

Claremont Senior Times

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Volume 22 ~ Issue 12 2nd Annual UGLY Sweater Cookie Contest

We had SOOO much fun with it last year, we are ready for it again! We have kits you can pick up at the center to decorate your own ugly sweater. You are welcome to use your own edible decorations.



The Contest is open to members only. Order your kit in person, by email (Seniorctr5@gmail.com) or calling 543-5998. Kits not available until after Dec 6 (or so), so be patient. Entry deadline will be Dec 17, and winners will be announced Dec 23.. Details and list of prizes will be in your cookie kit.

HELP WANTED — KITCHEN MANAGER

Volunteer position to manage modern, efficient kitchen with a motivated and capable crew. Tasks negotiable with Board. Appreciative customers. If interested, contact the center.

If you know some one who might take over the kitchen duties, ask them to come talk to us. The position is a volunteer no-pay job, but is very rewarding!.

HELP WANTED — EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Half time salary position responsible for the management and direction of Claremont Senior Center. The Executive Director ensures the operation of the Center through oversight by the Board of Directors. The ED will administer programs, support fundraising events, oversee administrative tasks, recruit and supervise volunteers, and ensure the smooth running of the Center.

The Executive Director will also be required to accept the thanks of many seniors and the Board of Directors. !.If you know someone who might do this, have the person contact the center.

Executive Director Board of Directors Chair Vice Chair Treasurer Secretary Open Position Michele Bryant 543-0468 542-5725 Lloyd Mann 542-5774 826-3260

December 2021

Have You Bought Your Car Show Calendar?

The 2022 calendar featuring winners of this year's 2021 car show. Each month features a different picture of a class winning car. Only \$12 when picked up at the center; add \$6 shipping and handling for each calendar if we mail it to you. Makes a great gift for someone you care for. Or get one for yourself.

Match it with Car Show T-shirts, which are still available!

Introducing new activity!

Do you like Game night on Tuesday and Thursday nights? Don't like to drive in the dark? We are now open for Game afternoons. A few members have indicated Tuesday and Thursday afternoons are best for them. Call some friends and come in for cards, pool or board (not bored) games.

Tuesday and Thursday Game nights are still on from 6 til 9. Come in and play cards or Mahjong, shoot pool or start a corn hole group!

We thank all our advertising sponsors. MEMBERS—Please remember to patronize their establishments!

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Michele Bryant	543-0468	Brenda Ruest	542-6644
Thomas Liveston	542-5725	Dennis Francis	543-0551
Lloyd Mann	542-5774	Lynda Howard	558-2252
Donna Cornett	826-3260	ř	

Mon. - Fri. Schedule for December 2021

Saturday and Sunday

Still Closed

Monday

8 AM Men's Breakfast (13) 9 AM — 3PM Open for activities 9 AM Ladies' Pool

Tuesday

9 AM — 3PM Open for activities 11:45 AM Drive through Lunch 1—3 NEW!! Afternoon Games 6 - 9 PM Open for activities

Wednesday

8:30 AM Foot Clinic (8, 15, 22) 9 AM — 3PM Open for activities 10 AM—2 PM Ouilting (1)

1 PM Bingo (Last card sold 12:45 PM)

4 PM Corn Hole

Thursday

8:30 AM Foot Clinic (2) 9 AM — 3PM Open for activities 11:45 AM Drive through Lunch 6 - 9 PM Open for activities

Friday

9 AM — 3PM Open for activities 10 AM—2 PM Quilting (17) 1—3 PM Knitters, mahjong

Monday thru Friday (9:00AM-3 PM)
Activities ANYTIME during open hours:
Pool, Card Games, Cribbage, Puzzles, Chess,
Mahjong, Corn Hole, Ping Pong, Knitting,
Quilting, Socializing, Hanging out, Computers
Browsing the Library, Suggestions

Low Impact Exercise postponed until January



LATE MODEL AUTO & TRUCK PARTS

Local: 603-542-9595 New England: 800-782-6565 Nationwide: 800-562-3845 Fax: 603-542-2978

