- 4. You must be physically able to get from your home to/from the bus including climbing three stairs on and off the vehicle. (If you utilize a wheelchair, you will receive assistance from the specialized equipment.) UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES MAY A DRIVER ENTER YOUR HOME.
- 5. All passengers are required to wear a seatbelt while on the bus.
- 6. Make a reservation at least 24 hours prior to pick-up. Cancellations should be made as soon as possible. (Failure to cancel a reservation could jeopardize future rides).
- 7. Financial Assistance is available: Contact Eva Beau-Span at (203) 847-3115 ext 115.

FOR INFORMATION OR TO MAKE RESERVATIONS, CALL TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR REMY EXANTUS AT (203) 847-3115 EXT. 107.

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### **MEALS-ON-WHEELS**

For information regarding receiving or delivering Meals-on Wheels please call our Meals-on-Wheels Coordinator, Jane Wenk:

(203) 847-3115 ext. 108 Or Email: JWenk@norwalksc.org



The Shop Around the Corner is looking for donations! If you have any gently used items, please bring them to the Norwalk Senior Center at 11 Allen Road. Please note we cannot accept furniture, food items or clothing at the Shop.

Thank you!

### Looking for a Covid-19 Vaccine Booster?

Go online and visit

**norwalkct.org/vaccine** for information on local vaccine clinics, or call or visit your pharmacy.

### **DINING at Norwalk Senior Center**

The Norwalk Senior Center is pleased to offer a high quality, hot nutritious and tasty daily luncheon. Reservations and cancellations are required at least 24 hours in advance by calling (203) 847-3115.

THERE IS A SUGGESTED DONATION OF \$4 FOR INDIVIDUALS AGE 60 AND OLDER AND \$6.38 FOR INDIVIDUALS AGE 59 OR YOUNGER.

Lunch Menus will be available on our website at **www.norwalkseniors.org**, and at the front desk. We also can mail you a menu upon request.



### OTHER SENIOR TRANSPORT IN NORWALK

Norwalk Transit District (203) 852-0000

The Norwalk Transit District offers public transportation for senior citizens who ride on their Wheels buses. It is only 85¢ per ride for 65+ or disabled adults. (You must show your Medicare, ADA ID or state elderly/disabled ID card to the driver).

### **DISPATCH-A-RIDE**

203-299-5180

Provides door-to-door transportation for elderly and disabled residents who qualify on a disability basis. Dispatch-a-Ride applications are available at the Transit District. Reservations are required and tickets are \$3.50 each way or \$35.00 for a book of 10 tickets.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Wheels bus cards and Dispatch-a-Ride tickets are no longer available for purchase at the Norwalk Senior Center. Please call Norwalk Transit at: (203) 299-5180

Please be sure to sign up for trips in advance by calling (203) 847-3115. You may need to bring payment in advance to the front desk, or by mail. If you have any questions about day trips,
please contact the Senior Center at: (203) 847-3115

### Pt Jeff Ferry Thursday Aug 3rd Bus leaves NSC at 9:40



Cost: \$26.00

We will be taking the 10:30 Ferry out of Bridgeport. Food and drinks are for sale on the ferry. It is a beautiful hour and 20 minutes on the LI Sound.

Browse in the shops and enjoy the bakery and restaurants. It is a very walkable town.

Return trip is on the 3Pm Ferry out of PT Jeff, NY We will be back at the Senior Center at 4:45.

# Downtown Wilton Sept 18, Leaves NSC at 10AM Cost \$5.00



Downtown Wilton offers an assortment of Shoppe's and eateries. There is a relaxing river walk with plenty of benches. We will visit the Turnover Shop with 75% off on third Monday of the month. There is a great library with amazing art shows. Lunch reservation at the Red Rooster.

### **Sherwood Island**

Wednesday August 2nd & August 16th 12pm-2:00pm



Captain's Cove

August 9th, August 23





### Silverman's Farm, Easton Wednesday September 13, 2023 Bus Leaves NSC at 11AM Cost \$30.00

Visit a local family owned farm in Beautiful Easton Ct. Feed the animals, including Buffalo, Ilamas, alpacas, sheep, goats, deer, emus, and cattle. Visit the shop to purchase fresh baked pies and donuts. Visit the market for a nice selection of honey, syrups and fresh pressed cider.

