# Petaluma Senior Center

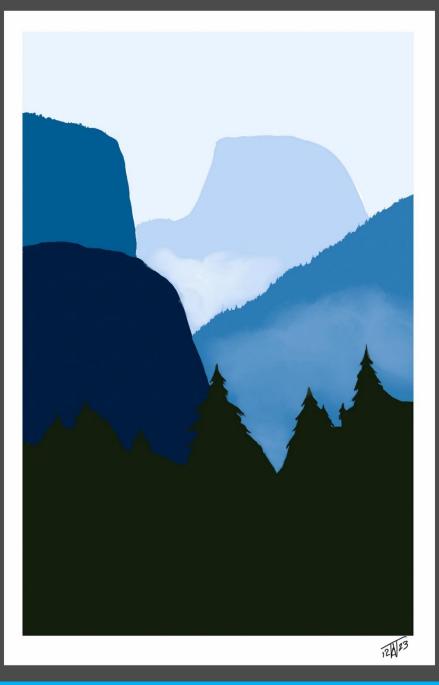
**JANUARY** 



2024

The Petaluma Senior Center will be **CLOSED:** 

Monday, Jan. 1st 8 Monday, Jan.15<sup>th</sup>



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Open Monday - Thursday 8:00am - 4:00pm

211 Novak Drive (707) 778 - 4399parksnrec@cityofpetaluma.org

# **PSC January Events**

# **Jukebox Jamboree**

A 1950's Bash!

## Thursday, January 25<sup>th</sup> - 2pm

Rock & Roll Music

(Fats Domino, Little Richard, Elvis, The Shirelles, Buddy Holly, Martha & the Vandellas, and more)

- Dancing
- hot dogs, burger sliders, ice cream floats

R.S.V.P. at the PSC Front Desk \$5 Contribution

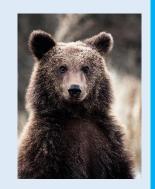












# FILM NOIR MOVIE TUESDAYS

IN JANUARY 2PM - PSC LIBRARY

JAN. 2 - STRANGERS ON TRAIN (1954)

JAN. 9 - THE STRANGE LOVE OF MARTHA IVERS (1946)

JAN. 16 — DOUBLE INDEMNITY (1944)

JAN. 23 — GASLIGHT (1944) & DETOUR (1945)

JAN. 30 - DIAL M FOR MURDER (1954)

# Fun January National Holidays

#### at the PSC

Mon Jan. 1st - Happy New Year!! PSC IS CLOSED

Tue Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup> - Science Fiction Day

Wed Jan. 3rd - Write to Congress Day

Thu Jan. 4th - Trivia Day

Mon Jan. 8th - English Toffee Day

Tue Jan. 9th - Word Nerd Day

Wed Jan. 10th - Houseplant Appreciation Day

Thu Jan. 11th - Milk Day



Tue Jan. 16th - Appreciate A Dragon Day

Wed Jan. 17th - Customer Service Day

Thu Jan. 18th - Winnie the Pooh Day

Mon Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup> - Polka Dot Day

Tue Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup> - Handwriting Day

Wed Jan. 24th - Peanut Butter Day

Thu Jan. 25th - Clashing Clothes Day

Jukebox Jamboree Dance Party - 2pm - 4pm

Mon Jan. 29th - Puzzle Day

Tue Jan. 30th - Draw a Dinosaur Day

Wed Jan. 31st - Hot Chocolate Day







#### **MONDAY**

Pool - 8:30am - 4:00pm

<u>Line Dancing</u> - 8:30am - 10:00am - Open to new dancers!

**Quilting - 9:00am - 4:00pm** 

Painter's Circle - 10:00am -12:00pm

**Writing Group - 10:30am - 12:00pm** 

Parkinson's (PD) Connect Class - 2:00pm - 3:00pm

Folk Dancing - 1:00pm - 2:00pm Starts Jan 8!

Paper Crafts with Ellyn - 1:00pm - 3:00pm (January 29th)



### **TUESDAY**

**Walking Group** – 7:45am **Sharp** 

**Pool** - 8:30am - 4:00pm

Knitting/Crocheting Club - 9:00am - 11:30am

**Chess** - 9:00am - 12:00pm

Duplicate Bridge - 12:00pm - 4:00pm

Fall Proof Balance Classes

10:00am - 11:00am - for unsteady/device assisted participants

11:00am - 12:00pm - for more steady participants

Conversations on Aging - 10:00am - 11:30am (January 23rd)

**Current Events Discussion Group - 12:00pm - 2:00pm** 

<u>Ping Pong</u> – 2:00pm – 3:00pm

Positive Thinking - 2:00pm - 3:00pm

The Art of Downsizing - 2:00pm (January 23rd)

Tech Help with Rich - 2:00pm - 3:30pm (January 9th)

American Style Mahjong - 1:30pm - 4:00pm



#### **WEDNESDAY**

**Pool** - 8:30am - 4:00pm

Gentle Chair Yoga - 9:00am - 9:45am

TOPS - 9:30am - 11:30am

Chinese Style Mahjong (Beginner's Welcome!) 10:00am - 11:30am

Beginning Line Dance - New Session - 11:00am - 11:45am

Hearts - 11:30am - 1:30pm

Happy Crafts with Bonnie - 1:00pm - 3:00pm (January 10th)

What's Your Story - 1:00pm - 2:00pm (January 3rd & 17th)

<u>Look Club</u> – 1:00pm – 2:00pm (January 31st)

Mexican Train Dominos - 1:30pm - 4:00pm

<u>Widows Connect!</u> - 2:00pm – 3:00pm

Spice of Life Social Club - 3:00pm - 4:00pm



#### **THURSDAY**

Walking Group - 7:45am Sharp

<u>Line Dancing</u> - 8:30am - 10:00am - *Open to new dancers!* 

**Pool** - 8:30am - 4:00pm

Artist Open Studio - 10:00am - 11:30am

Pinochle - 10:00am - 12:00pm

<u>Listening Bench Drop-In Hours</u> – 10:00am – 12:00pm

<u> Sit 2B Fit</u> – 10:15am – 11:15am – <u>NO CLASS JAN 11!!</u>

Discussion Group - 11:30am - 12:30pm

<u>Meditation</u> - 12:30pm - 1:30pm - <u>STARTS Jan 18!</u>

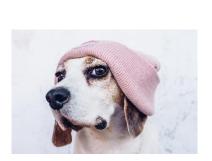
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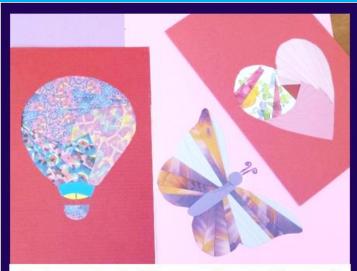
Community Law Consultation - 10:00am - 12:00pm (January 4th)

