

July 2020 Edition

So Close....

Hopefully this was the space where I was going to tell you when we could start serving congregate meals again and resume some of our programs. We are <u>almost</u> there. We are awaiting final guidelines from the state and then we can set to work.

On Monday, June 29th, we brought the whole staff back together for the first time in 3 1/2 months! As you may recall, we have been on split shifts since mid-March so we could limit any potential exposure to the staff and continue serving Meals on Wheels and takeaway meals from the dining room door. Needless to say, it was great to see everyone, even behind masks.

For the latest news on restarting programs, stay tuned to our Website, www.gibsoncenter.org and Facebook page, as well as the Conway Sun and the radio station. We may drop you an email as well. Obviously, there will be some new protocols to follow and we'll let you know about that too.

The HUGEST of thank yous to everyone who participated in our Spring Appeal and NH Gives. The response to both was overwhelming and we are so grateful.

A lot of work remains and as you know, we're not out of the woods yet. But we would not have gotten this far without YOUR support and an incredible staff, board and splendiferous volunteers!

Thank you all! And stay tuned! George Cleveland **Executive Director**



PROGRAMS, EVENTS & TRIPS UPDATE

All programs, events, and trips subject to change, secondary to COVID-19 and current self isolation protocol.

Check the calendar daily for changes, especially when we open, special events will be added!

Some events, like BINGO, Veteran's Coffee, and the Caregiver Support Group will either meet live, or use ZOOM. Call Jill to talk about signing in to ZOOM. (You will need a computer with a camera, or a phone or tablet with a camera)

If we can't meet live we will also start some ZOOM exercise programs.

For the most up to date information, check our webpage for the list of programs and proposed daily menu. <u>https://www.gibsoncenter.org/calendar/</u>

2020 GIBSON CENTER CRAFTS AND ARTISAN FESTIVALS

> September 5th & 6th October 10th & 11th

SHOW HOURS: Sat & Sun 10 AM - 5 PM

New England Crafters at their best! We have fine jewelry, photography, art, pottery, gourmet specialty foods, stained glass, doll clothes, kettle korn, clothing, quilts, pillows, woodcrafts, Adirondack chairs, wood signs and furniture.



Benefits the Gibson Center for Senior Services, Meals on Wheels Program.

VETERANS COFFEE

Wednesday, 15th Thru Zoom



American Red Cross offers tips to stay safe during a heat wave

A dangerous heat wave is hitting a large part of the country with some areas seeing temperatures as much as 20 degrees above normal. Summer heat and humidity can be deadly. According to the Centers for Disease Control, more than 600 people in the United States are killed by extreme heat every year. The American Red Cross has steps you can take to help stay safe when the temperatures soar.



Are you at risk? Some people are more at risk of developing a heat-related illness, including adults age 65 and older, those with chronic medical conditions, people who work outside, infants and children and athletes. Excessive heat can lead to sunburn, heat cramps, heat exhaustion and heat stroke. If someone is experiencing

Heat cramps in the legs or abdomen, get

them to a cooler place, have them rest, lightly stretch the affected muscle, and replenish their fluids with a half a glass (about 4 ounces) of cool water every 15 minutes.

If someone is exhibiting signs of heat exhaustion (cool, moist, pale or flushed skin, heavy sweating, headache, nausea, dizziness, weakness, exhaustion), move them to a cooler place, remove or loosen tight clothing and spray the person with water or apply cool, wet cloths or towels to the skin. Fan the person. If they are conscious, give small amounts of cool water to drink. Make sure the person drinks slowly. Watch for changes in condition. If the person refuses water, vomits or begins to lose consciousness, call 9-1-1.

Heat Stroke —Life threatening signs of heat stroke include hot, red skin, which may be dry or moist; changes in consciousness; vomiting and high body temperature. Call 9-1-1 immediately if someone shows signs of heat stroke. Move the person to a cooler place. Quickly cool the **person's body by immersing them up to their neck in cold water if possible. Otherwise, douse or** spray the person with cold water, or cover the person with cold, wet towels or bags of ice.