Enjoy the hayride for a 25-minute tour of the farm. (2 steps up to load onto the tractor pulled wagon)
Lunch will be pizza and salad at the Silverman's picnic tables from Primo's pizza of Fairfield. Please sign
up with payment at the front desk.



## Aqua Turf Cost: \$65 per person Bus leaves at 9:30 AM

Sign up with payment by July 25th Tuesday August 15, 2023 11:30 AM- 3:30 PM

Richie Mitnick Presents: "Come Fly With Me"- A
Journey Through the Decades Starring: Joe Saimeri
& Ethel Lee Hop on and hear the music through the
decades: From Sinatra, Kenny Rogers & Tim McGraw
to Dionne Warwick, Dianna Ross, & Roberta Flack
you'll enjoy every second of this Powerful tribute to
these world renowned entertainers.

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### Enhance Fitness Mon 10:30; Tues 10:15; Wed 9:15

Enhance Fitness focuses on dynamic cardiovascular exercise, strength training, balance & flexibility—everything older adults need to maintain health and function as they age.

**Instructor:** Sharon Rubinstein **Fee:** There is no charge, but registration is required.



### Arthritis Exercise Thursdays at 10:30 AM

Developed by the Arthritis Foundation, the Exercise Program uses movements created by physical therapists that address pain and fatigue while increasing strength.

**Instructor:** Sharon Rubinstein **Fee:** \$3 per class. Registration is required.

### Tai Chi Wednesdays at 10:30 AM



Tai Chi for Better Balance is an effective means of improving balance, functional limitations, and strengthening muscles, which reduces the risk of falling. Tai Chi is a low-impact dance-like exercise that can be done in almost any location.

**Instructors:** Bill & Betsy Wrenn **Fee:** There is no charge, but registration is required.



### Strong Steps Fridays at 10:30 AM

Designed by Alexis Pistone of Ivy Rehab Physical Therapy in Norwalk, this class will optimize your wellness, balance and mobility. This class provides 30 minutes of cardio, strength, & posture training.

**Fee:** There is no charge, but registration is required.



Pickleball combines the elements of badminton, tennis and table tennis played indoors on a badminton sized court. **NSC Members ONLY.** 

We are listening to your suggestions and hope the new schedule is an improvement in the Pickleball offerings at the Norwalk Senior Center. This format offers 4 sessions for intermediate players and 2 sessions for beginners.

#### **Definitions:**

**Beginner** - someone who is just learning the game or has not mastered the basic skills necessary to play the game including serving, scoring, and rallies that keep the ball inbounds most of the time.

Intermediate - someone who understands the basic rules including scoring and can consistently hit the ball over the net and inbounds. Should be able to serve with consistency and sustain slower-paced rallies.

**All Play** - all players regardless of skill level are allowed to play. This includes beginners.

NSC is not a racquet club, we have no staff designated specifically for Pickleball, and we are not qualified to rate anyone. The program is therefore self-rated. NO ONE, at any time, is to rate another player. Please note that there is time available every day from 2-4 that is rarely being used. While the time is designated as All Play, it is more than likely that the court will be free for those who want to set up their own games.

Enjoy your play, and above all else, promote good sportsmanship please.

### **Pickleball Schedule:**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>8-10:15AM:</b> All Play	<b>8-10AM:</b> Intermediate	<b>8-9AM:</b> All Play	<b>8-10AM:</b> Intermediate	<b>8-10AM:</b> All Play
12-2PM: Intermediate	<b>12-2PM:</b> Beginner	<b>12-2PM:</b> All Play	<b>12-2PM:</b> Beginner	12-2PM: Intermediate
<b>2-4PM:</b> All play	2-4PM: All Play	<b>2-4PM:</b> All Play	2-4PM: All Play	2-4PM: All Play

### To Sign Up for any of our programs, please call (203) 847-3115 or stop by the front desk!



### Karaoke Wed Aug 16th & Sept 20th 10:00 AM

Facilitated by Bob Leng. Bob's love of music makes for a great time! He runs an organized hour of music and sona.

