

### PEMBROKE PIONEER

A Newsletter for Pembroke's Senior Citizens

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FEBRUARY 2014

FEBRUARY is a short month with much going on! VALENTINE'S DAY, GROUND HOG DAY, PRESIDENT'S DAY, and HEART-HEALTH MONTH

along with many others. Be sure check them out along with our own ideas. See Activities Page 5.

The FRIENDS OF THE COA will be having a VALENTINE'S CELEBRATION on WEDNESDAY, the 12th at 1:00 p.m. "SWIFTY" will be entertaining. There will be door prizes. Be sure to sign up early! Desserts will be served. If you need a ride, call us.

INCOME TAX: DICK ESANCY from PEM-TAX, will do Basic Income Taxes again this year for \$25.00. He does the Circuit Breaker as well. PEMTAX is now located in Pembroke Center at 42 Mattakeesett St., and is on the first floor. No more stairs to climb. Call for an appointment at 781-293-0300. Be sure to bring your Senior ID card with you.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP WITH SUZANNE CUTLER will be starting up on THE 1 at 10:00 A.M. The new group will choose the book. Sign up at the reception desk if interested.

DOMINOS ANYONE? We have one lady who is interested in playing. If you are interested, give us a call.

JOSH CUTLER: Our State Representative will be here on Friday, the 7th, at 9:00 A.M. If you have any concerns about State Government come and talk to Josh.



The Senior Computer
Learning Center
will be having an
Open House on
February 12th,
from 10:00 A.M.

to 12 O'Clock Noon, at the Abington Senior Center. They offer many computer courses for various skill levels. You can reach them at email: seniorcomputerlearningcenter@google groups.com for more information.

CRLL PHONE CLASSES: Two young ladies,

LARA + LAUREN, EACH WORKING ON THEIR

GIRL SCOUT SILVER AWARD, will be teachIng Cell Phone Classes during February

Vacation week. The dates are:

February 18, 19, and 20 Times: 12:30 P.M. to 1:30 P.M.

Sign up sheets will be available in the Reception Area or call 781-294-8220.

BINGO: With Frank Tobin and friends See PAGE 6.

sure to bring your Senior ID card with you.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP WITH SUZANNE Tines), you may want to sign up.

CUTLER will be starting up on THE 10th CALL FOR AN APPOINTMENT at 781-294-8220.

The WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON MOVIE DAYS ARE: February 5th and 26th. We will be showing The "BUTLER" on the 26th.

In closing, a thought from Albert Einstein "Imagination is more important than knowledge," ...

Mary E. Willia, Director

Q&A - February 2014

#### **Check Up On Your Benefits**

#### Are you missing out on benefits?

There are more than 2,000 federal, state and private programs that can assist people who are living on limited incomes. Some are better known than others—now you can get help finding these programs in the privacy of your own home with an online program called BenefitsCheckUp®.

BenefitsCheckUp® is sponsored by the National Council on Aging and is a free, online, confidential service that helps identify programs available in your area that can help pay for prescriptions, health care, food, utilities, and more. You can also get help with tax relief, transportation, legal issues, or finding work.

BenefitsCheckUp® empowers seniors, family members, and caregivers by helping to determine what benefits a person may qualify for and how to apply. Individuals are asked a series of questions to identify benefits that may help save money and cover the costs of everyday expenses. After answering the questions, a personalized report is created that describes programs that may be available. Many of the applications for these programs can be filled in online and the completed application can then be printed.

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), formerly Food Stamps, helps low-income individuals and families purchase healthy food. Approximately six million seniors across America face the threat of hunger each day. According to the Meals on Wheels Association, 11% of all seniors have experienced a form of food insecurity over the last year. For struggling families, SNAP is making a huge difference in their economic well-being and health. SNAP benefits, if counted as income, lifted 4 million people in the United States above the poverty line in 2012. SNAP is also good for local economies because each \$1 in federally funded SNAP benefits generates \$1.79 in economic activity. Since 2009, there has been a 36% increase in the number of individuals in Massachusetts getting SNAP benefits—roughly 892,000 people today. But, many seniors and families still are not getting this nutritional assistance.

Could you use the assistance of SNAP? You can find out if you qualify through BenefitsCheckUp®. You may also find information and learn how to apply by visiting <a href="https://www.mass.gov/snap">www.mass.gov/snap</a> or calling 1-866-950-3663 (FOOD).

