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# **Holiday Schedule:**

CLOSED: Thursday June 19th CLOSED: Friday July 4th

It's time to renew your membership! View our Membership Form on Page 18

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR UPDATES, RESOURCES & SIGN UP FOR OUR WEEKLY EMAIL BULLETIN:

www.norwalkseniors.org

#### **Membership Renewal**

Our Membership Renewal begins a brand new Senior Center year on July 1st. In order for the Norwalk Senior Center to fulfill its mission in empowering adults 55+ to find personal independence, healthy aging, social connection and lifetime learning, help is needed from all of our friends in the community and our senior participants.



Federal funding monies have decreased while the costs for critical supply requirements and insurance coverage has doubled. Some operating costs are even higher. This will result in a minimal increase in the annual membership cost. It will only effect the basic membership which will be \$40 per year for the (Bronze) level. For folks who are able, we kindly ask you to contribute \$50 (Silver), \$75 (Gold) or \$100 (Platinum). They remain the same as last year. Your contribution will be greatly appreciated and recognized in our bi-monthly newsletter. We thank you for your support!

To make your membership renewal fun, there will be a contest that everyone can participate in. All seniors 55+ who purchase an annual membership at any level during the month of July 2025 are eligible to win a ROYAL CARIBBEAN cruise to the Bahamas! Your chances in winning depend on the number of people who participate. Renew early in July so you don't miss the opportunity. Official rules are available at the front desk at the Norwalk Senior Center, 11 Allen Road.

#### **OPEN HOUSE**

Wednesday July 23, 10 AM - 1 PM & 5 PM - 7 PM Join us for some fun, food, raffles & free manicures! Take a tour & see class demonstrations, and several activities & offerings at our amazing Center!

Seniors aged 55+ who register & pay for Norwalk Senior Center annual membership for the 2025-2026 year during the month of July 2025 will be entered to win a grand prize!! Odds of winning the grand prize are based on



the number of people who register & pay for NSC membership in July 2025. Official rules of the contest are available at the front desk of the Norwalk Senior Center at 11 Allen Road, Norwalk CT. See you then!

Norwalk Senior Center continues a comprehensive series of programs designed to help you organize and plan for the future. For more information, please call the center (203) 847-3115.

#### **VETERANS AFFAIRS**

Veterans Affairs representative Frances Reyes assists Veterans in the Norwalk Area.

Call (203) 418 2005

Visit www.connecticut.va.gov

#### FREE LEGAL SERVICES

1177 Summer St 4th Floor
Stamford CT, 06905
(203) 348-9216
https://ctlawhelp.org/en/home
CT Legal Services will be helping
those who need legal assistance
by phone.

**Support Resource Group** "Surviving Each Challenge" This group is a safe place for those who need encouragement, comfort, or emotional support. Hearing from others facing similar challenges can make you feel less alone. Participants with common experiences or concerns will provide each other with coping strategies and personal experiences. "Surviving Each Challenge" is a judgement free zone where we will discuss the challenges of: Loss, Caregiving, Grief, Family, and Illness.

and Illness.
Let us survive each
challenge TOGETHER.
Group will meet 1st and
3rd Thursday of the month
at 10:00 AM
At the Norwalk Senior Center
11 Allen Road, Norwalk CT



\$ 4,072 couple

\$ 3,209 single

\$4,336 couple

Join the Norwalk Senior Center's Support Group Surviving Each Challenge for it's annual "Celebration of Life Ceremony" on Thursday June 26th. Honor your loved ones who have passed with a prayer, a picture and words of remembrance.

Ceremony begins at noon with light refreshments served afterwards. Bring in a picture of your loved one and join us in honoring their memory. Everyone is welcomed.

For more information, call Eva Beau at 203.847.3115 X115

#### **MEDICARE SAVINGS PROGRAM**

Do you qualify for this great benefit?

Pays the Medicare premium taken out of your social security check.