Rhythm Circle - 1:00pm - 1:45pm (January 25th)

<u>Computer Club</u> – 12:00pm – 1:30pm (January 25<sup>th</sup>)

<u>Wise Women's Circle - 2:00pm - 3:00pm</u> (January 25<sup>th</sup>)





# Iris Folding Art Card

Workshop with Ellyn

Monday, January 29th 1:00pm

Learn the art of Iris paper folding, a craft where you fold and layer strips of colored paper to make beautiful, symmetrical designs. *No charge!* 

R.S.V.P. at (707)778-4399 or at the PSC Front Desk

#### THE ART OF DOWNSIZING

The intentional reduction of belongings in preparation of life changes

Tuesday, January 23rd at 2pm

Petaluma Senior Center

# Reasons for Downsizing

Health Changes \* Simplifying \* Lifestyle Changes Reducing the burden of maintaining large space Financial Changes \* Aiding Family \*

This presentation will address:

- The challenges of DECISION MAKING
- Planning & Decluttering Tips
- · Solutions to changing times in your life

EMBRACE THE CHALLENGE, CELEBRATE PROGRESS, & WELCOME A NEW CHAPTER!!

R.S.V.P. AT THE PSC FRONT DESK OR CALL (707)778-4399



# Folk Dancing

with Sue Oaks

Embark on a joyful journey of movement!

Learn new dances from around the world Mondays in this 6-part series!

Jan 8, 22, 29 & Feb. 5, 12, 26 1:00pm - 2:00pm

\$8 contribution per class
No dance experience necessary!

Designed for active seniors, this class offers a delightful blend of cultural dances, fostering a sense of community and wellbeing through rhythmic expression and great music.

R.S.V.P. (707)778-4399 or at PSC Front Desk



Sewing & Tea Social

With Chelsa

#### <u>Thursday, January 18<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm</u>

Learn to sew a basic Teapot cozy/koozie & enjoy some tea & a scone and learn Teatime etiquette.



Sewing Machines & Materials will be provided, but feel free to bring your own.

R.S.V.P. by January 11th

Space is limited to 6 participants. \$5 contribution for materials

# **Happy Crafts**



Wed. January 10th - 1PM

This month's craft: **Beaded Suncatcher** 

R.S.V.P. at the PSC Front Desk Space is limited (707)778 - 4399no charge



### A Wise Women's Circle

January 25th at 2pm Looking for wonderful women to create a vibrant community of seasoned individuals to share experiences, wisdom, and support.

Celebrate achievements, explore new interests, and navigate the unique challenges that come with the later stages

·Laugh and make new friends!

Meets the 4th Thursday each Month - 2pm

# What's your story?

Casual Conversation in Good Company

Weds - January 3 & 17 1:00pm -2:00pm Petaluma Senior Center Library

> Share your stories of your life, amongst a supportive group of listeners, in a relaxed and fun setting.

Cara Wasden has been a Toastmaster for the past 18 years and has learned how to confidently share her passions with others through humor, humility, and honesty. She has 5 years of volunteer experience with folks at Sunrise Senior Living, and she's excited to meet with you and hear your stories.

# Positive Thinking

Practice Positive thinking to reduce stress and have a healthier life.

Introduction to Positive Thinking Workshop

Tuesdays at 2pm — 2:45pm

Participants will learn calming techniques such as breathing exercises, mediation, living in the moment training, and practice relaxed natural movements that calm the mind and

relax the body.

To R.S.V.P. at the PSC Front Desk or call (707)778-4399

# **TECH HELP**

# with Rich!

Tuesday, January 9th at 2pm - 3pm

At the Petaluma Senior Center







Ask for basic technical help for your cellphone, laptop, or tablet from

### Rich

RSVP at the PSC Front Desk or call (707)778-4399

Space is limited!

Join Our NEW

# Beginning Line Dance Class

at the Petaluma Senior Center!



🕺 No Experience in Dance Required! 🕰

Are you looking for a fun and social way to stay active while enjoying great music? Look no further – it's the perfect way to get moving and make new friends.

No dance experience is necessary, and all seniors are welcome!

#### What to Expect:

- Fun and Easy-to-Follow Line Dance Routines to an assortment of genres of music
- · A Friendly and Supportive Environment
- · Great Exercise for Body and Mind
- · Boost Your Confidence

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R.S.V.P. at the PSC Front Desk or call (707)778-439

# Rhythm Circle with Tarah

**Thursday, January 25**th 1:00 – 1:45pm

Enjoy the physical, emotional, & spiritual benefits of making music with others in a safe space and express yourself with sound and rhythm.

Maracas, shakers, drums, and more will be available – feel free to bring your own percussion instrument if you have one.

#### The Computer & Smartphone Club Meeting

Tuesday, January 25<sup>th</sup> 12:00pm – 1:00pm

### **Smartphone Photography**

- How to be a great photographer
- Android vs iPhone cameras
- What do you need?
- Accessories
- Tips
- Organizers/Managers
- Things to consider



# SENIORS LOOK CLUB

Wednesday January 31 at 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

What's Going On In This Picture? What do you see that makes you say that? What more can we find?



Are you interested in stretching your powers of observation and imagination?

Do you enjoy open-ended, lively discussion where there are no wrong answers?

Join us at the Petaluma Senior Center for "Seniors Look Club", a new way of looking at and talking about art.





# Open Art Studio

with Vivian Lujan-Cortez

**Thursdays** 

10:00 am - 11:30 am

Engaging in art for as little as 45 minutes reduces stress levels.

Join us for a series of spontaneous art activities in a relaxed environment.

Enjoy the process of making art using the medium of your choice:

drawing pencils \* charcoal \* watercolor \* pastels \* acrylic

Beginning students welcomed.

Materials will be discussed at first class meeting.

## GENTLE CHAIR YOGA

Wednesdays, 9:00am - 9:45am

#### \$5 per class

45-minute gentle yoga class with option for a chair. Stretching and movement, done slowly & deliberately, often seated on the floor on a yoga mat or in a chair.