Heat safety tips:

- Hot cars can be deadly. Never leave children or pets in your vehicle. The inside temperature of the car can quickly reach 120 degrees.
- Stay hydrated by drinking plenty of fluids. Avoid drinks with caffeine or alcohol.
- Check on family, friends and neighbors who do not have air conditioning, who spend much of their time alone or who are more likely to be affected by the heat.
- If someone doesn't have air conditioning, they should seek relief from the heat during the warmest part of the day in places like schools, libraries, theaters, malls, etc.
- Avoid extreme temperature changes.
- Wear loose-fitting, lightweight, light-colored clothing. Avoid dark colors because they absorb the sun's rays.
- Slow down, stay indoors and avoid strenuous exercise during the hottest part of the day.
- Postpone outdoor games and activities.
- Use a buddy system when working in excessive heat. Take frequent breaks if working outdoors.
- Check on animals frequently to ensure that they are not suffering from the heat. Make sure they have plenty of cool water

UPCOMING JULY EVENTS

Because of the daily changes to the status of the Corona Virus, and our attempts to help people stay healthy, our programs may not happen, if we are still in self quarantine . You can check our web calendar at www.gibsoncenter.org/calendar or call us at, 603-356-3231.

Veteran's Coffee: 10 a.m. at the Gibson Center.

Wednesday, 15h thru Zoom

We would like to support our members who are caregivers. If any of you would like to talk to a Caregiver Facilitator, let Jill know, to link you up with the person. This is also an event that can be hosted by Zoom, you just need a telephone, although to see people a computer or device is also nice.

Flatbread Company Gibson Fundraiser: Thursday, July 16, 2020 from 4:30-9PM. They donate a portion of the cost of each flatbread, to Gibson. Eat in or take out

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Please call Ken at the Gibson Center, 356-3231, ext. 112 for an application

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Short Stay Skilled Rehabilitation Long Term Nursing Home Care Assisted Living / Respite Care

1251 White Mtn. Hwy North Conway, NH 03860 Call 603-356-7294

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CALL FOR A SCHEDULE OF FUTURE ESTATE PLANNING SEMINARS AT THE GIBSON CENTER Please call for information about future presentations 1-800-370-5010.

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ONLINE DONATIONS: You can help our cause by donating at www.gibsoncenter.org/and click on Donate Now button

WEEKLY PROGRAMS (WHEN WE ARE OPEN)

Monday:

10:30 TJQ Silver Lake Landing
10:30 Chair Exercise
12:30 FunDay Afternoon
3:30 Tai Ji Quan Better Balance
Tuesday:
10:00 Strength, Balance, & Stretch
12:00 Silver Lake Lunch
12:30 Knitting Club at SLL
Wednesday:
10:00 Veterans Coffee (1st & 3rd weeks)
10:00 Quilt Club (2nd & 4th weeks)
10:30 - 1:30 Wii
Service Link, make appointment
12:30 Game Day

Thursday: 9:00 Belly Dancing 10:30 Chair Exercise 11:30 TJQ Silver Lake Landing 12:30 FunDay 12:30 BINGO (first Thurs.) 12:30 Caregiver Peer Support 3:30 Tai Ji Quan Better Balance Friday: 10:00 Strength, Balance, & Stretch 12:30 Friday Painters (Oct - May)

JOIN US FOR LUNCH MON - FRI 11:30 AM TO 12:15 PM

Program Volunteers

- Lip Sync 3: Valley Promotions, Alice & Dick Vierus, Suzanne
- Bartlett Recreation
- Veteran's Zoom: hostess Karen Umberger
- Robert Frost Charter School: made cards, which were handed out at lunch time.

KUDOS - Donations

The many people who have called us and offered help! This is such a wonderful community!

Vaughn Community Services: Food Pantry & Jennifer Kim & Neysa Packard: The Farmstand in Chocorua

Shaw's, Wanda Wirling

NH Food Bank
Catholic Charities of NH
Wal-Mart: Bob King & Phil Spinney
Old Village Bakery
The Hoyt family of Purity Springs Resort
Eversource
Chips: Chris and Sharon
Sherman's Farms
Valley Original's/ Wally Campbell: take away lunch bags.

Restaurants that remembered Gibson:

Mae Kelly's, Delaney's Hole In The Wall, Chef's Bistro, Cranmore, Valley Originals, The New Hampshire Mushroom Company

DONATE TO THE GIBSON CENTER FOR SENIOR SERVICES





Mask Angels:

Small Town Quilters Betty R Karen G Nancy M Michelle O Lynn G Jay R



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CARE FOR THE CAREGIVER

Meet on Thursdays 12:30PM - 2:00PM

Meet with other caregivers Learn tips to care for you! Programs available with FunDay, 10:30AM



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GIBSON CENTER DAY TRIPS Please sign up for all programs: 603-356-3231.