Enrolls you in the Extra Help for Prescription drugs program (pays for Medicare Part D and lowers your drugs to \$3.30-\$8.25)

Can pay your Medicare co-pays. There is no asset limit!

To apply call Eva Beau at the Senior Center

(203) 847-3115 Ext 115. All calls are kept confidential.

#### MSP Income Limits effective March 1, 2025

The <u>Federal Poverty Limits</u> (FPL) have been revised for 2025. These new limits are used by DSS for updating MSP income limits for 2025, among other state programs. DSS has released these numbers and we are in the process of revising CHOICES materials, including the Ouick Guide, for 2025.

Generally, if your monthly income is at or below these levels	All MSP levels qualify you for Extra Help/Low Income Subsidy You may also qualify for
\$ 2,752 single	QMB - This program is similar to a "Medigap" policy. It
\$ 3,719 couple	pays your Part B premium(1) and all Medicare deductibles (2) and co-insurance. (3) (1) Your Medicare Part B covers doctor costs, outpatient services and some preventive care. (2) The deductible is the amount that you pay for medical services before Medicare or any other insurance begins to pay. The amount changes every year. (3) Co-insurance is the portion of Medicare-approved services that you are responsible for paying. (4) It protects you from being billed for any Medicare-covered services.
\$ 3,013 single	SLMB - This program pays for your Part B premium.

ALMB - This program pays for your Part B premium. This

program is subject to available funding and is not

available to individuals with Medicaid.

#### June is Men's Health Awareness Month

June is Men's Health Month, a time dedito cated raising awareness about the health issues facing today. This month is a reminder for men to take



charge of their health and well-being, promoting preventive care, regular screenings, and awareness of key health issues. From prostate health to your vision. In fact, there are several health condimental well-being, this month serves as a critical tions, like diabetes or high blood pressure, that can reminder for men to prioritize their health.

Prostate health is a significant concern for men, particularly as they age. Prostate cancer is the second most common cancer among men in the United States. Regular screenings, such as the prostate-specific antigen (PSA) test, are essential detection and successful treatment. Prostate cancer, when caught early, can often be treated successfully. Men over the age of 45 should have regular discussions with their healthcare providers about prostate health and the Eat healthy foods. Be sure to have plenty of dark, benefits of PSA testing.

Testicular cancer is the most common cancer in raise awareness about this disease because it is eyes, too. highly treatable, especially when detected early. Get active. Being physically active helps you stay greatly increases the chances of successful treat-lesterol. ment. Men should perform monthly self-exams and report any changes or lumps to their healthcare provider immediately.

In addition to regular screenings and medical check-ups, adopting a healthy lifestyle is crucial for overall well-being. This includes maintaining a balanced diet, engaging in regular physical activity, avoiding smoking, and limiting alcohol consump- percent of both UVA and UVB radiation.

Eating a balanced diet, staying active, and avoiding harmful habits can significantly improve your quality of life and reduce the risk of chronic diseases.

Men's Health Month is an opportunity to take proactive steps towards better health. Whether it's Give your eyes a rest. Looking at a computer for a scheduling a health screening, performing a self- long time can tire out your eyes. Rest your eyes by exam, or seeking support for mental health. Taking taking a break every 20 minutes to look at someaction today can lead to a healthier tomorrow.

#### July Is Healthy Vision Month

July is Healthy Vision Month. There's a lot you can do to keep your eyes healthy and protect vour sion. You've heard that the eyes are the win-



dow to the soul-but did you know they're also a window to your health? When you make healthy lifestyle choices, like eating a balanced diet and staying physically active, you are also protecting increase your risk of some eye diseases. Making healthy choices for your overall health can protect your eye health, too. Protecting your overall health can go a long way toward keeping your eyes healthy! It's important to make healthy choices and take good care of yourself. Keep in mind that healthy habits like eating well and being active can lower your risk for diseases and conditions that can lead to eye or vision problems, like diabetes or high blood pressure.

leafy greens like spinach, kale, and collard greens. Eating fish that are high in omega-3 fatty acids men ages 15 to 35. Despite its rarity, it is crucial to like salmon, tuna, and halibut — is good for your

