# THE SUDBURY SENIOR SCENE 2012

### A PUBLICATION OF THE SUDBURY SENIOR CENTER: THE PLACE FOR THE NEW OLDER ADULT



Irving Berlin... "Say It with Music!" Wednesdays at 2:00 PM March 7, 21, 28 and April 4 \$30



Enjoy a historical and musical journey with Sears and Conner...

# Week I: The Early Years of Tin Pan Alley, The First Broadway shows, and WWI show, Yip! Yip! Yaphank!

Irving Berlin got his start as a songwriter, writing hits such as "Alexander's Ragtime Band." He then moved uptown to Broadway with "Watch Your Step" (which gave us "Play a Simple Melody") in 1934. He had another hit show in 1915, and in 1918, he was drafted into the Army where he created his soldier show, "Yip, Yip, Yaphank" with the heartfelt song "How I Hate to Get Up in the Morning!"

### Week II: The Ziegfeld Follies of 1919 and the Music Box Revues

Berlin was the major contributor to the 1919 "Ziegfeld Follies". "Mandy," "You'd be Surprised," and "A Pretty Girl Is Like a Melody" were among the hits for that show. In 1921, Berlin opened his own theatre, The Music Box, and he produced four revues between 1921 and 1924, for which he wrote "Say It with Music," "All Alone," and other hits of the era.

# Week III: The 30s, with "A Thousands Cheer" "Face the Music" and the films for Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers

"Face the Music" in 1932 was a major return to Broadway for Berlin. "A Thousands Cheer" (1933) is considered one of the finest revues ever created and brought us "Easter Parade" along with the poignant "Supper Time," written for Ethel Waters. After some misfires in Hollywood, Berlin had three great successes writing scores for the Fred Astaire/ Ginger Rogers film series.

# Week IV: Later Years, including "Holiday Inn," "Annie Get Your Gun," and "White Christmas"

Berlin continued to write for Astaire and Bing Crosby in "Holiday Inn" (1943) in which Bing introduced "White Christmas." Berlin's greatest stage success was "Annie Get Your Gun" in 1946, anchored by Ethel Merman, followed by two late films, "White Christmas" and "There's No Business Like Show Business".

Please register at the Senior Center by Thursday, March 1. Call (978) 443-3055 for more information.

Ben Sears and Brad Conner have been called "Boston's favorite song duo" by the <u>Boston Globe</u> and "the delightful cabaret team" by the <u>Boston Phoenix</u>. Theatre historians Sears and Conner are noted recording artists and performers. Ben Sears received his bachelor's degree from Ithaca College and Brad Conner received his bachelor's and master's degrees from West Virginia University.

This program is offered in partnership with Sage Educational Services.

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# A MESSAGE FROM THE VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL ON AGING BOARD, ROBERT MAY:

We on the Council on Aging are working hard to continue our advocacy on issues important to all the seniors in Sudbury.

A most important message from the Council this month to all our readers is to please make every effort to vote in the March Primaries on March 6. The ballot box is one of those opportunities we have as Americans to express our views and values. You are nearly twenty percent of the Sudbury population so let your views be known in as many ways as you can.

As discussed in earlier monthly newsletters we are inviting critical members of our town government to our monthly meetings to help us discover new ways your Board can better advocate for all the Seniors. To that end we invited Goodnow Library Director, Esme Greene to join us in a discussion of the plans for the future of the library and how we might work together to enhance the opportunities for continuing education for you. We hope to have more information on this in the April Newsletter.

The Council on Aging Board usually has one or more openings every spring. We are currently moving to replace one vacant position on the board very soon and we hope to report on that in the April Newsletter. We have two additional openings for the Board as of June and are accepting applications now, so please if you have an interest in being part of a team that is providing a focal point for the issues of the "New Older Adult", check out the town website and our webpage <u>http://senior.sudbury.ma.us</u>. Let me re-iterate the message to you that your Board meets on the first Tuesday of all months except July/August and we welcome your visit and participation. Thank you, Bob May

Vice-Chair Sudbury Council on Aging

## MESSAGE FROM DIRECTOR, DEBRA GALLOWAY:

As the commercials say, Massachusetts runs on Dunkin' ... but our Senior Center runs on something better - Volunteerism!