### **Monday Movies** 1st & 3rd Monday at 12:45 PM

\*No Movie September 4th—Labor Day\*

Aug 7th: Top Gun: Maverick (2022)

Aug 21: Whitney Houston: I Wanna Dance with Somebody (2022)

Sept 18: The Little Mermaid (2023)



### Thursday August 4th & Friday September 1st **11AM**

Give your brain a work out in a fun and creative way. Join Danielle Ramos for her popular "Brain Games" and healthy snacks.

Sponsored by Cambridge Health and Rehabilitation Center.



**Blood Pressure** Thursdays Aug 10th &

**Sept 14th & 28th** 



Sponsored by Visiting Nurse Of **Fairfield County** 



### **AARP Smart Driver** Date: Friday October 6

### Time 9AM to 1pm

This brush-up driver course gives you a small reduction on your car insurance.

This does not apply to NY drivers. Please sign up with payment by June 9th.

Class is limited to 25 people. Facilitated by Phil Swan of AARP

Cost: \$20 AARP members / \$25 non members

### **Line Dance Lessons bv Simone**

Fridays: Aug 4th & 18th

Sept 8th & 22nd

Time: 10:30AM

Cost: \$6.00 per class payable directly to in-

structor

Please sign up at the front desk Learn both western line dancing and party line dances. It's great exercise and fun!

Instructor Simone Assboeck is a professional dancer, actress and singer, dance instructor and choreographer.

Thank you to our Bingo Prize **Sponsors: Greenwich Woods on** August 17th & Wilton Meadows on August 10, September 7th and September 21st!

### Chess Lessons and Games

When: Thursdays

Time: 1PM

Place: Rm 3

All members are welcomed and

encouraged!

Organized by Rick Crawford

### **Afternoon Card Games are** Back!

Thanks to members, Mary Ann Pappas and friends, the card games, are back at the Senior Center.

Kings in the Corner and Rummikub

When: Tuesdays

Time: 1PM

Just show up to play.

Tuesday afternoon 5 crown and Rummikub at 1PM is now Wednesday afternoons at the same time.

### **Monthly Birthday Cake**

Time: Noon

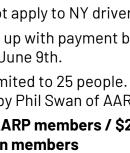
### August 4th & September 1st

All are welcome to celebrate our members! The monthly birthday cake will follow lunch on the first Friday of the month.

Sign up for lunch or stop in after for cake.

Sponsored by Dean @ Bridges by Epoch





### To Sign Up for any of our programs, please call (203) 847-3115 or stop by the front desk!



### Presentation: Wills and Trusts

September 14 at 10:30

Be sure to have your "Must Have" documents lined up.

With these documents in place, your family and medical professionals will know exactly how to carry out your wishes in case you cannot express them yourself.

Emily Wilson with Goldman, Gruder and Woods will help you create a comprehensive plan and peace of mind.

Please sign up at the front desk



### Chair Yoga Tuesdays at 12:30

This class teaches classic, gentle YOGA poses modified for the

chair. Chair Yoga increases strength & flexibility, while reducing stress.

Beginners welcome- No prior Yoga experience is necessary.

Facilitated by Georgia Condron, Certified YOGA instructor.

**Cost: \$6 per class** payable directly to instructor.



Crafting: Tissue Flower Making with Judy of Greenwich Woods 1PM September 26th





# Presentation Alzheimer's Awareness Friday, August 18 at 10:30

Alzheimer's and dementia have touched so many of our families and friends. This presentation is to start drumming up enthusiasm for the upcoming Alzheimer's walk. Sign up to walk on October 8th or support The walkers!

Norwalk seniors, invite your kids and grands to walk with you on October 8th. Come find out all you need to participate on the October 8th Alzheimer's walk.

> Speaker: Mary Kay Harrity Sign up at the front Desk

### Car Talk: Maintenance

Date: Tuesday August 22, 2023



Time: 12:30

Accurate Auto in Norwalk.

