



THE TIVERTON SENIOR CENTER

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## AARP TAX ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

AARP's Tax Assistance Program will be at the Senior Center through April 15. The Tax Aide program provides free tax preparation and assistance to low and middle income taxpayers, with special attention focused on those who are ages 60 and older.

Volunteer counselors will be here every Wednesday from 1 to 3 p.m. and every Friday from 9 to 1 p.m. Counselors assist individuals with the preparation of their tax returns in accordance with the guidelines established between the IRS and the AARP Foundation.

Clients are taken on a first come, first serve basis. Sign in is required upon arrival in order to ensure your turn in a timely and fair fashion.

Please make sure you have the proper income documentation necessary to file your income tax return with you.

The program's funding sources include the US Internal Revenue Service, AARP and private contributions ([www.aarp.org](http://www.aarp.org)).



## HAPPY ST. PATRICKS



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## BC/BS BLUE CHIP FOR MEDICARE

Susan Olsen from Rhode Island Blue Cross Blue Shield Blue Chip for Medicare will be here on Monday March 26 to provide you with updates for 2007 and with the newest information on

Medicare Part D (drug program).

If your insurance is Blue Chip for Medicare, I strongly recommend that you attend this informational meeting.

If you are interested in

changing your Blue Chip plan to a like plan this is the time to do that. Medicare Advantage recipients have until March 31 to make changes in their plan.

### BINGO

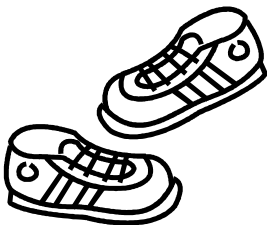
Bingo will be held every Friday during the month of February. Bingo dates are:

- March 2
- March 9
- March 16
- March 23
- March 30

Join us for an afternoon of fun.

### Bob the Shoe Man

will be here on Thursday, March 8 at 10 a.m. to do fittings for those of you who are diabetics for your annual pair of shoes.



### CENTER MEETING

Richard Joslin will once again be donating his time on Thursday's from 2 to 4 during the month of March to teach computers.

Richard is extremely knowledgeable with computers and can teach you anything

you are interested in learning.

Please let us know in advance if you are interested in taking

this class. You may drop by the office or call 401-625-6790.



### CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

Exercise with Deb – Monday, Wednesday, Friday- at 9:00

CIS Alexandra Hakimdin every Tuesday from 8:30 to 4

Watercolor Class with Madeleine Diogenes every Tuesday from 1 to 3

Chorus with director Starr Medeiros every Wednesday at 12:30

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) every Thursday at 10 a.m.

Knitting & Quilting volunteers every Thursday at 1:00

Bingo – every Friday at 1:00

Center Meeting – Thursday, March 15 at 10:45

March Birthday Celebration – Thursday, March 15 at Lunch

Blood Pressure Clinic – Thursday, March 22 at 10 a.m.

Susan Saccucci-Olsen from Blue Cross will be here Monday, March 26 at 10.

The Center Meeting is held on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 10:45. This meeting is held to keep you informed as to the happenings at the Center and for you to ask questions, air your complaints,

and make recommendations and suggestions on anything that concerns any and all aspects of the Senior Center Operations.

It is open to all who attend the center although only members have voting rights.

Please join us at our next meeting on March 15.



### BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC

A monthly blood pressure clinic is held on the 4th Thursday of every month. This month it will be held on the 22nd. This clinic is sponsored by the Visiting Nurse Service of Newport and Bristol Counties.

This is a free community service and is open to any person in the community. Please take advantage of this service.

### SCAM

Seniors are receiving calls from someone claiming to represent Medicare. The caller states that the senior has filled out a post card and more information is needed. The caller states that they would like to come to the senior's home to discuss Medicare. PLEASE REMEMBER Medicare does not go door to door. DO NOT give out any personal information such as Social Security numbers or bank account numbers. Hang up immediately.

**MAKE SOME-ONE'S DAY GIVE THEM AN IRISH HUG!**



### COMMUNITY INFORMATION SPECIALIST

Alexandra Hakimdin, a Community Information Specialist with the Department of Elderly Affairs is at the center every Tuesday from 8:30 to 4 p.m.

Alexandra's job is to help elders with problems they may have

concerning medical insurance, prescription drugs, medical billing and other problems that may arise.

She also does Medicare D and RIPAE applications and can help you with deter-

mining if you are eligible for other services and assistance that you may be unaware of.

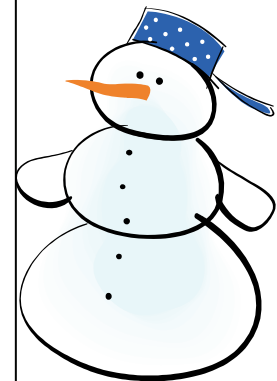
Please call the center to make an appointment so that we may better serve you.

Please remember that Center cancellations due to inclement weather will be announced on WSAR 1480—AM radio and WHTB 1400 AM radio.

All announcements will be called in before 7 a.m.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Ben Lewis	01	Dorothy Cyr	16	Mary Quintal	25
Antone Fidalgo	03	Sarah Cabral	17	Irene Costa	26
Lee Cambra	04	Rose Daily	17	Lee Janusz	27
Lucy Costa	04	Winter Wolf	17	Esther Dupont	28
Evelyn Barboza	07	Dorothy Montour	18	Connie Walker	29
Antone Cambra	07	Mary Hemingway	18	Roberta Tripp	31
Evelyn Souza	08	Sarah Dupont	18		
Inez Ayres	09	Jean Ashworth	19		
Virginia Sicilia	11	Irene Karzenski	21		
Dorothy Cable	11	Sarah Arruda	22		
Gilda Boyer	15	Helen Ouellette	22		
Norman Truscott	16	Mary LePage	25		



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## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

The Tiverton Senior Center bus is for any Tiverton resident who is 55 or older or handicapped. It is a free service that is provided by the town.

Our bus goes out on a regular basis to the following locations:

**Tuesday:** Harbour Mall area shopping.

**Wednesday:** Tiverton Shopping includes Brooks, CVS, Bank Newport & Bank of America, the Post Office and Seabra in Fall

River.

The **second Friday** we offer trips to Dartmouth Mall area.

The **fourth Friday** we go to the Swansea Mall area.

On all days you may be dropped at the Senior Center either before or after shopping.

Reservations are necessary to make use of our transportation. Please call 625-6790 to reserve your seat.

Please keep in mind

that because our new bus is larger we are picking up more people. Travel time around town is a little longer and waiting time at destinations is also a little longer.

### **Please be patient.**

We try to accommodate everyone. Our bus service is for the community. We do not individualize our trips.



The **Knitting & Quilting Volunteers** at the Tiverton Senior Center have their work on display in a glass case in the rear corner of the Dining Room. Please feel free to drop in to see the beautiful hand work. **NEW** volunteers are always welcome to join our group.