Volunteers help with reception, picking up baked goods, setting up and cleaning up for parties and luncheons, working with the Friends group and the Council on Aging Board, making homemade soup and salad for our <u>Soups On</u> events every month and much more. The Senior Center could not function without the help of our wonderful volunteers. And did you know, that volunteering is not only good for the beneficiary (the Senior Center) but also good for the volunteer! Research on volunteers shows a correlation between volunteering and better health. Volunteering offers opportunities for connection to the Sudbury Senior Center and the greater Sudbury Community, an opportunity to meet new neighbors and make new friends.

If you are interested in finding out more about volunteer opportunities at the Senior Center or through our services in the community, please email us at <u>senior@sudbury.ma.us</u> or call (978) 443-3055 and leave a message for Volunteer Coordinator Ed Gottmann. Thank you!

Also, please note: The Sudbury Pines room will be painted on March  $1^{st}$  and  $2^{nd}$ . Be aware that there could be some paint fumes in the adjacent rooms.

SUDBURY SENIOR SCENE COUNCIL ON AGING CHAIRPERSON: David Levington BOARD OF DIRECTORS: John Beeler Elizabeth David Robert Diefenbacher Marilyn Goodrich Mary-Lee Mahoney-Emerson Robert Mav Sam Merra SUDBURY SENIOR CENTER STAFF DIRECTOR Debra Galloway ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT Claire Wigandt INFORMATION AND REFERRAL Anne Manning RECEPTIONIST Jean Taylor SENIOR COMMUNITY WORK PROGRAM COORDINATOR **Peg Whittemore** S.H.I.N.E. COUNSELORS Kathleen Fitzgerald Kathleen Woerhling MEALSITE MANAGER **Debbie Peters** TRIP COORDINATOR Carmel O'Connell VAN DRIVER Linda Curran VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR Ed Gottmann PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE Allison Latta MISSION STATEMENT

The Sudbury Senior Center is dedicated to serving the social, recreational, health and educational needs of older adults in the community.

#### **MARCH 2012**



AARP Driver Safety Program Thursday, March 29 10:00-3:00 \$12 AARP Members/ \$14 Non-members

Having trouble with blind spots or driving at night? Do you wonder if your medications could affect your driving ability? Learn strategies to help you manage driving with the changes of aging. Topics include: how to safely change lanes and make turns at busy intersections; minimizing distractions; monitoring your own driving skills; maintaining proper distance behind another car; medications and driving; driving at night and dealing with blind spots.

AARP Driver Safety Instructor, Nancy Doherty, will be here to offer this AARP Driver Safety program. This 5 hour classroom refresher course is a great opportunity to better understand the updated technologies in new vehicles, the current rules of the road and the strategies that will help to compensate for agerelated changes in vision, hearing and response time.

There will be a half hour break at noon or 12:30 PM. You must register by Thursday, March 22 – there is a 12 person minimum. Please pay when you register. Questions? Call (978) 443-3055.



The Poetry of Robert Frost Six Tuesdays March 6 – April 10 10:00 AM \$30

After Apple Picking

My long two-pointed ladder's sticking through a tree Toward heaven still, And there's a barrel that I didn't fill Beside it, and there may be two or three Apples I didn't pick upon some bough. But I am done with apple-picking now

. . .

Robert Frost, our own well-known New England poet, is often misunderstood and sometimes under-read. He doesn't fit easily into any preconceived category. Join Stephen Collins in this interactive class to enjoy and examine some of Frost's better known poems as well as some that never seem to get much attention. This class will meet for 6 weeks, one hour per class. Please register at the Sudbury Senior Center at (978) 443-3055 and pay when you register. Thank you.



