

Happy, Healthy, Curious & Safe Adults Age 55+

August 2025

## **Brain Games**

Wednesdays, July 16, 23, 30, 12:30pm

Keeping our brains active is so important! Just like any muscle in our body that keeps us strong and active, the brain needs a good workout every day to stay healthy. Each class, we will learn and practice different cognitive exercises to improve concentration and reaction, all over cognitive function, reduce dementia risk and have fun at the same time. Thanks to Geer Village for these programs. *To register, please call 860-379-4252 x1*.

## Hearing Screening or Test, Repairs and Adjustments

Wednesday, August 6, by appointment only

This complementary service by Hearing Care Center offers a comprehensive diagnostic assessment for hearing loss, demo hearing aids, adjustments or repair of existing hearing aids. For an appointment call 860-379-4252 x1.

## State Representative Jay Case Visit

Thursday, August 7 at 12:30pm (new date)

Join Jay and other members and friends to learn about and discuss new State of CT laws and how they may impact you, your business, or your family. *To register, please call 860-379-4252 x1*.

## State of CT Farm Market Cards

Are you age 60 or older or are you disabled individual, under age 60, living in a housing facility? If yes, you may be eligible for a Farm Market Card. Please complete the Intake form (available at the office) and we will let you know when you can pick up your card. The card may be used to purchase CT Grown fruits, vegetables, eggs, fresh cut herbs (not plants) and honey only from certified Dept. of Agriculture farm markets.

## Our Farmers Market at the Center

Thursdays, starting August 7, for 6 weeks, 10-11am

Enjoy fresh seasonal vegetables from NW Corner Farm for purchase or use your State of CT Farmers Market Card here at the Center...Please bring your own bag. If you haven't received a Farmers Market Card and you qualify, just ask us.

## Teaching Kitchen Class

Thursdays, August 13 & 20 at 12:30pm

Let's learn, cook and enjoy some tasty, nutritious treats together with a splash of fun. Good nutrition is essential to keeping a healthy mind and body so join us for "healthy hummus" on August 13 and "avocado toast" on August 20. Thanks to Geer Village for these classes. **Registration is required and limited.** <u>Cost:</u> Free

## Labor Day Luncheon

Wednesday, August 27, 10-11am

Celebrate the contributions that workers have made for the strength, prosperity, laws and well-being of our country. Enjoy a delicious lunch including a bacon cheeseburger, cuke salad, pasta salad and special dessert. Afterward, Jim Moore will entertain us with country music favorites. *Purchase your ticket at the office until August 22. Cost: \$7* 

## 59th WSC Anniversary Party Thursday September 18, 11:30am

**Green Woods Country Club, 300 Torringford Street, Winsted** 

Let's gather together to celebrate our special day. Enjoy arugula salad with apples, cranberries, goat cheese & maple balsamic vinaigrette, rolls & butter, your choice of roast beef with mushroom demi or stuffed chicken with spinach, roasted peppers & brie, for dessert apple mixed berry crisp with ice cream and coffee & tea. Afterward, tap your foot, sing along or dance to Jen DiSapio's collection of great songs. *Cost:* \$24 per person for members, \$30 per person for non-members (Tickets available until Sept.11). 50/50 tickets will be available at the party and the September drawing will be at the party.



WSC Farmers Market - Aug. 7 Labor Day Lunch - Aug. 27 Anniversary Lunch - Sept. 18 at Greenwoods Country Club Oktoberfest Lunch - Oct. 1 Flu Shot Clinic - Oct. 10
Halloween Lunch -Oct. 31
Neighborhood Health Clinic-Nov.4
Veteran's Lunch - Nov. 5
Thanksgiving Lunch - Nov. 20

Holiday Lunch - Dec. 4 at Greenwoods Country Club Holiday Lunch - Dec. 10 at the Center

New Years Lunch - Dec. 31

## Phone Number

## 860-379-4252

#### Hours

Monday thru Friday, 8am to 3pm

(with exception of holidays)

