

# The Senior Sentinel

April 2022

#### MORBID CURIOSITIES An Evening with Edgar Allan Poe



Date: Wednesday, April 20th Time: 7:00 pm

Wow! We can finally offer this great program. Join us for a fun night out. The master of Gothic horror comes from beyond the veil to talk with audiences about his life and share his best stories and poetry, including "The Masque of the Red Death," "The Raven," and "The Tell Tale Heart."

Darrin Crow tells powerful, imaginative, engaging stories that keep audiences on the edge of their seats and stick with them long after the tale ends. His crowd-pleasing first person presentation of Poe's life and work is turning twenty! Over the last two decades, the show has brought audiences in again and again. Poe's powerful writing and Crow's masterful storytelling combine to create a memorable evening!

Call the Front Desk to Register 608-831-2373

#### **Explore Nature Series**

First Class Date: Wednesday, April 27

Time: 1:00-2:30 Cost: \$35\*



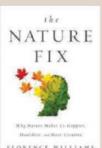
Community members of all ages who enjoy Pheasant Branch Conservancy are invited to join the celebration of the 26th Anniversary of the Friends of Pheasant Branch Conservancy.

At the senior center, we will celebrate with a series of reflective writing sessions about nature along with field trips to Pheasant Branch Conservancy and other area parks to help spark connection and creativity.

All meetings will be scheduled outdoors, with an alternate room reserved at the senior center.

Troy Michael Hess, a writing consultant and teacher, will be leading this series of activities.

#### Series Schedule:



- ◆ April 27 The Nature Fix, a book discussion
- ◆ May 25 Urban Nature Appreciation
- ◆ June 22 Mary Oliver and the Art of Observation in Nature
- ◆ July 27 Seniors Create: Watershed of Words Postcard Poem
- ◆ August 24 Nature Memories
- ◆ September 21 Nature Journal to Poem



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#### **Age Requirement**

You must be at least 55 years of age to participate in senior center programming.

#### Notice

Middleton Senior Center does not endorse the agencies that offer programs. Participants should always be cautious when entering into any type of business deal or using the services listed or presented. If it sounds too good to be true, it usually is. Do your homework, ask questions, and never sign anything if you have any doubts about what you're signing.

#### **Commission on Aging Members**

Mike Lester, Stacy Austin-Li, Richard Brye, Peg Martin, Jim Schwartz, Emily Kuhn, Kenneth Markart, Stephen Small, Jolene Olson Commission meets the **third Monday of the month at 4:00**.

Agendas and minutes: posted on the senior center bulletin board.

#### **Newsletter Information**

Did you know you can help us with mailing costs by getting the newsletter online? Visit <a href="www.ourseniorcenter.com">www.ourseniorcenter.com</a> to sign up. You can also find the newsletter on the City of Middleton website at <a href="www.ci.middleton.wi.us">www.ci.middleton.wi.us</a>

Are you moving or going out of town for an extended time? Please call 608-831-2373 to notify us to change your address or pause your deliveries. Otherwise, your newsletter gets sent back to us and we are charged the return fee. If that occurs, your name will be removed from the mailing list.

How can my business place an ad in this publication? Call Alex Nicholas at 800-950-9952 ext. #2538.

#### **Class & Trip Policies**

Be sure to pick up the senior center class and travel policies when participating in these events. The senior center does not pro-rate classes. Travel refunds are not issued unless we can fill your spot.

#### **Key Cards**

When you visit the senior center for an activity, drop in, or have lunch, please make sure you check in at the front desk with your key card. If you do not have a key card, please stop by the front desk, fill out a form, and one will be made for you. Key cards allow us to keep track of who is in the facility every day and how many people are using the senior center throughout the year.

#### **Informal Genealogy Group**

Join us for this new and growing group.

You can come to a meeting every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday afternoon at 1:00 by the fireplace. We have a few people with a lot of experience to share. We just need consistent attendees! Feel free to show up, or contact us so we can share your information with the group if you're interested. Thanks Camela Volunteer coordinator.

#### Coming Up in May / June

Watch for more about our Travel, Traditions & Tales Series with Joe Fahney beginning June 16th

Jessica Michna will be joining us a Mary Todd Lincoln a Widow Forgotten Hip Hop Dance Exercise, Lisa Koenecke LGBTQ 101 More To Come .....

#### **Calling All Poker Players!**

Our Friday afternoon (12:00-3:00-ish) poker group is hoping to add some new victims players to the mix. It's dealer's choice, so there is likely to be more than one flavor available. Registration is not required, but a strong desire to have a good time is.



