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March Spotlight

Lynn Parking Department

Parking laws, violations and fees Presenter-Director Jessica Chiappini Thursday March 6th 10:30AM

Lynn Senior Chat with Calvin

Department of Inspectional Services Presenter– Zosia Vanmeter **Tuesday March 11th 10:30AM**

Food As Medicine Presentation

An introduction to the food as medicine approach to Physical and emotional health management. Learn how diet is connected to our overall health and wellbeing Presenter– Lynn O'Neal, LMHC, CIMHP **Tuesday March 25th 10:30AM**

Live Guitar Music by Matt York

Enjoy live music and sing along with familiar tunes Friday March 28th 12:30AM

March Features

Community Care Van Clinic

Blood pressure screening, care and education Diabetes screening, care and education Covid and Flu Vaccines Tuesday March 11th 9AM-12PM

Mindful Movement and Meditation

Designed for relaxation, flexibility and mental clarity Heart-Mind Life program, by Ronald Hilderbrandt **Thursday March 13th and 27th 10:30AM-11:30AM**

Department of Public Health

Women's History Month Presenters: Mulika Champigny and Kitzia Diaz Spanish Translator: Damianny Garrido **Tuesday March 18th 10:30AM**

Greater Lynn Senior Services (GLSS)

Assisting seniors with DTA, veterans benefits , housing and more Robin DeStefano– GLSS Case manger Tuesday March 18th 11AM-1PM

Events

Please note: Registration process will begin on the 1st of every month. Reservations in person only. St. Patrick's Day Event (\$3.00) Friday March 14th 10:30AM-1:30AM Please call the Reception Desk at (781) 586-6879 for inquiries.

March Observances and Closings

Daylight Savings Time Sunday March 9th St. Patrick's Day Monday March 17th

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Happy Women's History Month, Lynn!

Annually, Women's History Month allows us to reflect on the significant

contributions and legacies of women and girls. Throughout time,

women have helped build, shape, and improve both our country and our city. And oftentimes, such contributions were in the face of hardship and

Mayor's Message

discrimination. Their efforts and stories often go untold or are less highlighted—especially BIPOC women and immigrant women who have always had a large part in strengthening America across generations.

As we pay tribute to women from the past to the present, we must acknowledge how their work unveils the endless possibilities of women, no matter their background. Thank you for the opportunity.

Sincerely,

Mayor Jared Nicholson

Director's Message

The mission of Lynn COA is for Lynn Seniors to feel Safe, Welcome, Heard, and Supported. Everything we do comes back to our Mission Statement. Our focus is on wellness both physically and emotionally, we do this by developing

programming around: health, exercises, nutrition, and fun.

Our core programming includes: three group outings per month, which

Includes: a trip to a casino. Monthly presentations from the Lynn

Department of Public Health. On the second Tuesday of the month, we have "Senior Chat with Calvin". Some of our previous guest speakers include:

Director of Massachusetts AARP, Jen Benson, weatherman

Harvey Leonard, and Dr. Joshua Judkins from Lynn High Rock

Observatory. These "chats" share insight and expertise on topics that are

relevant for our seniors, this is always followed up with a spirited Q and A.

Additionally, we support our Seniors' nutrition by providing breakfast and lunch Monday through Friday. Meal times for breakfast are from 9:15a.m. to 10:15a.m. and lunch from 11:45a.m. to 12:15p.m. Suggested donation per meal is \$2. We use the last Friday of each month to acknowledge and celebrate birthdays.

Our exercise program includes: Morning stretch with Tania, Chair yoga, in conjunction with several exercise programs that are

supported by Greater Lynn Senior. These include: SAIL (Staying Active and

Independent, Living) walking group, and a matter of Balance. We have two new programs to support the body and mind. These are

Mindful Meditation and Movement and Bingocize. Mindful Meditation

combined gentle movement and meditation. "Bingocize" is a program through UMASS School of Nutrition. It combines bingo and exercise. These programs combine education and fun.

I invite you to spring forward and come down to register for programming at the Lynn Senior Center. Registration is available in person.