- ·Improve flexibility & balance to help prevent falls as we age
- ·Strengthen and stretch your muscles
- ·Protect your bones by doing weight bearing yoga poses
- ·Focused, mindful breathing to reduce stress & anxiety
- ·Yoga August promote better sleeping Nobody will be turned away if they cannot pay the \$5 fee.

Denise Elfenbein is the instructor

### **Community Law Clinic**

Community Law Clinic is a low- cost elder law clinic and Alternate Dispute Resolution Firm. Seniors are never turned away for lack of funds.

We are mobile. We do home visits. We can travel throughout Sonoma County.



Elder Law \* Trust / Estate Planning \* Tenant Protection\* Elder Abuse \* Grandparents Rights\* Pet Trust \*

#### Canine Support Available\*\*

Drop in for free counsel at the Petaluma Senior Center

First Thursdays of the month Jan. 4 & Feb.1

10 am -12 pm

Or Schedule a free consultation/mobile visit

(707) 789-5336

Communitylawclinic.ca@gmail.com

https://www.communitylawclinic.com/



# Spice of Life Social Club!

# Wednesdays at 3pm

Looking for members who want to enjoy <u>new adventures</u> in Eating Out, Excursions,

& Exercise (not all together at once 9)

Activities will be planned & led by participants; the Senior Center will serve as a meeting point.

# **Conversations on Aging**

#### Identifying Goals, Wishes and Well Being

Tuesday, January 23rd 10:00am -11:30am

Being prepared has its benefits. Western culture has made an unconscious decision to talk about end of life wishes only when necessary, usually only when a crisis occurs. Let's remove the taboo of conversations about End of Life and have those conversations just be another part of life.

Everyone deals with this in their own way & in their own time frame.

Take the time and ask yourself what truly matters to you?

Do you see life as a spiritual experience as well as a physical experience? What rituals are important to you?

What legacy will you leave?

How do you want to prioritize your time when you are in your final chapter

#### **SHARON ZIFF, RN**

- As a Hospice Nurse for 12 years at Memorial Hospice,
- Sharon Ziff, RN, learned about death; the importance of preparations; and dying with dignity from her many patients.
   Upon retirement, Sharon was certified in the specialized program, "Authentic Presence: Contemplative Care for End-of-Life Practitioner."
- Sharon is wholly committed to helping her community gain knowledge to best prepare themselves and their loved ones for a good "final chapter" and how to face death with dignity.
   https://letsspeakaboutdeath.com/

# **CURRENT EVENTS**

#### **DISCUSSION GROUP**



Tuesdays 12pm – 2pm



For more info call or text

Tony Sacramento (707)235 - 6105

Come discuss an issue you can't stop thinking about - local, global, & celestial!

All views are treated with civility and respect.

Have you been diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease? This class is for you!



Mondays at Petaluma Senior Center, 211 Novak Drive, Petaluma, CA 94954 2:00pm-3:00pm PST



DR. MAUREEN ROHLWING

Founder of Wired Therapy and Wellness Board Certified Neurological Specialist Certified Stroke Rehab Specialist LSVT BIG Certified Parkinson Coach

For More Info Please Call (415) 598-8709 or email Maureen@PD-Connect.org

# <u>January</u> <u>Coloring</u> Contest

Pick up a coloring sheet in the PSC Front Desk

Turn in by January 31st & enter to win a prize!

# Meditation with Zoe!

MOVED BACK TO

12:30PM

Thursdays

Come join us and enjoy a relaxing meditation sessionlearn to quiet your mind and body.



No prior experience needed. Everyone is welcome - Drop-in!







NO SIT 2B FIT JAN. 11

# SIT 2B FIT



Join us for this fun class where you can exercise with a chair - seated or standing.

This class will help give you increased flexibility, tone your muscles, elevate your heart rate, strengthen your body, and maintain balance.

Thursdays 10:15am to 11:15am

Program is Free, offered through the SRJC Older Adults Program – sign up at first class

Widows Connect!

<u>Ladies Social Club</u> Wednesdays 2:00pm - 3:00pm

Make new friends & connect with other widows

- Attend Local Events
  - Dine Out
    - Travel
  - Charity Projects

Enjoy good company & good times!



Are you afraid of falling?

Do you feel unsteady on your feet?

# **FALL PROOF!**

# **Balance & Mobility Class**

# **Tuesdays**

10am - 11am For those very unsteady or that use an assistive device (cane/walker)

11am - 12pm For higher level participants who don't need an assistive device

Fallproof! is a clinically proven, structure-based exercise class designed to improve balance, mobility, and posture.

Studies show that balance/mobility training can be instrumental in preventing falls in older adults. Many falls can be prevented!

1st Class is free, \$10 per class after that Scholarships/Partial payments are available upon request

Classes are modifiable to fit most fitness levels.

Please stop in and observe a class and see if its right for you!

Questions? Contact Michelle Machado, Fallproof! Instructor

(707) 529-1511

# Writing Group

Mondays 10:30am - 12pm

Whether it's memoir, fiction, or poetry – come share your writing with an open and supportive group.

Beginners welcome!



# JOIN THE PSC BOOK CLUB!

Thursday, Jan. 11 12:30PM – 2:00PM



**January Selection:** 

The Boys

By Ron and Clint Howard (Biography)

February Selection:

Being Mortal by Atul Gawande
(Non-Fiction Self Help)

#### <u>DISCUSSION GROUP</u>



THURSDAYS AT 11:30 am

Engage in lively & interesting conversations. Topics are wild, serious, funny, and unique. All are welcome to bring opinions & views and join in!



# Would you like to talk to someone? The Listening Bench

#### **Purpose:**

To provide a safe, confidential setting for any adult, (55 & up) to talk to someone about their life, and share whatever's on their mind.

#### Who's listening?

Volunteer seniors who have been trained in the art of active listening, will be offering their peer support and compassionate skill set to any individual who visits the

#### Listening Bench.

Drop In - Thursdays from 10am - 12pm at the Petaluma Senior Center, 211 Novak Drive

Make an Appointment: Call (707) 778 - 4399
Email <u>parksnrec@cityofpetaluma.org</u>



# **Painter's Circle**

A group for Experienced & Advanced Artists

Join other advanced painters in a casual painting session!

#### Mondays 10:00am - 12:30pm

- Painter's Circle is self-led, no instructor.
- Participants bring their own supplies. (No Oil Paints please)
- Peer Feedback & Critiques
- Drop -ins welcome!