Regular self-examinations can help men identify healthy. It can also lower your risk of health condiabnormalities early and seek medical attention tions that can cause eye health or vision problems promptly. Early detection of testicular cancer - like diabetes, high blood pressure, and high cho-

#### Protect your eyes

Every day, you can take simple steps to keep your eyes healthy. Use these tips to protect your eyes from things that can harm them:

Wear sunglasses. Protect your eyes from the sun by wearing sunglasses —& even on cloudy days! Be sure to look for sunglasses that block 99 to 100

Wear protective eyewear. Safety glasses and gog-A healthy lifestyle can prevent many health issues. gles are designed to protect your eyes during certain activities, like playing sports, doing construction work, or doing home repairs. You can buy them from most eye care providers and some sporting goods stores.

thing about 20 feet away for 20 seconds.

Don't wait until you have a health issue to see your If you wear contacts, take steps to prevent eye indoctor. Preventive care and early detection are fections. Always wash your hands before you put your best defenses against many health problems. your contact lenses in or take them out. Be sure to Make your health a priority this Men's Health Month. disinfect your contact lenses and replace them regularly.

#### PAGE 4 | INFORMATION

#### **ABOUT US**

The Norwalk Senior Center is a private not-for-profit 501(c)(3) tax-exempt, non-sectarian organization. Our mission is to promote successful aging for 55+ adults & their families in the greater Norwalk area. The Senior Center is designated as a community focal point by the Area Agency on Aging & the Aging & Disability Resource Center for Norwalk.

We work collaboratively with other service providers to enrich and improve the quality of life for mature adults, their friends & families. We offer a wide variety of educational, recreational & cultural programs, trips, exercise classes, & direct services; they are provided for free or at a reasonable cost.

THE NSC MEMBERSHIP YEAR IS FROM JULY 1, 2024 - JUNE 30, 2025. **HOURS:** MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY 8:30AM — 4:30PM AT 11 ALLEN ROAD, NORWALK CT

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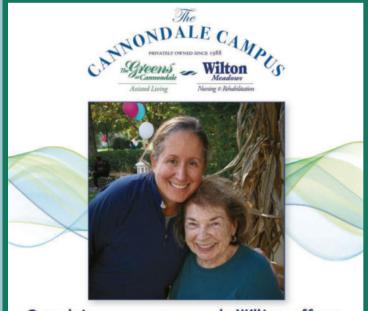
Bus Driver Calvin Johnson Bus Driver Eliezer Ramos

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#### Do You Know About Medicare Savings Program?

The Medicare Savings Program will pay for your Part B Premium and may help pay Medicare deductibles and co-insurance. Medicare Beneficiaries with a monthly income less than \$3,088 and \$4,191 per couple will qualify. Assets are not considered. For more information or application assistance, contact SWCAA's Aging Answers Department at 1-800-994-9422



# Our picturesque campus in Wilton offers:

- Assisted living, providing exemplary social and wellness programs
- Specialized memory care programs
  - · Long-term skilled nursing
  - · Geriatric assessment center

Wilton Meadows 203.834.0199 The Greens At Cannondale 203.761.1191



Companionship
Shopping & Errands
Personal Care
Meal Preparation
Transportation
Pet Care & More!



# **NSC Shopping Schedule:**

Tuesday 9-12: Shop Rite Wednesday 9-12: Shop Rite

Thursday 9:00-12:00: Shop Rite Trips to WALMART and TJ MAXX

alternate on Fridays.

# **Transportation to & from NSC:**

Monday through Friday
Morning Pickup:
8:30 AM & 10:00 AM
Afternoon Trips Home:
12:30 PM & 2:30 PM

To schedule your ride, call: (203) 847-3115 ext 107

Let us drive you to Stew Leonard's!

1st & 4th Friday 12:30 to 3:00 2nd Friday: 10:00 to 1:00



## **Norwalk Senior Center's Transportation Service Guidelines**

We are proud to provide door-to-door transportation to our senior center located at 11 Allen Road in Norwalk, CT - Monday through Friday.

