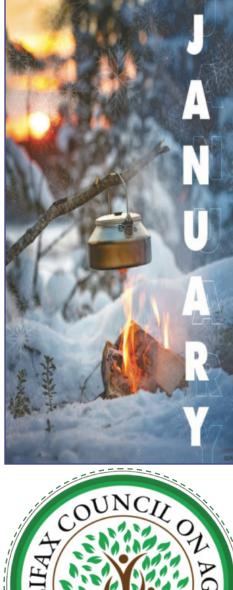
#### January 2024 | Halifax Council on Aging Newsletter

## **GROWING TOGETHER**

## SERVING THE HALIFAX AGELESS COMMUNITY





## Нарру Леш Усаг 2024

The Halifax Ageless Community Center welcomes ageless seniors while connecting them to long-term-services and supports. We welcome generations navigating senior living options while providing the following:

- Front line for social and support service referrals
- \* Outreach
- \* Transportation
- \* Wellness and Fitness Programs
- \* Link to social service agencies (Legal Checks-Ups)
- \* Reinvest and Retain Generations
- Long -Term Learning Programs
- Medicare (SHINE) Counseling
- Masshealth Navigation and Screening
- Social Security Navigating
- \* Book Club
- \* Second Wind Club
- \* Senior Nutrition Programs
- Evidence-Based Programs: Diabetes Self-Management, Matter of Balance, Chronic pain Management, Savvy Caregiver, and other disease prevention programs
- \* Behavioral Health Service Access
- Home Modification Referral
- Tax-Exemption Eligibility (IE: Circuit-Breaker, Senior Tax Work-Off Program)
- \* Gathering Spot for Halifax Senior Community
- Providing resilience in the journey of aging

#### HOURS: MONDAY—FRIDAY 8:00AM TO 4:00PM

# **COMMUNITY PAGE**

Our December 14th Special Town Meeting brought Halifax Ageless Community together! Though divided, the Halifax Community focused on taking action to address social needs and create an infrastructure geared toward the future of an age-friendly community. Stepping outside our comfort tends to broaden options of evidence-based quality services and programs for many communities today.

The Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI) and other partnerships strive to create initiatives to <u>"Align with What Mattes to the older adult and their family caregivers."</u> Learning from our past is good, learning to find affirmation and gratitude with changing times also means learning to love oneself. Heal from past mistakes and build resilience when times are challenging. Use our energy to create change and empower one another to improve the lives of all. Growing Together is what we are all about!

Happy New Year 2024 with renewed spirit, Darlene Regan, Halifax Council on Aging Director

## 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

Thank you!

#### Coffee and Chat with your State Representatives

January 5 State Representative Josh Cutler call 617-722-2013

January 22nd State Representative Kathy LaNatra 9:30 -11am



ADT-Monitored Home Security Blanchard Funeral Chapel Curtin Brothers's Oil Company Dave's Automotive Family Hearing Center Ferry's Automotive Law Offices of Ronald Whitney North Easton Savings Bank Sullivan Funeral Homes Old Colony Elder Services The Farm at Raven Brook

#### Businesses supporting our Halifax Community





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# **COMMUNITY PAGE**

## **TRIAD SPREADS JOY**

Halifax Holiday Luncheon was full of smiles and spirit. We are most thankful to Halifax Cultural Council and Mass Cultural Council for granting the entertainment. Tommy Rull bellowed Christmas cheer and wishing all a good night, until next year! Plymouth County Sheriff Joseph McDonald offered wit and humor to the added festivities; while District Attorney Timothy Cruz watched on with glee. Thank you to the Christina, Minhtram, Lori, Officer Cushman, Toni, Lori (the cute little elf) and Becky for their continued support.





### Social Security Benefits Increase in 2024 while Medicare Premium and Deductibles Increase

A 3.2% increase in Social Security benefits and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payments is on the radar for calendar year 2024. With the COLA (Cost of Living Adjustment) Medicare Part B is up by \$9.80 in 2024, from \$164.90 to \$174.70. Out-of-Pocket (OOP) expenses such as Medicare's Annual Part B Deductible will go from the current \$226 to \$240. Part D Plan Deductibles varies by plan choice, and one's income.