#### **Exercise Equipment Available to Use!**

One hour time slots are available by reservation only. Please call at least one day in advance.

Participants are required to wipe down machines after they are done using them.

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#### <u>Video Lecture Series:</u>

#### **Earth at the Crossroads**

Tuesdays at 10:30

February 15 - June 14

36 lectures - 2 lectures/week

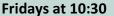
Cost: \$25

In this compelling 36-lecture course, behavioral ecologist Eric G. Strauss of Boston College provides a comprehensive overview that is a hallmark of the study of ecology. Professor Strauss investigates the remarkably complex workings of earth's biosphere and explores the myriad forces that shape the world's habitats.

Registration required. Call 608-831-2373

#### **Video Lecture Series:**

The Renaissance, the Reformation, and the Rise of Nations



March 4 - July 1

36 lectures - 2 lectures/week

Cost: \$25 (\$25 for optional transcript)

Registration Deadline: March 3 (February 21 if

ordering a transcript)

In this course, you will explore the political, social, cultural, and economic revolutions that transformed Europe between the arrival of the Black Death in the 14th century and the onset of the Age of Enlightenment in the 18th century.

Registration required. Call 608-831-2373

#### **Doc Mordecai Musical Challenge**

#### Wednesday, April 13 at 10:00

Free!

It's now March, which means March Madness is here. Perfect. This month's category: Movies and Musicals Part 2. Just like last month only different. Doc plays a theme on the keyboard. Listeners guess the movie or musical that it's from and other pertinent information.

Bring popcorn. Show us what you've got. Take the challenge! I double-dare you.

Call **608-831-2373** to register.



#### Movie #1

# The Pistol [Inspirational Edition] (2011)

Friday, April 8 at 1:00

G, Biography, Drama, 1h 30m Millie Perkins, Nick Benedict, Adam

Guier, Murrell Garland, Tom Lester, Buddy Petrie

Biography of pro basketball player "Pistol" Pete Maravich, who died suddenly in 1988 at age 40 from a heart attack.

Registration required. Call 608-831-2373

Middleton Public Library will be at Middleton Senior Center 12:15-1:00 pm on April 8. They will offer a small collection of material related to "The Pistol," which will be available to borrow. Bring your library card or get one before the movie begins.

#### Movie #2

American Underdog (2021)

Friday, April 22 at 1:00

PG, Biography, Drama, 1h 52m Zachary Levi, Anna Paquin, Hayden Zaller, Ser'Darius Blain, Dennis Quaid

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The story of NFL MVP and Hall of Fame quarterback Kurt Warner, who went from stocking shelves at a supermarket to becoming an American Football star.

# Masks are Strongly Recommended when visiting the Senior Center

Please come to the Front Desk and sign in. This helps us keep track of the numbers of people using our services. If you need a swipe card just ask and we can sign you up for one. Thank you