Holidays & bad weather may impact the regular schedule.

Please read the following guidelines carefully as there are no exceptions:

- Annual Norwalk Senior Center membership is required. (See page 18).
- The fee for transportation is \$20 per month (due by the 5th of the month).
- Passengers are required to:
  - 1. Be ready for pick up at the time scheduled.
  - 2. Have an operational land-line or cellphone.
  - 3. Move from their residence to the mini-bus.
- Rides must be reserved one day in advance by 3 PM.
- Call 203-847-3115, the front desk, to reserve your ride.
- Cancellations must be made as soon as your plans change, and are final.
- Bus drivers are prohibited from entering passenger residences.

Our Thrift Store, The Shop Around the Corner is looking for donations! If you have any gently used items, please bring them to the Norwalk Senior Center at 11 Allen Road. Please note we cannot accept electronics, furniture, food items or clothing at the Shop.

Thank you!





Monthly Birthday Cake Fridays June 6 & July 11th 12:30pm

All are welcome to celebrate our members!
The monthly birthday cake will follow lunch on the first Friday of the month. Sign up for lunch or stop in after for cake. Sponsored by Dean @ Bridges by Epoch

#### **DINING at Norwalk Senior Center**

The Norwalk Senior Center is pleased to offer a hot, nutritious and tasty daily luncheon. Reservations and cancellations are required at least 24 hours in advance by phone (203) 847-3115.

#### THERE IS A SUGGESTED DONATION OF \$4-6

Lunch Menus will be available on our website at www.norwalkseniors.org, and at the front desk. We also can mail you a menu upon request.





#### OTHER SENIOR TRANSPORT IN NORWALK

Norwalk Transit District (203) 852-0000

The Norwalk Transit District offers public transportation for senior citizens who ride on their Wheels buses. It is only 85¢ per ride for 65+ or disabled adults. (You must show your Medicare, ADA ID or state elderly/disabled ID card to the driver).

#### Wheels 2U

A micro-transit service which provides rides for \$2 each way anywhere in Norwalk from 7AM to 7PM using minivans. Call -475-258-7893 for more information.

#### **DISPATCH-A-RIDE**

203-299-5180

Provides door-to-door transportation for elderly and disabled residents who qualify on a disability basis. Dispatch-a-Ride applications are available at the Transit District. Reservations are required and tickets are \$3.50 each way or \$35.00 for a book of 10 tickets. PLEASE NOTE: Wheels bus cards and Dispatch-a-Ride tickets are no longer available for purchase at the Norwalk Senior Center.

Our long-distance fieldtrips requirements are as follows: NSC Membership must be current. Payment is due at the time of reservation. No refunds, No substitutions, No exceptions. For more information, please call Carlos at (203) 847-3115 ext. 104.

Enjoy the seaside this Summer with our trips to Captain's Cove and Calf Pasture Beach on Wednesdays in June and July! Captain's Cove Seaport is a family-owned and operated marina, restaurant, bar, and boardwalk located in southwestern Connecticut along historic Black Rock Harbor. Calf Pasture Beach in Norwalk, Connecticut, is a popular local beach offering a variety of activities and amenities. It features a 3/4 mile stretch of shoreline, picnic areas, a playground, a splash pad, and various sports facilities including a skate park and volleyball courts. The beach also has a pier for fishing and boating opportunities.

#### Captain's Cove

Fee: \$15

Departure time 11:00 AM

**Lunch: Captain's Cove Restaurant & Bar** 

(Not included in cost)

Wednesday June 4th; Wednesday June 18th

Wednesday July 2<sup>nd</sup>; Wednesday July 16<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday July 30<sup>th</sup>



#### **Calf Pasture Beach**

Fee: Free

Departure time 11:30 AM

**Lunch: Ripka's Beach Cafe** 

(Not included in cost)

Wednesday June 11th

Wednesday June 25th

Wednesday July 9th





# **Holiday Hill Senior Outing**

Registration Opens on June 16th!