To try BenefitsCheckUp®, go to www.benefitscheckup.org.

You can now also find out if you are making the most of your money through EconomicCheckUp®, <a href="www.economiccheckup.org">www.economiccheckup.org</a>, also sponsored by the National Council on Aging, Discover how to cut spending, reduce your debt, find work, and use your home equity.

To speak to an Information Specialist personally about any of these programs in Massachusetts, call 1-800-AGE-INFO and select option 1. Specialists are available Monday through Friday during normal business hours.



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NEXT FRIENDS MEETING: FEBRUARY 21, AT 10:30 A.M.

#### ~~~DONATIONS TO THE FRIENDS~~~

Abigail Cutler, Barbara Hall, Sandra Medaglia, Ruth Roy, Roy Seppala,



\*\*\*\* IN MEMORY OF \*\*\*\*

John Lecoski in Memory of Former Members

<sup>&</sup>quot;The term "O.K." is credited to President Martin VanBuren who was raised in Kinderhook, New York. After entering politics, Martin VanBuren became known as "Old Kinderhook." People used the term, O.K. to refer to him and the word "okay" was derived.

<sup>\*</sup>President Grover Cleveland personally answered the White House phone.

### Old Colony Elder Services Nutrition Program - Menu

FOR RIDE CALL: 781-294-8220 FOR LUNCH® CALL 781-294-4645 WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
0				Milk and margarine are served at every meal.
3 Cheese Lasagna	4 Balsamic Glazed	5 Krunch Lite Fish	6 Spaghetti &	7 Sweet & Sour Pork
w/ Meat Sauce Cauliflower Green Beans Whole Wheat Bread Pears	Chicken Herb Roasted Potato Broccoli Rye Bread Butterscotch Pudding MOD: SF Pudding	Parmesan Mashed Potato Peas & Carrots Pumpernickel Bread Raisins Tartar Sauce	Meatballs w/ Sauce Tuscany Blend Veg Multigrain Bread Hot Cinnamon Apples	Herbed Brown Rice Oriental Vegetables Oatmeal Bread Fortune Cookles
Calories: 610 Fat: 25% Sodlum: 715mg Fiber: 11g	Calories: 580 Fat: 18% Sodium: 590mg Fiber: 4g	Calories: 760 Fat: 30% Sodium: 1050mg Fiber: 7g	Calories: 745 Fat: 39% Sodium: 825mg Fiber: 12g	Calories: 655 Fat: 31% Sodium: 470mg Fiber: 5g
10 Chicken Cacciatore Buttered Penne Country Vegetables	11 Shepard's Ple Herbed Carrot Coins Whole Wheat Bread	12 Potato Crunch Fish Mashed Sweet Potato Green Beans	13 Roast Turkey Gravy Herbed Brown Rice	14 Valentine's Day Baked Ham Honey Mustard Sauce
Garlic Dinner Roll Fruit Cocktail	Pears	Pumpernickel Bread Applesauce	Spinach Oatmeal Bread	Peas & Carrots Scalloped Potato
BOOK DISCUS.  10 A.M. BINGO		VALENTINE'S PARTY 1 P.M.	Vanilla Pudding MOD: SF Pudding	Dinner Roll Chocolate Cupcake MOD: SF Cake
Calories: 640 Fat: 22% Sodium: 470mg Fiber: 7g	Calories: 665 Fat: 33% Sodium: 565mg Fiber: 9g	Calories: 680 Fat: 28% Sodlum: 670mg Fiber: 6g	Calories: 625 Fat: 28% Sodium: 1400mg Fiber: 5g	Calorles: 620 Fat: 28% Sodium: 1950mg Fiber: 6g
17 Presidents' Day No Meals Served	18 Eggplant Parm Penne Pasta Carrots Mulligrain Bread Tapioca Pudding MOD: SF Pudding	19 Chicken Salsa Corn Green Beans Corn Muffin Fruit Cocktail	20 Beef Burgundy Au gratin Potatoes Broccoli Rye Bread Fresh Apple	21 Salmon w/ Dill Sauce Herbed Rice Blend Beets Whole Wheat Roll Mandarin Oranges
4.	PHONE CLASS Calories: 780 Fat: 30%	PHONE CLASS Calories: 560 Fat: 20%	PHONE CLASS Calorios: 560 Fal: 20%	Calories: 710 Fat: 33%
24 American Chop Suey	Sodium: 1095mg Fiber: 12g 25 Teriyaki Chicken Brown Rice	Sodium: 680mg Fiber: 7g  26 Fish Sticks  Potato Wedges	Sodium: 1065mg Fiber: 8g 27 Roast Pork w/ gravy	Sodium: 735mg Fiber: 4g 28 Fiesta Fish Herbed Bow Tie Pasta
Zucchini Pumpernickel Bread Fruit Cocktall	Peas & Carrots Oatmeal Bread	Broccolli Multigrain Bread	Roast Sweet Potato Green Beans	Spinach Rye Bread
BINGO	Strawberry Cup MOD: Peaches	Tartar Sauce Apple Sauce <u>MOVIE</u>	Whole Wheat Roll Fresh Orange	Chocolate Chip Cookie MOD: Lemon Graham
	Calories: 600 Fal: 16% Sodium: 880mg Fiber: 7g	Calories: 820 Fat: 24% Sodium: 1120mg Fiber: 13g	Calories: 700 Fat: 32% Sodium: 550mg Fiber: 9g	Calories: 680 Fat: 24% Sodium: 1060mg Fiber: 8g