239 Old Newport Road P O Box 1100 Claremont NH 03743-1100

Website: www.generalautosalvage.com Email: sales@generalautosalvage.com November 2021 Menu Menu is subject to change. Drive thru Takeout ONLY Pickup 11:45 to 12:15

Thursday (2) Soup, Tourtiere (Pork Pie), Vegetables, Dessert

Tuesday (7) Salad, Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce, Garlic Bread, Dessert

Thursday (9) Soup, Baked Haddock, Rice Pilaf, Vegetable, Dessert

Tuesday (14) Soup, Chicken Souvlaki, Vegetable, Dessert

Thursday (16) Soup, (NEW) Cranberry-Apple Stuffed Pork Loin, Mashed Potato, Vegetable, Cake

Tuesday (21) Christmas Dinner; \$10 per meal; Roast Turkey, Stuffing, Potatoes, Gravy, Squash, Cranberry Sauce, AND a Delicious Dessert

Tuesday (28) Soup, Chicken Fajita, Rice, Vegetable, Dessert

Thursday (30) Soup, Turkey w/ Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable, Dessert

Call 543-5998 to reserve your meal.

Meals may be suspended temporarily without notice.

Please return 3 compartment meal containers for reuse after sanitization. This will reduce costs to help us keep prices the same.

HELP OUT THE KITCHEN!

We REALLY need help with Meals. Maybe once a month dinners or a couple of days a week, or a few times a month on Tuesday or Thursday. We need help with preparation, cleaning, serving. You can talk to Ken or leave a note or send us an email.



BINGO NOTICE No Bingo December 22 or 29

Monthly Business meeting is December 7 at 1:00

Another Holiday Dinner Old Fashioned Turkey Dinner

Turkey with stuffing, gravy, cranberry sauce. mashed potato, squash and Dinner roll, and a delicious dessert

Tuesday December 21; 11:45 AM tíl 12:30 PM Only\$10 per meal

Drive Through pickup only. Call 543-5998 to reserve your dinner Buy 2 dinners on Tuesday save 1 for Christmas Day!

No cooking on Christmas Day

We are accepting donations for the dinner.

Can you donate a frozen turkey? We also need help with desserts by donating money and ingredients for desserts to help with the dinner.

Foot Clinic Thursday, December 2; Wednesdays December 8, 15, 22

Sponsored by
Lake Sunapee Region VNA & Hospice
There is a charge (\$25)
Appointments will be required!
New NUMBER!
Call (603) 748-1731



Ken and Ron serving Ed at Senior Men's Breakfast. Ron gave a great fascinating presentation on Dousing. We found all the water lines under the Owens Room!

We have a Notary Public

A member has informed us she is a Notary Public and will provide service for our seniors.

Let us know if you need service with your phone number or email address an we will have her contact you and set up a meeting.

Frances J. Tolles Home Complex

Private rooms with meals for Elderly Women

Apartments for Elderly Men and Women

44 Sullivan St. Claremont, NH 03743



Senior Men's Breakfast is back! Monday, December 13; 8:00 AM

Same good food, and great company! Still \$2 members, \$3 non-members

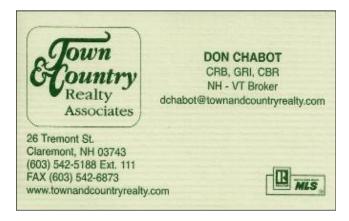
Happy December Birthdays! Birthstone Tanzanite or Turquoise Flower Narcissus

James Ambrose Karen Ambrose Kim Basinger Mary Batchelder Diane Beaudry Merle Boardman Luann Carter Sandra Cragin James David Elizabeth Donavan **Dennis Fontaine** Doris Dorr Lucy Fontaine Terri Garr Janis Hodge Kathy Kennett **Ricky Martin** Judy Rook Lesley Stahl



Gift Certificates . . . Give someone a great gift for a birthday, anniversary, any celebration or occasion with a \$5.00 gift certificate for a Tuesday or Thursday lunch at the center. Membership certificates also available for \$20.00.