With gratitude, Meegan Best, Director of Elder Services

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MARCH REGULAR MENU Page 4							
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY			
3 3oz Pork 3oz Chicken Strips (GLSS) 2oz Sweet and Sour Sauce 4oz Vegetable Lo Mein ¹ / ₂ cup Green Beans 1pc Dinner Roll ¹ / ₂ cup Pineapple	4 1pc meatloaf (1.5oz beef & 1.5oz turkey) 2 oz Gravy ½ cup Mashed Potatoes ½ cup Peas & pearl onions 1pc Oat Bread	5 Ash Wednesday 4oz Baked Pollock 2oz Creamy Parmesan Sauce ½ cup Rice Pilaf ½ cup Brussels Sprouts 1pc WW Bread ½ cup Applesauce 1pc Lemon Packet	6 1pc Breaded Chicken 2oz Marry Me Sauce ½ cup Quinoa ½ cup Capri Veg 1pc Vienna Bread 1pc Mandarins	 7 Lent Two Compartment 3pc Cheese Ravioli 4oz Lemon Basil Butter Sauce 4oz Garlic Spinach Congregate: Spinach Salad with Mandarins with Balsamic ½ cup Chocolate Pudding 			
10 3oz Baked Ham 2oz brown sugar glaze 4oz Mashed Sweet Potatoes ½ cup Cauliflower 1pc Low Sodium Wheat Bread ½ cup canned fruit	11 Chicken Fajitas 3oz Grilled Chicken Strips 2oz Peppers & Onions 1/2 cup Brown Rice 1/2 cup Black Beans 1pc Tortilla 1/2 cup gelatin No Margarine	12 Special 3oz Corned Beef with 2oz Au Jus on top of 1pc wedged cabbage 4oz Carrot & cubed turnip blend 4oz Steamed Potatoes & parsley 1pc Mint Brownie (no frosting)	13 Meatball Sub3 oz Chicken Meatballs2 oz Marinara Sauce½ cup Corn½ cup Tater Tots1pc Sub Roll½ cup Mandarins	14 Two Compartment 10oz macaroni and cheese ½ cup Peas 1 slice Oat Bread			
 17 Two Compartment 8oz Ground Turkey & white Bean Chili ½ cup Green Beans Congregate: Garden Salad with Ranch Dressing 1pc MG Bread ½ cup Applesauce 	18 Two Compartment 8oz Chicken & Sausage Gumbo 1/2 cup white Rice 1 pc Biscuit 1/2 cup canned fruit	19 Two Compartment 8oz Tuna & Noodle Casserole with peas ½ cup Capri Blend 1pc WW Dinner Roll	20 Birthday 3 oz Yankee Pot Roast 2 oz Brown Gravy 1/2 cup Carrots 1/2 cup Mashed Potatoes 1 pc WW Bread	21 Lent 1pc Broccoli & Cheese Egg Bake ½ cup Roasted Potatoes ½ cup Beets 1pc Fruit Loaf 1pc Yogurt 1pc Juice (no milk)			
24 Two Compartment Chicken pot pie 3oz chicken Puff Pastry (Congregate) ½ cup peas and carrots 3oz sauce ½ cup Mashed potato 1pc Biscuit (HDM) 1pc Dinner Roll (Congregate)	25 Two Compartment Beef Stroganoff 3oz Beef 4oz Stroganoff Sauce ½ cup Egg noodles ½ cup Broccoli 1pc MG Bread ½ cup Pudding	26 Cold: 4oz Turkey & Cranberry Salad ½ cup Garden Salad ½ cup Butternut Salad Congregate: Butternut Soup to replace butternut salad ½ pc Pita Bread 1pc Menu Magic Dressing 1pc Fresh Fruit (orange) No Margarine	26 Cold: 4oz Turkey & Cranberry Salad ½ cup Garden Salad ½ cup Butternut Salad Congregate: Butternut Soup to replace butternut salad ½ pc Pita Bread 1pc Menu Magic Dressing 1pc Fresh Fruit (orange) No Margarine	28 Lent Two Compartment 12oz Pasta Fagioli: 8oz of White beans & Navy Beans, 4oz carrots, celery, tomatoes, spinach, ditalini Pasta ½ c Cauliflower 1 pc Oat Bread 1pc Brownie cookie			
31 3oz Pork 2oz Honey Garlic Sauce ^{1/2} cup Brown Rice ^{1/2} cup Brussels Sprouts 1pc Vienna Bread							

