

Senior SCOOP

March 2024

Clearwater Senior Center

921 Janet Ave

Activities held at the Clearwater Senior Center are available to those 55 & older.

No membership fee is required to participate in most activities.

For more information on events or programs, please contact the Center coordinator at 620-584-2332.

Mission Statement

To provide services and programs for people 55 & older that promotes their well-being, supports their independence and encourages their involvement in community life.

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Package Delivery Problem? Maybe Not. Americans Are Swamped with Scam Texts

Criminals pretend to be USPS, FedEx and UPS, smishing for your personal info and money

You've surely received one (if not dozens) of these texts, noting that your U.S. Postal Service, UPS or FedEx delivery has been kept on hold because of an issue with your address, insufficient postage, or nobody was home to receive it. Just visit [a link will usually be included here] to provide more information, pay for extra postage or reschedule delivery.

The link might take you to a legit-looking website, often with the logo of the delivery service and an actual tracking number, where you are asked to verify your address, and perhaps pay a small "redelivery fee."

One caller to AARP's Fraud Watch Network Helpline paid with her credit card — in her case the charge was 99 cents — and discovered later that she'd been charged \$400.

That's just one example from the endless stream of fake delivery-service texts Americans have been receiving from scammers, who are smishing (the term for scam attempts made via text, or SMS) for personal info and money. According to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), Americans reported \$330 million in losses to text scams last year, more than double the reported losses from 2021. And delivery scams — with most messages purportedly from the U.S. Postal Service, FedEx and UPS — were the third most commonly reported type (behind fake bank texts and promises of free gifts or prizes).

These smishing attempts can be extremely effective, says Amy Nofziger, director of victim support for the AARP Fraud Watch Network. We may be hit with a delivery-related smishing attempt when we have just mailed or are expecting a package — something that's likely these days, with so much online ordering. The criminals "are playing off people's emotions, and people's need for what's coming in the mail, to get them to click on the link," she says.



MONTHLY EVENTS

MONDAYS

GAMES - COME AND PLAN ANY GAME OF YOUR CHOICE.

BRIDGE - A CARD GAME WITH STRATEGY. DON'T KNOW HOW TO PLAN, THEY WILL TEACH YOU!

MOVIE MONDAY - JOIN US FOR A MOVIE WITH FRIENDS. POPCORN IS ALWAYS SERVED.

BOOK CLUB - GRAB A BOOK AND COME DISCUSS WITH FRIENDS.

BRING A CRAFT - THAT'S JUST IT. BRING WHAT EVER YOU ARE WOKRING ON AND HAVE COMPANY TO CHAT WITH!

LADIES BIBLE STUDY - GATHER WITH OTHER LADIES AND GET IN TO THE BIBLE TOGETHER.

TUESDAYS

MEN'S COFFEE - THAT'S JUST IT. COFFEE WITH OTHER MEN.

EXERCISE - WE DANCE, SING AND MOVE OUR BODY WHILE BUILDING OUR STRENGTH, COORDINATION AND BALANCE.

CALORIE BURN - NEED MORE OF A WORKOUT? THIS IS IT. COME SWEAT WITH US.

BUNCO/CHICKEN FOOT - DICE OR DOMINOS, WE HAVE A GREAT TIME PLAYING BOTH.

GAMES

WEDNESDAYS

WALK IT OUT - GET UP AND MOVING. COME WALK (WEATHER PERMITTING).

WEIGHT CHECK - WORKING ON A GOAL THIS YEAR? WE WILL SUPPORT YOU.

THURSDAYS

COFFEE & COCOA - GRAB A CUP OF JOE OR A DIFFERENT HOT DRINK WITH COMPANY.

BIBLE STUDY - GET IN THE WORD WITH PASTOR KELLEY.

AFTERNOON BREAK - SNACK BREAK! SWEET OR SALTY, YOU WILL HAVE SOMETHING TO SNACK ON EVERY THURSDAY WHILE PLAYING GAMES.