On occasions, we may be closed early because of staffing

#### **Senior Center Staff**

Director/Municipal Agent - Jennifer Kelley
Office Assistants - Craig Closson, Keith Greene & Ann Sears
Van Driver - Leron Williams

#### **Senior Enrichment Program Staff**

Program Director - Robin Bardino Program Aide - Linda Moore Program Aide - Tammy Kent Program Aide - Concetto Marino Program Aide - Enit Guaraca Program Aide - Susan Jasch

Program Aide - Cheri Cianciolo

Nutrition Program Staff

Kitchen Manager - Tina Puckett Volunteers - Helen Dombrowski, Sheila Jackson, Alan Marek, Irma Puckett & Roni Trotto

#### Volunteers

Bingo - DeLyce (Dee), Debra Wuori, Sylvia Landi & Sally Mangione & Karen
Line Dancing - Kathy Asselin, Fran Cooper, Sandy Muckle, Kathy Sobol

Volunteers don't get paid, not because they are worthless, but because they are priceless. .............. Sherry Anderson

#### **Memorial Donations**

The Center has a Memorial Fund for people wishing to make a donation in memory of a friend or relative. Please make checks out to the Winsted Senior Center.

## **Suggestion Box**

Have an idea or suggestion, we now have a box located on the table in the Sunroom.

#### **Senior Citizen's Commission**

If you would like to help the older adults in our community maintain their independence, by providing peer support and information, please call Jen at 860-379-4252 x4.

## **Social Service @ Winsted Town Hall**

(3rd floor Social Service office)

Monday McCall Behavioral Health Network 9am-4pm
Tuesday HHC Housing Navigator 9am-4pm

Wednesday Western CT Area Agency on Aging 9am-4pm

(by appointment)

Thursday New Opportunities 9am-noon noon-6pm

Friday **Greenwoods Counseling** 9am-11am

(and at the Soup Kitchen 11:15-12:30pm)

#### Center Van Rides

Winsted Senior Center's Van is for residents of Winchester and Winsted, age 55 or older and people with disabilities, for travel in Winchester and Winsted only. To make a reservation, call the office, 860-379-4252 x1, at least 24 hours in advance. Seatbelts are required.

#### **Medical Appointments**

Please make medical appointments between 9:00 and 11:00am and please call your doctor's office to confirm appointment.

## **Shopping or Errands**

Limit of 4 bags per person. The driver will tell you when he will be back to pick you up. You must be there at that time and place. The driver does not have time to wait or to look for you.

Remember...one stop per ride and please be patient. The drivers are very busy. We try our best to be on time, but you may have to wait a short time. There may be times when we cannot give you a ride, or we may have to pick you up early for an appointment.

The suggested donation per ride is \$1.

We have a list of all the public transportations options that are available in our area, just ask...

#### Printed Newsletter

The printed newsletter is available at the Center and many locations around Town for free. To get it delivered by mail to your home, cost is \$9 for one year.

## From the Internet Newsletter

Visit the Senior Center page at www.townofwinchester.org/entities/senior-center

#### **Emailed Newsletter**

Please share your email address with us and abracadabra the newsletter will be emailed to you before it is printed. You will be the first to know what is going on and you will receive updates during the month!

## Facebook Pages

Check out

**Winsted Senior Page** 

**Town of Winchester/Winsted, CT Winsted CT Neighbors Helping Neighbors** 

All·meals·include·margarine,·milk·

&-coffee-or-tea.¤
The lunches provide 1/3 of the balanced mix of foods for an adult When placing your reservation, please let us know if you have a food allergy Reservations-must-be-made-by-11:30am·the·day·before.←

