

Somers Senior Center

December Newsletter

19 Battle Street Somers CT 06071





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The Tradition of Christmas.....

Christmas ... Christmas Day, December 25th, became a federal holiday in the United States in 1870 under President Ulysses S. Grant. Popular customs included the attending of church, exchanging of gifts, sharing a meal with family & friends and of course, waiting for **Santa**

Claus to arrive. In ancient Rome, December 25th was a celebration of "The Unconquered Sun" marking the return of longer days. It followed the festival of *Saturnalia* where people feasted and exchanged gifts. Other similar holidays celebrated at the same time are *Hanukkah* an eight day celebration of the "Festival of Lights", *Kwanza* which is celebrated from December 26—January 1 celebrating the first fruits of the harvest, and *Boxing Day* celebrated on December 26th where servants, tradespeople and the poor traditionally were presented with gifts. (Wikipedia)

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619 Main Street	860-265-7551
Somers CT 06071	
Allison Maynard	Social Services Director
Christina Hurdle	Social Services Coordinator

Energy Assistance

As we prepare for the colder weather, please give us a call if you are in need of Energy Assistance. Our department has several programs available to help offset your heating costs of the winter. If your annual income is less than \$39,027 (single person), \$51,035 (two people), you may be eligible for assistance.

Meals on Wheels

Meals on Wheels is always available to accommodate new participants. Meals are delivered Monday through Friday. Contact Christina Hurdle at (860) 265-7551 or churdle@somersct.gov.







Somers Senior Center Registration Form December 2021 Classes, Events, & Trips

Name:	Email:				
	Phone:				
Program Name	Date		Fee (When Applicable)		
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Cash/Credit/Checks		Total Due			

All Fees are payable at the time of registration unless otherwise noted.

Payable to Town of Somers

		1:00 Dominoes		
HAPPY NEW YEAR		With Magician "Rich Gilbert"	11:30 Lunch by The lvy	12:00 Hand Weights
10:15 Chair Aerobic	5:30 Bridge	1-3pm Holiday Gathering	÷	
		10:00 Wednesday Walkers	10:15 Chair Aerobics	10:00 Knitting
9:00 Coffee Talk	12:00 Bingo	9:00 Qigong	9:00 Coffee Talk	9:00 Qigong
31. FRIDAY	30. THURSDAY	29. WEDNESDAY	28. TUESDAY	27. MONDAY
Greatury 8		1:00 Dominoes	12:30 Movie "Elf" Serving Cookies & Cocoa	1:00 "Veterans" Benefit Presentation
10.15 Criali Aerobics	5:30 Bridge	1:00 Card Group	11:30 Parkway Lunch	
	12:00 Bingo	10:00 Wednesday Walkers	10:15 Chair Aerobics	10:00 Knitting
9:00 Holiday Breakfast	8:30 Footcare	9:00 Qigong	9:00 Coffee Talk	9:00 Qigong
24. FRIDAY	23. THURSDAY	22. WEDNESDAY	21. TUESDAY	20. MONDAY
		1:00 Dominoes		1-3.00 Wiapping Social
with Audra	•	1:00 Card Group		
	5:30 Bridge	11:30-12:30 Senior Club Lunch		
10:15 Chair Aerobics	12:00 Bingo	10:00 Wednesday Walkers	10:15 Chair Aerobics	
9:00 Coffee Talk	9:00 Bay Path	9:00 Qigong	9:00 Coffee Talk	
17. FRIDAY	16. THURSDAY	15. WEDNESDAY	14. TUESDAY	13. MONDAY
	5.30 Bridge	1:00 Dominoes 1:00 Card Group	1:00 Home Helpers Support Group	1:30 "Movie" Fly Away Home
		11:00 Crafts	12:00 Home Helpers Lunch	12:00 Hand Weights
10:15 Chair Aerobics			10:15 Chair Aerobics	10:00 Art
9:00 Coffee Talk		9:00 Qigong	9:00 Coffee Talk	
10 FRIDAY	9. THURSDAY	8. WEDNESDAY	7. TUESDAY	6. MONDAY
5:30-8:0pm		Cara	*	
Holiday Festival	12:00 Bingo	1:00 Dominoes		new year!
10:15 Chair Aerobics	10:00 Yoga	10:00 Wednesday Walkers	day 9091	holiday
9:00 Coffee Talk	9:00 Bay Path	9:00 Qigong	We hope everyone. PRCCMDCR	We hope that a wo
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Special Events

Home Helpers®

Lunch Sponsored by Home Helpers

Registration is Required as space is limited.

Stop in or call the Senior Center



Upcoming Dates

December 7, 2021 @ 12:00pm

January 11, 2022 @ 12:00pm



Senior Support Group

following the Lunch at 1pm

Open to all this meeting offers home care tips, support, and some fun activities to end the hour!



Set Back/Cards
Group

Wednesdays @
1PM

PARKWAY PAVILION HEALTH & REHABILITATION CENTER

Parkway Pavilion Luncheon will be held

Tuesday December 21st 11:30-12:30

Registration Required to reserve a seat.

