

NEWBRIDGE ON THE CHARLES

 Hebrew SeniorLife

Dr. Miriam and Sheldon G. Adelson Campus

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Happy Autumn Solstice,

Hard to believe—especially with the summer weather forecasted for this weekend— but fall is upon us with the promise of crisper and cooler air to come.

On Sunday, September 22 at 3 p.m., we will gather for a memorial service in honor of our neighbors who have passed away this past year. For me, it is bittersweet because I miss so many great people who made such a difference to our community. But it is good to also have a chance to reflect on the amazing lives of those with whom we were all so fortunate to connect. I look forward to joining you all.

We have a special event coming next Friday, September 27:

Barring tragedy or fatal illness, aging is inevitable. That is why research that challenges the common assumptions about human aging is essential. Dr. Lew Lipsitz is responsible for the research agenda at Hebrew SeniorLife's Marcus Institute. As HSL's chief academic officer, professor of medicine at Harvard Medical School, and chief of the Division of Gerontology at Beth Israel Deaconess, he is also responsible for setting the highest standards for the training of the next generation of geriatricians.

Last year, Dr. Lipsitz received the country's highest and most prestigious honor—the Donald P. Kent Award—from the Gerontological Society of America. "Dr. Lew" is one of a kind.

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Come hear him on Friday, September 27 at 2pm in Great Meadow Hall when he will address the latest advances in geriatrics and their impact on your quality of life.

We are entering into the flu season and I wanted to report to everyone the current state vaccine availability. As many of you know, an order must be placed months prior to receiving the vaccine. Based on your feedback, we chose to order the “senior flu vaccine” from Sanofi-Aventis. We have received word that orders have been delayed. The distribution is determined by the size of the order—meaning that the large pharmacies usually get the order before we do. That’s the bad news. The good news is that we’ve been assured that we will receive our order no later than November 1. Obviously, when we do receive the order, we will be setting up the flu clinics.

I have included a flyer inviting you to sign up and dine with me in Centro. As a gentle reminder, my wife is counting on you to get me out of the house. She enjoys having an evening each month without me getting under foot. If you can join me for dinner, she will be very grateful.

I haven’t written about my younger daughter in a while, but she received some interesting news I wanted to share with you all. In her quest to become an ophthalmologist, she was accepted to a special exchange this spring at Ben-Gurion University in Israel. Of course, this provides the perfect excuse for Pam and me to plan a trip to visit. Move to come....

Have a wonderful weekend,

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