860-379-4252·x2

Suggested-Donation-Is-\$5.00-Per-Meal-------ALL-MEALS-ARE-SUBJECT-TO-CHANGE-1

MONDAY¤	TUESDAY¤	WEDNESDAY¤	THURSDAY¤	FRIDAY¤
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	1			Greek-Chicken-Salad with-Mixed-Greens, Tomatoes,-Olives,- Feta-Cheese-&- Chicken¶ Kidney-Bean-Salad¶
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(4)¤	(5)¤	(6)¤	(7)¤	(8)¤
Penne-Pasta-with- Meatballs-and-Sauce¶ Tomato-Cucumber- Salad¶ Italian-Bread¶ Mixed-Fruit¤	King·Ranch·Chicken· Quarter¶ Brown·Rice¶ Green·Beans¶ Wheat·Dinner·Roll¶ Fresh·Fruit¤	Spinach-Quiche¶ Oven-Roasted- Potatoes¶ Tossed-Salad-with- Chickpeas-and-Olives¶ Italian-Dressing¶ Wheat-Bread¶ Applesauce¤	Taco-Salad¶ with-Ground-Beef,- Lettuce,-Tomato,- Cheese,-Salsa-&-Sour- Cream-¶ Black-Bean&← Corn-Salad,-Chips¶ Pineapple-Tidbits¤	Minestrone-Soup¶ Turkey-Reuben↔ with-Sauerkraut,- Swiss-Cheese-and- Thousand-Island- Dressing¶ Chips-&-Pickle¶ Fudge-Brownie¤
(11)¤	(12)¤	(13)¤	(14)¤	(15)¤
Cheeseburger¶ Crinkle-Cut-Fries¶ Broccoli-Florets¶ Hamburger-Roll¶ Ketchup¶ Fresh-Fruit¤	Tropical-Glazed¶ Chicken-Breast¶ Confetti-Brown-Rice¶ Green-Beans¶ Wheat-Bread¶ Lorna- <u>Doones</u> ¤	Spaghetti-&-Meatballs- with-Sauce¶ Tossed-Salad-with- Cucumbers,-Tomatoes- &-Croutons¶ Italian-Dressing¶ Breadstick¶ Fresh-Fruit¤	Potato-Soup¶ Chef-Salad-¶ with-Lettuce, Tomatoes,-Carrots,- Ham,-Turkey,-Egg-&- Cheddar-Cheese¶ Ranch-Dressing¶ Dinner-Roll¶ Mandarin-Oranges¤	BBQ-Chicken- Quarter¶ Macaroni-&-Cheese Coleslaw¶ Wheat-Dinner-Roll¶ Applesauce¤
(18)¤	(19)¤	(20)¤	(21)¤	(22)¤
Potato-Crusted-Fish¶ Tater-Tots¶ Broccoli-Florets¶ Tartar-Sauce¶ Wheat-Bread¶ Ketchup¶ Pineapple-Tidbits¤	Mediterranean- Puttanesca-Chicken- Breast¶ Lemon-Orzo¶ Zucchini¶ Italian-Bread¶ Fresh-Fruit¤	Pork-Ribette¶ with-BBQ-Sauce¶ Baked-Pinto-Beans¶ Confetti-Coleslaw¶ Grinder-Roll¶ Fresh-Fruit¤	Assorted-Fruit-Juice¶ California-Veggie-Soup¶ Salisbury-Steak← with-Gravy¶ Mashed-Potatoes¶ Green-Beans¶ Wheat-Bread¶ Chocolate-Chip-Cookie¤	Cheese-&-Salsa¶ Sour-Cream¶ Cilantro-Lime-Rice¶ Mexican-Corn¶ Flour-Tortilla¶ Mandarin-Oranges:
(25)¤ "Southwest-Chicken-	(26)¤ %-lb-All-Beef-Hot-Dog¶	(27)¤	(28)¤ ¼-Jb-All-Beef-Chili-Dog¶	(29)¤ Mushroom·Barlev·
Sandwich"¶ with·Breaded·Chicken- Breast,·Pepper-Jack- Cheese,·Lettuce·&- Tomato¶ Sandwich·Roll¶ Corn·Chips·&·Pickle¶ Vanilla·Pudding¤	Macaroni-and-Cheese¶ Coleslaw¶ Hot-Dog-Roll¶ Mustard¶ Diced-Pears¤	Labor·Day· Lunch¶ Bacon·Cheeseburger¶ with·Lettuce·&- Tomato¶ Cucumber·Salad¶ Pasta·Salad¶ Special·Labor·Day- Dessert¤	Potato-Salad¶ Broccoli-Salad¶ Hot-Dog-Roll¶ Ketchup¶ Fresh-Fruit¤	Soup¶ Cobb·Salad¶ Lettuce,·Tomatoes, Cucumbers,·Turkey Bacon,·Egg·&· Cheddar·Cheese¶ Ranch·Dressing¶ Multigrain·Bread¶ Oatmeal·Cookie¤