FRIDAYS

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK - KEEP AN EYE ON YOUR HEALTH WITH GETTING YOUR BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKED.

EXERCISE/CALORIE BURN

LINE DANCING - NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY! COME LEARN SOME LINE DANCES WITH US.

Meals on Wheels/Friendship Meals Served Monday – Friday 11:30 AM

Sign up today!

Clearwater Center HoursMonday – Thursday 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Friday 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

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Friday	9:00 AM Blood Pressure Checks 9:00 AM Exercise 10:00 AM Calorie Burn 12:00 PM Games 1:00 PM Line Dancing	9 9:00 AM Blood Pressure Checks 9:00 AM Exercise 10:00 AM Calorie Burn 1:00 PM Line Dancing	9:00 AM Blood Pressure Checks 9:00 AM Exercise 10:00 AM Calorie Burn 11:30 AM Baked Potato Bar 1:00 PM Line Dancing	9:00 AM Blood Pressure Checks 9:00 AM Exercise 10:00 AM Calorie Burn 1:00 PM Line Dancing	9.00 AM Blood Pressure Checks 9:00 AM Exercise 10:00 AM Calorie Burn 12:00 PM Games 1:00 PM Line Dancing
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Tuesday		8:30 AM Men's Coffee 9:00 AM Exercise 10:00 AM Calorie Burn 1:00 PM Bunco 2:00 PM Chicken Foot 6:30 PM Severe Weather Safety at Fire Department	8:30 AM Men's Coffee 9:00 AM Exercise 12:00 PM Lunch & Learn 1:30 PM Singo Bingo	8:30 AM Men's Coffee 9:00 AM Exercise 10:00 AM Calorie Burn 1:00 PM Bunco 2:00 PM Bingo 3:30 PM Tutor Tuesday	8:30 AM Men's Coffee 9:00 AM Exercise 10:00 AM Calorie Burn 1:00 PM Movie& Popcorn The Boys in the Boat Book Club
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This menu served in: Butler, Harvey, Sedgwick Co.