## Teen Tech Day has a New Twist! Wednesday, March 7, 2:00-4:00 PM

Do you know what your grandkids mean when they say, "Friend me!"? Curious about Facebook and how to use it? Sign up for a one hour Teen Tech hands-on experience learning about Facebook on March 7 at either 2:00 or 3:00 PM. This session will help you decide whether you want to have a free Facebook account, and how to set it up if you do. Call the Senior Center at (978) 443-3055 to reserve your space. Maximum 3 participants at each session.

#### SUDBURY SENIOR SCENE





Jewelry Workshop w/Betsy Rosenbloom Monday, March 19 10:00-11:30 \$5

Do you love buying beads or making beads? Always wanted to put your beads together in a finished piece of jewelry? In this class, you will learn techniques for designing and making your own jewelry. We'll explore color, different types of beads, different types of stringing materials and how to finish a piece of jewelry.

Please bring your own store bought or handmade beads – beads will not be supplied.

All other tools and materials will be supplied by the instructor. There is a maximum of 10 students in this class.

\* New Session \* Senior/Healing Yoga March 20-May 8 Tuesday, 9:40 AM or 11:00 AM \$56

Discover the joys of yoga at a gentle, accessible pace. Students are encouraged to work within their limits to build strength, flexibility, and endurance while improving balance and mobility. Each class incorporates postures, breath work, meditation and relaxation. Please sign up by March 13. Call (978) 443-3055 for more information.



Join Our New Current Events Group! 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays 10:30 AM

A growing world population... Medicare and health care... Casinos in Massachusetts...

Do you relish a good discussion? A recent request for a Current Events Discussion group and a phone call from an interested facilitator has coalesced into our new Current Events Discussion group. A local retired professor, Richard Nesmith, has volunteered to facilitate this group here at the Senior Center. He is an experienced teacher and facilitator whose goal is to engage the group, to ensure each voice is heard and to facilitate a discussion that is respectful and engaging.

There will be a myriad of topics, at the beginning chosen by Mr. Nesmith, but with the goal of building the agenda as a group.

The group will meet the second and fourth Thursdays at 10:30 for one hour. The first meetings of the group will be March 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please call to let us know that you are coming! Call the Senior Center at (978) 443-3055.

Sustainable Sudbury Plastics Collection at Curtis Middle School Sat., March 31 from 10am-12pm Call Peg Whittemore for information at 978-443-2023.



Soups On! Life's Little Emergencies Thursday, March 8 12:00 Soup 12:30 Talk

Get the 411 on 911— let's talk about emergencies and the most common first aid events that you may encounter. What should you have in your first aid kit? What do you need to tell the dispatcher when you call 911? When should you call 911?

Juanita Allen W-EMT, from Century Health Systems, will answer these questions and more to make you feel more confident and competent about life's little emergencies.

Soup is served at 12:00 noon, our speaker will begin at 12:30 PM promptly. To reserve your space, call the Senior Center at (978) 443-3055. If you also would like to order soup, please call before 4:00 PM on Wednesday, March 7. Free.

> \*\*New Session\*\* Tap Dance March 8 – April 12 6 Thursdays, 9:30 AM \$36

Tap your troubles away! Join our Tap Dance group in improving fitness, coordination and balance while having a great time. Please register by Tuesday, March 6. We need a minimum of 7 students to run the class.

#### MARCH 2012

# FROM THE DESK OF Information and referral specialist Anne Manning

## Facts about Alzheimer's Disease

- Alzheimer's disease is a slow, progressive brain disorder that results in loss of memory and other cognitive function, loss of physical abilities and eventually death.
- Alzheimer's disease is the most common form of dementia.
- It is estimated that 2.4 million to 4.5 million Americans have Alzheimer's disease, and the incidence is rising in line with the nation's aging population.
- The prevalence of Alzheimer's disease doubles every five years between the ages of 65 and 95.
- A rarer form of the disease, known as young onset, can affect people as young as in their 30's.
- Alzheimer's disease is the seventh leading cause of death in the United States.
- It is estimated that one to four family members care for each person with the disease.
- Early detection is critical to maximize available medical treatments and support service.