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## **CLASSES, CLUBS, GAMES & ACTIVITIES**



That's right! To participate, you must be a current Winsted Senior Center member, cost is only \$6, complete paperwork and you must sign-in for each class.

## Chair Yoga

#### Mondays & Fridays at 9:00am, no class on August 29

Practice gentle weight bearing movements that strengthen your body and improve your balance to help reduce the risk of falling. Movements can be done on a chair or standing. Classes are offered in-person or by Zoom.

Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/326155172?pwd=Si8veUtsVytwcElWMVRmWS9DbGVhZz09
Meeting ID: 326 155 172 Passcode: Winsted

### Tai-Chi

#### Mondays & Fridays at 10:15am, no class on August 29

Learn to improve your balance and flexibility, prevent joint injuries, protect your heart, increase focus and reduce stress and anxiety by following this traditional Chinese healing practice.

## **Drumming Circle**

#### Mondays at 1pm

Drumming leads to increased focus, upper body coordination, connectedness, relaxation, boosts the immune system and will make you happy using dgembe African drums and other percussion instruments. No musical experience is necessary.

## Strong & Stretched

#### Tuesdays & Thursdays at 9:00am

Improve the quality of your life by lifting weights which helps rebuild the muscle that is lost as we age and stretching which helps improve flexibility, balance and range of motion. Class uses hand weights, fitness bands and bounce balls.

#### Noodle Fit

#### Tuesdays & Thursdays at 10:00am, no classes in August

With great music and movement our new class will get your blood flowing to improve your circulation, blood pressure and cognitive skills as well. Noodle Fit is a great physical activity and a whole lot of fun.

## Dancercize

#### Wednesdays at 9:00am, no classes in August

Always fun! Workout along to easy-to-follow dance and exercise moves in fun combinations to popular and classic music. No experience required, give it a try.

## Line Dancing

#### Wednesdays at 10:00am

Join the gang and learn all the steps, shuffles and movements of this popular dance style. Newbies always welcome.

## Teaching Kitchen Classes

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## **Arts & Craft Class**

#### Thursday, August 14 at 12:30pm

Let's capture the last days of summer in a sun catcher. Grab a friend and come to the class to try it, you can learn how to create a beautiful suncatcher to catch the sunlight and reflect it inward all year. Make a gift for yourself or a friend and enjoy some socializing while you are at it. *To register, please call 860-379-4252 x1.* 

## BINGO!

#### Fridays, 12:45pm

Enter through the sunroom, cards available at 12:40pm. Pay for your cards at the office window. Each card is 50 cents. We suggest that you bring your own BINGO chips, but we will have some for you to borrow.

### **COMMUNITY PROGRAMS & SERVICES**

For information about these programs call 860-379-4252 or stop by the office...

## CT FoodShare Mobile Pantry

Tuesdays, August 5 & 19 at noon

119 North Main Street, NCCC Greenwoods Hall, Winsted

The mobile food pantry is open to any community member who is in need of fresh produce and other food. Please bring bags for your food. For schedule updates, text foodshare to 85511. If you need other with help, call 211.

## Friendly Hands Food Bags

Thursday, August 21, 10:30am

To participate, you must complete Friendly Hand's Intake form which is available at the office and you must be a current WSC member to participate. This is a great opportunity, so don't miss out! <u>Please note:</u> If you live at Chestnut Grove, Greenwoods Gardens, Laurel Commons, Carriage Maker Place, The Glenn or Susan B. Perry, please get a Friendly Hands Form from your site manager or RSC and your food bag will be delivered to your housing site.