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FRIDAY	1	Tuna Pasta Salad 80z Cuke & Tomato Salad 40z	Applesance 4oz	Crackers 2pks	Milk 8oz	(All Cold) Lenten Lunch	8	Hearty Tuscan Bean Soup 80z	Combo Salad 1C w/Dressing Pkg	Tropical Fruit 4oz	Garlic Cheddar Biscuit w/ Margarine	Milk 8oz	Lenten Lunch	15	Garlic Shrimp Penne 80z	Green Beans 4oz	Apricots 4oz	Whole Grain Breadstick	Milk 8oz	Lenten Lunch	22	Veggie Pasta Bake 8oz	Combo Salad 1C w/Dressing Pkg	Mixed Fruit 4oz	Garlic Cheddar Biscuit w/ Margarine	Milk 80z	Lenten Lunch	29					Good Co	Friday
THURSDAY							7	Turkey & Swiss Brocc Pasta 8oz	Three Bean Salad 4oz	Blushing Pears 4oz	Whole Grain Garlic Breadstick	Chef's Choice Birthday Cake	Milk 8oz	14	Cheeseburger 3oz	(on) Whole Grain Bun	Lettuce & Tomato / Mustard & Ketchup	Baked Beans 4oz	Mixed Fruit 4oz	Milk 80z	21	Turkey Salad 4oz	(on) Whole Grain Croissant	Potato Soup 6oz	Peaches 4oz	Milk 8oz		28	Easter Meal	Roasted Ham Slice 4oz	Green Bean Casserole 4oz	Cauli-Brocc-Raisin Salad 4oz	Ambrosia Fruit Salad 4oz	Wheat Roll w/Margarine Milk 802
WEDNESDAY							9	Mexican Pork Stew 8oz	Hominy 4oz	Tropical Fruit 4oz	wg Cornbread Muffin w/ Margarine	Milk 8oz		13	Pork & Noodle Cass. 8oz	Parslied Carrots 4oz	Pineapple 4oz	Wheat Roll w/ Margarine	Milk 8oz		20	Breaded Chicken Patty 3oz	(on) Whole Grain Bun	Lettuce & Tomato / Mayo	Calico Salad 4oz	Applesauce 4oz	Milk 8oz	27	Swedish Steak 3oz	Mashed Potatoes 4oz	Apricots 4oz	Wheat Bread w/ Margarine	Milk 8oz	
TUESDAY	L PATTERN	Protein = 3oz (minimum) Vegetable = 1/2c (1C leafy greens) Fruit = 1/2c (1/4c dried) ins = 1/2c or 1oz eq (50% whole grain) Dairy = 1C		2	Goulash 8oz	Green Beans 4oz	Pears 4oz	Whole Grain Breadstick	Milk 8oz		12	Salisbury Steak 3oz	Mashed Potatoes 4oz	Tropical Fruit 4oz	Wheat Roll w/ Margarine	Milk 8oz		19	Cheesy Mac Chili 8oz	Mixed Vegetables 4oz	Pineapple 4oz	Whole Grain Texas Toast	Milk 8oz		26	Southwest Tuna Noodle Bake 8oz	Mixed Vegetables 4oz	Mixed Fruit 4oz	Whole Grain Garlic Toast	Milk 8oz				
MONDAY DAILY MEAL PATTERN	DAILY MEA	Protein = 302 (minimum) Vegetable = 1/2c (10 leafy gr	Fruit = $1/2c$ (1/4c dried)	Grains = $1/2c$ or $10z$ eq $(50\%$ whole grain)	Dairy = 1C		4	BBQ Chicken 3oz	(on) Whole Grain Bun	Coleslaw w/ Carrots 4oz	Apricots 4oz	Milk 8oz		11	White Bean Chicken Chili 80z	Corn Relish Salad 4oz	Sliced Apples 4oz	Crackers 2pks	Milk 8oz		18	Ham & Beans 8oz	Pickled Beets 4oz	Peaches 4oz	wg Cornbread Muffin w/ Margarine	Milk 8oz		25	30z	Peas & Carrots	Cinnamon Apples 4oz	Wheat Roll w/ Margarine	Milk 8oz	

BISCUITS & GRAVY DAY IS COMING!

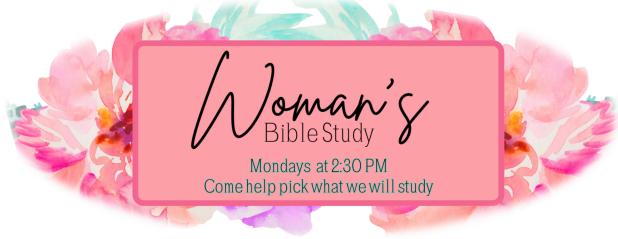
March 2 7:30 AM-10:30

921 E Janet The Center

All you can eat biscuits & gravy, juice, coffee & fruit
Adults \$5.00

Children 12 and under \$3.00





We need your help to #SlamTheScam on government imposters.

Learn how to spot scams, identify red flags, and report suspicious activity.





Thursday, March 7 at 1:00 PM

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THE CENTER WILL BE PROVIDING FRIED CHICKEN.
PLEASE BRING A SIDE DISH OR DESSERT TO SHARE

SPEAKER: LAURIE CARR
K-STATE RESEARCH & EXTENSION - SEDGWICK COUNTY
FRESH CONVERSATION





COME CELEBRATE MARCH BIRTHDAYS THURSDAY 3/14 AT 1:30 PM



ST PATRICK'S Celebration

Come grub with us at our epic spud-tacular lunch bash! Pay what you want, and let the potato party begin!

Friday 3.15.2024

Starting at 11:30 AM

Wear your green and get ready to raise some funds for future senior center activities.

It's crazy, it's fun, it's Sing along BINGO!