A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO DONATED IN OUR FOOD & PET SUPPLY DRIVES!!

# TOPS- Taking Off Pounds Sensibly

Wednesdays 9:30am - 11:30am

We monitor our exercise, discuss lifestyle changes, and support each other maintaining good health in a welcoming atmosphere. Join us!

# **WALKING GROUP**

Come join in some exercise & friendly conversation during a level ground 2-mile walk, 1-hour duration

7:45am SHARP Tuesdays & Thursdays at the Senior Center,

**Back Parking Lot** 

# Ping-Pong

**Tuesdays & Thursdays** 

2pm – 3pm

Beginners welcome



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## SLOW STROLLS

FOR EVERYONE

Join a weekly walk every Tuesday morning to enjoy the 1.5-mile round-trip loop at the Petaluma River Park. You'll be accompanied by others looking to soak in the beauty of the River Park in a group setting.

When: Every Tuesday at 9:00AM

Meet in the Steamer Landing Parking Lot at 300 Copeland Street. Acompáñenos a la caminata semanal todos los martes por la mañana para disfrutar del circuito de ida y vuelta

CAMINATAS LENTAS

PARA TODOS

de 1.5 millas en el Parque del Río Petaluma. Lo acompañarán otras personas que buscan sumergirse en la belleza del parque en un entorno grupal.

Cuándo: Todos los Martes a las 9:00AM

Punto de encuentro en el estacionamiento del Steamer Landing en 300 Copeland St.



Want to see what's happening at Petaluma Senior Center and Petaluma Parks & Recreation?

Like us on our Facebook Page!

https://www.facebook.com/PetalumaParksandRec/

We need
Players for

Classic Poker

Sign up at the PSC Front Desk

> or call (707)778-4399





### **ACTIVITIES AT THE PETALUMA COMMUNITY CENTER**

# Fitness & Strength Training

Mondays and Fridays 12:30-1:30pm \$5.00 drop in.

Petaluma Community Center 320 N McDowell Blvd

Diana's class focuses on cardiovascular and muscular strength and endurance, balance, coordination, and posture in a supportive environment while seated or standing.

# ZUMBA GOLD

Ages 55+
Mondays and Fridays
11:00am - 12:00pm
Petaluma Community
Center
320 N. McDowell Blvd
\$5/class
First class FREE!

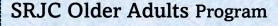


# TAI CHI

Mondays & Wednesdays

10:00am Petaluma Community Center

Sign up through the



https://older-adults.santarosa.edu/join-class

### **Earle Baum Center**

### **Vision Support Group**

PETALUMA COMMUNITY CENTER

Every 3<sup>RD</sup> Tuesday of the Month 10:00-12:00 ACTIVITY ROOM

Our informal group is open to all who are interested in learning about our training and services at no cost. Everyone is encouraged to share their experiences in a friendly atmosphere. We discuss topics related to sight loss: low vision aids, independent living skills, assistive technology tools including smart phones, tablets, GPS and more.

Earle Baum Center's mission is to provide hope and opportunities for people with sight loss to improve and enrich their personal, social, and economic lives.

Patricia Jefferson- Vision Rehabiltation Educator/Instructor jefferson@earlebaum.org

(707) 479-8321







# Need Tech Help?

Thursday, January 11<sup>th</sup> 5:00pm - 6:00pm



**Petaluma Community Center** 

Hello Senior Center Members,

I am a Petaluma resident and Senior in High School with a deep interest in science and technology.

Over the past 10 years, I've been building, rebuilding, repairing, and programming computers in my spare time and am also the controls lead (head programmer) on my high school robotics team.

Through all these experiences I've developed an ability to troubleshoot technology problems of all kinds, which I'd now like to use to help members of the senior center solve their technology issues.

Please join me at my free tech support clinic on the second Thursday of each month.

I can work on Macs, PCs, Android phones, iPhones and all tablets—pretty much any device you have and can bring with you.

I look forward to meeting you! - Eli

# PETALUMA FREE TAX ASSISTANCE

AARP Tax-Aide provides tax preparation to anyone, free of charge, with a focus on taxpayers who are over 50 & have low to moderate income.

#### STEPS:

- 1. Taxpayers pick up a packet
- 2. Read the instructions & complete the forms
- 3. Look for AARP TAX PHONE number on the form

<u>After you complete your form call/text</u> & leave a message with your name and phone number to make an appointment for tax preparation.

Appointments will be available on Mondays beginning <u>February</u> 5 at the Petaluma Community Center at 320 North McDowell Blvd.

Beginning **January 16th** 

Pick up Intake packets with complete information

- \* Petaluma Senior Center
- \* Petaluma Community Center



\* Petaluma Library



#### Active Older Adults Program

SRJC Offers FREE classes throughout Sonoma County!



Your community college offers free, Noncredit courses tailored to older adults as part of its lifelong learning program. Since 1968 our partner locations have supported the college's effort to bring lifelong learning to the older adult community.

#### SIGN UP FOR A CLASS IN:

CREATIVE ARTS enhance your creative expression through various media such as painting, drawing, crafts and collage. Each course section has its own media focus. Group interactions engage active seniors in a supportive exchange of artistic points of view. All levels welcome.

AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL WRITING is designed to maintain and improve the skills necessary to write a personal account of an individual's life story. The process of recollection and writing is supported with help on structure, content, style and feedback. Older adults work at their own pace in a friendly, encouraging environment.

**DISCUSSION GROUP** enhances the social and intellectual quality of life for active seniors through lively discussion centered on topics such as consumer issues, history, current events, healthy aging, literature, conversational Spanish and much more. Each course section has its own focus.

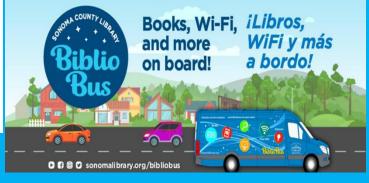
**HEALTH & FITNESS** enhances the physical well-being of older adults through various exercises for balance, stretching, range of motion, strength training, flexibility, low impact aerobics, Tai Chi, and much more. Each course section has its own focus. Education includes encouraging a healthy and active lifestyle. Beginners are welcome.

MUSICAL EXPERIENCE is designed to enrich the quality of life of active seniors through music. A variety of stimulating and uplifting activities are incorporated, including learning about musicians' lives and exploration of classical and popular music.

Sign up for a library card!
Check out books, movies, and more!