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# **ADRIL 2022**

1 – Friday April Fool's Day

Egg Salad Mixed Greens Copper Penny Salad Applesauce Pudding

MO: Veggie Stew NCS: SF Pudding

				NCS: SF Pudding
4 - Monday	5 - Tuesday	6 - Wednesday	7 - Thursday	8 - Friday
Cheeseburger	*Meatballs in Marinara	Bone-in BBQ Chicken	Rustic Tomato Bean	Fish Sandwich
Calico Beans	Over Penne	Baked Potato	Soup	Yams
Potato Salad	4 Bean Salad	Banana	Caesar Salad	Peas
Fruit Cocktail	Peaches	Apple Pie Bar	Pineapple	Pears
Cookie	Brownie	••	Strawberry Jell-O	Loaf Cake
		MO: Veggie BBQ		
MO: Black Bean	MO: Veggie Meatballs	Chick'n	MO: Veggie Tomato	
Burger	in Marinara	NCS: Spiced	Bean Soup	MO: Pita & Hummu
NCS: SF Cookie	NCS: SF Pudding	Applesauce	NCS: SF Jell-O	NCS: SF Pudding
11 - Monday	12 - Tuesday - Nat'l	13 - Wednesday	14 - Thursday	15 - Friday
	Grilled Cheese Day	1000 100000000000000000000000000000000		
Roast Turkey in Gravy	Chili	*Pork Loin in Gravy	Traditional Meatloaf	Lemon Dill Baked Fish
Cranberry Stuffing	Baked Potato	Mashed Potatoes	Baked Potato Casserole	Baked Potato
3 Bean Salad	Cornbread	Peas	Broccoli	Coleslaw
Yam Bake Pears	Warm Cinnamon	Mandarin Oranges	Chunky Applesauce	Loaf Cake
Pumpkin Bar	Spiced Apples	Fruit Crisp		
MO: Veggie Chick'n	Cookie	10000000000000000000000000000000000000		
in Gravy	MO: Veggie Chili	MO: Garden Burger	MO: Garden Wrap	MO: Egg Salad
NCS: Spiced Apples	NCS: SF Cookie	NCS: SF Pudding	NCS: N/A	NCS: SF Jell-O
18 - Monday	19 - Tuesday	20 - Wednesday	21 - Thursday	22 - Friday
Chicken a la King	Meat Sauce	*Italian Sausage	Chicken Broccoli Rice	*Meatballs in Gravy
Brown Rice	Spaghetti Noodles	Roasted Potatoes	Casserole Carrots	Mashed Potatoes
Capri Blend	Carrots	Stewed Tomatoes	Chickpea Salad	Mixed Greens
Broccoli Salad	Mixed Greens	Mandarin Orange	Tropical Fruit	Mixed Fruit
Fruit Cocktail	Peaches	Ice Cream	Loaf Cake	Pudding
Cookie Bar	Brownie	\$100.000 mes 0.00000000000000000000000000000000000		
		MO: Multigrain	MO: Veggie Chick'n	MO: Veggie
MO: Soy a La King	MO: Marinara w/ Soy	Burger	Broccoli Rice Cass.	Meatballs in Gravy
NCS: SF Pudding	NCS: SF Jell-O	NCS: SF Ice Cream	NCS: SF Cookie	NCS: SF Pudding
25 - Monday	26 - Tuesday	27 - Wednesday	28 - Thursday	29 - Friday
	Pretzel Day			
Bone-in Garlic Parm.	Beef Stew	Sausage Veggie Egg	Chicken Strips	Pot Roast in Gravy
Chicken	Corn	Bake	Brussels Sprouts	Garlic Herb Mashed
Stewed Tomatoes	Chunky Applesauce	Fruit Cup	Kidney Bean Salad	Potatoes Carrots
Spinach Casserole	Banana Bar	Oven Roasted Potatoes	Mixed Fruit	Pineapple Tidbits
Peaches Lemon Bar	000	Orange Juice	Cookie	Pumpkin Bar
		Cinn. Raisin Bread	1000 SANONANUS II	**************************************
MO: Veggie Garlic				MO: Black Bean
Parmesan Chick'n	MO: Soy Beef Stew	MO: Veggie Egg Bake	MO: Hummus Wrap	Burger
NCS: SF Cookie	NCS: Banana	NCS: N/A	NCS: SF Cookie	NCS: SF Jell-O





#### **Salad Options for April 2022**

#### April 5

#### **Hummus Platter**

Pita wedges, hummus, roasted vegetables and mixed green garnish. Dressing: None

Meal Items Included: Peaches, Brownie

#### April 12

#### Tuna Salad

Mixed greens topped with tuna salad, tomato, and cucumber. **Dressing:** None

Meal Items Included: Cornbread, Warm Cinnamon Spiced Apples, Cookie

#### April 19

#### Chicken Cranberry Bacon Bleu Salad

Mixed greens topped with diced chicken, bacon crumble, dried cranberries, bleu cheese crumbles and croutons. **Dressing:** Balsamic Vinaigrette **Meal Items** Included: Peaches, Brownie

#### April 26

#### **Harvest Salad**

Mixed greens topped with beets, garbanzo beans,

#### **Dining Center**

#### Guidelines

#### Are you age 60 or over?

- ◆ Please donate what you can afford
- ◆Suggested minimum contribution is \$4 per meal

#### Are you under age 60?

...and do not meet the nutrition program eligibility guidelines, you are required to pay the total cost of the meal (\$9.07\*).

#### **Questions?**

Please ask a staff member.

#### **Vegetarian Option**

We offer a vegetarian (meatless) option every day.

Please make a reservation two days before. If you would like to join us for lunch, call 608-831-2373.









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#### **Casual Chess**

#### Tuesdays — 1:00-3:00

Are you interested in playing chess for fun? If so, come in Tuesday afternoons to play in a casual environment, where the emphasis is as much on enjoying your opponent's company as it is on enjoying the competition.