#### GOT PRESCRIPTION ADVANTAGE?

If not, you may be eligible to participate in the pharmacy assistance program through the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Prescription Advantage 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



## WHAT'S UP FOR JANUARY 2024



## FIT AND WELLNESS CLASSES

We provide paid receipts for your insurance company annual workout reimbursement—just call 781-293-7313 <u>CARIO STRENTH AND MOVEMENT</u>

Mondays at 10—11 Marlene Leal will work with you to flex those muscles and keep you moving and grooving. Check it out at

\$5/class! Spaces fill up so call ahead.

#### ZUMBA GOLD

Wednesdays from 2—3pm come to Zumba Gold/Heather Z! What a way to begin the New Year with low intensity fun classes. It is a class for people of all fitness levels; even for people who may be recovering from an injury. Zumba Gold is for anyone looking to have fun and get a good workout! Zumba gold choreography focuses on balance, range of motion, and coordination. Benefits include cardiovascular, muscle conditioning, flexibility, and balance! Come ready to sweat and prepare to leave empowered and feeling strong!



Inserts to GROWING TOGETHER newsletter allows for more information to get out to the community and to our Halifax Council on Aging members. All inserts can be found at <u>Monthly Newsletters | Halifax MA (halifax-ma.org)</u> or visit us during scheduled activities. Have a good day!



TRIAD will hold is monthly meeting on January 9th, 2024 10:00 AM AT THE HALIFAX TOWN HALL Nicole Kenny, Rockland Trust Branch Manager will be the key not speaker



On a Medicare Advantage Plan— You Still Have Time to Review Your Choices

Halifax Council on Aging 781-293-7313 (appointments held each Thursday from 9am to 3pm at the Halifax COA)





## HALFAX COUNCIL ON AGING

**506 Plymouth Street** Halifax, MA 02338 Tel: (781) 293-7313 Fax: (781) 293-1774 Website: www.halifax-ma.org/COA Presorted Standard Postage US Postage PAID Permit #42 Halifax, MA 02338

We are here to support South Shore Community Action Council and its efforts to reach out to qualified residents needing fuel assistance

#### Monday's and Thursday's BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

## **Mission Statement**

To identify the economic, health and cultural needs of our senior community and provide an environment of support, learning and socialization while striving to enrich lives by offering a wide array of programs, transportation and advocating on their behalf, when necessary, thereby promoting independence, wellness and dignity.

### **National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys**

Jason Rawlins, Esq Paula Schlosser, Esq David Kiley, Esq

Schedule your complimentary first visit today!

January 2024 | Growing Together

## HALIFAX COA

#### Advisory Board Chair

Jean Gallant **COA Director** Darlene Regan **Members** Judith Rakutis, Michael Rugnetta Sarah Sloat, Kimberly King-Cavicchi and Ruth Mills-Walters Fred Corrigan

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HAPPY NEW	2 Coffee Social COA/ 10 to 11am	3 Coffee Social COA/ 10 to 11am Community Dining @ COA/Noon	4 Coffee Social COA/ 10 to 11am	5 Coffee Social COA/ 10 to 11am
YEAR 2024	X	ZUMBA GOLD 2 -3pm at The Great Hall	SA GATE	K
3 Coffee Social COA/10 to 11am CRIBBAGE COA / 10 to 12pm	9 Coffee Social COA/ 10 to 11am TRIAD	10 Coffee Social COA/ 10 to 11am	11 Coffee Social COA/ 10 to 11am	<b>12 Coffee Social</b> COA/ 10 to 11am
CARDIO/STRENGTH 10 –11 Great Hall Community Dining COA / Noon	Great Hall 499 Plymouth Street 10am – 12pm	Community Dining @ COA/Noon ZUMBA GOLD	SHINE/Michael 9 – 4p at the CoA	No.
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KING, Jr DAY Closed to Observe the day of Remembrance	Crafts with Maddie at Noon – 2p COA ADVISORY BOARD MEETING Selectmen Rm 9:30 to 11am	Community Dining @ COA/Noon ZUMBA GOLD 2 -3pm at The Great Hall BOOK MOBILE DAY	SHINE/Michael 9 – 1:30p at the CoA	X
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#### **OCES NUTRITION PROGRAM**

