



# Claremont Senior Times

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## Center progress on the pandemic

WE all know the Senior Center is the best venue in town! It is the best place to have a shower, birthday or anniversary party, or even a wedding, We are also ready to begin our catering

We are ready to begin booking events! Do you have a birthday or anniversary to celebrate? How about a family wedding in the future? We can make the event memorable with a rental of a room at the center. Do you know someone who has put off a celebration? Put them in touch with us.

The Board of Directors will discuss reopening the center at the April Directors' meeting. Our membership will be kept informed by email and on the center website at [cnhcs.org](http://cnhcs.org). It will be so nice to see everyone, but remember to bring your mask! Also, we will be observing social distancing, and we are hoping we have everyone vaccinated. Reopening will be on a limited basis, but many activities will be back. Corn Hole, Ping-Pong, cards, mahjong, quilting, knitters are some activities we will have. Of course, the puzzle table will be available, and the library and puzzle swap room will be open. OH YEAH! Pool room will be open as well. Inside meals will NOT be served; we will continue drive through meals for a while more.



A beautiful day at the center.  
This was shared by a member.

## COVID continues to disrupt Senior Center elections! Candidates needed for Board of Directors.

Board members have decided to delay the election of new Board of Directors members until the center is open. The elections will be delayed until the Nominating Committee can present a list of candidates to the membership at a business meeting. Normally, elections are scheduled in May, with candidates presented in April for members to review. So the deadline of March 15 to get on the list has also been delayed. Do you have what it takes? There is still time to submit a letter to the Nominating Committee. If you can give the center some of your time, we need your help. Contact the center for information on what is required to be a Board Director.

There is also an election of a Finance Committee member. Or can you serve as a member of the Nominating committee, determining eligibility and conducting the election? Ask if you are interested.

No experience is necessary. Just an interest in helping the Center and a willingness to commit some time.

<b>Interim Director</b>	Jim Contois	504-8379		
<b>Board of Directors</b>				
<b>Chair</b>	Denise Liveston	542-5725	Shirley LaClair	542-3202
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<b>Secretary</b>	Donna Cornett	826-3260	Michele Bryant	543-0468
			Marilyn Gilbert	542-5798

## **Center Daily Activities Closed except for Drive through Lunch**

**Activities will resume when we reopen  
The place is lonely without you here! We  
hope everyone stays safe and we will return  
soon.**

**There will be NO April Business  
meeting due to closure.**

### **Kitchen Staff Training**

Our entire kitchen staff received certificates for Safe Serve Staff refresher training. The 2 hour training was a refresher for general safe practices as well as COVID specific topics.

The training was completed on their free time.



### **Are you Puzzled?**

We have jig saw puzzles you can borrow or trade. Many have been completed before!  
CALL the center to arrange a time!

### **April 2021 Menu**

**Menu is subject to change  
Drive thru Takeout ONLY**

**Thursday (1) Soup, BBQ Chicken Legs and Thighs, Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, Dessert**

**Tuesday (6) Soup, Stuffed Pork Chop, Roasted Potatoes, Veggies, Dessert**

**Thursday (8) Soup, Turkey with Gravy, Rice, Squash, Dessert**

**Tuesday (13) Soup, Chicken Cordon Bleu, Mashed Potato, Vegetable, Dessert**

**Thursday (15) Soup, Roasted Pork Loin w/ Gravy, Mashed Potato, Vegetable, Cake**

**Tuesday (20) Salad, Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce, Garlic Bread, Dessert**

**Thursday (22) Soup, Tourtiere (French Canadian Pork Pie), Roasted Potato, Veggies, Dessert**

**Tuesday (27) Soup, Ham and Cheese Sub, Lettuce, Tomato, Onions, Peppers, Chips, Dessert**

**Thursday (29) Soup, Baked Fish, Rice Pilaf, Vegetable, Dessert**

**Call 543-5998 to reserve your meal.  
Meals may be suspended temporarily**

Ken has shared 2 of his favorite recipes. He has requested members to share recipes of your favorites or maybe a family recipe so we can put it into the menu. And or in the newsletter! You can drop off at lunch; give it to Ken or Tom, or bring it in to the front desk. Or you can email it. BUT PLEASE DO NOT text it! Our phone doesn't do texts!

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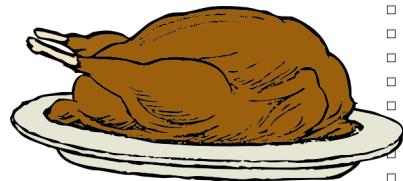
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## ONCE AGAIN!

### *Our requested Turkey Dinner*

*Turkey with stuffing, gravy, cranberry sauce. Mashed potato, squash and Dinner roll, and a delicious piece of fresh made pie*



*Saturday; April 17  
Pick up 4:30 to 6:00 PM  
Still Only \$10 per meal*

*Drive Through pickup only.*

*To ensure your meal, call 543-5998 to reserve your dinner.*

*We are accepting donations for dinner supplies.*

*Can you donate a frozen turkey? We also need help with our dinner by donating money and pie crusts and fillings to help with the dinner.*



**American  
Red Cross**

Blood  
Services

Blood Drive at Claremont Senior Center

Monday, April 19, 2021; 12 to 5 PM

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



**Foot Clinic**  
**Wednesdays April 14, 21, 28**  
**Sponsored by Lake Sunapee Region**  
**VNA & Hospice**  
**There is a charge (\$25)**  
**Appointments will be required!**

**New NUMBER!**  
**Call (603) 748-1731**



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*Happy April Birthdays!*

Debbie Bedard  
Henry Belanger  
David Carver  
Lynn Davidson  
Jessica Lange  
Lorraine Potvin  
Barbara Streisand  
Roy Winot

Robert Belaire  
Joyce Brassaw  
Russell Crowe  
Henry Fontaine  
Jack Nicholson  
Betty Shoemaker  
Lucille Viens



## Christmas in New York City

We are looking at the possibility of a trip to NYC for Christmas. The trip would include the Radio City Spectacular Christmas show, and at least 2 overnights. Before we put a lot of work into the trip, we want to know if it will be worthwhile to investigate. If you have never been to NYC at Christmas, you have missed a great trip.