Regístrese para obtener una tarjeta de la biblioteca. Tomar prestados libros de la biblioteca.

Tuesday, January 9
10:30 - 11:30 AM
Petaluma Senior Center
211 Novak Dr, Petaluma



SRJC Older Adults Program (707) 527-4533

# Coming in February at the PSC

The Petaluma Senior Center Presents

# **Aging Gracefully**

a Wednesday lecture series - 1:00pm

#### Feb. 7 - Allan Bernstein

Music and the Aging Mind
The Benefits of Music for your health & well being

#### Feb. 14 - Wynnelena C. Canio

It's Only Aging - the Normal Signs Facts and insight about healthy aging

#### Feb. 21 - **Heather Campopiano**

Having One's Affairs in Order When to See an Elder Lawyer

#### Feb. 28 - Donna Williams

Strategies for Living in Place How to Age in Your Home

Petaluma Senior Center – 211 Novak Drive, Petaluma

Lectures are No charge.

R.S.V.P. - (707)778-4399 or at the PSC Front Desk



Having difficulty hearing or seeing on your smartphone? Attend a FREE training and make your smartphone work better for you!

#### Learn how to:

- Make your smartphone louder and easier to hear
- · Send & receive text messages
- · Connect Bluetooth devices
- Operate the basic functions of your smartphone... and much more!



iPhone and Android smartphone trainings are offered on the following dates/times:

#### **iPhone**

Thursday, February 22 10:00am - 12:00pm

#### Android

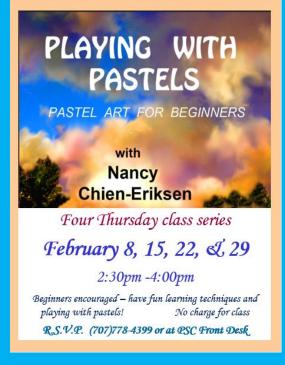
Thursday, February 29 10:00am - 12:00pm

Where:

Petaluma Senior Center – 211 Novak Dr.

Space is limited, registration required

Contact: (707)778 - 4399 or PSC Front Desk





Petaluma Senior Center

### Soup-in-Bowl Party



#### Leap into Flavor

Thursday, February 29th 1:00pm

Soup Options

- Minestrone
- Split Pea
- Vegetable (Vegan) Soup-rise
  - Salad, bread, dessert
     \$5 Contribution

R.S.V.P. (707) 778-4399 or at PSC Front Desk

Happy Leap Year!!!

## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**



Petaluma

Repairing Homes Revitalizina Communities Rebuilding Lives

Safe Homes and Communities for Everyone



#### About RTP

For more than 25 years, we have been dedicated to repairing the homes of our neighbors in need. Our work falls across the entire spectrum of home repair and accessibility modifications.

Whatever the need, we rely on an extensive network of partners, local businesses, and our volunteers to respond quickly and effectively.

Contact Us





BECOME A PART OF REBUILDING TOGETHER PETALUMA

#### Volunteer

RTP utilizes volunteers for many of our projects through out the year. Sign up to work with us on our website.

Donations to RTP can be made one-time, monthly, and yearly. Every donation helps a Petaluma neighbor live safely Donations can be made on our website





Enjoy kids? Want to give back to your community? Have a passion you want to share?



#### Join the pilot of an exciting new program Petaluma City Schools Seeking Older Adult Volunteers

WHAT: Make a weekly hour-long commitment through a minimum of one semester. Your commitment to meet every week is essential. Opportunities include:

- · Classroom center support work with small groups of students under supervision of the teacher
- · Renaissance Recess Activities that go beyond traditional playground games. Bring your expertise to the campus, whether it's a sports activity, weaving, robotics, you
- · Library Spend quality time in the library reading with students
- Support teachers Make packets, prepare homework folders
- . Other: Bring your passion to the school and see it happen with students

WHEN/WHERE: Pilot launches in January and February (see below). More schools may follow.

#### HOW TO JOIN:

- RSVP to an orientation meeting to: Kris Rebillot [krebillot@rebillot.com/ 415-717-3268]
- Attend MANDATORY orientations at pilot schools (below)
- Suggest an activity you'd like to offer to: Kris Rebillot

Tuesday, January 23 from 10:30 am - 11:30 am

Valley Vista Elementary School 730 N. Webster Street Principal Jaime Bushman

Tuesday, February 6 from 10:30 am - 11:30 am McDowell Elementary School 421 South McDowell Boulevard Principal Ruth Miller



# PETALUMA, **WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!**

#### **PLEASE SIGN UP** AT REFB.ORG



The Redwood Empire Food Bank relies on volunteers to help feed over 117,000 families, individuals, seniors, and children from Sonoma County to the Oregon border. We can't do this important work without you!

Help us End Hunger in Our Community!

707-523-7900 | 3990 Brickway Blvd., Santa Rosa | refb.org | volunteers@refb.org





#### Volunteer with us!

At COTS, our volunteers are a fun, supportive team providing help and hope to those experiencing homelessness in Sonoma County. We have lots of opportunities, and are looking to grow our volunteer family!

For more information, contact Diana Morales, Community Engagement Specialist

dmorales@cots.org | (707) 765-6530 x 136



# **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**



#### Interested in joining us?

When you volunteer with us you are supporting the mission of the Petaluma Educational Foundation.

Call us at 707-775-0688 or send us an email at maria@pefinfo.com Looking forward to hearing from

ALPHABETSOUPSTORES.COM 203 & 217 WESTERN AVENUE DOWNTOWN PETALUMA

WE NEED YOUR TIME & TALENT AS AN **ALPHABET SOUP** STORE VOLUNTEER TO:

- · work the register
- process inventory
- support store projects
- provide customer service

# **VOLUNTEER TODAY!**

Join us in doing WHATEVER IT TAKES to build great futures!



## Athletic Programs

Coach Members in athletic programs including, Basketball, tball, soccer and volleyball. Or as a referee or filed maintenance support.

Reading Support

Create a warm welcoming environment where our Members can feel socially and emotionally safe, while they learn with a purpose. Support Members in enhancing their reading skills.



#### Social Media Support

Use your creative skills to help manage social media accounts.



#### Artistic Assistance

Share your passion for with others. Whether it is water colors, sewing, drawing or crafts. We run at least one art program everyday.



Help build the capacity of the Boys & Girls Clubs through employee and volunteer partnership, Gain experience working alongside the volunteer services team in recruiting and recognizing volunteers.