#### **FOOD Matters!**

Do you worry that you will run out of food and not have money to buy more? (The conversation will be confidential)

Briona Ritone, The Salvation Army Food Pantry Coordinator, 860-379-8444

Jennifer Kelley, Winsted Senior Center Director, 860-379-4252 x4

## New Opportunities

State of CT Energy Assistance Program

You may qualify for the CT Energy Assistance Program if you are a CT resident and your annual income falls below \$45,505 for a single and \$59,507 for a couple. Please call Alta at 860-738-9138 for an appointment, her office is located at The Salvation Army office, 716 Main Street.

**Case Management Program** 

If you meet the income guidelines and depending on your needs, a case manager can link you to appropriate community resources through information and referral services. Please call Olivia at 860-482-9749 x602 for an appointment, her office is located at The Salvation Army office, 716 Main Street.

#### Go Geer! Van Rides

**Transportation program between Winsted and Torrington** 

Go Geer provides on-demand transportation for older adults and disabled individuals for non-emergency medical and basic needs that are unable to be scheduled ahead of time. Pre-registration required and hours are limited. For more information and to register, call 860-453-4800.

## **Winsted Rides**

7 days/week, 6am-10pm

New private, taxi-type, door to door, ride service for trips in Town or out. For more information, call 860-294-5009.

## Winsted Lion's Club

Discover the kindness in our community, if you, a friend or neighbor is in need of hearing aides or new glasses, the Winsted Lions Club may be able to help. Or, if you would like to be part of this global organization located right here in Winsted, please call Carol Delutrie Heuschkel at 860-984-6021.

## Veterans Honor Flights Network

Honor Flights is a national program that honors our veterans with an all expenses paid trip to the memorials in Washington DC. Veterans from all service areas are eligible who served during wartime, but need not to have served in a combat zone. For more information or help to apply, contact Jen at 860-379-4252 x4.

## Monthly 50/50 Raffle

Available now, \$1 raffle tickets will be available at the office with the proceeds being split evenly between the winner and the Center on the first of each month. Congratulations to Helen Archer was last month's winner.

## Renter's Rebate Applications

Did you pay rent in Winsted? Are you age 65 or older and receive Social Security benefits? Are you under age 65 and receive Social Security Disability benefits? If your answer is yes and your income qualifies, you may be eligible. Please complete the Intake Form, available at the office, and return it along with the required documentation and we will call you when your application is ready to sign. Call 860-379-4252 x1, if you have questions.

## Back to Class at Northwestern

Did you know our Winsted Community College offers a variety of free college classes for CT residents age 62+? If there is enough space available, you can attend classes in person or online. (There is a small fee if the class requires a studio or lab fee) We can help you enroll or you can stop by Greenwoods Hall, Room 219, 119 North Main Street. Register now for the fall classes that begin on August 27.

## TRIPS, TRIPS, TRIPS

#### Jimmies Restaurant of Savin Rock

Tuesday, August 19, 10:00am

Enjoy the ride to West Haven for lunch at the family owned waterfront seafood restaurant in West *Haven* that has been in business since 1925. Once a hot dog stand, now a spacious family-run eatery specializing in seafood, steak & Italian classics. *Cost:* \$15 per person and lunch on your own. Because of the limited number of seats on the van, you must be a 2025 member to go on this trip.

## Cape May, Philadelphia & Atlantic City September 22-26

The trip includes: motor coach transportation, 4 nights lodging in an Atlantic City hotel, 8 meals, casino bonus, guided tour of Philadelphia, trolley tour of Cape May, tour of a historic Cape May Victorian home, guided tour of 2 lighthouses, free time to enjoy the boardwalk, and lots more. Pick up a flyer for all the details. <u>Cost:</u> \$815 per person double, \$1025 per person single, \$75 deposit required at sign up, final payment now.

## Yankees vs. Baltimore Baseball Game at Yankee Stadium September 27, leaving 75 Rowley Street at 9:30am

Thanks to the Winsted Rec. Dept. for inviting us to this great trip. Includes: motor coach transportation, ticket for game (section 205, right field) and snacks on the bus. Sign-up is through the Winsted Rec at winstedrec.com <u>Cost:</u> \$145 per person.