His presentation will cover:

Pre-winter checks

Tips for better gas mileage

Understanding the costs related

to car repairs.

Come hear Vinny Scicchitano, of

This is a great opportunity for you to meet a local reputable Auto Repair shop owner in Norwalk



### Learn About Our Elder Law Services:

Thursday, August 31
10:30 am @ the Norwalk Senior
Center (11 Allen Road)

Nursing Home Issues, Home Care Eligibility and Planning, Conservator Issues, Benefits Eligibility Assistance, Advanced Healthcare Instructions, Powers of Attorney, and Protection from Discrimination and Financial Abuse

Presentation followed by Q&A

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Cole Cooper, Esq., is responsible for the content of this information.

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For more information or to register for any of these trips, please call Carlos at (203) 847-3115 ext. 104 or stop by the front desk at 11 Allen Road.

### **America's Music Cities**

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### October 29 - November 05, 2023

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### **Highlights**

Edinburgh, York, High Speed Train, London, Afternoon Tea, Stonehenge, Bath, Wales, Cardiff Castle, Welsh Evening, Waterford, Blarney Castle, Killarney, Ring of Kerry, Jaunting Car Ride, Dublin, Traditional Irish Night

### **Pricing:**

Double: \$5,499pp Single: \$6,899pp Triple: \$5,449pp



### FDR Home & Library, Hyde Park, NY Wednesday, October 18

Visit the Home of Franklin D. Roosevelt - National Historic Site at Hyde Park, NY. Enjoy a Ranger-led Guided tour of FDR's elegant home "Springwood" built in 1826, it remains as it was when he lived there. Also enjoy time at the FDR Library & Museum & grounds. Lunch beforehand at the Eveready Diner, and time at the Walkway Over the Hudson.

Cost: \$165 per Member/ \$172 per Non-Member

Depart: 9:00 AM from Norden Park Estimated Return: 6:30 PM

### **NORWALK SENIOR CENTER SOUTH**

Norwalk Senior Center South serves a diverse senior population in South Norwalk. Located at 92 Cedar Street, South Norwalk. Participants speak English, Spanish, Creole & other languages.

For more information, call (203) 299-1500.

Outreach: Flor Gonzalez (203) 299-1500 ext. 101

FGonzalez@norwalksc.org

Activities: Giovana Ramirez (203) 299-1500 ext. 102 GRamirez@norwalksc.org

### **ACTIVITIES**

Coffee Talk 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month, 10am Karaoke 2nd Thursday of the month, 10am Puzzle Contest/Guessing Game Wednesdays, 10am ESL I Tuesdays at 10am

**ESL II** Wednesdays at 10am - **return in September Social Service Series** Every other Monday, 11:30am Diverse topics presented by Flor Gonzalez, Social Worker.

**Musicoteca** 2nd & 3rd Friday of the month, 12pm Let's move to the rhythm of our Latin music. All are welcome!

**Nutrition Club** 1st & 4th Friday of month, 11am Come share nutrition tips & ideas and make changes to stay healthy. Reading materials are available.

Rincon Espiritual - Dora DeAndrade

(Spanish) Mondays at 10am. Come share your faith and connect with your Higher Power. Todos son bienvenidos.

#### Free Hair Cut Services:

1st Wednesday of the month 9am-12pm. Free profesional hair styling services. Registration is required.

#### **EVENTS**

### **Summer Events Courtesy of Wilton Meadows**

Thursday August 3 at 12PM Bingo with prizes Thursday August 17 at 12PM Brunch and valuable information.

### Let's Celebrate your Birthday! Thursday September 28 at 12pm

Let's have some fun re-celebrating your birthday with friends!!! Join Us and find out how many birthdays you had missed!!



### Hispanic Heritage Event Friday September 29<sup>th</sup> 11am – 1pm

Come celebrate the Hispanic Heritage through food, music, singing and dancing. "Todos son Bienvenidos" Mark your calendar and be ready to learn about different cultures in a fun way! Call 203 299-1500 Ext. 102. Registration is required.



