

Newtown Senior Center
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Sandy Hook, CT 06482
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January-February 2012

NEWTOWN SENIOR CENTER NEWSLETTER

AARP Income Tax Assistance for year 2011

February 6th — April 9th Mondays only from 9-12

By Appointment Only - free of charge for low and middle-income taxpayers. If married, both spouses should be present. Please bring the following:

WHAT TO BRING TO A COUNSELING SESSION

Note: If taxpayer(s) expect to itemize deductions, we recommend scheduling appointments at least after Mid-February in the event that the IRS needs time to reflect recent tax legislation updates.

PERSONAL

- If married, both husband and wife should be present.
- Proof of identity (picture or other documentation).
- Social security number (Social Security Card or Benefit Statement-Form SSA-1099) for taxpayer and all dependents.
- Copy of last year's Federal and state tax returns.
- Personal check, if Direct Deposit refund, with bank checking account & routing no.

INCOME

- W-2 Wage & Tax Statement form from each employer and W-2G Certain Gambling Winnings forms.
- Unemployment compensation statements.
- SSA-1099 Social Security / RRB-1099 Railroad Retirement payments forms.
- All 1099 forms reporting interest (1099-INT), dividends (1099-DIV), proceeds from sales (1099-B) as well as purchase price (cost basis) of sold assets.
- 1099-R forms reporting pension & annuity income and IRA distributions.
- 1099-Misc form reporting any miscellaneous income.

DEDUCTIONS AND CREDITS

- A taxpayer may want to itemize deductions:
 - Form 1098 Home Mortgage Interest (may also provide Real Estate Taxes paid)
 - Contributions to charity documentation
 - Real estate and personal property (vehicle) taxes paid
 - State income tax refund documentation (if itemized in 2010)
 - Health/dental insurance including Medicare B and D payments (on SSA-1099).
 - Qualified out-of-pocket medical expenses.
- Capital loss carryover from prior years
- Calendar year local real estate and personal property taxes (regardless if itemizing).
- Child and dependent care provider expenses.
- Qualified education expenses.
- Residential energy credit expenses.

PAYMENTS MADE

Quarterly estimated federal and state taxes paid & prior year's refund applied

**NEWTOWN SENIOR CENTER FUTURE FANTASTIC BUS TRIPS
DON'T MISS OUT ON THESE Call 203-270-4310 for any trip**



CHOCOLATE FEST

Hunt's Landing
Tues. Feb. 14th
\$80.00 pp depart 9:00 am

"My Darling Valentine"

Your day includes a hot breakfast buffet. This morning unwind on the patio by the pool, shop in the gift store, watch a feature movie or participate in bingo or card playing. Enjoy a three hour open bar, music, dancing, activities and entertainment. A buffet dinner includes chocolate dishes, with all the trimmings and a fresh baked cookie for the road. A lot for the money!!!!

ACE IN THE HOLE

Presents

A GREAT DAY FOR THE IRISH

Tues. March 13, 2012
\$86.00 pp depart 9:00 am

Departure from your area en route to the Royal Manor in Garfield, N.J. Lunch is served family style and features *Corned Beef and Cabbage* and *Roast Chicken* served complete with all the trimmings. Enjoy two complimentary drinks during Happy Hour, free soda on the table all day, and after Happy Hour, \$1.00 beer and wine. Today's show is "A GREAT DAY FOR THE IRISH." You will enjoy a fun-packed St. Patrick's Day party starring the delightful Irish tenor, Jimmy Walsh, comic Dale Grand, and the Black Velvet Band; playing all of the favorite St. Patrick's Day songs.



REMINDER

Valentine's for Troops

Tuesdays at 10:00 am
Thursdays at 2:30 pm. Thursday will be Iris Fold. (If you don't know how to do this, it would be a great time to learn a new craft.)

Each card needs to be addressed with a letter insert. If you don't want to make a card and have good handwriting we need Volunteers to write a personal note inside. Please volunteer to do either. These men have done a great deal for you—why not give a little of yourself and give to them.

AARP Driver Safety Program

Fri. March 16th 12:30—4:30

This is a refresher course geared especially to your safety needs. Learn defensive driving techniques and to adjust your driving to age-related vision, hearing and reaction changes. Enjoy an insurance discount.



Fee payable day of class, \$12.00 members, \$14.00 non-members. Other classes will be held in June, and in September.