#### Special Events Volunteer

Help to set up, support during, or help break down for special events.





Apply today at https://tinyurl.com/BGCSMVoIApp Questions? Volunteer@bgcsonoma-marin.com www.bgcsonoma-marin.org @bacsonomamarin





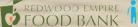


Seniors

VOLUNTEER JOIN RSVP kyoung@ncoinc.org

(707)620-5063

Local Food Bank **Tutor Students** Mentor Youth Call Today!









Do you like meeting new people, and are interested in helping your neighbors? Join our iRIDE Petaluma volunteer driver Transportation program. By volunteering you will drive members in our community who are no longer able to drive to much needed appointments, the store, or social engagements; all vital in keeping our seniors healthy, involved and able to age in-place. Please call (707) 765-8488 find out more about joining our team of volunteers.





Thank you for your charity and kindness PSC Widows Group – another successful Stocking Stuffing for the Shelter-less Gathering!

Thanks to the attendees, the volunteers, the staff, Santa, and Chef Tracy for an amazing and fun Holiday Cheer Luncheon!

































# January Traditions around the World

#### January is "Get Organized Month"

Time to declutter, streamline, and establish effective systems to make daily life more efficient and less stressful.

January 8 - National War on Poverty Day

**USA** A special day when we think about helping people who don't have enough money for things they need. It's like a big team effort to make sure everyone has a chance for a good life. To participate, you can do simple things like sharing with others by donating to local charities or volunteering to make a positive difference in your community.

#### January 13 - Lohri

A festival celebrated to welcome the winter harvest. People celebrate Lohri by lighting a big bonfire, singing happy songs, and dancing with friends and family. Join the celebration by enjoying delicious snacks, like popcorn and peanuts or Indian treat gajak - jaggery (sugarcane) with puffed rice or sesame seeds. Lohri is a time for people to come together, celebrate the harvest, and express gratitude for the blessings of life.

January 16 - Religious Freedom Day

When we celebrate the freedom to practice any religion or belief it reminds us that in our country, everyone has the right to worship in their own way or choose not to follow any religion at all. On this day, we appreciate the diversity of beliefs that make our communities strong and promote understanding and respect for one another.

USA

Mexico

#### January 21 - Mariachi Day

On this day, people come together to honor the rich cultural heritage of mariachi music, which is a vibrant part of Mexican culture. You can celebrate Mariachi Day by attending a live mariachi performance, dancing to the energetic tunes, or even learning a few mariachi songs to play with friends and family.

January 27 - International Holocaust Remembrance Day Worldwide On this solemn day we remember and honor the millions of people who suffered and lost their lives during the Holocaust. Observe a moment of silence to reflect on the atrocities of the past and hope that such horrors are never repeated. Please engage in discussions to promote understanding, tolerance, and the importance of standing against discrimination and hatred.

### IMPORTANT NUMBERS

#### Resources

**565- INFO (4636)** - Older adults, family members and caregivers, call to talk with a social worker trained to help you navigate the unique needs, life changes and challenges of aging. Get personalized referrals to programs that offer meals, transportation, public benefits and more, including follow-up support by phone.



#### Transportation



Petaluma Transit (Bus)......(707)778-4460

Para Transit Petaluma (Rides by Appointment - pickup only within city limits) (707)778-4460

iRIDE (Volunteer Drivers by Appointment) ......(707) 765-8488

**Housing Placement** 

Sonoma County Community Development – (707)565-7500 PEP (Sr. low cost housing) ......(707)762-2336 Share Sonoma County (Housing).....(707)765-8488 Ex. 115 Mary Issac Center (Homeless Shelter) .....(707)776-4777



#### **Local Community Services**

Lucchesi Community Center.....(707)778-4380 Petaluma Library....(707)763-9801



Sonoma County Fire / Medical Emergency direct number to dispatch is 707-568-5992.

Petaluma Police Non-Emergency Line - (707) 778-4373

### Findhelp.org

Search and connect to support – find financial assistance, food pantries, medical care, and other free or reduced-cost.



#### **Council on Aging**

(707) 525-0143

councilonaging.com

Services available by phone:

Case Management: phone for new clients; check-ins for existing clients Mental Health Services

<u>Elder Advocacy</u> at the Family Justice Center

Senior Care Coordination – Home visits limited to emergencies only

Adult Day Programs are closed



REPAIRING HOMES, REVITALIZING COMMUNITIES, REBUILDING LIVES
FOR OVER TWENTY-FIVE YEARS, WITHOUT COSTS OR FEES

# Overwhelmed with home repairs? Need home accessibility modifications?

#### Rebuilding Together Petaluma

works to ensure safe homes and communities for everyone.

Low-Income homeowners in Petaluma, particularly seniors, disabled persons, veterans, and families are eligible to apply for services.

To learn about eligibility requirements, application instructions, and to download or fill in an application go to:

https://www.rtpetaluma.org 707-765-3944



#### **SERVICES WE PROVIDE:**

25 Point Safety Check
Stairs & Ramps
Roof & Floor Repair
Bath & Kitchen Restoration
Window Replacement
Mobilehome Leveling
Appliance Replacement
Carden & Yard Work
Weatherizing
Exterior Siding
Crab. Bars
Stair Rails
Plus More...

https://www.rtpetaluma.org 707-7653944 301 Payran St., Petaluma, CA 94954

# **Groceries to Go/ Senior Basket**

Redwood Empire Food Bank's fresh produce, bread, and donated shelfstable groceries in addition to an offering of government commodities for low-income seniors (60+) or their caregivers at no cost.

Groceries To Go: USDA food is open to all.

**Senior Basket:** Box of staple food items for low-income seniors 60 or older. Please bring an ID to apply on-site.

First & Third Friday of the month – January 5 & 19 8:00am - 9:00am

DRIVE-THRU ONLY SERVICE Petaluma Senior Center Parking Lot - 211 Novak Drive

#### NEW !! - Every Thursday - WALK UP Distribution 11:30am - 12:30pm

#### Petaluma Community Center - 320 N. McDowell Blvd.

Please park your car in the main parking lot & walk up.

Bring your own shopping bags or cart and take only what you need.

Please Bring ID to sites

For more information contact the Redwood Empire Food Bank (707) 523 - 7903.

# 2.1.1

# OFFICE HOURS

Get Connected. Get Help.™

DID YOU KNOW 2-1-1 CONNECTED WITH NEARLY **65,000** PEOPLE IN SONOMA AND MENDOCINO COUNTIES LAST YEAR?