## **Alzheimer's Support Groups:**

## <u>Natick</u>

Whitney Place 3 Vision Drive Contact – Kelly Payne at 508-655-3344 x3999

## <u>Marlborough</u>

Bay Path Elder Services 33 Boston Post Road West Contact – Lesley May-Chibani at 508-573-7200 x238

## <u>Framingham</u>

Saint Patrick's Manor 863 Central Street Contact – Susan Schieb at 508-879-8000 x673

For further information or questions about caregiving or Alzheimer's disease, please contact Information Specialist, Anne Manning at (978) 443-3055.

Reference: Alzheimer's Foundation of America



## Essential Skills for Alzheimer Care: It Starts with Communication

March 15, 2012 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Good communication is essential when providing care for a family member in midto-later stage dementia. There are many proven communication techniques that caregivers can learn to improve day-to-day life for those with dementia, and reduce their own stress. Learn how to communicate in a way that minimizes frustrations, decreases anxiety, and avoids disagreements.

This program is designed with family caregivers in mind and is presented in collaboration with BayPath Elder Services and the Alzheimer's Association through an Administration on Aging Grant administered by the Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs.

Presenters: Jill Seiler-Moon & Debra Katt-Lloyd, Alzheimer's Association

Pre-registration is required. Although this workshop takes place at the Sudbury Senior Center, please call 800-272-3900 or go to the Alzheimer's Association website at www.alz.org/MANH to register.

## Thank you!

Thank you to all of you who donated in response to the Friends of Sudbury Seniors Holiday Appeal letter. We are trying to send out thank you letters as quickly as possible. If you donated in December or January, and have not received a thank you yet, please let us know.

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#### LUNCH MENUS

A full lunch is served at the Sudbury Senior Center at noon on Tuesdays. A voluntary donation of **\$2.00** per meal is requested. Please <u>call by</u> <u>10:00 AM</u> the day before to make a reservation. Please note: Wednesday meals are temporarily suspended due to low turnout. The menu will be posted at the Senior Center and on the Town of Sudbury website: <u>www.sudbury.ma.us</u>, please click on "Departments", "Senior Center", and then "documents". Please call the Senior Center with any concerns or questions.

March 6 - BBQ Rib Patty, Red Bliss Potatoes, Brussels Sprouts March 13 - Lentil Spinach Soup, Roasted Chicken, Cauliflower/Peppers March 20 - Roast Pork/applesauce, Mashed Potato, Mixed Vegetables March 27 - Boneless Chicken Breast, Brown Rice, Brussels Sprouts

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### Friday at the Movies - just got better!

NEW! Beginning March 9, Fridays in March only, join us for lunch at noon and then stay for a classic movie at 12:30PM. Kevin Blakely, General Manager at **Papa Gino's** of Sudbury, will be coordinating delivery of lunch on Fridays. There will be two options as listed below (unfortunately, we will not be able to offer substitutions).

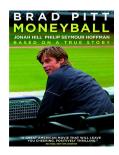
You must order your meal by **4:00 PM on Thursday** by calling the Senior Center at (978) 443-3055. If you only want to come for the movie, that's fine too, just let us know. Please bring your cash for the meal on Friday.

March 9 – Movie: *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum* Meal Choices: Penne and Meatball/Side Salad - \$5.50 Turkey Sub/potato chips - \$5.00

- March 16 Movie: *Witness for the Prosecution* Meal Choices: Penne Alfredo/Side Salad - \$5.50 Hotdog/French fries - \$5.00
- March 23 Movie: *Twentieth Century with John Barrymore* Meal Choices: Cheese Ravioli/Meatballs/Side Salad - \$5.50 Italian Sub/Chips - \$5.00

March 30 – Movie: *To Kill a Mockingbird* Meal Choices: Chicken Tenders/French fries - \$5.50 Turkey Club Sub/potato chips - \$5.00

# Movie and Pizza Thursday, March 22



## Moneyball

Pizza: 12:00 Movie: 12:30

Rated PG-13 2011

133 minutes

An all-star cast brings to life the true story of Billy Beane (Brad Pitt), a former jock turned general manager who uses unconventional methods to bring the best players to the Oakland A's, a major league baseball team struggling against financial hardship.