ENJOY CASINO GAMBLING

MOHEGAN SUN CASINO

Wed. Jan. 25th

\$30.00 pp depart 8:00 am

INCLUDES:

- ⇒ Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation
- ⇒ Casino Bonus:
 - \$15.00 food coupon
 - 2 X \$10.00 Free Bet



Call 203-270-4310

**Newtown Senior Center
14 Riverside Road
Sandy Hook, CT 06482**

**Prsrt Std.
U.S. Postage Paid
Newtown, CT 06470
Permit No. 1002**

Or current resident Name
 Address
 City and state



**Closed January 16th for Martin Luther King Day
Closed February 20th for President's Day**



**The Mission of the Newtown Senior Center is to
provide our older citizens with a place to gather in
a friendly environment where they may participate in
social, cultural and educational activities. And
enhance independence, support mental, physical and
social well being.**

RECYCLE BINGO

**1:00 PM
WEDNESDAY
JAN. 18TH**

Did you get a gift for Christmas that you did not need, didn't fit, was the wrong color, or just plain ugly??? Well bring it in and have a fun filled afternoon playing recycle bingo. You could end up with a beautiful gift or could end up with one even uglier than the one you brought. Whatever, it is an afternoon filled with laughs. What could be better than that????



VALENTINE BINGO

**1:00 PM
WEDNESDAY
FEB. 8TH**

PUT ON YOUR RED AND COME AND JOIN US FOR VALENTINE BINGO. REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED.



Services

Daily Bus Service

Monday to Friday, door to door. Call 748-2511 at least 2 days in advance. Fridays bus alternates between Danbury Fair Mall & WalMart. 1-(203)830-4399 use this number when you're ready to be picked up after your appt.

REMINDER

Local and Intertown: \$1.00
10 day ride pass \$9.00

FISH MEDICAL DRIVERS

1-800-794-0034

Blood Pressure

2nd Thursday of every other month starting April 14th at 12:00 pm
4th Wednesday of the month at 1:00 pm

Get your pressure checked. This is such a painless procedure and so valuable to know.

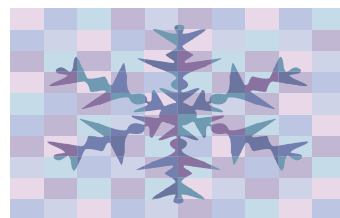
**C.H.O.I.C.E
WCAAA**

1-800-994-9422

Meals on Wheels of Newtown
Call 203-426-6340
203-270-1960

- ◇ C.H.O.I.C.E.
- ◇ N.O.W. Meals on Wheels
- ◇ WCAAA 1-800-994-9422

Did you pay your membership dues?



Please watch Channel 3 during inclement weather to see if we are open or closed. If there is a delay in school openings, there will be no AM classes. If there is an early dismissal in the PM, there will be no afternoon classes.



We don't want your vehicle to look like the one above. We want you to be safe. If unsure, give us a call at (203)270-4310.

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN DATE

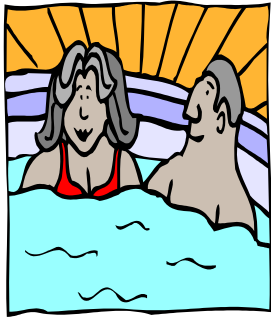
**COMMISSION ON AGING
5:00 PM
JANUARY 23, 2011**

Lunch Program

The Newtown Senior Center hosts a congregational meal program Mon., Tues., Wed., and Thurs. No meals on Fri., Sat., or Sun. A \$2.50 donation is encouraged.

Call 203-270-4310 by 11 am three days before for a reservation.

UPCOMING OVERNIGHT TRIP



ESCAPE TO SOME SUN
 Treat yourself to a luxurious stay
 at the **MOHEGAN SUN**



Here is your chance at an affordable rate!!!
FEBRUARY 23-24, 2012 (Thurs. & Fri.)
 \$121 pp Double, \$181 pp Single, \$116 pp Triple

Day one—Depart to Mohegan Sun at TBA. Upon arrival you will receive your bonus package and check into the hotel. The remainder of the day is yours to gamble and enjoy your time. Enjoy swimming in the magnificent swimming pool and sitting in the hot tub.

Day two—Enjoy breakfast on your own and another day of gambling or shopping at the casino. Check out time is 11:00. Please have your bags ready. Your bags will be held for you until departure time.

Includes:

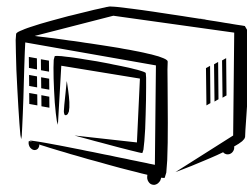
- ◆ Transportation to and from hotel
- ◆ Hotel Accommodations
- ◆ Food Coupons or 2 Buffets
- Taxes and Baggage Handling
- Driver's Gratuity
- Free Bet



WHITE ELEPHANT AUCTION WED. FEBRUARY 15TH 1pm OPEN TO ALL

Entertainment and Laughter as the crowd competes to be the winning and highest bid on the most coveted items. Bring a friend and enjoy this fun and lively afternoon and you may even go home with some treasures.

Donation for the sale of new merchandise or "gently used" will be accepted by the receptionist at the center until 2/9/12. **NO CLOTHING PLEASE.** Please only consider donating items that are worthy of auction. You do not have to bring in anything in order to participate in the auction. This is a fundraiser to offset the cost of a new microwave.





PATTY THE HAIRDRESSER IS BACK!!

Starting Friday Jan. 20th at 1:00 pm.
 Female haircut \$15.00—men haircuts \$10.00.
 Please sign up at the front desk.