Serving: Ham Dinner with sides



Small Group Technology Assistance

with Audra from Comfort Keepers

Friday December 17, 2021 @ 11:00am

Lunch Hosted by

The Ivy of Ellington

Tues December 28th



11:30am

Registration Required

Blood Pressure & Blood Sugar Screening

Tues Dec 28th 11:00-12:00pm

Sandy Wood/ECHN

PLEASE BE WELL HYDRATED prior to screening





Wrapping Social! Monday Dec 13th 1-3pm

Don your favorite holiday sweater while enjoying an afternoon learning how to make bows and creative ways to wrap your presents! Bring your favorite paper & ribbon (some materials will be provided)

SOMERS DIAL A RIDE

Please remember to schedule your transportation 7 days in advance when possible. For More Information on scheduling or becoming a registered rider please call the

Senior Center 860 763 4379

or email pcaso@somersct.gov

MASKS ARE REQUIRED FOR ALL RIDERS



Attention Seniors

Thursday Jan 13th 12:00pm

At the Somers Congregational Church
599 Main Street

Please bring your lunch and join us as we discuss Health Insurance & Financial Help Programs available to you.

Sponsored by Somers Social Services

Please Pre-Register

By Calling

Somers Congregational Church (860)763-4021



If you served your country you and/ or your family may be eligible for benefits!

Please join us for A Veterans Benefits

Presentation

By Somers Dept of Veterans Affairs Monday, December 20th 1:00pm

At Somers Senior Center

The Somers CT Department of Veterans Affairs is responsible for providing assistance, counseling, and representation to veterans and their families in accessing a variety of local, state, and federal benefits. Our gratitude to ALL who serve and sacrifice for AMERICA.







Occupational Therapy Program

With Alexis Ferioli "Lexi"

Thursdays 9:00—10:00AM

December 2nd—Holiday Themed Karaoke with Instruments

December 16th-Holiday OT Party with Movement Relay Race Holiday Themed Games



Health and Fitness

Qigong Join Ritch Ryan for movement & breathing to enhance health and wellness Provides a simple approach with the benefits of balance, strength, & flexibility Yoga Stretching Stretch while sitting or standing Provided by Somers Yoga & Wellness	Monday & Wednesday 9:00 am Thursday 10:00 am	Indoor 45 minute class \$25 Month , \$40 punch card for 10 classes Try your first class FREE All Levels Welcome Sit or Stand \$25 Month ZOOM Option Available Try your first class FREE	
Chair Aerobics Follow along to a classic chair fitness program	Tuesday & Friday 10:15 am	All levels welcome FREE	
Seated Hand Weight Class 45 minute Guided Instruction With Lisa Build strength and endurance	Monday 12:00 pm	Bring your own light hand weights or bands All levels welcome \$25 Month ZOOM Option Available Try your first class FREE	
Ping Pong by Appointment	Daily 9-12	1 hour timeslots available for 2-4 players	
Wednesday Walkers NEW TIME	10:00am	Walk for a few minutes or a few hours Meet in the Senior Center Parking Lot/ Weather Permitting	
Classes are ongoing weekly Sessions Vary depending on Month		Registration is Required for all Programs For more Info Call the Senior Center @ 860 763 4379 Or stop in to Register	





Ongoing Weekly / Monthly Activities



Registration is required

Crafters Corner Lead by Lisa ART GROUP	Wednesday Dec 8th 11:00 AM Mondays	Arts & Crafts	Fee for Supplies \$5 Project Noted on Calendar FREE
All Mediums Welcome Bring Your Ideas	10:00am		BRING YOUR SUPPLIES
KNITTING PLUS CROCHET, CROSS STICH, QUILTERS ETC	Mondays 10:00am		FREE BRING YOUR IDEAS AND SUPPLIES Supplies Available @ SC
DOMINOES NEW AND EXPERIENCED PLAYERS WELCOME	Wednesdays 1:00-3:30pm		FREE Minimum numbers required to play
COFFEE & CONVERSATION	Tuesdays & Fridays 9am		Dates Listed on the monthly calen- dar.
BINGO	Thursday s 12-3pm	SINGO	FREE Donations Welcome for Supplies
Card Group ~ Set Back	Wednesdays 1pm		Minimum numbers Required to play

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SING
DELIA OWENS

ATTENTION BOOK WORMS! We Have formed a Senior Center Book Club! 'Where the

Crawdads Sing" by Delia Owens will be our first Selection. Please contact Pamela Caso at the Senior Center if you would like her to reserve a copy for you at the Somers Public Library. Part murder mystery, part love story spanning the 50's—70's that will surely keep you engrossed!

Special Events



Monday, December 6th @ 1:30pm

At the Somers Senior Center

Popcorn served

SENIOR CENTER MOVIE MATINEE

Tuesday December 21, 2021
@ 12:30pm

Location ~ Somers Senior Center
Serving Christmas Cookies & Cocoa!!





SOMERS SENIOR CITIZENS' CLUB DRIVE THRU LUNCHES





Wednesday, December 15, 2021 Chicken Parmesan – Ziti – Green Beans

Wednesday, January 19, 2022
Yankee Pot Roast - Roast Potatoes - Carrots

Wednesday, February 16, 2022 Roast Turkey – Mashed Potatoes - Squash

Sweet Treat with Each Meal!

Pick Up Time: 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Cost: \$5.00 Each *To Be Paid at Pick Up*

ORDER IN ADVANCE REQUIRED

Call **Beverly Guimond** To Order Must Order By Noon Monday Prior to Lunch

860-749-9943

Happy Holidays to All!

Holiday Gathering
December 29th

1:00 pm-3:00 pm

Please Join Us at the Senior

Center for some Holiday Cheer to

Toast the New Year

Appetizers & Show by Rich Gilbert, Magician (Dessert provided by Harbor Chase)