Starring: Brad Pitt, Jonah Hill, Philip Seymour Hoffman, Robin Wright, Chris Pratt

*Please call by 10:00 that morning if you are coming!* Also please let us know if you want pizza (\$1.25/slice). Pizza will be served at **12 noon**, followed by the movie at **12:30**.

**Bad weather policy:** If Sudbury schools are cancelled due to bad weather, the Senior Center *will be open* but all events, meals, and classes are cancelled. Van services may be suspended until 10:00 AM at which time staff will assess road conditions and determine whether the van will run. For the latest information, check the Town website or call the recorded **cancellation line** at 978-639-3276.

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#### SUDBURY SENIOR SCENE

Coming in April...

### Medicare Update From the S.H.I.N.E. Program

## Can I Enroll in a Medigap Plan Now?

**Yes!** In Massachusetts, all Medigap plans currently offer continuous enrollment, which means you can sign up at anytime, with coverage effective the first of the following month. A Medigap plan, also known as a Medicare Supplement plan, can help with some of the extra costs of Medicare. If you have Original Medicare with both Parts A & B (as long as you are not under 65 with kidney disease), you can get a Medigap plan.

Massachusetts has two types of Medigap plans, Core and Supplement 1. The Core plan covers <u>some</u> of the "gaps" in Medicare. The Supplement 1 plan covers <u>all</u> deductibles, co-pays and coinsurance for Medicare covered services. These two types of plans are offered by six insurance companies.

In 2012, the lowest premium for a Core plan is \$93.46/month and for a Supplement 1 is \$181.71/month. If you sign up when you first enroll in Medicare, you may be able to get a discount. There are no restrictions due to pre-existing health conditions. You can go to any provider who accepts Medicare anywhere in the United States with no referrals required.

If you are interested in learning more about Medigap plans, the Senior Center's trained SHINE (Serving Health Information Needs of Elders) volunteers can help you! They offer free, confidential counseling on all aspects of health insurance to anyone on Medicare. Call the Senior Center at (978) 443-3055 and ask for a SHINE appointment. You can also call 1-800-AGE-INFO (1-800-243-4636), then press or say 3. Once you get the SHINE answering machine, leave your name and number. A volunteer will call you back, as soon as possible.

S.H.I.N.E. is a program administered by the Mass. Executive Office of Elder Affairs. SHINE volunteers act as unbiased counselors, providing information and education about Medicare, Medigap insurance, Medicare HMOs, retiree insurance plans, Medicaid (MassHealth) and free or reduced cost health care programs. Each SHINE Volunteer receives extensive training on Medicare or Medicaid (MassHealth).

The Senior Center has been fortunate to have two counselors available on a regular basis: Kathleen Fitzgerald and Kathleen Woerhling. Kathleen Woerhling will now become the main SHINE Counselor at the Wayland Senior Center. She promises to be available for former clients on an as-needed basis once a month here at the Senior Center. She will also help out during Open Enrollment in the fall. Kathleen Fitzgerald will continue to be the main counselor here in Sudbury, with help from Sue Foley, a counselor in Stow.



Men's Breakfast Wednesday, April 11 at 9:00 AM Save the date!

What could be better? Hot pancakes, sausage and coffee with fresh fruit on the side. And that's not all, this is all prepared by our resident Chefs: Joe Bausk and Barry David.

At our last breakfast, we were lucky enough to have Fire Chief Bill Miles and Asst. Fire Chief John Whalen join us. Town employees are always welcome. Pay \$3.00 at the door, but please call us at (978) 443-3055 so that we make enough pancakes.



## Advanced Beginner Bridge Lessons Tuesdays, 9:30-11:30

April 17-June 5 \$30

Sally Sack, our local Bridge expert, is offering a new Bridge class beginning in April. The class is targeted toward Advanced Beginner bridge players and will last 8 weeks.

