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**DIRECTOR'S LETTER**

I hope everyone is continuing to do well. It has been so nice to welcome some of you back to the Senior Center. It ALMOST feels a little normal! FYI the Senior Center is still only open for programs that you are preregistered for. These programs include Exercise on Monday & Thursdays, Preventing Falls on Fridays, occasionally Bingo, lunch daily and any of the classes that are listed on the Fall Class Schedule. We are hoping to be able to open for cards, table tennis, wood shop and various other groups, but at this point, we are unsure when this will be. The doors to the Senior Center open at 8:30am but are locked by 2:00pm or so. If you would like to pay your annual membership dues you are welcome to bring them in to the center during these hours or mail them into the Senior Center. Please call the Center if you are interested in signing up for one of the exercise classes, Bingo or lunch. If there is space, we will sign you up. Please note, you must be signed up for any of the classes listed on the Fall class schedule by Friday October 16<sup>th</sup>. The 8 week block of classes will begin the week of October 19<sup>th</sup>.

We are continuing to follow ALL safety protocols in order to keep everyone healthy. We record the name of every person that comes into the building, take their temperature & ask them a series of wellness questions. A mask must also be worn when entering the building & anytime you are unable to be socially distant from others. We allow you to take your mask off while you're seated in a class or participating in exercise because you can be safely social

distanced from others at this time. Once you have to move away from your space, you need to pull up your mask and cover both your mouth & nose with it. Please do not pull your mask down to talk to someone. This is for your safety & those around us. We also ask that you frequently use the hand sanitizer that is located in the wall dispensers throughout the building. Our maintenance staff disinfects the tables & chairs in each room after it is used, and frequently cleans & disinfects the restrooms & high touch areas throughout the building.

So far, everyone has been doing an incredible job handling all of the new “rules”. I hope that all of you understand that we’re doing this for the safety of all of you. In order to be able to reopen we had to submit a safety & wellness plan to the Town Board for the Senior Center & to Erie County for the lunch program. We were one of the first Senior Centers in the area to open up back up for lunch & programming and everything has gone very smoothly. Please continue to practice all of the safety protocols that have become our new normal. Also, if you are not feeling well or have any of the symptoms related to Covid-19, please stay home. We would hate to have our center exposed to the virus & have to close down again!

If you have any questions, please call the Senior Center office. We are in the office from 8:30-4:30. Please note, the office itself is closed until further notice, but someone from the office is in the hallway from 8:30am-2:00pm. They can also answer any questions. The Town is working to put up plexiglass in our office that will protect you & the office staff. Until this is done, we cannot allow anyone other than staff into the office. We thank you for your patience as we begin to get back to a little more normal way of life at the Senior Center!

Take care & I hope to see many of you at the Senior Center very soon!! Tricia

### **FREE ACTIVITIES**

The Senior Center offers the following free activities to members: Exercise on Mondays and Thursdays, Preventing Falls on Fridays and Bingo on various days at no charge. You **MUST** be pre-registered for all activities! Call the Center for more information.

### **NEW SESSION OF CLASSES**

A new session of classes will be offered beginning in mid-October. As we cannot hold two sessions this fall we will make the new session eight weeks instead of six weeks. You will notice that the rates are higher than the normal rates, this is due to the two additional classes.

Signup for these classes is ongoing. You may pay by mail by sending in a check or at the Senior Center. At present time the Senior Center is opened limited hours so call ahead for information. All payments for the new class session must be made **NO** later than Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup>.

## **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

Welcome to the following new members: Sally Dobbs, April Taylor, Carol Coburn, Joan Johnston-Health, Fran Zekas, Gene Sprain, Sharon Ginter, Janet Keil, Sharon Seeley, Joan & Paul Beiter, Janey Dickash, Margaret Budneck, Jennie Wiktorowski, Michael Mulawka, Susan Lattimore, Margaret Frazon, Maldonado Gilberto, Susan Stachowiak, Joan Riley, Roxanne Schreckenberger, Martin Latko, Edward Stachowiak, Robert Havens, Gerald Fura, Dee Morrissey, Dayton Kane, Marina Hamm, Mark Brunner, Grace Amanda Patterson, Louise Lawton, Charles Russ, Lynne Nizialek, Natalie Owens, Philip & Nancy McIntyre.

## **SYMPATHY**

Our thoughts and prayers are with the families and friends of the following members who have passed away: Diane Cramer, Paul Hulub, Frank Gubala, Ruth Sing, Elizabeth Zawada, Donald Pijanowski, Ernie Economou, Patricia Beutel, Florence Mercurio, Joseph Bussi, Roy Holtz, Dorothy Belz, Paul Pera, Virginia Pingrey, Jeff Conley, Mary Veitch, Henrietta Brylinski, Norma Welch, Bettie Faling, Pat Bragg, Paul Henderson & Esther Joan Restorff.

## **HOLIDAY FUNDRAISER**

We are very sad we will be unable to hold our holiday Fundraiser this year. With that being said, we would still like to help some of the needy families in the Ken-Ton area. Once again, Dave Liska, one of our members, has given a very, very generous donation! Dave has been so giving over the years and it is greatly appreciated. Also, we do have some proceeds from the Boutique from the beginning of the year. We plan to buy as many Walmart or Wegmans gift cards as we can.

If anyone would like to donate cash or a Walmart or Wegmans gift card it would be greatly appreciated. We hope you will be able to help out and we in turn will help as many needy families as we can with the donations. Thank you.

## **BOUTIQUE**

The Boutique will be open Wednesday, October 21<sup>st</sup> from 8:30am to Noon. (just this one date) We will allow 2 people at a time to go into the boutique to shop. Before you enter, you must sanitize your hands. At this time, we are NOT accepting any new merchandise. If the opening of the Boutique goes well, we will open it on other dates.

## **LOUNGE**

The Lounge is closed for the time being. At this time, we are not accepting any donations of books, puzzles, videos or magazines.