# CL Climate Change Program Special Guest Bob Lindmeier

Date: Thursday, April 7th Time: 7pm WKOW Ch. 27 Meteorologist, Bob Lindmeier, talks with us at 7:00 p.m. on April 7th Please sign up and join us for a wonderful evening out. Through slides and other visual aids, Mr. Lindmeier will explain climate change and climate science in interesting ways. Mr. Lindmeier has a B.S. in meteorology from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. In addition to broadcasting for Ch. 27, Mr. Lindmeier works for newspapers and local radio stations. He has three decades of experience forecasting Wisconsin.

Call 608-831-2373 to register



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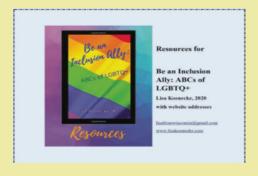
Fridays, April 15 – May 27 from 9am – 11am

Cost: \$35 for workshop series (includes healthy snack and handouts)
To Register, contact the Middleton Senior Center at (608) 831-2373









#### Guest Speaker Lisa Koenecke LGBTQ 101

Date: Wednesday, May 25 Time: 2:00pm

As an experienced and energetic Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) professional speaker and facilitator, Lisa specializes in counteracting unconscious bias and LGBTQ+ inclusion in business. Her impact is amplified through strengthening each person's allyship. Lisa will

provide special insight and encourage support of the LGBTQ+ population.

Call 608-831-2373 To Register



# Survey, Pandemic Style (yeah, still...) - 2022 Please tell us how we're doing. Your feedback is what helps us make the senior center better for everyone. Note: if we don't get enough responses, there is a very real chance that "Uncut Gems" will be shown again. Questions #1 and #2 are related to our handling of the pandemic: 1) What have we done well? 2) What can we do better? Questions #3 and #4 are related to the times before and after (some day, right?) the pandemic: 3) What have we done well? 4) What can we do better? Helpline

Please return surveys to: The Senior Center

#### **Upcoming Election**

Our next election is coming up soon - Tuesday April 5, 2022. You can check your voter registration, see your ballot (usually 21 days before the election), and find your polling place at the Myvote website https://myvote.wi.gov. Key dates for the election are:

Wednesday March 16, 2022, is the last day to register to vote by mail or online at the Myvote website. You can also register to vote in person at the polls on Election Day or in person at the clerk's office until 5:00 p.m. Friday April 1, **2022**. You must provide proof of residence to register.

Thursday March 31, 2022, at 5 p.m. is the last day to request an absentee ballot by mail or online at the Myvote website. The last day to request an absentee ballot in person at the clerk's office is 5:00 p.m. Friday April 1, 2022. You must provide an acceptable photo ID when requesting an absentee ballot if one is not already on file at your clerk's office. Indefinitely-confined voters do not need to provide a photo ID when requesting an absentee ballot.

Tuesday April 5, 2022, Election Day is the last day to return absentee ballots by mail. Hand-delivered ballots must be returned to the clerk's office by 4:30 p.m. on Election Day or to your polling place by 8:00 p.m. The City of Middleton Drop Box (in the Library parking lot) is closed on Election Day.

Friday April 1, 2022, Early In-Person Voting in the clerk's office ends. Contact the Middleton City Clerk for hours and dates of Early In Person Voting.

For additional information, call the Middleton City Clerk (608-821-8350), the Wisconsin Elections Commission Helpline (866-868-3947) or the Dane County Voter ID Coalition

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#### DR. Mordecai's Marvelously Mysterious Mental Musings: May Flowers (and Herbs)

Date: Friday, May 6th Time: 12:30

April showers bring May flowers. And here we are -May. Of course, Dr. Mordecai loves to stop and smell the flowers. But more than that, Dr. Mordecai likes to head into the kitchen and attempt to concoct new herbal treatments for some of humanity's most hopeless conditions: sagging skin, inattention, fear of math, bad taste. Dr. M believes there is a fortune to be made here, but for this month's musings, join the doctor for a session on Herbal and alternative treatments for mental health—what we know and what we don't know. Prepare to be disappointed by the research. Alas.