## Lakeside Turkey Train, Lake Winnipesaukee Monday, September 29

The trip includes: motor coach transportation and a scenic fall foliage ride along the Lake Winnipesaukee shore, turkey dinner carved at your table on board the train, stop at a country store, and driver gratuity.

## Atlantic City at Tropicana Resort October 28-30, 8am

Everyone loves our AC trips and we are already taking reservations...the perks practically pay for the trip. Trip includes: motor coach transportation, 3 nights accommodation at the hotel/casino, \$50 slot bonus, \$50 meal voucher, 2 fantastic shows - "Edward Twins" and "Donna Summer Tribute", "Mystery Matinee" show, hotel baggage handling and taxes and driver gratuities. Pick up a flyer for all the details. Bus returns at approximately 8pm. <u>Cost:</u> \$355 pp double, \$469 pp single, \$75 deposit required at sign up, final payment 9/15/25.

## "Songs Across America" Show & MGM Casino Wednesday, November 5, 8:15am

Enjoy a delicious lunch at the Carriage House including fresh garden salad, yankee pot roast or baked scrod, potato, vegetable, dessert and coffee or tea and some MGM Casino time. Then travel across America with favorite music styles featuring the music of Jimmy Mazz. This is sure to be a great trip with opportunities et, gamble and to sing along. *Cost: \$125 pp.* 

### "Rock This Town" Amazing Christmas Show Monday, December 8

Enjoy a delicious lunch at the lovely Aqua Turf Club in Southington, including homemade soup, yankee pot roast or baked scrod, rolls and butter, potato, vegetable, dessert and coffee or tea. Then sit back and enjoy the classic swinging and holiday music of the 50s and 60s by "Rock This Town". *Cost: \$135 pp.* 

#### **WSC Trip Policy**

Sign up for Center trips at the office, Monday thru Friday, 8am-3pm. Phone reservations will not be taken for trips. We will only sign you up at time of payment. When you are interested in a trip, sign up quickly or run the risk of missing out! A trip may be cancelled if we don't have enough people signed up. At time of sign-up, we ask for the name and cell phone number for an emergency contact person. If you show up late for a trip, we cannot wait for you and refunds will not be given. If you must cancel a trip after we have paid the tour company, we can only refund your money if you or we have someone to replace you. **Overnight Trips**, we require a deposit to sign you up. If cancellation insurance is not included and you wish to purchase it, you are responsible for purchasing it through the tour company, so that you will know what to expect if you need to cancel. For Diamond Tours Travel Insurance, please call 855-376-2037 or visit www.travelconfident.com.

If you or a friend is in need of shelter or services

Call 2-1-1

or CHH Housing Navigator
Heather 959-261-0675

<b>Useful Local Phone Numbers</b>				
Ambulance	860-738-9267			
Beardsley Library	860-379-6043			
Emergency	911			
Fire Department	860-379-5155			
Meals on Wheels	860-482-4151			
New Opportunities	860-738-9138			
N.W. Transit	860-489-2535			
Poison Control	800-222-1222			
Police Department	860-379-2721			
Post Office	860-379-6675			
Senior Center	860-379-4252			
Tax Collector	860-379-4474			
Tax Office	860-379-5461			
Town Clerk	860-738-6963			
Town Manager	860-738-6962			
WCAAA	203-757-5449			
(Western CT Area Agency on Aging)				
TownofWinchester.org				

# Sunshine Jokes

Why was the sun invited to parties? Because it brightened up every room

What does the sun drink out of? Sunglasses

What's the sun's favorite snack? Sunflower seeds

What did the planets say to the sun? "You light up our world!"

Why did the sun go to school? To get brighter

What is the sun's favorite day of the week? Sunday, of course

What keeps the sun held up in the sky? Sun beams

Why can't anyone slow down the sun? Because it is sun-stoppable



## Always in Our Heart

Thank you for the years of dedication of the former Senior Center Directors, Blanche McCarthy Sewell and Ellen Schroeder for sharing yourselves and your inspiration to help create the Center we have today.