Call the center and leave a message, write a note and hand it in at lunch, or email us that

## A Birthday Button for you to cut out

## Reserve Your New Apartment Today!

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## 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!**

## Copy paper

## **Not so desperately but still needed ITEMS!**

Lysol Spray Wal-Mart Gift Card Hand Sanitizer (all sizes) Market Basket Gift Cards  
"Forever" First class postage stamps Disinfecting wipes

## *Kitchen needs:*

Quart and Gallon size Freezer Bags Sandwich or Snack size bags Left over/ deli containers  
Market Basket Gift Cards Cool Whip or Dessert topping Frosting Chocolate Chips  
Turkey Canned tomatoes Frozen or canned vegetables Bell's Stuffing  
Pie Crusts and fillings Butternut squash

## 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](https://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 [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) to make it even easier to return and start your shopping at AmazonSmile.



## Senior Center Catering

Need catering for your function when you rent at the center?  
See Ken Simoneau for details!

## What do you want to do?

When the Center has reopened on a limited basis, there is a need to know what our members want

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

## Visit the Library!

We have several books in our lending library. If you take a book, please return it and make a donation of books you have enjoyed! Call to set up an appointment for book selection

## 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.

## Frances J. Tolles Home Complex

Private rooms with meals for Elderly Women  
Apartments for Elderly Men and Women

44 Sullivan St.  
Claremont, NH 03743  
(603) 542-3070



## 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!

## 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).



Have you seen our  
Facebook page?



## Claremont Senior Center, Inc.

We are trying to keep everyone informed during this crisis. We may need to post changes and information in a short notice, and this is the best way. You can reach the page even if you are not a Facebook subscriber.

## Free Smoke Detector

**Claremont Fire Dept** is providing free smoke alarms to single family homes. If you don't have smoke detectors or they are more than 10 years old, they will install detectors for free!

Call 542-7012 or

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## Letter from the Chair

Did you see it? The daffodils are beginning to poke their heads out of the ground. The buds are everywhere on the trees—yes, spring is finally here. Now, if only the temperatures would begin to cooperate.

I hope that everyone who wants the vaccine has had at least one dose, but I am hearing from several members that they have had their second or will have had it by now. And the good news most have said they had very few side effects.

The Board plans to meet the week of April 12. I anticipate that we will decide on a reopening day. Again, it will be on a limited basis at first. The Board is anxious to see members in the center and hear the sounds of laughter and conversation.

The Board also wishes to thank everyone who has continued to support the Center through this trying time with all of your donations. Each donation that has been made has helped the Center with expenses. Most of all, all the food and cash donations to the kitchen have enabled us to maintain the quality meals we have without having to raise the price we charge for meals.

Stay Safe. Think Spring!

Denise Liveston, Board Chair

*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.*

### 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.

Just remember, once you're over the hill you begin to pick up speed.

Waiting for the return!



### SOUTHWESTERN COMMUNITY SERVICES VOLUNTEER DRIVERS PROGRAM

Seeking individuals with cars to provide transportation for others who need to get to appointments. Can you help?  
Please Call 542-9609 for information

**Wheelock Travel**  
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Once again, we cannot thank our volunteers enough!

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

#### Senior Center February volunteer hours

Kitchen	6 people	199 hours
Desk	1 person	25 hours
Other	4 people	51 hours

#### Attention Volunteers!

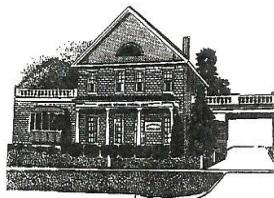
We know that some volunteers have not documented their hours!

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.

**Blood Pressure Clinic will resume once our center reopens  
Free blood pressure readings will return soon!**

When I was a kid I wanted to be older...this is not what I expected.



603-543-3146

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email: [memorials@stringerfh.com](mailto:memorials@stringerfh.com)

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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!) Talk to Jim or Tom.

**Do you need food?  
Call Denny Francis at 543-0551**

**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-to-person 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 [www.211nh.org](http://www.211nh.org) for additional information.

#### **What can you do during the pandemic?**

Have you noticed we have books and puzzles to loan at the center? Call to arrange a time to pick up and deposit item.

#### **Are your Dues due?...**

Membership dues are only good for 1 year. If your dues are not paid on time you will not be eligible for member benefits. You should receive a post card in the mail or an email to help remind you when your dues are up for renewal. YOU as a member are valuable to our center community and we do not want to add you to the "inactive" member list! We hope you will continue to participate in activities at the center. You can send in your dues or hand them in at lunch pickup. Thank you for paying your dues on time!

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*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.