18	19	20	21	22
9:00 Carving 9:00 Scrabble	e 8:00 Newsletter Assembly	9:00 Strength & Flexibility	9:00 Middleton Jazz	9:00 Strength & Flexibility
<b>9:00</b> Spanish	<b>9:00</b> Spanish	9:30 Al Anon	<b>10:00</b> Cribbage	9:00 Rummikub 9:00 Scrabble
<b>10:00</b> Cribbage <b>10:00</b> Bakery	y 10:00 Mah Jongg-Bams	<b>10:30</b> Chair Yoga	<b>11:30</b> Lunch	9:00 Stepping On
10:00 Mary on Piano	10:30 Video Lecture	<b>11:30</b> Lunch	12:30 Open Cards	<b>10:00</b> Chair Yoga
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12:00 Silver Divas	<b>12:30</b> Open Cards	1:00 Foot Care	12:30 Queen of Spades	10:30 Video Lecture
<b>12:30</b> Open Cards <b>12:30</b> Bridge	e 12:30 Mah Jongg-Dots	<b>1:00</b> Spanish	1:00 Stitchers (online)	11:00 Gadget Guru
<b>12:30</b> Pinochle <b>12:30</b> Wii Sports	IS 12:30 Social Seniors	1:00 Stamp Camp with Terry	1:30 Ageless Grace class	<b>11:30</b> Lunch <b>12:00</b> Poker
4:00 Commission on Aging	1:00 Casual Chess	7:00 Morbid Curiosity		<b>12:30</b> Open Cards <b>12:30</b> Pinochle
		Performance		<b>1:00</b> Movie #2
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<b>12:30</b> Pinochle <b>12:30</b> Wii Sports	1:00 Genealogy 1:00 Mending	1:00 Explore Nature Series	1:00 Stitchers (online)	<b>12:30</b> Pinochle
	<b>2:30</b> Tai Chi		1:30 Ageless Grace class	12:30 Dr. Mordecai's Musings





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#### **Puzzles & Podcasts**

#### Fourth Wednesday (April 27) — 12:30-1:30

Join staff from Middleton Public Library on the fourth Wednesday of every month **beginning March 23** for the new Puzzles and Podcasts program. Enjoy a variety of large-piece puzzles - either solo or with others - while listening to fun podcasts. Puzzles will be provided.

If you've been curious about podcasts, this a great way to find out what they are.



Registration required. Call 608-831-2373

#### **Stamp Camp with Terry**

Wednesday, April 20, 1:00-4:00

Cost: \$16 (paid to instructor)

**Limits: 6-12 Participants** 

Make your own cards for all kinds of events.

The projects are great for beginning or advanced stampers. Anyone who loves to stamp is welcome, so bring a friend.

Cost includes materials for six cards and envelopes.

Supplies you need to bring: scissors and an adhesive.

Call **608-831-2373** to register.

#### **APRIL IS VOLUNTEER MONTH**

April is a time to celebrate all the wonderful volunteers at the Middleton Senior Center. If your looking to get out of the house after the last couple of years volunteering could just be what your looking for.

Our Current Needs include;

- Mah Jongg Instructor. We have active mah-jongg groups on Tuesdays and several center members have expressed interest in learning how to play and join the fun.
- RSVP Driver Escort
- ♦ RSVP Meals on Wheels drivers
- Youth mentors —Do you have a skill that you would like to share? Would you like to be a mentor to Middleton youth?
- Craft Class Instructor—do you have a class that you would consider teaching for fun?
- Do you have a special collection that you would like to present or talk about to a group?

Call Camela King at 608-662-0827



#### **Volunteer Opportunities**

Gardening Group - Spring is hopefully around the corner, so I am touting our small gardening group this month! Last year we created some beautiful plantings in our two raised beds and our ambitious members (3 plus me!) have big plans for 2022, including adding to the area between those planters all along the parking lot. If you have a green thumb, we'd love to get your ideas and advice. If you don't have a green thumb, you can still help us out by volunteering to water, mulch, weed, and more as needed. We are good teachers! 2021 saw a LOT of watering (thank you, climate change!), which is really a favored task. First thing in the morning, you'll see hummingbirds, honeybees, bunnies, and more. Come join us to help and learn, from surprising tips to new plants, and stay to enjoy the space as much as we do.

<u>Foot Care Volunteer Needed</u> Are you free the 3rd Wednesday afternoon of each month? We could use a footcare assistant from 1-4:30. Please call for more information about what the job entails

Camela King at: cking@cityofmiddleton.us 608-662-0827 Hours: Mon.-Thur., 9:00-2:00



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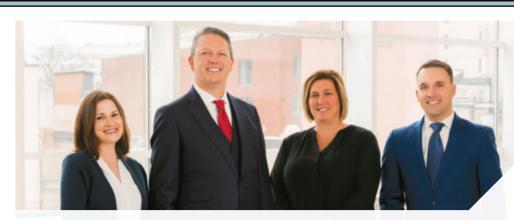
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#### **SERVICES & SUPPORT**

#### Al-Anon

**Every Wednesday at 9:30** 

#### **ADAW Caregiver Support Group**

#### First Thursday (April 7) at 10:00

Dementia Support Meeting: For caregivers of loved ones with Alzheimer's or other dementia. Share support and help navigate the course of the disease.