Menu is subject to change without notice

"PEMBROKE PIONEER"	
2014	
FEBRUARY	
ACTIVITIES	

Call COA Office @ (781) 294-8220 to signup for activities.	to signup for activities.	LUNCH @ 11:30 \$2 DONATION N	Nutrition: 781-294-4645	PAGES
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
LUNCH RESERVATIONS	FOOD SHOPPING		MEDICAL AND	RESERVATIONS FOR MEDICAL
A WEEK IN ADVANCE	48 HR IN ADVANCE	- Schallery	DRIVERS NEEDED	KIDES - MUST BE MADE AT LEAST
CALL NUTRITION ®	3 BAG LIMIT			TO APPOINTMENT
101-234-4640			CALL OFFICE 294-8220	CALL MON-FRI 8:30-4:30
3	4	5	8:00 Wal-Mart Shopping 6	7:50 Food Shopping 7
10-11 BPC - COA	9:30 Rita's Chair Yoga \$4	10:00 DULL MEN'S GROUP	10:00 Quilting Group	9-10 Rep. Josh Cutler - no appt
10:30 Walking Group		11:30 LUNCH \$2	11:30 LUNCH \$2	10:30 Walking Group
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	12:30 Living Well Group			12:30 Jewelry Making Class
	1:00 ZUMBA \$5		1:00 Bingo @ Kilcommons	(will repair your Jeweiry) 12:30 Whist & Cribbage
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	1:00 ZUMBA \$5			12:30 Whist & Unbbage

# BINGO IN FEBRUARY BAD STORM, NO BINGO Free refreshments - Cash Prizes

Monday, FEBRUARY 10, @ 1:00 pm, Monday, FEBRUARY 24, @ 1:00 pm

If you need a ride, you must call in advance—781-294-8220

#### FREE HEALTH SCREENING CLINCS

**COUNCIL ON AGING** 

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2014

9:15-10:15 am

KILCOMMONS COMMUNITY ROOM

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2014

10:00-11:00 am

MACDONALD WAY

WEONESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2014

10:00-11:00 am

MAYFLOWER COURT

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2014

10:00-11:00 am

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#### in memoriam

Dorothy V. Fish, Robert N. Glauben, Susan K. Misakonis, Theodore W. Parker, Vernon P. Skillings

"In thee, O Lord, do I put my trust......"
Psalm 31:1



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**Duil Men's Farmer's Omelette** 

Servings: 1

1 Can of Spam

4 ounce portion of Velveeta cheese (1/2 Cup)

3 eggs



Dice Spam. Fry Spam on high heat in an omelette pan. Being sure to save as much rendered fat as possible. When Spam is nicely browned, add tater-tots. Lower heat to medium and stir until tots are cooked. Beat eggs in a bowl with a whisk. Pour over cooked Spam and tots. Flip. When ready add cheese and fold omelette in half.

From: Patrick Duindon

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