

July/August 2022

The Franklin Senior Center

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OPEN MON-FRI 8:30am- 4:00pm

BEN'S BOUNTY GIFT SHOP 10AM-1PM

Open Mon-Fri



COMMON
GROUND'S CAFÉ!
WE ARE OPEN!
MON-FRI
Breakfast 8:30- 10a
Lunch 11:30-1:00p



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The Senior Center!

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Franklin Senior Center's Monthly Newsletter

DIRECTORS MESSAGE We hope you enjoyed the Senior Olympics much as we did! We cannot thank you enough for your participation. We seriously could not have done this without all of you. We were blown away by the amount of registrations we received in such a short time. We recognize that this was something new and people were a bit skeptical, but you all tried it, and we had a blast! Seeing everyone with their matching blue Franklin Senior Olympics T Shirts nearly brought us to tears. This was such a feel good event that brought so many members of the community together. It was so great to see you all in friendly competition, making new friends and having fun. We hope you consider joining us next year for even more Olympic fun! As July gets underway we are welcoming summer! We can't wait for outdoor activities, cook outs, and sunshine! Consider playing some outdoor games like Bocce, Pickle Ball or Corn Hole here at FSC to start practicing for the 2023 Olympic games! Have a fun, happy and healthy summer every--Christina LaRose one!





JULY AND AUGUST HAPPENINGS

LOOK AT OUR JULY AND AUGUST PRESENTATIONS ON THE EIGHTH PAGE AND CALL TO REGISTER



PHOTOGRAPHY CLASS with Steve McGrath

5 week class

Starting Wednesdays at 10am

July 20th, 27th and August 3rd, 10th, and 17th

Call to Register \$10.00



HEARING CLINIC

CALL TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT

Hearing assessment, ear and hearing aid cleaning, etc.

> Wed, July 20th August 17th @ 10:00am

20 min appts.

COME CELEBRATE WORLD CHOCOLATE DAY CHOCOLATE TASTING!!! Thursday, July 7th

Test your taste buds and come try to guess all the chocolate flavors!

At 10:30AM

Call to Register!



THE GARDEN YEARS CLUB

Interested in a

gardening group?

Come join Christina 7/11, 7/18, 8/8, 8/22 at 10:30AM

Bring your green thumbs!



TECHNOLOGY CLINIC Thursday, July 21st at 2:00PM

Come with your devices to work with Ryan, our lovely technology guru! Ryan is also available by appt too! Call to Register!



Come join Danielle for another art class!

FRIDAY, JULY 15TH and THURSDAY, AUGUST 4TH At 1:00 PM \$4/person

All levels welcome!

Call to Register



We have an instructor every Friday at 1:00pm!

RAINBOW CAFÉ

Are you a member or ally of the LGBTO+ community?! Come join us and like-minded people for coffee, conversation, and friendship!

> Tuesday, July 26th and August 30th @ 10AM

> > Call to Register



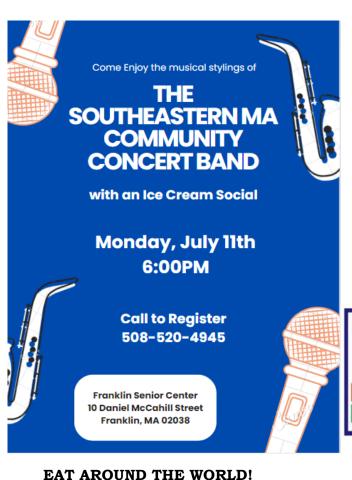


NEW Deluna YOGA Class

4 weeks: Monday August 1,8,15, 22 10:30AM

Virgina is a certified Vinyasa Yoga Flow instructor. Join for an hour of floor yoga.

> Please bring you own mat! \$3/class



Every Wednesday throughout the month of August, join us for a culturally delicious experience!

Each week learn about a new country and new food to try!

\$20.00

Includes Lunch for the 5 Wednesdays in August!

Diamond Art Painting

Come join us every Friday in August at 1pm and learn how to do diamond art! (Bring your glasses!)



Movies and **Mocktail Night!**

Wednesday, August 17th 6:30PM Call to Register!

HOW TO SPOT

MISINFORMATION ONLINE Monday, July 18th and 25th

1:00pm

Join Steve Sherlock for a 2 week course to teach you how to tell what's true and false online. Learn techniques for identifying false info and how to seek out trustworthy sources.

Call to Register!



WEDNESDAY **AUGUST 17TH** 12:00PM

Come meet an expert to train you on what to do in case of emergencies. Each attendee receives a backpack of supplies necessary to survive a few days in emergencies.