Monthly, every 3rd Tuesday 11:00AM - 12:30PM via Zoom

- CONNECT WITH 2-1-1 & LOCAL COMMUNITY PARTNERS
- LEARN MORE ABOUT 2-1-1
- ENSURE 2-1-1 HAS YOUR ORGANIZATION'S MOST ACCURATE INFO

Let's make sure everyone who interacts with 2-1-1 is given the most accurate resources and information. We're excited to connected with you!



or contact:

Yesenia Gaytan, 2-1-1 Director

Yesenia.Gaytan@unitedwaywinecountry.org



#### **Elder Law Program**

#### Free legal help with:

- · Restraining orders related to abuse
- · Landlord/Tenant issues (subject to referral)
- Simple Wills (for estates less than \$184,500)
- Powers of Attorneys/Advance Health Care Directives
- · Appealing reduction/termination of SSI or SSDI
- Probate Conservatorship issues (under limited
- Probate Guardianship issues (under limited circumstances)

#### COME TO OUR OFFICE!

144 South E Street, Ste. 100, Santa Rosa, CA 95404

 MON
 TUE
 WED
 THU

 9:15:11:30am
 9:15:11:30am
 9:15:11:30am
 9:15:11:30am

 1:15:4:00pm
 1:15:4:00pm
 1:15:4:00pm

Closed Wednesday Afternoons and Fridays

#### We offer flexible appointments!

If you cannot come to our office, we offer phone appointments or can even come to you, just call our Elder Law Line:

(707) 340-5610





before meeting with an attorney

not through friends or relatives.\*
\*unless there is a valid Conservatorship or Power of Attomey

be required).

We can only assist individuals directly:

Most legal services cannot be completed

same-day (follow-up appointments may



circumstances)

# January is "Get Organized Month"

# 31 Things to Declutter

in 15 Minutes or Less



Here's 31 things to declutter in 15 minutes or less! Follow this list and declutter major clutter hotspots in just a month.

- 1. Kitchen Utensils
- 2. Coupons
- 3. Expired Pantry Items
- 4. Pots and Pans
- 5. Shoes/Boots
- 6. Sock Drawer
- 7. Magazines & Catalogs
- 8. Beauty Products
- 9. Books
- End Tables and/or Nightstands
- 11. Toys
- 12. DVDs
- 13. Under the Sinks
- 14. Scarves/ Purses/ Bags
- 15. Towels/ Sheets

- 16. Car
- 17. Cleaning Supplies
- 18. Pantry
- 19. Fridge, Freezer
- 20. Food Storage Items
- 21. Craft Supplies
- Sports & Outdoor Equipment
- 23. Laundry Area
- 24. Jewelry
- 25. Receipts
- 26. Holiday Decor
- 27. Kitchen Gadgets
- 28. Glassware
- 29. Junk Drawer
- 30. Hall Closet
- 31. Recipes & Cookbooks

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#### FreeDailyCrosswords.com

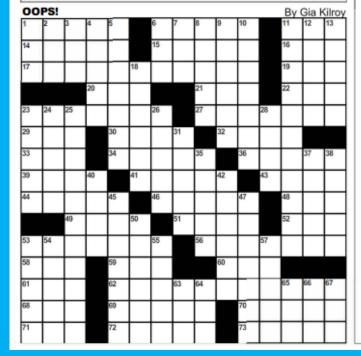
- 1) Con artist's crime
- 6) Principle or belief
- 11) St. Louis clock setting
- 14) Kind of lily
- 15) Deck just above the keel
- Kanga's joey
- 17) Hen house
- 19) Man-mouse connection
- 20) Fathomless time
- 21) "Hold second ..."
- 22) Letters at the end of a proof 59) Berated (with "into")
- 23) Idolizing
- 27) Nearest planet to the sun
- Small island
- 30) Ducky shade of blue
- 32) Proofreader's sign
- 33) Tax-collecting org.
- Mouth-watering
- 36) Coffeehouse serving
- Earns after expenses
- 41) Leave Her Majesty's service, briefly

- 43) Catjang pea
- \_ Wedding" 44) "My Big Fat
- 46) Beneficent one
- 48) Geisha's waistband
- 49) Nevada border city
- 51) Word repeated after "Que," in song
- 52) Advanced in years
- 53) Lovers, at times
- 56) One not finishing a sentence
- 58) Word with "bred" or "advised"
- 60) El \_\_\_ (Spanish hero)
- 61) Classic introduction?
- 62) Airshow crowd pleaser
- 68) Singing pair
- 69) Print type
- 70) Sweat box?
- 71) Warbucks' henchman (with "The")
- 72) Windshield attachment
- 73) Sick partner?

#### DOWN

- 1) Govt. broadcasting watchdog
- Old college cheer
- Rope-a-dope boxer
- 4) Tummy bummer 5) Armed robbers (Var.)
- 6) Corleone's title
- Mythical monster
- Doom's partner
- 9) Butted out?
- 10) Clothing
- 11) Target for a wooden ball
- 12) Achier
- 13) All-too-agreeable fellow
- 18) Nonet
- 23) Breezing through, as a test
- 24) Risk taker
- 25) Pearl of a sea-going vessel?
- 26) Looked slackjawed
- 28) Hardly nude
- 31) Long vehicles, for short
- 35) The recipient of funds
- 37) Put off, as a motion
- 38) Skip, as a syllable
- 40) Calls, Vegas-style
- 42) Beet soup (Var.)
- 45) Tolled
- 47) Most risque
- 50) Baltimore pro
- Rather, informally
- 54) Intestinal obstruction
- 55) Unaffected by passion
- 57) Presidential candidate Stevenson
- 63) After-hours school grp.
  - Aviv, Israel
- 65) "Days of \_\_Lives"
- 66) Small bill
- 67) Place for notes







# Café 211 Fun

(PPSC Senior Café)

Mondays - BINGO

12:45pm

Fridays - Popcorn & A Movie 12:45pm

#### MEALS ON WHEELS

Daily deliveries Monday through Friday and frozen meals available for the weekends. May reduce the number of meal deliveries and provide frozen and shelf-stable pack-ups if drivers become unavailable.

#### Please R.S.V.P. 24 hours in advance for PICK UP

Daily pickup of meals, Monday-Friday, at Petaluma Senior Café (211 Novak Street in Petaluma). Pickup 12:30pm - 1:00pm. Call if you are unable to pick up.

