

NEWBRIDGE ON THE CHARLES

 Hebrew SeniorLife

Dr. Miriam and Sheldon G. Adelson Campus

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Hello everyone,

David Raider shared the good news that we will have a flu/booster shot clinic on Tuesday, October 19 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Wednesday, October 20 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Dedham Pharmacy is providing the vaccines and personnel to serve us. You can sign up to receive the COVID-19 booster shot (Pfizer only) and/or the high dose flu vaccine. You received a participation form **which must be returned to us by Tuesday, October 12 in order to participate**. We will contact you by end of next week with an appointment card and other relevant details.

During the Zoom call, Sharon reported to the community the number of new residents we have (70+). That's a lot of names to remember and faces to identify (especially difficult with our masks). As we go through the hallways, we often don't recognize one another or may be at a loss to remember a name. Imagine how this might be with the folks who've just moved in. Even longtime residents can feel overwhelmed trying to remember the hundreds of names at NewBridge.

The Campaign Connect group is suggesting we all wear a special name badge until the end of December. It will include your first name in large print and your last name in smaller print. It should be easier to greet people by their name and get to know each other more easily. As most of you know, it really is the people of NewBridge that makes this place so special. These name tags will be in your cubby today. I encourage you to wear them!

In addition, a new round of Face-to-Face sessions are being planned. For those of you who are new to NewBridge, these are small group discussions organized to get to know your fellow neighbors better. It's a great opportunity to share conversations and make new connections. Look for the sign-up forms in your cubbies later today. If you are interested, please fill out the form and return it by Friday, October 22. Please see the attachment for more details.

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Next week is our quarterly fire alarm review. The Community Center will be tested on Tuesday and Wednesday. Please refer to the attachment to see how this test may affect you.

There has been some discussion on the Google Groups about whether to recycle shredded paper or not. We reached out to our vendor and received a definitive, “No, shredded paper is considered trash.” Please adjust accordingly.

A quick reminder: Our guidelines require that masks be worn in the salon.

You will soon receive an important survey regarding the Medical Practice at NewBridge in your cubbies. Dr. Chen, the HSL Chief Medical Officer, Joanna Small, the Administrative Director of the Department of Medicine, and I are very interested to receive your feedback about the services the Medical Practice provides. We also want to know from those of you who are not practice patients. All of your responses will be kept confidential even if you choose to include your name on the survey. You can return the survey via the stamped envelope addressed to Joanna Small. We very much look forward to hearing from you!

There will be no letter for the next two Fridays. Pam and I are off to visit our daughter in Canada. We are looking forward to doing our best to understand (and be understood in) the French language as we will not be in English-friendly Montreal this time. Souhaitez-nous bonne chance.

Allez les Red Sox,

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