> Call to Register Limited to 40 backpacks (one per household) Sponsored by D.A.'s office!

Steve Avellino's Next 6 Week Series: Neck and Shoulders

Mondays at 9:30am Starting on August 15th \$35.00

Call to Register!



HEALTH & WELLNESS SERIES

Balance and Exercise 3 Week Series Class with Nurse Trish

Wednesday, July 6th @ 11:30AM

Wellness Series: The Many Types of Arthritis

Thursday, July 21st @ 1:00PM

5 Wishes Discussion

Thursday, July 28th @ 6:00PM

Anatomy of the Brain

Thursday, August 18th @ 1:00 PM



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July Presentations—Call to Register!

Real Estate and Investing with Chris Peterson

Monday, July 11th at 2:00PM

Ted Talks with Danielle: Nelson Mandela

Tuesday, July 12th @ 2:00PM

How to Spot Misinformation 2 week Course with Steve Sherlock

Monday, July 18th and 25th at 1:00pm

Franklin Q & A with Franklin Matters Steve Sherlock

Wednesday, July 20th @ 11:00AM

Technology Clinic with Ryan

Thursday, July 21st at 2:00PM

Wellness Series: The Many Types of Arthritis and What Makes Them Different

Thursday, July 21st @ 1:00PM Let's Talk Occupational Therapy

Friday, July 22nd at 11:00am

5 Wishes (continued)

Thursday, July 28th @ 6:00PM



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August Presentations – Call to Register!

Estate Planning Basics

Join us for Estate Planning Basic with local estate planning attorney, Jennifer D. Taddeo, of Estatewise Advisory, to talk bout estate planning basics. While she can't offer any legal advice in our session, she can demystify wills, trusts, health care proxies, and power of attorney. Feel free to send any questions in advance to dhopkins@franklinma.gov so that Jenn can be sure to address it in her talk.

Wednesday, August 3rd at 1:00PM

Talk with Financial Advisor Chris Peterson from Edward Jones

Monday, August 8th at 2:00PM

Ted Talks with Danielle: The Supreme Court

Tuesday, August 9th at 2:00PM

Discussion on Historical Medicine

Wednesday, August 10th at 11:00AM

Let's Talk Fuel Assistance with Christina

Tuesday, August 23rd at 10:30AM

Velvet Revolution: Popular Protest and the Fall of the Iron Curtain with Paolo D.

Wednesday, August 24th at 2:00pm

Anatomy of the Brain

Thursday, August 18th at 1:00pm



CAREGIVER'S CORNER AND SUPPORT GROUPS

MEMORY CAFÉ Please join us for our "Where's the Toast" memory café's with live entertainment. Memory Café's are safe and inviting spaces for those who are experiencing memory loss and their families. Join us for an hour of music, socialization and engagement. Please RSVP to Ariel: adoggett@franklinma.gov or 508-520-4945 This Memory Café is supported in part by a generous grant from the Franklin Cultural Council, a local agency supported by the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency. Wednesday, July 6th at 1pm live entertainment by Patrick Durkin, sponsored by Benchmark at Forge Hill, Wednesday, July 20th at 1pm live entertainment by Mel Stiller, and Wednesday, August 17th at 1pm live entertainment by Steve McGovern,





ALZHEIMER'S CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP Supports caregivers caring for their loved ones with Alzheimer's or dementia. On-site respite care is available if needed. Call The Senior Center for more information. The group meets every **second and fourth Wednesday at 4:00pm.**

FIBROMYALGIA/PARKINSONS SUPPORT GROUP Join this monthly group to help you find ways to improve your health ad wellbeing whilst living with a long term health condition. Meets the First Thursday of the month at 1:00pm.

HEARING AND VISION SUPPORT GROUPS

One on One Assistance with Low Vision Technology: Every Thursday by appt with Jerry 857-443-6366 (10a-2p) Tuesday, July 5th and August 2nd at 1:00pm: Audio Reading of the Senior Center June Newsletter.

Hearing Support Group: Wednesday, July 13th at 1:00pm: Audiologist, Dr. Cliff video presentation: "Don't Buy Hearing Aids Until You Watch This", and Wednesday August 10th at 1:00pm.

<u>Low Vision Support Group:</u> Thursday, July 14th at 1:00pm: Guest Speaker: Chrys Peralta, OTR/L, CLVT, Certified Low Vision Therapist from the Massachusetts Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired. And Thursday, August 11th at 1:00pm: Ice Cream Social!

Thursday, June 21st and August 18th at 1:00pm: Vision Loss Adjustment Counseling (peer support group)

Audio Book Club: Thursday, July 19th and 26th at 1:00pm: Robin by Dave Itzkoff #508-206-8603 and Thursday, August 16th and 23rd at 1:00pm



Friends of Franklin Elders, INC.