Tuesday, March 12 1:30 PM





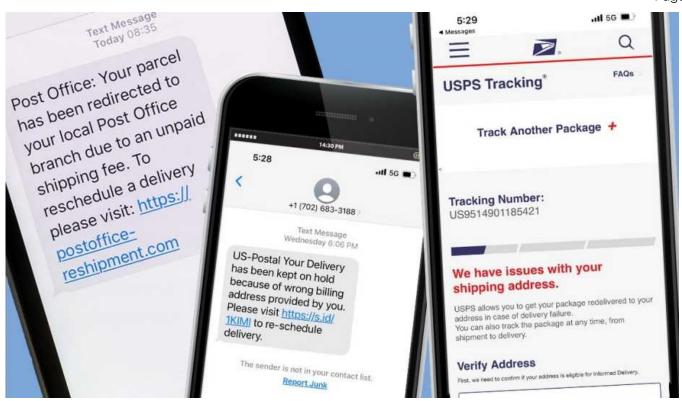


March is National Meals on Wheels Month

A knock at the door might not seem like a big deal to many of us. But, to a homebound senior, it could signal the arrival of the only person they might see all day or all week long. It brings hope. It brings health. It brings the nutrition and care that will completely make their day. A knock from Meals on Wheels can even save lives.

THE POWER OF A KNOCK TRANSFORMS LIVES.

Please consider making a donation to Meals on Wheels/Friendship Meals in March! For more information - contact Becky Estes at 620-584-2332



"Like all phishing, they're trying to create the idea that there's something you need to deal with right away," says Steve Weisman, a professor of white-collar crime at Bentley University in Waltham, Massachusetts, and an expert in scams, identity theft and cybersecurity.

It's not always clear what the criminals do with the personal information they collect through smishing, Weisman says, but they may sell it to other bad actors, or plan to use it in the service of future scams. You are more likely to trust future communications from them if they can provide personal details about you, he notes.

Warning signs of smishing

You receive notice about a problem with the delivery of your USPS package when you haven't made a tracking request (or haven't even mailed one). Unless you explicitly sign up for status alerts on a package, you won't receive a text from USPS, says Donna Harris, public information representative with the United States Postal Inspection Service (USPIS). "That's not how the Postal Service connects with the customer," she says. And if you never signed up for a USPS tracking request for a specific package, a text message citing one is certainly a fake.

The message has misspellings or awkward grammar. These are classic signs of a scam attempt (UPS also cites "excessive use of exclamation points"). But note that with artificial intelligence and other advanced technology, scammers are growing more sophisticated in their replication of legitimate communications.

Article provided by AARP Scams & Fraud.

IF YOU EVERY HAVE QUESTIONS ON WHAT YOU THINK MIGHT BE A SCAM PLEASE STOP IN THE OFFICE AND ASK FIRST!

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Fresh Conversations targets behaviors known to reduce chronic disease burden and promote healthy aging. It promotes healthier food and beverage choices across food groups. Each lesson will include a tasting activity featuring the recipe in that month's Fresh Conversations newsletter. Join us as we build community around food, nutrition, and more!

Classes will be held the 4th Thursday at 1:00PM.

Each session will last approximately 30 minutes.

- March Macular Degeneration: Sight-Saving Strategies
- April "Breaking" News: Eggs are Good for You
- May Cancer: Preventable, Not inevitable
- June Are Healthy Bones Important?
- July Summer Check-Up
- · August Fresh Herbs: Don't Miss Out on Summer Flavor
- September How Much is Too Much?

Even if the topic does not pertain to you, you are still welcome each week. We will have a great time learning together!

April Showers

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April Fool's Day Beginning

Chocolate

Green

Planting

Spring

Aries

Bloom

Earth Day

Grow Plow

Sun

Baseball

Bunny

Easter

Jellybeans

Puddles Taurus Basket

Chicks

Flowers

Jokes

Showers

Warmer Weather

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