Email if you have questions: niebjan@yahoo.com

#### **Blood Pressure Screenings**

Every Tuesday at 11:45

No appointment needed.



#### **Caregiver Support Group**

Last Thursday (April 28) at 10:00

#### Registration required

For information, contact Carmen Sperle at 608-819-0033 or carmen.sperle@hcr-manorcare.com

#### **Senior Center Case Management Services**

Contact us if you are in need of case management services. Call 608-831-2373 for an appointment. This is a free service, but donations are always welcome.

#### **Dane County Library Materials**

Third Friday (April 15) morning (11:00-ish?)

Delivered to Middleton Senior Center.

#### **eReader Assistance**

Fourth Tuesday (April 26) - 9:00-12:00

#### By appointment only

Personalized Tablet and eReader Training Sessions. One-on-one sessions lasting 15-60 minutes will be conducted by staff from the Dane County Library Service. Call **608-831-2373** to set up an appointment.

#### **Essential Tremor/Dystonia Support Group**

Wednesday, April 13 at 10:30

For more information, e-mail madmidet@charter.net



#### **Free Undergarments**

We received a donation in the form of numerous packages of undergarments (similar to Depends), so we are going to be passing along as many as we can to anybody who needs them. Call 608-831-2373 to find out what is available.

#### **Foot Care**

#### **Every Wednesday beginning at 1:00**



Cheryl Franz (Registered Nurse of Franz Foot Care) and Middleton Senior Center offer foot care several times each month. The cost is \$20 for regular, \$25 for diabetic, and \$10 for hands. This service is **NOT** covered by Medicare. For an appointment, call <u>608-831-2373</u>.

Note: Please bring 2 hand towels with you.

#### **Gadget Guru Appointments**

#### Second and Fourth Friday (April 8 & 22) at 11:00

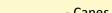
Dave, our gadget guru, is available to assist you with your devices, cell phones, tablets, electronic readers, or laptops. Call 608-831-2373 to schedule an appointment.

#### **Home Delivered Meals**

You may qualify for home delivered meals (aka Meals on Wheels). Call one of our case managers at **608-831-2373** to learn more.

#### **Loan Closet**

Medical equipment available to borrow:



- Wheelchairs

- Walkers

- Transport chairs - Knee scooters

- Unopened incontinence products

We accept donations of items from the above list as well.

#### Mending

Every Other Tuesday (April 12 & 26)

Appointments beginning at 1:00.

- Crutches

#### **Rides for Medical Appointments**

RSVP's Driver Escort Program is up and running again! There are some new policies in place for drivers and riders due to the pandemic, including proof of vaccination for both drivers and riders.

Please contact us with questions and to schedule a ride as needed and available. Please call at least three business days before a ride is needed.

Note: Because of the limited number of drivers currently available, we can honor only 2 rides per person per week.





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#### **Ageless Grace Neuroplasticity Exercise Class**

Date: Thursdays, April 14– May 19th Time: 1:30 Pm

**Cost:** \$35.00

#### This class is a seated chair exercise program

Join us for Ageless Grace, a fitness and wellness program based on the cutting-edge science of neuroplasticity (the

ability to change the form and function of the brain). Ageless Grace is a seated exercise program making it accessible to anyone of any age or ability. It engages the body and the brain through the use of 21 Simple Tools for Lifelong Comfort and Ease, developed by Denise Medved. These activities are done to a great mix of music and utilize fun, experimentation, imagination, and spontaneity. To put the practice of Ageless Grace in a nutshell: "We don't stop playing because we get old; we get old because we stop playing."- George Bernard Shaw (1856-1950), Irish Author and Playwright. Don't stop playing!!

#### **Certified Instructor: Gail Doty**

Gail has 30 years of experience as a Physical Therapist, most recently working in the area of Home Health, where she developed a passion for facilitating wellness in aging.

She is excited to bring the benefits of Ageless Grace to YOU!



Registration required. Call 608-831-2373 Class size is limited to 15

#### Películas Culturales Latinoamericanas

José Martí: el ojo del canario Viernes 15 de abril a las 1:00

País: Cuba Año: 2010

Duración: 2h, 0m

Dirección: Fernando Pérez Valdés
Guion: Fernando Pérez Valdés



Fue un período crucial en la historia del país —la abolición de la esclavitud y el inicio de las luchas independentistas— a través de los ojos de un niño, aquí el joven José Martí. Es una película cubana dramática de temática histórica y biográfica de 2010, escrita y dirigida por Fernando Pérez Valdés.1 Está inspirada en la niñez y adolescencia de José Martí, un destacado político, pensador, escritor e independentista cubano de la segunda mitad del siglo XIX, en el período de su vida que abarca desde los 9 hasta los 17 años de edad.