Date: Monday August 18, 2025

Departure time: 9:00 AM

Departure time from Holiday Hill: 3:00 PM- 3:30 PM

Estimated time to return to NSC: 4:30 PM

Fee \$66.00 per person

Holiday Hill is located in the central Connecticut countryside. This beautiful 200-acre resort has been providing first-class food, service, facilities and entertainment. The Annual Senior Outing is always a popular event, so do not wait to sign up! Registration opens on Monday June 16th.

# JUNE CALENDAR | PAGE 8

2 Monday	3 Tuesday	4 Wednesday	5 Thursday	6 Friday
10:00 Knit & Stitch	10:30 Blood Pressure	9:00 Social Stitchers	10:00 Support Group	10:00 Beading Jewelry
10:30 Enhance Fitness	9:30—2 Hairdressing	9:15 Enhanced Fitness	10:30 Arthritis Exercise	10:00 Rincon Espiritual
11:30 Bridge	10:30 Enhance Fitness	9:30 Karaoke	11:45 Lunch	10:30 ESL I
11:45 Lunch	11:00 Mark Albertson	10:00 ESL II	12:15 Bingo	11:00 Tai Chi
12:00 Poker	11:45 Lunch	10:30 Tai Chi	12:45 Mah Jongg	11:00 Brain Games
	12:00 Spanish Class	11:45 Lunch	1:00 Chess	11:45 Lunch
	12:30 Art Class	12:00 Poker		12:00 Birthday Cake
	1:30 Chair Yoga	12:00 SoNo Elders Bingo		12:45 Mah Jongg
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12:00 Poker	12:30 Art Class	10:30 Tai Chi	12:45 Mah Jongg	11:45 Lunch
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		12:00 SoNo Elders Bingo		
		1:00 Garden Club		
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All programs listed below are free to all NSC Members. However, we ask that you RSVP if you plan on attending. Please stop by our front desk or call (203) 847-3115 to sign up! Thank you.

# History Presentation by Mark Albertson Tuesday June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 11:00 AM

For the 250th anniversary, Mark will speak about, "The Beginning of the American Revolution, 1775." Mark Albertson is the historical research editor at Army Aviation magazine in Monroe, Connecticut; and, is the historian for the Army Aviation Association of America.



# Fire Safety Presentation with Broderick Sawyer Thursday June 12<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 AM

This presentation focuses on fire prevention, safety measures, and emergency response, specifically designed for older adults. Learn about recognizing fire hazards and what to do in the event of a fire.



# History Presentation by Mark Albertson Tuesday July 1<sup>st</sup> at 11:00 AM

For the Fourth of July, Mark will present, "Article of Faith," The unanimous Declaration of the thirteen united States of America.", Articles of Faith- Just what is the Declaration of Independence? Mark Albertson is the historical research editor at Army Aviation magazine in Monroe, Connecticut; and, is the historian for the Army Aviation Association of America.



# Cappuccino with a Cop

Tuesday July 15th 9:00 AM- 10:30 AM

Join us for this session of Cappuccino with a Cop as we visit with a member of the Norwalk Police Department to discuss public safety issues that matter to you.



"Weekend At the Post" A Thank You to all our Veterans

Featuring Military Vehicles & Memorabilia, "Touch-A-Truck",
Police & Fire Displays. Families Welcome!
To be held at the Frank C. Godfrey American Legion Post 12:
60 County Street in Norwalk on Saturday June 14th 10 AM to 4 PM



#### **Farmer's Market Cards**

It's that time of year again! Starting June 4th, the Senior Farmer's Market Nutrition Program cards will be available to eligible participants to purchase fresh fruit and vegetables at local farmer's markets throughout CT. 2025 income guidelines are listed below. If you received a card last year, please return it to Eva Beau, new cards have been created for the 2025 market year. Call (203) 847-3115 X115 to schedule an appointment.