Call Petaluma People Services Center to R.S.V.P or for more info

(707)-765-8488

#### PETALUMA PEOPLE SERVICES CENTER

#### PETALUMA CAFÉ 211

#### 211 Novak Drive, Petaluma

12:30 to 1:00 pm. Café open and To Go Meals pick up 1:00 to 2:00 pm Coffee and Conversation

1:00 to 2:00 pm Coffee and Conversation				
29. Stuffed Bell Peppers Brown Rice Capri Vegetables Carrot Raisin Salad Pineapple  W. W. Roll	22. Swiss Steak Rice Rice California Blend Green Salad Apricots  • W. W. Roll	15. CAFÉ/To Go Meals CLOSED FOR MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY!	8. Creamy Lemon- Caper Chicken Penne Pasta *Broccoli Normandy Beet Salad Pears •W. W. Roll	MONDAY  1. CAFÉ/To Go Meals CLOSED FOR NEW YEAR'S DAY A P PY LAP PY LAP PY LAP
30. Shepherd's Pie *Broccoli Normandy Green Salad Banana ◆W. W. Roll	Jasmine Rice  Jasmine Rice  Peas and Carrots  Cucumber, Red Onion and  Tomato Salad  Cherries  • W. W. Roll	16. Sweet n Sour Chicken w/ Pineapple Jasmine Rice *Brussels Sprouts Green Salad Mixed Fruit Roll	9. Beef Stew Brown Rice Pilaf Cauliflower Green Salad Banana  • W. W. Roll	TUESDAY  2. Macaroni and Cheese *Broccoli Normandy Green Salad Apricots  • W. W. Roll
31. Ratatouille Polenta Mixed Vegetables *Spinach Salad w/ hard Boiled Egg *Orange  *W. W. Roll	24. Spaghetti with Meat Sauce Italian Vegetables Green Salad Apple  • W. W. Roll	17. Pork with Apricots  Egg Noodles  *Broccoli Normandy  Green Salad  Cinnamon Apples  •W. W. Roll	10. Baked Fish Potatoes Romanoff Mixed Vegetables Green Salad Apricots  • W. W. Roll	3. Tuscan Chicken Polenta Capri Vegetables Mixed Vegetables Green Salad Banana  • W. W. Roll
Daily 1 cup 1% Milk Bread Butter	Mashed Potato Green Beans Coleslaw D iced Pears ◆W. W. Roll	18. Pot Roast Brown Rice Pilaf Green Beans Green Salad Blueberries  • W. W. Roll	11. Chili Verde Spanish Rice Zucchini and Yellow Squash Green Salad *Mandarin Oranges • W. W. Roll	THURSDAY  4. Beef Fajitas Spanish Rice California Vegetables Coleslaw *Orange  •W. W. Roll
*Vitamin C <u>Vitamin A</u> ◆Fiber  Salt	26. Hamburger  Yam, Carrots  Hamburger Condiments  *Mandarin Oranges  ◆W. W. Hamburger Bun	19. BBQ Chicken Sandwich Roasted Yams Peas Italian Carrot Salad *Oranges  • W. W. Bun	12. Beef Barley Casserole California Vegetables Beet Salad Cherries  • W. W. Bread	5. Baked Fish Brown Rice Confetti Peas Cottage Cheese Salad Apple  • W. W. Bread

Senior suggested contribution \$ 3.50 - 8.00 Under 60 please pay \$6.00 Reservations recommended by 3:00 p.m. the day before. Phone # 765-8488 Please have the exact change. Thank you No one is refused services due to an inability to contribute

Contribución Sugerida \$ 3.50 – 8:00 Menores de 60 años por favor pagar \$6.00 Se recomienda hacer reservaciones el día anterior antes de las 3:00pm. Teléfono:765-8488 Por favor tenga el cambio exacto, Gracias No serán rechazadas las personas que no puedan contribuir con una donación Petaluma Senior Café Menu – January 2024

# Weekly Classes

Play

Pool - Everyday 8:30am

**Line Dancing - Mondays** 

8:30am - 10:00am

Chess - Tuesdays

9:00am - 12:00pm

**Duplicate Bridge - Tuesdays** 

12:00pm - 4:00pm

American Style Mahjong - Tuesdays

1:30pm - 4:00pm

Chinese Style Mahjong - Wednesdays

10:00am - 11:30am Beginner's Welcome

Hearts - Wednesdays 11:30am - 1:30pm

Mexican Train Dominos - Wednesdays

1:30pm - 4:00pm

Pinochle - Thursdays 10:00am - 12:00pm

### Mind

Current Events Discussion Group Tuesdays

12:00pm - 2:00pm

Positive Thinking -Tuesdays 2:00pm - 3:00pm

**Tops - Wednesdays** (Taking Off Pounds Sensibly) 9:30am - 11:30am

Widows Connect! - Wednesdays Social Club 2:00pm - 3:00pm

Spice of Life Social Club - Wednesdays

3:00pm - 4:00pm

Discussion Group - Thursdays 11:30am - 12:30pm

Listening Bench - Thursdays Drop-In - 10:00am - 12:00pm

#### Create

**Quilting - Mondays** 9:00am - 4:00pm

Painter's Circle - Mondays 10:00am - 12:00pm

Writing Group - Mondays 10:30am - 12:00pm

Knitting/ Crocheting Club - Tuesdays 9:00am - 11:30am

Artists Open Studio - Thursdays 10:00am - 11:30am

### **Body**

**Line Dancing - Mondays & Thursdays** 8:30am - 10:00am

> Folk Dancing - Monday 1:00pm - 2:00pm

PD Connect - Mondays 2:00pm - 3:00pm

Walking Group - Tue. & Thu. 7:45am SHARP

Fall Proof - Tuesdays
10:00am-11:00am
For unsteady/device assisted
11:00am - 12:00pm For more steady patrons

Ping Pong Tuesdays & Thursdays 2:00pm - 3:00pm

**Gentle Chair Yoga - Wednesdays** 9:00am - 9:45am

Beginning Line Dancing - Wednesdays 11:00am - 12:00pm

**Sit 2B Fit - Thursdays** 10:15am - 11:15am - NO CLASS JAN. 11

> Meditation - Thursdays NO CLASS Jan 4 8 11 12:30pm - 1:30pm

<u>Full Ongoing Classes</u> – see front desk to get on waiting list

Intermediate Line Dance - Wed. 10:00am