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National Pie Month- pie making contest

Black History Month –fashion show with Mayor Nicholson and poetry reading by Learna Roberts

National Heart Month—Public Health Dept.

Décor Club: Made centerpieces

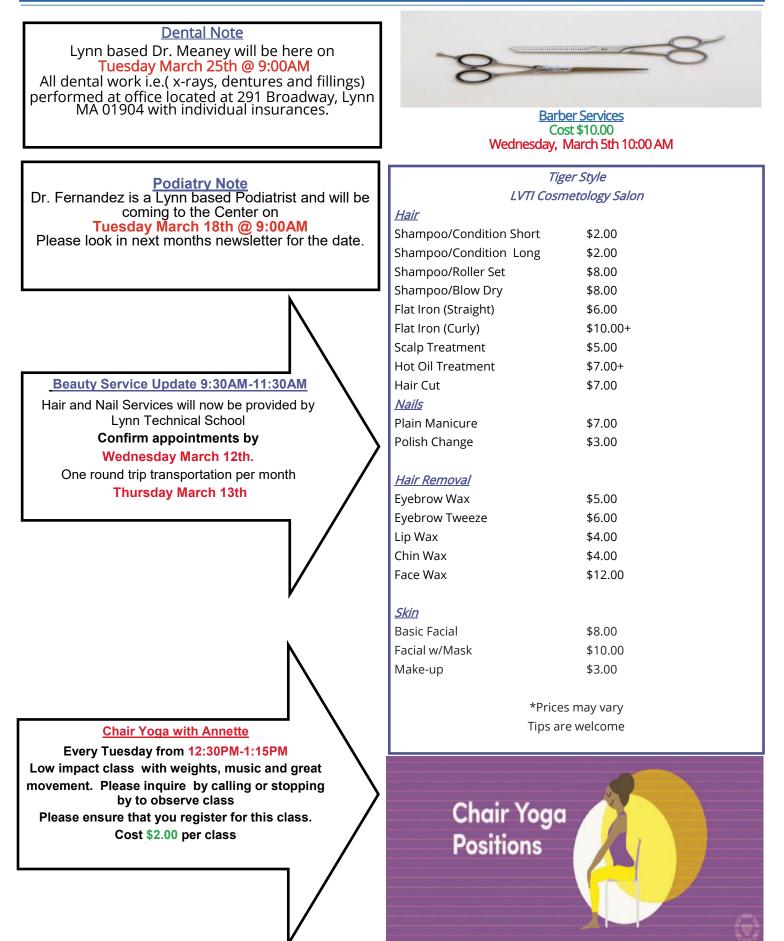
Bingocize and Meditation and Movement

Décor Club making centerpieces for February

MARCH MONTHLY SCHEDULE Page 6									
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY					
3. 10:30AM– Bingo 11:45AM– Lunch 12:30PM-Bingo 1:30PM– Horseracing	4. 9AM Mass Health Claudia 9:30AM- Sail 10:30AM-Red Cross Presentation 11:45AM- Lunch 12:30PM- Chair Yoga 12:30PM- Matter of Balance 1:30PM- Gaming Club	5. 10AM Barber 10:30AM- Bingo 11:45AM- Lunch 12:30PM-Bingo 1:30PM- Horseracing	 6. 10:30AM- Sail 10:30AM- Department of Parking 11:45- Lunch 12:30PM Décor Club 12:30PM- Matter of Balance 1:30PM Chorus Club 	7. 10AM– Public Health Screenings 10:30AM– Crafts 10:30AM– Game Day 11:45AM– Lunch 12:30PM– Game Day 1:30PM– Karaoke					
 10. 11AM Lunch Outing Essex Agricultural Café 10:30AM- Bingo 11:45AM- Lunch 12:30PM-Bingo 1:30PM- Horseracing 	 11. 10:30AM- Senior Chat 11:45AM-Lunch 12:30PM- Chair Yoga 12:30PM-Matter of Balance 1:30PM- Gaming Club 3pm Supper Club 	12. 10:30AM– Bingo 11:45AM– Lunch 12:30PM-Bingo 1:30PM– Horseracing	 13. 9AM- Casino 9:30AM- Lynn Tech Salon Services 10:30AM- Sail 10:30AM- Meditation and Mindfulness 11:45AM-Lunch 12:30PM-Matter of Balance 1:30PM Décor Club 	14. St. Patrick's Day Event 10:30AM-1:30PM					
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HEALTH & BEAUTY





PROGRAMS, SERVICES AND SIGN UP'S

The Brook Casino (Seabrook, NH)- Thursday March 13th 10AM-3PM 50 slots available. *Please inform staff during registration if you utilize an electronic mobility device to request a slot.* There is a \$10.00 for transportation fee.

Essex North Shore Agricultural & Technical School Lunch (Danvers, MA)- Monday March 10th 11AM-1PM 20 slots available. *Please inform staff during registration if you utilize an electronic mobility device to request a slot.* There is a \$5.00 for transportation fee.

Matter of Balance. Seniors who are concerned about falling, who have fallen in the past or restricted due to falling, this workshop is for you. 10 slots available.

No Cost . Offered Tuesdays and Thursdays 12:30PM-1:30AM for the month of March 2025.

Transportation Services