Se requiere registro. Llame al 608-831-2373

#### **Spanish Class Schedule**

Cost: Each class is \$5.00/week

Limit: 6 students/class

Mondays - Introduction - 9:00

Tuesdays - Conversation 9:00, 10:00, 11:00

Wednesdays - Open - 1:00, 2:00, 3:00

Please call 608-831-2373 for more information.







#### LINE DANCE IS BACK

Join us for a free Demo Class on Friday May 6th at 1:00 Please Register by calling 608-831-2373

Sessions Begin on Tuesday May 10th 6weeks \$15.00 Tuesday May 10th—June 14

1:00—Beginner

2:30—Advanced

Call 608-831-2373

#### **Tai Chi for Beginners**

Cost: \$25 Tuesdays at 2:30, Mar. 1 - Apr. 26

(except Mar. 15 & April 19, 7 classes)

**Certified Instructor: Bob Harrington** 

Class Limits: 5-11 participants

This class will give participants the option to sit or stand. The class is limited to 30 minutes of exercise, so it's perfect for the beginner. It's a great class for anybody with arthritis or wanting greater flexibility.

#### Strength & Flexibility

Cost: \$60 each or \$110 for both

**Instructor: Paul Novak** 

Class Limits: 8-12 participants

No class Apr. 1

Wednesday (<u>Mar. 2 - Apr. 27</u>) and Friday (<u>Mar. 4 - Apr. 29</u>) at 9:00

Strength & Flexibility is a movement class that includes some work on yoga mats and other exercise elements. These classes utilize Tai Chi and Qi Gong principles and can be tailored to individual levels. All fitness levels are encouraged to join. Call the senior center at 608-831-2373 for more information or to sign up. Note: Participants will be required to provide their own mats. If a participant cannot acquire a mat, one may be borrowed from the senior center for the duration of the class.



#### **Strong Spirits Chair Yoga**

Cost: \$55 each or \$90 for both Class Limits: 8-12 participants Instructor: Sue Carpenter, RYT, Certified Yoga for Arthritis Instructor



Mondays at 10:30 (April 11 - May 23) Wednesdays at 10:30 (April 13 - May 25) 6-week series, no classes May 2 & 4

Chair yoga is for those wanting to continue to increase balance and strength, and for those living with arthritis, chronic pain, or stiffness. It is also a safe, gentle way to increase flexibility, strength, and range-of-motion. Breath, movement, and mindful transitions are used to explore simple seated and standing postures. **Class can be done completely seated, as well as having the option to explore standing poses.** Guidance and modifications are offered in order to address the unique abilities and strengths of each person. Class ends with guided relaxation.

#### **Class Registration and Payment Policies**

- Middleton Senior Center will not prorate classes. The full rate will be charged for registrations after the sign-up deadline.
- A refund will be given only if the vacated class spot is filled.
- Class payments are due two weeks before the first class begins, and nonpayment will result in removal from the class list.
- Registration for classes begins two calendar days after the newsletter is mailed.
- Participants must be at least 55 years of age to participate in classes. An exception is for participants' caregivers, who should notify staff in advance of registering for the class. Minors are not allowed in classes or on bus trips.
- Middleton Senior Center contracts with outside agencies who have their own guidelines and refund policies. Those policies take precedence over senior center policies.

These policies were adopted and approved by the Commission on Aging.

#### **Transportation**

Transportation options to Middleton residents each week are listed below. You MUST contact the senior center at 608-831-2373 no less than 3 days before you wish to use these valuable services.

Transportation to the meal site and local grocery shopping is by donation. The suggested donation is \$1.00 round trip to the meal site and the suggested donation for local grocery shopping is \$2.00 round trip. A person who is unable to make a donation will NOT be denied a ride for this service. These times are tentative and may vary depending on the route and number of people who participate.