### January 2024

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## Old Colony Elder Services Providing services to the community since 1974

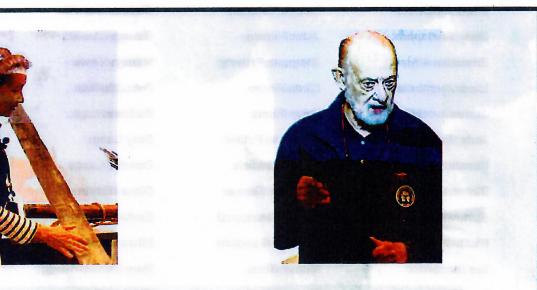
#### **Community Dining Menu**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>1 ALL SITES CLOSED</b>	2	3		4	5
		307 Chicken Scallopini	112	Meatloaf Patty w/ Gravy**	523 Swiss Cheese &
2	Whipped Sweet Potatoes	36 Parslied Rotini		Baked Potato Half	4 Vegetable Ornelet 369
		110 Mixed Vegetables		California Vegetables	30 Home Fries
NV GIN		180 Vienna Bread		Whole Wheat Bread	65 Maple Chip Pancakes 162
	Fresh Apple	2 Fig Bar		Sour Cream	9 Strawberry Yogurt 75
20	2	MOD: Lorna Doone		Mixed Fruit Cup	5 Orange Juice - No Milk 15
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HAPPY NEW YEAR	Cal 637 Sodium: 771 mg	g Cal: 686 Sodium: 59	93 mg	Cal: 740 Sodium: 775 mg	Cal: 708 Sodium: 658 mg
U	Carb: 90 g	Carb: 101 g		Carb: 81 g	Carb: 96 g
8	9	<b>10 COLD MEAL</b>		11	12
Grilled Chicken with	American Chop Suey	399 Chicken Salad on		Beef Stew	345 Potato Crunch Pollock 333
Gravy**	539 Tuscany Vegetables	41 Lettuce Bed	185	Green Beans	3 Brown Rice 3
Mashed Potatoes	20 WW Dinner Roll	180 California Vegetable		Corn Muffin	80 Sliced Carrots 67
Broccoli	12 Hot Cinnamon Peaches	6 Salad		Hot Caramelized Pears	20 Whole Wheat Bread 65
Whole Wheat Bread	65	Cracked Wheat Brea	d 115		Tartar Sauce 85
Brownie Cookie	230	Pineapple Chunks	1		Fresh Banana 1
MOD: Vanilla Wafers	50	11			
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15 ALL SITES CLOSED	16	17 COLD MEAL		18	19
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I bear a Diene		82 German Potato Sala		California Vegetables	30 Lemon Butter Sauce 339
	Zucchini/Summer Squash	4 Garden Salad			180 Rosemary Roasted Potato 109
	Hot Dog Bun	165 WW Hamburger Bu	ı 180	Lemon Square	105 Green Beans 3
	Mustard	55 Italian Dressing	20	MOD: SF Lemon Cookie	60 Cracked Wheat Bread 115
	Blueberry Lemon Bites	60 Fresh Pear	2		Mandarin Oranges 7
	Cal: 733 Sodium: 1184 n		2 mg	Cal: 772 Sodium: 736 mg	Cal: 690 Sodium: 710 mg
20	Carb: 105 g	Carb: 90 g		Carb: 85 g	Carb: 78 g
22	23	24	0.5	<b>25</b>	26 COLD MEAL
Turkey Chile	373 Cheese Lasagne with	Hawaiian Chicken		Roast Pork with Brown	Dilled Egg Salad 284
White Rice	5	24 Pineapple Rice		0 0	118 Carrot Raisin Salad 146
Chuckwagon Vegetables Corn Muffin		19 Mixed Vegetables 50 Multigrain Bread		Roasted Sweet Potatoes Broccoli	45 Tossed Salad1712 Whole Wheat Bread65
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		3		npplesauce	MOD: SF Chocolate
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Cal: 808 Sodium: 670 mg	Cal: 696 Sodium: 671 mg	Cal: 639 Sodium: 42	9 mg	Cal: 777 Sodium: 576 mg	Cal: 865 Sodium: 725 mg
Carb: 114 g	Carb: 87 g	Carb: 100 g		Carb: 91 g	Carb: 80 g
29	30 COLD MEAL	31		•	Nutrition information
Salisbury Steak with	Chicken Salad 1	69 Beef Burgundy	109		is for the entire meal including
Gravy	443 Colëslaw	64 Buttered Noodles	38	5115	bread, milk & margarine.
Mashed Pota	20 Three Bean Salad	33 Green Peas	82	2.0 WS	Nutrition information is
Carrots		65 Cracked Wheat Brea		2 Mar	approximate. 1% milk = 107
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Fresh Banana		5 diliger shaps	105	20.05	sodium. From meal carb total
resii Danalla	Thop, or anality crackers	5			includes meat, starch, vegetable
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\*Indicates food item w/>500mg sodium v=high sodium meal