Are you someone who would like to organize an activity? Or a fundraiser? Help write a grant? Are you a Facebook fan who can monitor and post on Facebook? Would you like to do the newsletter? (I will gladly relinquish the responsibility!)

Center Donations List

Small donations to the center help defray some of the expenses incurred in our daily operations especially regarding the kitchen and office. Members...feel free to offer suggestions to the list. Thank you for your donations!

Desperately needed ITEMS for the kitchen!

Market Basket and Hannaford gift cards Bell stuffing mix spaghetti elbow macaroni pie fillings: apple, cherry, blueberry, mincemeat pie crust creamy peanut butter Cake and brownie mixes Puddings left over/ deli containers Turkeys Cans of fruit cocktail, peaches and cranberry sauce frozen vegetables

Ask Ken for other kitchen items that are needed

Other still needed ITEMS!

Facial Tissue Wal-Mart Gift Card "Forever" First class postage stamps

Lysol Spray

HELP US OUT!

Want to help the center financially? Here's how to sign up for AmazonSmile.



We make money every time you buy!

- 1. Visit smile.amazon.com
- 2. Sign in with your Amazon.com credentials
- 3. Choose a charitable organization to receive donations, or search for Claremont Senior Center as your charity choice.
- 4. Select Claremont Senior Center as your charity
- 5. Start shopping!
- 6. Add a bookmark for <u>smile.amazon.com</u> to make it even easier to return and start your shopping at AmazonSmile.

Business Card Ad

Any business that would like to put a Business Card size ad in our monthly newsletter is welcome! Cost is \$200.00 per year (12 inserts).



Blood Services

Blood Drive at Claremont Senior Center

Monday, December 27, 2021; 12 to 5 PM

To make an appointment to donate Call 800-RED-CROSS or online at https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/donation-time

Show us your Vaccine Card and get your Center Vaccine card

The numbers have not diminished. The policy no vaccine, wear a mask. When entering the building, show your card at the desk for a "Dot of the Day". No vaccine verification gets an orange dot, vaccine verified gets a different dot. If you do not have a dot or have an orange dot, you must wear a mask. Of course if you're vaccinated, you may wear a mask if you wish at any time.

Our goal is to keep everyone as safe as possible. Wearing masks has proven to be the most effective way to prevent the spread of infections. This will provide a higher degree of safety for everyone in the building and will also help prevent the spread of the flu. Help us by verifying your vaccine card.

What do you want to do?

TELL US!! Drop a line via our email, seniorctr5@gmail.com, or write down what you want to happen at the center and drop it off at the desk.

R U Bored?

If you would like to do some yard work or clean the inside of the building, call the center, 543-5998, leave your name and number, and we will get back to you.

RENTALS AVAILABLE

Rentals are now available! Tell your friends, relatives, acquaintances and, yes, even your enemies! We have rentals for many events; hourly, one day or multiple days, weddings, funeral receptions, showers, birthday parties, in the Mozden room, Owens room or the conference room (8 person capacity).

Member and Volunteer discounts may apply! Ask at the desk for information.

Thinking of joining the Center?

Come on over...we have a new member program. Sign up for our

"One Month Trial Membership"

which means whatever date you sign up the membership will be good for one month. Come enjoy all of our programs and activities. Bring a friend. We hope you will join us!

NOVEMBER BLOOD DRIVE REPORT

The goal of 24 was met on Nov 29th,. These units will save 64 lives. Thank you donors!





2nd Annual Ugly Sweater cookie contest

We are planning once again to have our Ugly Sweater Cookie contest. It was a lot of fun and we expect many more participants this time around.. A short letter from the Vice Chair:

December is here! Remember when we looked forward to December? Winter activities like sliding and hockey and basketball? And Christmas and the promise of the New year soon to be here? We still look forward to the New Year, but not the cold, snow and heating bills! Unfortunately, COVID is still high and making us concerned for family and friends. But, we are trying to make the best of the times looming and many of our members are still skeptical about their safety. Hopefully we can at least have some "normalcy" to our holidays with friends and family. My holiday lights are up on my house— it is a start!