2025-2026 Income Limits		
Household Size	Monthly Income	Annual Income
1	\$2,413	\$28.953
2	\$3,261	\$39,128
3	\$4,109	\$49,303
4	\$4,957	\$59,478
5	\$5,805	\$69,653
6	\$6,653	\$79,828

#### Participant eligibility includes:

- A. Individual is 60 years old or older OR is a disabled individual under the age of 60 living in housing facilities occupied primarily by older individuals where congregate nutrition services are provided.
- B. The individual has a maximum household income of not more than 185 percent of the annual poverty income guidelines. The most recent income limits available shall be used at the time of distribution to determine eli-

#### PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT

Save the Date!

Join us for our first Pickleball Tournament Fundraiser on Saturday, September 13; 8 AM to 3 PM.

Visit norwalkseniors.org for more information. Intermediate skill-level players ages 50 +

**Limited 2-player team registration** 

Entry Fee: \$150 per team

Sponsored by FYZICAL Therapy & Balance Centers



FABULOUS FLEA MARKET Save the date! September 27, 2025 9 AM - 3 PM Vendors Wanted! Call Joan at 203-838-7243



#### Pickleball Schedule:

**Monday** 

8-10:15AM: All Play

12-2PM: Advanced Beginner

2-4PM: Intermediate

Tuesday

8-10AM: Intermediate

12-1 PM: Beginner Clinic

1-2PM Instruction/Beginner Play

2-4PM: Intermediate

Wednesday

8-9AM: All Play

12-1PM: Adv. Beginner Clinic

1-2 PM: Adv. Beginner Play

2-4PM: Intermediate/ Adv. Beginner Blend

**Thursday** 

8-10AM: Intermediate/ Adv. Beginner Blend

12-1PM: Beginner

1-2PM: Beginner/Adv. Beginner Blend

2-4PM: Intermediate

**Friday** 

8-10AM: All Play

12:30-2PM: Adv. Beginner

2-4PM: Intermediate



Don't Forget! All participants must be signed up as members of the Norwalk Senior Center! You can check your membership or pick up an application at the front desk.



Pickleball combines the elements of badminton, tennis, and table tennis played on a badminton-sized court. The Norwalk Senior Center has use of one indoor court inside a multi-purpose gym. Norwalk Senior Center membership is required to play on the indoor court. The City of Norwalk schedules the use of outdoor courts—for more information on those, see the City of Norwalk's Official Website at:

www.norwalkct.gov/3458/Pickleball

Seniors self-determine the level of their play using the descriptions below:

**Beginner:** Just learning the game. Unfamiliar with the rules and scorekeeping. Inconsistent at keeping the ball in play. Inconsistent at Serving.

Advanced Beginner: Familiar and comfortable with the rules and scorekeeping. Fairly comfortable with keeping the ball in play and sustaining slower paced rallies. Can consistently serve inbounds. Can do some kitchen play.

Intermediate: Very comfortable with rules and scorekeeping. Can easily sustain slower paced rallies, fairly consistent at sustaining fast paced rallies. Can serve inbounds with pace. Comfortable with kitchen play.

**Blended Time Slots** are there to encourage players to move up safely, challenge themselves and meet new people.

**Important:** The only person allowed to determine their skill set, is the player themselves.

Pickleball is a fun, social game. The Norwalk Senior Center encourages seniors to try the game, have fun and practice good sportsmanship at all times.

# Enhance Fitness: Mon 10:30am; Tues 10:30am; Wed 9:15am

Enhance Fitness focuses on dynamic cardiovascular exercise, strength training, balance & flexibility—everything older adults need to maintain health and function as they age.

**Instructor: Sharon Rubinstein** 

Fee: Thanks to a grant of Title III of the Older Americans Act & SWCAA, there is no fee for this class. To maintain the grant, it is important all class participants sign the attendance sheet on entry to the gym every time they attend.