Please reserve transportation needs on the scan kiosk located at the center or call to reserve with a staff member (781) 586-6879)

Cancel or reserve rides 24 hours in advance. Same day requests for pick not allowed.

(Monday rides are reserved by Friday 3pm)

1. Shopping carts allowed on Thursdays only.

If seniors access items on other days, they are

responsible to carry and transport.

No items over 10 pounds.

- 2. Seatbelts remain fastened at all times.
- 3. No food/beverage are to be consumed in vehicle.

4. Phone calls are for emergencies only.

5. No smoking or vaping in City vehicles.

*On-going violations may result in temporary

suspension of transportation service.

Mass Heath Assistance Tuesday March 4th and Friday March 21st Claudia will be here at 9AM

Appointments may last up to 45 minutes. Please call Lynn Senior Center to reserve a slot (781) 586-6879

Sign Up Section

Seasonal Crafts– Friday March 7th (10 slots) Cost- **\$2.00** 10:30AM– 11:30PM

Supper Club- Tuesday March 11th (30 slots) Cost- **\$2.00** 3PM-5 PM

Seasonal Crafts– Friday March 21th (10 slots) Cost- **\$2.00** 10:30AM– 11:30PM

Chair Yoga March 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th (20 slots) Cost- \$2.00. Can pay in advance for future classes

All trips and activities are subject to change

Senior Clubs

<u>Photo Club 10 person limit</u> Capture special memories for annual scrapbook.

Garden Club 10 person limit (will resume in March 2025) Plant, water and harvest seasonal crops and help create tasty snacks for all to enjoy at the center.

Gaming Club 10 person limit Help coordinate fun monthly games and assist with planning tournaments.

<u>Chorus Club 10 person limit</u> Help choose and practice songs for seasonal acapella performances.

Décor Club 10 person limit Help decorate for all seasons and events.

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DEDUCTIBLE DONATION

Please consider making a tax deductible donation to assist the FRIENDS in raising funds to enhance the Center. In memory or in honor of a loved one, donations will receive acknowledgement in the LCOA'S monthly newsletter. Thank you in advance for your support. Families of those honored will be notified of your generous contribution. Please make check payable to FRIENDS OF LCOA, and send to Joan B. Noble, President of FRIENDS, 96 Millard Avenue, Lynn, MA 01904.

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