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Art, Wellness, Social and Educational activities and events

"For the Love of Art" Classes

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NETWORK



SHARE YOUR TALENTS WITH THE SECOND WIND CLUB

Healthcare Navigation

Be Fit and Wellness Classes

COA cancellations and delays due to weather concerns will be posted to the website. If you have a medical appointment scheduled before a major storm, please call your doctors office the day

before your PICK UP day

HOURS: MONDAY—FRIDAY 8:00AM TO 4:00PM

COMMUNITY PAGE





Community Comfort dogs bring emotional support and smiles during a TRIAD Outing. Come meet Barbara Cutis, Halifax Outreach Coordinator and let her know how we can support you.

Crafts with Maddie has been a blessing to our center. Her creativity is endless and her spirit a joy. Maddie is going to be a busy college student because she can continue her fun group activities! Thank you super star!

Coffee and Chat with your State Representative

February 12nd

State Representative Kathy LaNatra



9:30 -11am

Bloomin' 4 Good Program

Every time a shopper purchases a \$10.99 bouquet in the sleeve marked "Bloomin' 4 Good" at the Halifax MA Stop & Shop, the Halifax Council on Aging will receive a \$1 donation

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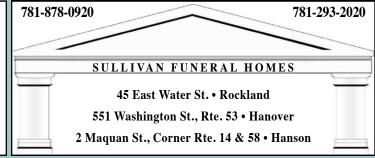
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50 courses: fully virtual and also many in-person

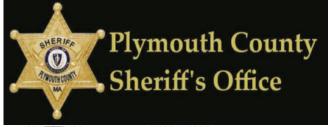


- The Great American Musical Tony Award Nominees and Winners in the 21st Century
- Bob Dylan: Stages and Phases
- The Middle East: An Introductory Exploration of Geography, History, Culture, and Conflict
- American Art Scene: 1877 to Present
- Exploring and Preserving Your Legacy
- Why? Explaining the Holocaust
- Campaign 2024 Part 1—Parties, Primaries, Policy, Polls and Polarization
- Intriguing Life of Isabella Stewart Gardner and her collection
- Exploring Modern Ireland through Literature
- Introductory Spanish, French, and Italian Courses
- PLUS MUCH MUCH MORE!

In-person courses are offered at the Bridgewater Public Library, the Bridgewater Senior Center, Bridgewater State University, the Center for Active Living in Plymouth, and Easton Council on Aging Frothingham Hall Community Center.

Visit us online to learn more about in-person learning!

Those without Internet access may call the Sheriff's Field Services Division (508-830-6200), Monday through Friday, (8AM-4PM) to supply their information over the phone. Required information includes first and last name, street address



(physical address, no P.O. boxes), city, state, zip code, and primary phone number, additional phone numbers can be entered as well. If you are providing a cell number, you must indicate the carrier and if you would like to receive text



OUTREACH NEWS

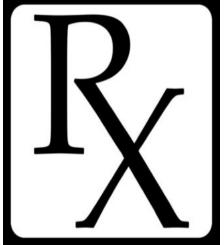
Halifax Board of Health and the Council on Aging Monthly Wellness Screenings

The <u>Halifax Board of Health</u> will provide two free walk-in adult wellness on the first THURSDAY each month. Please see below:

9:00— 10:00am at The Halifax Town Hall, 99 Plymouth Street 10:30—11:30am at The Halifax Council on Aging, 506 Plymouth Street

Nurse Laurie will continue her screenings every Thursday from 10 TO 11am at the Halifax Senior Center beginning February 8th, 2024. If you wish to have your diabetes screening, bring your diabetes medical monitoring supplies for the Nurse Laurie to educate you on your readings

For Your Health > Screenings > Information > Local Resources



PRESCRIPTION ADVANTAGE

You may be eligible to participate in the pharmacy assistance program through the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Prescription Advantage Program. This program helps when you reach the coverage gap under Medicare Part D (prescriptions). The current income guidelines for no cost are \$0—\$43, 741.00 for singles and \$0 -\$59, 160.00 for married couples. Having this program enables you to change your drug plan outside the annual enrollment period. Call for a SHINE appointment to see if YOU qualify - 781-293-7313 Ext. 139

With the help from Mass Cultural Council and Halifax Local Council, "For the Love of Art" grant will fund Open Art Classes, every Friday from 10am to 12pm at the Council on Aging. The first class is to understand what art items are needed for the artisans and what can be stored at the COA. We will offer PopArt once a month and that is a fun opportunity to encourage your creative skills. Lastly, Crafts with Maddie will be every third Tuesday each month. Schedule changes do happen, so it is important to reserve a spot in advance.

WHAT'S UP FOR FEBRUARY 2024

FIT AND WELLNESS CLASSES

CARIO STRENTH AND MOVEMENT/Marlene

MONDAYS: 10—11am

ZUMBA GOLD/Heather

WEDNESDAYS: 2—3pm

YOGA/Karen

THURSDAYS: 12 - 1pm

No Excuses:



⇒ All Classes are \$5

⇒ Forget your water bottle, no problem, we have bottled water available

⇒ Each year, paid receipts are available upon request

⇒ Classes regenerates the soul as you meet new friends

In collaboration with *Kingston Public Library*, free Basic Computer Classes will be offered to Halifax Senior Members. Halifax Council on Aging will provide:

 Transportation to classes each Thursday in the month of February

Intro to Keyboard/Mouse (February 8th)
 Internet Searching (February 15th)
 Intro to Using E-Mail (February 22)
 Internet Scams/Fake News (February 29)

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 Seats are limited to 5 patrons and you will be required to sign up for all four classes.

Classes are from 2pm to 3pm

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Mission Statement

The Council on Aging's mission is to advocate for older adults and persons with a documented disability; to identify the economic, health, social, and cultural needs of our community: to provide an environment of support, learning, and socialization while striving to enrich lives by offering a wide array of programs, transportation, and advocating on the behalf of seniors and persons with a documented disability, when necessary, thereby promoting their independence, wellness, and dignity and improving their quality of life.

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<u>Please call the nutrition department for meal cancellations by cancellation by 10 am two days</u> before delivery-508-584-1561.

Community Dining Menu

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Generations is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. Our purpose is to provide services, resources, and activities for seniors in the Halifax community. We raise, hold, and disperse funds for the accomplishment of those purposes. In addition, Generations manages the Johnny Appleseed Fund which provides one-time emergency assistance to community members in need.

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Generations in Support of the Council on Aging Inc. (COA) is a nonprofit, 501(c)3, all-volunteer organization whose mission is to support the Halifax Council on Aging.



Please use the form below for a new Generations membership or to renew an existing one. 100% of the dues and donations go towards the COA for programming and other needs. Membership dues shall be paid between September 1st through the annual meeting (first Saturday in October) each year.

Also, please consider donating to the *Johnny Appleseed Fund*. This fund provides one-time emergency assistance to local residents in need.

(Ma	GENERATIONS MEMERSHIP FORM l completed form to Generations c/o COA, 506 Plymouth Street, Halifax, MA 02338)
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Open Art Class

Friday 2nd and Febuary 16th
10:00-12:00 PM
Halifax Council on Aging
Please call and Register
781-293-7313



Open Art classes at the COA! This class will allow for an open space for your creativity to flow. We asked that you call to reserve your seat, spacing is limited to 6/class and classes are held twice a month on Fridays



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4	\$87,294		
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