At this point, we need to maintain social distancing, so bus trips will need to be limited to 4-6 people, who will all wear masks, and sit apart from each other.



PMA: THE MYTH MAKERS; HOMER AND REMINGTON:

Date: TBD Price: \$35,

Bring a lunch or eat on own.

SEASIDE PAVILION CONCERTS

8/4 Tapestry: Carol King Tribute 8/14 Legacy 5

The Tuesday concerts, with door to door service will be about \$40 each. Legacy 5, a Southern Gospel group, is \$45

TWO LIGHTS STATE PARK AND LOBSTER SHACK (ON OWN):

Price \$20-30 (depending on number of people on bus) August 26th September 23rd

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There will be a Collette Slide Show in the Autumn. Until then, if you are interested in a trip, contact Jill or follow the links



Source: https://www.gocollette.com



Imperial Russia: April 8-16, 2021, 9 days, 11 meals, \$4199ppdo. Moscow: The Kremlin and Armory Museum, Red Square, St Basil's Cathedral, High Speed train to St. Petersburg, Hermitage Museum, Catherine Palace, Church of Savior of Spilled Blood, epicurean tours. https://gateway.gocollette.com/ link/1032917

Painted Canyons of the West: September 19-27 2021, 9 days, 11 meals, \$3899ppdo Colorado National Monument, Moab, Arches National Park, Canyonlands National Park, Dead Horse Point State Park,, Capitol Reef National Park, Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument, Bryce Canyon National Park, Zion National Park, Las Vegas. https:// gateway.gocollette.com/link/1032968



Bus Tour - Lancaster & Gettysburg: October 26-30. Sight & Sound Esther, Gettysburg; Amish tour, and Landis Valley. \$595



Bus Tour - **Cape Cod, Martha's Vineyard,** Rhododendron Festival: May 25-28, 2021 \$525 ppdo

Business Support Newsletter Listings

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Beasley & Ferber, P.A. (1-800-370-5010) David Ferber, estate planning including avoiding probate, protecting assets from nursing homes, avoiding state taxes, and elder law.

Chalmers Insurance (356-6926) Steve Cote, full line of personal and business insurance, including Long term care, life and annuities.

Coleman Alvin J. & Son (447-5936) 9 NH Route 113, Conway. General Contractor

First Allied Securities (356-9371) 3277 White Mt. Hwy. Investments including Stocks, Bonds, Annuities, Retirement, College Planning

Gamwell, Caputo & Co., PLLC (447-3356 or fax 447-6563) Dave Caputo, certified public accountants providing tax, accounting, and financial statement services for businesses, individuals, trusts and estates.

H.R. Hoyt Construction Inc. (447-2612) Conway, NH. Poured Concrete

Maureen Cason Hanlon, LICSW (356-6400) 3277 White Mountain Highway, North Conway- Counseling services for adults and elders.

Memorial Hospital (356-5461) The community hospital of Mt. Washington Valley. Your partner in good health.

North Country Fair Jewelers (356-5819) Brian Smith, Main St, N Conway. Diamonds, gold and silver jewelry, coins, pearls, watches, clocks and antiques. Repairs, appraisals, buy, sell and trade.

NorthEast Auto Body (356-5808) David Smith, 530 Eastman Road, North Conway, N.H.

Notchland Inn (374-6131) Harts Location, NH Romantic dining and lodging.

Peking Sunrise Restaurant & Lounge (356-6976) Lounge (356-3888) Jct. Routes 302 & 16 N Conway. Settlers Green Outlet Village (356-7031) over 60 stores. Every Tuesday is Senior discount day at participating stores.

The Hearing Aid Shop (603-356-0172) Jessica Williams, Board Certified Hearing Instrument Specialist, Hearing Aid Sales, Fitting, Repairs, All Makes/Models. Two convenient locations in North Conway and Wolfeboro. Handicap Accessible. www.lifesoundsamazing.com

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Varsity Beverage Conway (447-5445) Distributor of Pepsi Cola, Schweppes, Dole Juices, Lipton Tea, Gatorade, Aquafina Water, Mountain Dew, Mug Root Beer, Frappuccino, and Hawaiian Punch.

White Mountain Hotel (356-7100) Gary Sullivan Wonderful place to go for lunch or dinner.

White Mountain Oil and Propane (356-6386) The Saunders Family, oil and propane, major appliances. Yankee Smokehouse Restaurant (539-7427) Joseph Ferriera, Jct. Route 16 & 25 in West Ossipee. Real open pit barbecue.

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