## Chair Yoga: Tuesdays at 1:30pm

This class teaches classic, gentle YOGA poses modified for the chair.
Chair Yoga increases strength & flexibility, while reducing stress.
Beginners welcome- No prior Yoga experience is necessary.
Facilitated by Linda Lombardo Fee: \$6 per class

# Tai Chi: Wednesdays at 10:30am & Fridays at 11am

Tai Chi for Better Balance is an effective means of improving balance, functional limitations, and strengthening muscles, which reduces the risk of falling. Tai Chi is a low-impact exercise that can be done in almost any location. Instructors: Betsy Wrenn on Wednesdays; Karen Boginski on Fridays

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## Arthritis Exercise: Thursdays at 10:30 AM

Developed by the Arthritis Foundation, the Exercise Program uses movements created by physical therapists that address pain and fatigue while increasing strength.

Instructor: Sharon Rubinstein Fee: \$3 per class

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#### **Blood Pressure Clinic:**

Tuesdays June 3rd & 17th Tuesdays July 1st & 15th Beginning at 10:30 am Sponsored by Visiting Nurse of Fairfield County



#### **Brain Games**

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Wednesdays | 9:30 am—12 pm in Room 11 Join our friendly, fun group to sing or enjoy the show! Hosted by Bob Leng & Richard Nichols.



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# **Groovin' & Swingin' Dance Class for All**

Instructor: Simone Assboeck | \$6 per class Select Fridays in June & July at 10:30 am Contact the front desk for dates Learn the Electric Slide, Swing, Chacha, Line Dances & more!



#### **Movie Mondays**

All movies start at 12:30 pm in the Dining Room at NSC June 9th Elton John: Never Too Late June 23rd Fly Me to the Moon July 14th Bridget Jones: Mad About the Boy











#### Art Studio

Tuesdays from 12:30-2 pm

Bring your own projects to work on in a creative, welcoming, and supportive setting. All skill levels are welcome. No previous art experience is needed. There is no formal instruction, but we have a very supportive group of artists and crafters of all levels who are always willing to help you discover the artist within you.

#### Reader's Choice Book Group

The Book Group will take place at 12:00 pm in the Carnegie Room at the Norwalk Public Library. Bring a Brown Bag Lunch. The library will provide beverages, chips, cookies and fruit. Facilitated by Cynde Bloom-Lahey of the Norwalk Public Library.

Thurs, June 26 at 12 pm: The Lost Bookshop by Evie Woods

Thurs, July 31 at 12 pm: Ashton Hall

by Lauren Belfer

#### Hairdressing

Schedule your appointment for a haircut on Tuesdays from 9:30 am to 2 pm.
Contact Alana at 203-904-5538 to book your appointment. Haircuts are only \$10!
Please arrive for your appointment with clean & dry hair. Membership is required to participate.

# Join the Chess Group! Every Thursday at 1PM

Instructor: Rick Crawford
Beginners will receive instruction,
and all other levels are welcome!
Chess is not only fun, it can improve your memory,
attention span, and overall brain function.
Any questions?

Ark Healthcare & Rehabilitation will be sponsoring Bingo Prizes on Thursday June 12th. Thank you for your support!



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#### Tai Chi:

#### Viernes a las 11:00 AM

El Tai Chi es un medio eficaz para mejorar el equilibrio, las limitaciones funcionales y el fortalecimiento de los músculos, lo que reduce el riesgo de caídas. El Tai Chi es un ejercicio de bajo impacto similar a una danza que se puede hacer en casi cualquier lugar.



Tarifa: Gracias a una concesión del Título III de la Ley de Estadounidenses Mayores y SWCAA, no hay tarifa para esta clase. Para mantener la subvención, ortante que todos los participantes de la clase firmen la hoja de asistencia al ingresar al gimnasio cada vez que asistan.

# Rincon Espiritual: Viernes a las 10 AM

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# Bingo Miercoles a las 12 PM



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# Viernes a las 10:30 AM

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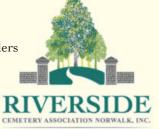




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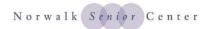
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