The Friends of Franklin Elders, Inc. (FOFE) is a private, non-profit organization whose purpose is to provide funds for programs, services, and equipment for the Franklin Senior Center that cannot be provided by state or local government. The Friends raise funds through membership fees, donations, and special events. Our next meeting is scheduled for

Friday, September 23rd at 9:30am



The public is welcome to attend.

JoAnn Wright, President Nan Rafter, Vice President Julie Garilli, Treasurer Margie Lane, Secretary

Carol Ellsworth, Judy Pfeffer, Helen Power, Paula Lombardi, Pam Spicer.

Donations

Thank you for your donations to the Friends of Franklin Elders

Mary Elizabeth Ranieri and Paul Molla

In Memory Of

Deborah Von Rueden in memory of **James Stoffel Osseo Association c/o Stephen Pessinis, President** in memory of **Hazel Witzel**

Mary Elizabeth Ranieri in memory of Donald G. Ranieri, Sr.

Louise Vozzella in memory of Dona Mackintosh
Helen Kidess in memory of Dona Mackintosh
Charles and Patty Feeley in memory of Dona Mackintosh

Dottie, PJ, and Nantz in memory of **Dona Mackintosh Bonnie Mercer Cohn and Laurie Mercer** in memory of **Dona Mackintosh**

Jim and Anne Morash in memory of Linda Koplin

Veterans' Services Office (508) 613-1315

July 4th- Independence Day

August 3 - Coffee Social (None in July) - Wednesday, August 3 at 10:00 a.m. in the Senior Center Café. In honor of National Purple Heart Day, we will recognize Franklin Purple Heart recipients at the Social. All veterans are welcome to join us for updates, coffee and conversation!

July 21st and August 18 - Veterans' Council Meeting - 7:00 p.m. at the Senior Center. All those interested in veterans' events and activities are welcome.

July 27th- Korean War Veterans Armistice Day

August 4 - Coast Guard's 232 Birthday









August 6 - Franklin Elks Lodge #2136 on Pond Street is sponsoring a Dinner-Dance FUNdraiser on Saturday, August 6 from 6-10 p.m. with all proceeds going to the Monument Restoration Fund. Tickets are \$20/pp. All members of the community are invited to join us for a night of fun featuring a pasta dinner, DJ with dancing and raffle baskets! Tickets are available in the Veterans' Services office.

August 7 - National Purple Heart Day - Honors the brave men and women who were either wounded or killed as a result of enemy action while serving in the U.S. military.

August 29 - Marine Corps Reserve 107th Birthday

Veterans Memorial Walkway - The next engraved brick installation will be in November to coincide with Veterans' Day. Veterans need not be from Franklin to be honored with a brick. All members of the U.S. military are eligible. Brick order forms are available in the Town Hall and Senior Center lobbies and on the Veterans' Services page on the Town website.

Please let our office know if you or a family member (residing in Franklin) is a **Purple Heart** recipient and we'll add them to our database.

The *Tune It Out* guitar lessons program for veterans meets on Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. at the Senior Center. Classes are suspended for the summer and will resume on Tuesday, September 13. There is no charge for lessons and no guitar experience is required. Call the Veterans' Services Office for details. For information about COVID-19 booster appointments and clinics in the Boston VA Healthcare System, go to: https://www.va.gov/boston-healthcare/



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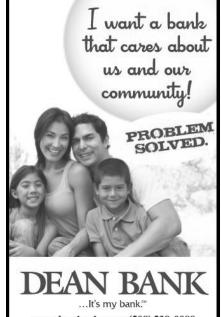
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"Independence, Engagement & Connection!"

The mission of the Franklin Council on Aging, with the support of the community, is to identify, advocate, and implement meaningful educational, cultural, social, health/wellness activities and services for our aging population.

We are trying to go **Green** more at the Franklin Senior Center.

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Jokes of the Month

What was Thomas Jefferson's favorite dessert? Monti jello!

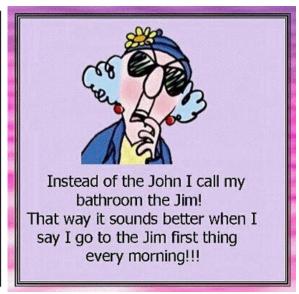
What would you get if you crossed George Washington with cattle feed? The Fodder of Our Country!

What did the visitor say as he left the Statue of Liberty? "Keep in torch!"

Which one of Washington's officers had the best sense of humor? Laughayette!

Which colonists told the most jokes? Punsylvanians!

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