In keeping tradition, our Holiday-Christmas Turkey dinner is set for December 23rd. Still a drive through during lunch hours, but is still only \$10. Ken will have it set up and ready for you to enjoy. And of course the homemade pies! Order an extra meal to freeze for another day or have on Christmas day.

Another continuing tradition— our second annual Ugly Sweater Cookie Contest. Lots of fun and maybe you will win a prize See the article for details, or call the center. Or ask the desk receptionist.

To make the center run effectively, we need help. Perhaps you have some time to help out. We are still looking for an Executive Director. If you know someone who might be interested, have them contact us!

During this holiday month, come to the Center to meet with friends and socialize. It is a great opportunity to connect with those you may not have seen for a while. Bring a friend who is not a member, and see if they might want to join. Membership makes a great gift! (Cheap too!) So, as a good bye 'til next month, Happy Christmas and Happy Holidays to everyone.

Tom Liveston, Board Vice-Chair

How can I help?

A number of members have asked what they can do to help. I have made a list of things that volunteers can do to help us out..

Face book postings, management,
Articles for the newsletter, not just ideas
Newspaper and newsletter articles
Decorating
Cleaning windows
Reception desk
Help out with Kitchen and meals



Firebush at the Center. Showing it's fall colors.

If you have changed your mailing address, email, phone number or contact information within the last year, PLEASE let us know. We have had a number of emails and post cards returned.

Thank you for updating and taking care of this

Do you need food?

Call Denny Francis at 543-0551

Wheelock Travel

34 Opera House Square Claremont, NH 0374



For all your travel wishes and needs

Sarah Sucharzewski 604-543-0400

Email: sarah@wheelocktravel.com

Zoom comes to CSC

Claremont Senior Center has acquired a ZOOM license to use for the members to connect with friends and family. Almost as good as being there.



volunteers enough!
Without volunteers we could not put on all of
the events that you enjoy. Volunteers are
worth more than gold!

Senior Center October volunteer hours

⁾ Kitchen	6 people	319 hours
Desk	5 people	30 hours
Bingo	6 people	53 hours
Other	4 people	91 hours

Attention Volunteers!

We know that some volunteers have not documented their hours!

Please be sure to document your hours in the book at the front desk. Let everyone know how hard you work.

Does not include Board, Finance and custodial volunteer times.

211 is the number to dial when you need help or don't know where to call.

211 NH makes information much easier to find. All calls from anywhere in NH are free and confidential and you are guaranteed person-toperson assistance 24/7 with translation assistance in over 150 languages. For everyday needs and difficult times, 211 NH is your connection to thousands of resources available in NH.

211 NH is strictly information and referral. They do not provide direct services, but if you are looking for something anywhere from dog food to mental health they can point you in the right direction.

Visit <u>www.211nh.org</u> for additional information.

BINGO!

WE STILL NEED PEOPLE TO SIGN UP FOR ALL POSITIONS TO CONTINUE BINGO.

A SIGN UP SHEET IS AT THE SIDE DESK COUNTER AND AT BINGO.

PLEASE HELP US TO CONTIN-UE THE FUN! THANK YOU.

It's puzzling!

We have two puzzles going in the lobby! Come work out the puzzling pictures in our new beautiful puzzles

We also have puzzles you can borrow or trade. Many have been completed before! So, come and grab one!

Oh! And take a book, too!



Crafty Business

We have several members who are asking for craft activities and workshops. We have many talented members who do crafts. Are you willing to volunteer and share one or more of your crafts with everyone? Let us know; we will provide space, time, and support. Come talk to us to make it happen and make it easy for you!

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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Edited and compiled this month by Tom Liveston.
Scrutinized and proofed by many.
Highly praised by a few!

Claremont Senior Center Mission Statement

The Claremont Senior Center, Inc. is a non-profit organization registered in New Hampshire, to benefit senior citizens in Claremont and the surrounding area. This organization enhances networking and provides educational, health, nutritional, artistic, social and recreational opportunities and resources.