If you would like to attend this special event, call the Halifax Council on Aging for registration sign-ups 781-293-7313



# DAY IN THE LIFE OF A WHALER

## TUESDAY, JANUARY 9 6:00 PM

Join Nancy Gentile and Captain Michael Taylor, docents from the NB Whaling Museum, as they describe a typical whaling vessel, captain and crew, whale hunt, whale processing, and wives who accompanied their husbands.

> TO REGISTER VISIT KINGSTONPUBLICLIBRARY.ORG

HAPPY NEW YEAR JANUARY 2024 BABIES

Matthew Abruzese Frank Alderman **Mary Alexander Ernestine Alger** Linda Archibald **James Avellino Judy Barry Ronald Blanchard Richard Blom Murray Brannen Philip Brides Ted Broderick Paul Bryson** Anna Byers Fran Calderaro Mary Ann Calderwood **Elisabeth Cantor** James Casey **Nancy Christie** Lawrence Connolly **Alfred Cook** Elizabeth Corshia Paul Cunningham Stephen Currie **Barbara Curtis** Mary Daley Jean Dallasta Linda Davis Edward Deignan Markie Dirienzo John Doucette Howard Eastman, Jr. Lionel Edson

**Richard Ellsworth** Valerie Feldman John Ferraro **Margaret Flaherty** Linda Flores Peter Flores **Geraldine Fottler** Harry Galloucis **Kathleen Geisser** Arline Giacomozzi Meredith Goodwin Sidney Goss Donna Greeley **Patricia Hanley** Agnes Harraden **Joanne Harris** Sharon Hartz Jeffery Haudenschield Margaret Hayward **Glen Hillcoat** Veronica Hiltz **Robert Hodge** Mary Howlett Norma Hunt Nicholas leronimo Patricia Joseph Paula Keene-Smith **Beverly King Diane King** Silke Kistner William Klaus Norma Koeppel **Marion Krivacs** 

Judy Leary **Barbara Leavitt** George Leavitt Marilyn Lewis Pat Littlefield Kathleen Loja Gary Long **Dorothy Lopes Diane Matthews** Kevin Matthews Silvia Mauerhoffer Mary Mohan-Twigg **Paula Muller** Amidou Nasser William Nickerson **Dorothy Nogueira** Pat Nunzio Dale O'Donnell Virginia O'Kelly Catherine O'Leary Kathy Page Susan Perkins **Christine Poeschl** Janet Poulos-Villano Carol Pratt James Quinlan **Barbara Riccio** Barbara Robertson **Diane Ruxton Daniel Ryan Libby Sachs** Sharon Sadlier **Carol Sanford** 

**Heather Sargent** 

**Kathleen Scurti Charles Sheehan** Merrely Sheehan **Richard Shoemaker** Lorraine Siemers **Cheryl Smalley Diane Smith Greg Stanley Teresa Strug Richard Szlachta Linda Taylor Joseph Thetonia Thomas Tierney** Marc Valentine Joseph Vasconcellos Jerard Villano Michelle Walley Carol Waterman Margaret Welby Kathy Wells Elaine Wissel Michael Woloschuk Patricia Woodbury Cheryll Zarrella-Burke