This class will teach bridge using the Pavlicek method. The general approach is based on Standard American bidding, including strong no trumps, five-card majors, weak two-bids and a strong artificial two-club bid. More information will be available in the April newsletter.



A Happy St. Patrick's Day to all our "Irish-born friends" and all our "Irish for the day friends". One of the nicest things about March is that it means spring is just around the corner. Although, this year it feels like winter almost missed us (I'm not complaining).

Speaking about St. Patrick's Day, we are planning to go on Wed., March 14th to our usual St. Patrick's Day "Forever Irish Show", starring Andy Cooney at the Venus De Milo in Swansea. Accordionist Liam O'Connor will not be able to be there and has been replaced by a world renowned Irish step dancing troop. \*See New Flyer on our Bulletin Board\* Of course, Corned Beef and Cabbage will be served, with an alternate choice of Baked Haddock. I will let you know our departure time by phone when I hear from the company (about 2 weeks before the trip). NOTE: Best of Times gift certificate can be used on this trip.

We still have a few spaces available on our 5 day Virginia <u>Azalea</u> <u>Festival</u> trip, April 26-30, a deposit of \$100.00 plus the insurance of \$50.00 (if desired) is due ASAP. You can call me at 978-443-8320 if you are interested. The final payment for everyone on the trip is due on or before March 8. The Azalea Parade and the Canadian Tattoo with all the bagpipers and dancers, as well as the beautiful gardens and other sights on this trip should make for a lovely springtime experience. We will have a final informational meeting in early April (date to be announced).

May 7 is our next Foxwoods trip. We ask that you make your reservation for this trip at least 2-3 weeks before the departure date as we must know if we have enough passengers to pay for the motor coach by April 23, at the latest. Otherwise, in fairness to the motor coach company, we will have to cancel the trip. Remember that full refunds can be given up to the beginning of the week before the trip (April 29) for anyone who needs to cancel for any reason. This will be the same procedure for all our Foxwoods trips. Thank you for your cooperation.

Broadway Tonite, May 16<sup>th</sup> at Luciano's, Lake Pearl, Wrentham, cost \$69.00. This show will feature many of Broadway's greatest hits from some of its biggest musicals with beautiful costumes and choreography. It should make for a wonderful afternoon of song and dance. A full lunch is included with a choice of Stuffed Chicken Breast or Baked Haddock. NOTE: Best of Times gift certificates *can* also be used on this trip.

<u>Hello Dolly</u> Wednesday June 13<sup>th</sup> cost \$67.00 at one of my favorite theatres, The Northshore Music Theatre. This year we have purchased our seats in the "Inner Circle" so we should have a great view of a wonderful show that has always been a perennial favorite. This show is filled with elaborate costumes, high-energy choreography and wonderful

well-known and joyful tunes. We will have a preshow stop at our favorite Mall (Appleseed's, of course) for a bit of shopping and lunch on our own.

As of this writing (early February) our 2 summer programs, the Arundal Theatre and the Gloucester Schooner have not yet reopened for business so we are not taking reservations for them at this time. Reservations for the Twin Lobster Luncheon, August 22<sup>nd</sup> can be booked any time. See our Blue 2012 Trip Schedule for more information. All other fall day trips can be booked after May 1<sup>st</sup>.

We are sorry to announce that we did not have a good response for our 8 day Northern National Parks trip therefore we are cancelling it. Instead we are planning to have an informational meeting on March 20<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM with our Collette Representative to go over some ideas that you and she may have for a different fall experience. Please call the Senior Center to let us know that you are coming. And I encourage you to send me any ideas or bring them with you to the meeting.

### Special Event – just in!

At Foxwoods on June 27 at 11AM there will be a special performance called "Oh What A Night" featuring Dean Martin's son, Ricci singing the classic hits of his famous father with personal videos and true life stories of Dean the entertainer and father. Cost will be \$53.00 per person and will include the full package (buffet or food voucher, \$10.00 Keno ticket) and motorcoach transportation. Sign up soon, as we expect spaces to go quickly. Erin Go Bragh, Carmel

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# SERVICES OFFERED BY THE SUDBURY SENIOR CENTER

In addition to our many educational and recreational programs, we offer a variety of services to provide assistance to older adults in their homes and at the Senior Center. For information about any of the services described below, call the Sudbury Senior Center at **978-443-3055** (unless otherwise indicated).