### Ice cream Social by Autumn Lake Healthcare Tuesday Aug. 1st at 12:30pm

Enjoy a delicious Ice Cream and meet some of our members. What a better way to make new friends!! Everyone is welcome.

### Monthly Bingo by Autumn Lake Healthcare: 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the Month

Amy Espinosa and Lisa Ortiz from Autumn Lake Healthcare will bring prizes for their monthly Bingo.

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#### **EXERCISE**

### Strong Steps Mondays at 11am

Instructor: Alexis Pistone of Ivy Rehab Physical Therapy in Norwalk. Class provides 30 minutes of

cardio, strength & posture training. **Tai Chi Tuesday & Thursday at 11am** 

Instructor: Karen Boginski.

Yoga for Arthritis Wednesday at 11am

Instructor: Karen Boginski

**Enhanced Fitness Friday at 10am** 

Instructor: Sharon Rubinstein

**HEALTH & WELLNES** 

Family & Children's Agency:

Third Wednesday of the Month at 10am Breast Cancer prevention Wed. Aug. 16 Hoarding Disorders Wed. Sept 20

Ana Guzman, Crisis Counselor COACH in Home Care Program (Spanish) comes every third Wednesday of the Month with interesting topics to inform and educate our members.

### Visiting Nurse & Hospice: Fourth Thursday of the Month at 10am

Vision & Aging Aug. 24

Immunization Awareness Sept. 28

Christine Burns RN Community Health is always ready to inform you about these important topics. Come prepared with questions, she will be happy to answer them.

### Blood Pressure Clinic from Visiting Nurse & Hospice

First and Third Tuesday of the Month at 9:30am



#### **SOCIAL SERVICES**

Provides information and assistance about Medicare, Medicaid, SNAP, Energy Assistance, and others social service resources. Assistance is available.

By appointment only.

#### **Margaret Shrine -Bridgeport**

Monday August 28. Leaving NSCS at 11:30am Lunch on your own. Cost \$5 Registration is required

### **Burlington - Stratford**

Wednesday August 9. Leaving Cedar Court at 11:00am

Lunch on your own. Cost \$5 Registration is required.

### Danbury Mall @ 11am

Wednesday September 27 Leaving Cedar Court at 11:00am

Lunch on your own. Cost \$5 Registration is required.

### **Ridgefield Thrift Store**

First Wednesday of Month @ 11am Lunch on your own. Cost \$5 Registration is required.

### Captain's Cove - Bridgeport

First and Third Wednesday of the month Leaving NSCS at 12pm Lunch on your own. Cost \$5 Registration is required.

### Visit to Saint Matthews Church: Second Monday of the Month

Monday Aug 14 / Monday Sept. 11 Leaving NSCS at 11:30am

### Norwalk Public Library-Seniors Events

We are offering transportation for our members to join some of the programs that the library is offering for Seniors.

#### **WEEKLY SHOPPING TRIPS**

Monday & Friday: Stew Leonard's at 1pm
Tuesday & Thursday Shop-Rite at 1pm
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**Tuesday** TBA (TJ Maxx Rte. 7 or Ct. Ave – Wal-Mart

Rte. 7 or Ct. Ave) 12pm

Wednesday : Thrift Stores : West Ave, Ridgefield,

Wilton, and Fairfield County@ 12pm

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All contributions are acknowledged by the Senior Center and donors are listed on this page as production deadlines allow.

Your tax-deductible donations help provide direct services to our neediest members as well as honoring those you love.

Thank you for your continued support and friendship.

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Please make checks payable to **Norwalk Senior Center**. The amount of your gift is confidential. Gifts are deductible for income tax purposes. Gift and memorial cards will be sent promptly.

### PAGE 18 | MEMBERSHIP FORM

- Norwalk Senior Center

11 Allen Road, Norwalk CT, 06851 (203) 847-3115

### Membership Application July 2023—June 2024

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Which site will you	visit most often?   Allen Road   Ceda	r St. <b>Are you already a member?</b> □Yes □No	
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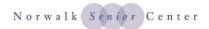
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