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Day	Destination	Departure Pick Up	Return Pick Up	
Monday— Friday	Lunch at Senior Center	10:30	12:30	
1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday	Wal-Mart & Woodmans	11:30	1:30	
*2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday	*Hilldale & Walgreens	11:30	1:30	
4 <sup>th</sup> Monday	West Towne Mall	11:30	1:30	
Every Tuesday	Middleton Pick 'N' Save & Walgreens	11:30	1:00	
Every Wednesday	Junction Road Pick 'N' Save & Target	11:30	1:00	
Every Thursday	Middleton Outreach Ministry	11:45	1:15	

All are welcome here. TODOS SON BIENVENIDOS AQUÍ جمیع ه*ی* موضع

#### Dr. Mordecai's Marvelously **Mysterious Mental Musings**

April 1 April Fools' Day April 29 May Flowers (and Herbs)

April showers bring May flowers. And here we are –May. Of course ,Dr. Mordecai loves to stop and smell the flowers. But more than that, Dr. Mordecai likes to head into the kitchen and attempt to concoct new herbal treatments for some of humanity's most hopeless conditions: sagging skin, inattention, fear of math, bad taste. Dr. M believes there is a fortune to be made here, but for this month's musings, join the doctor for a session on Herbal and alternative treatments for mental health—what we know and what we don't know. Prepare to be disappointed by the research. Alas.

Call **608-831-2373** to register.

**<u>Video Surveillance</u>**: Public spaces at Middleton Senior Center are monitored by staff on video security cameras. Outdoor spaces are included. For your protection, participants and visitors are recorded while visiting our facility.



#### **Ongoing Activities**

#### **Reading and Writing**

#### Hats & Tales |



2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday at 10:00 (Oct. - May)

A group of volunteers who reads at Little Red Preschool. Please contact Patty Nordhaus at 608-225-4663.

#### **Mystery Book Club**

1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday (April. 6) at 10:00

**Upcoming Books:** 

April 6: "The Crossing Places" by Ely

Griffiths

May 4: "Daughter of Time" by Josephine Tey

#### **Senior Center Writing Group** 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday (April 13) at 1:00

#### **At Middleton Senior Center**

A group of creative seniors that writes about a variety of topics. This group meets on the second Wednesday of the month. Each month a different member decides on the topics and writing styles. Participants bring their writing to share with the class. Chuck Barrett will be leading in April, and the topics for outside writing will be:

- 1. Write about famous brothers & sisters.
- 2. What hobbies did you most enjoy before you finished H.S.
- 3. What festivals would you like to attend which you have not yet never attended.
- 4. What dessert choices would you serve Queen Elizabeth if she were your dinner guest at home. Pictures are welcome.

If you are interested in joining the group, contact Joyce Waldorf at 608-833-0159.



#### Creating

#### **Nimble Fingers**

Thursday at 12:30

Sharing and working on projects...

Through the creative efforts of Nimble Fingers, many local charities receive comforting lap robes, shawls, blankets and other needed items.

Please join us!

#### Puzzles

Any time

#### Stitchers

Thursday at 1:00 (online)

**Wood Carving** 

Monday at 9:00



#### **Social Seniors**

April 6 - 9:15

Breakfast planning meeting at Denny's

April 19 - 12:30

The Sports Bowl for Lunch, Then at 2:00pm a Presentation from Claudia & Ken Miska on their trip to the Baltic region exploring the nations in Northern Europe and surrounding the Baltic sea. at the Senior Center

All are welcome!

#### **Newsletter Assembly**

April 19 at 8:00

#### **Bakery Distribution**

Monday at 10:00



#### **Stuff We Need**

- Sponsor entertainment or a program (average cost is \$175)
- Your ideas!

#### **Weekly Cards and Games**

Bridge: Monday at 12:30

Casual Chess: Tuesday at 1:00 Cribbage: Mon. & Thu. at 10:00

**Euchre:** Wednesday at 1:00 Mah Jong - Bams - Beginners

Tuesday at 10:00

Mah Jongg - Dots: Tuesday at 12:30

**Mexican Train Dominoes:** 

Thursday at 1:00

Open Cards: 12:30, except Wed. Pinochle: Monday & Friday at 12:30

Poker: Friday at 12:00

Queen of Spades: Thur. at 12:30

Rummikub: Friday at 9:00

Scrabble: Monday & Friday at 9:00

Silver Divas Bridge Group:

Monday at 12:00

Wii Sports: Monday at 12:30

#### Learnin'

Coffee and the Economy:

Meetings will resume in May.



Discussion about market updates

Dr. Mordecai's Marvelously **Mysterious Mental Musings:** 

Friday (Apr. 1 & 29 ) at 12:30

**Exploration of interesting topics** concerning the human brain.





AuerStone & The Warblers - April 4 at 11:15

Doc Mordecai's Musical Mixture Elixir -Friday at 10:00

Mary on Piano - Monday at 10:00

Middleton Jazz Band - Thursday at 9:00







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