#### TRANSPORTATION

- Van Transportation: This door-todoor, handicapped accessible service is available Monday through Friday from 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM. On the last Monday of the month we provide transportation to a shopping location outside of Sudbury. Call the Senior Center by 9:00 AM to schedule a ride for that day. The van travels within Sudbury and to some destinations close to Sudbury's borders. The cost for intown trips is \$1.00 each way, and \$2.00 each way for out-of-town trips.
- **F.I.S.H.** (Friends in Service Helping): Volunteers drive clients to medical appointments. Call **978-443-2145** one week in advance to schedule a ride. Leave your request on the answering machine, and the coordinator will return your call.

### HEALTH SERVICES

Blood Pressure Clinic: The Senior Center, in conjunction with the Board of Health and Parmenter Health Services, offers weekly free drop-in health clinics. Clinic hours are Tuesdays 8:00-9:00 and noon to 1:00. Free blood sugar testing is also provided each Tuesday from 8:00-9:00. No appointment is necessary.

#### Medical Equipment Loan Closet:

For those in need of medical equipment such as shower chairs, walkers, canes, commodes, transfer benches and wheelchairs, the Senior Center may provide the item on loan for as long as it is needed, at **no cost**. We welcome donations of equipment.

#### **CONSULTATION**

- Information and Referral: Anne Manning, our I&R Specialist, provides information about resources and services for older adults and their families in Sudbury. She can provide referrals for home care services, assisted living and nursing home facilities, support groups, adult day health services and more. She is at the Senior Center Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9:00 to 2:30.
- **Legal Clinic:** An elder law attorney is regularly available for **free** private 20-minute consultations with seniors. Call the Senior Center to make an appointment.
- S.H.I.N.E. (Serving the Health Information Needs of Elders): Free consultations about your health insurance concerns, including coverage questions, difficulty with claims, and the changes in Medicare. Please call to make a **free** appointment.

### **IN-HOME SERVICES**

Friendly Visitor Program: Seniors who can't get out to socialize can be matched with a volunteer for weekly informal visits.

- **Grocery Shopping:** Volunteer shoppers will make weekly visits to the store, and assist seniors in putting away the groceries. Seniors pay only for the food.
- In-Home Fix-It Program: Seniors who can no longer (or should not) do small repair tasks at home can get **free** volunteer assistance with these small jobs. Seniors will only be expected to pay for necessary parts and materials.
- **Books on Wheels:** This is a pick up and delivery service for books, DVDs, and audiobooks from the Goodnow Library for those who can't get out.
- Lock Boxes: The Senior Center can install lock boxes for Sudbury seniors. These are small safes containing a key to the house, accessible only by the Fire Department. A donation of \$65 is requested to cover the cost of the lockbox, but can be waived for those who cannot afford the cost.

#### NUTRITION

- Meals on Site: A full lunch is served at the Senior Center on Tuesdays at noon. Please call to make a reservation by 10:00 AM the day before the meal. A voluntary donation of \$2.00 a meal is requested. Menus can be found each month in the *Sudbury Senior Scene* or posted on the Town website.
- Home Delivered Meals: A hot midday meal can be delivered to seniors who can't get out. The drivers also check on the wellbeing of the senior recipient. A voluntary donation of **\$2.00** a meal is requested.



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General Information Line: 978	G-639-3275 Cancellati	on Line: 978-639-3276	Trip Information: 978-639-3277			



# Wednesday, March 14 12 Noon

Please make your reservation by March 7 so that we know how many meals to order. Call the Sudbury Senior Center at (978) 443-3055 to reserve your spot!

# St. Patrick's Day Luncheon And Concert



Curtis Middle School Flute Choir and String Ensemble will perform.

A traditional St. Patrick's meal will be catered by Traditions of Wayland.

Please pay \$5 at the door.