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Coffee with your State Representatives and Veterans Agent

September 1st

State Representative Josh Cutler call 617-722-2013

September 11th

State Representative Kathy LaNatra 9:30 -11am

&

Veterans Agent Steve Littlefield 9:30- 10:30am



Halifax Council on Aging Updates

Not quite sure where to begin, except that we have been open Monday to Friday with many new visitors and events this summer. The weather has been a challenge and we worked diligently to reschedule outdoor activities, such as the Concert on the Green with Matt York, to be held on September 14th, from Noon to 2:30pm. Let us hope Mother Nature will bring us a sunny, comfortable day.

As we prepare for the fall and winter weather, we will do our best to assist with DTA, Fuel Assistance and Masshealth renewals and NEW applications. We ask you to plan ahead and *call for an appointment*.

Beginning September, our dining room will be open for weekly coffee and light refreshments. We invite you to visit the historic building, and stay connected with future news of the Town's proposition of building a center to support the needs of Halifax and its residents.

Our newsletter sponsors are supportive of our mission while the Town of Halifax contributes to its mailing. If you would like to access the newsletter electronically, please visit our website, download our monthly newsletter, and let us know to take you off the mailing list.

We hear you and have been pro-active in recruiting instructors for computer and cell instructional sessions. The Art Group will begin and work independently as we search for the ideal location. Stay tuned and enjoy the rest of summer days with family, friends at the Halifax Council on Aging.

Lastly, thanks you to Leo Hunt of Heirloom Toys for the game boards, and Frederick Corrigan for his generous donations. Again, a heartfelt thank you to all of our volunteers who believe in supporting older adults and individuals who live each day with challenges.

Enjoy the remaining summer days, Darlene Regan, Halifax CoA Director



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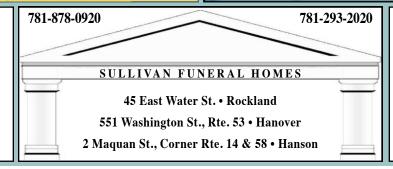
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OUTREACH NEWS

Blood Pressure Screenings on the Move

The Town of Halifax contracts nurse M. Laurie Montuori to provide two (2) free walk-in adult wellness screenings the first Tuesday each month in 2023. Please see the dates, times and where the screenings will be held.

WHEN: September 5th, 2023 October 3, 2023, November 7, 2023 and December 5, 2023

WHERE: Halifax Town Hall—499 Plymouth Street, 9—10am (Follow the signs)

Halifax Mobile Estates, 33 Redwood Drive, Community Bldg 10:30—11:30am

HEALTHY LIVING COLLABORATIVE (BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS) OFFERED AT THE COUNCIL ON AGING, 506 PLYMOUTH STREET FROM 11:00— 12:30

TUESDAYS: September 5, 12, 19 and 26 WEDNESDAYS: September 6, 13, 20 and 27

Learn about your Medicare rights.

- Did you know that you can file an appeal if you were admitted to the hospital but feel you are not ready to leave or if you think your skilled services are ending too soon?
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TESTIMONIALS:

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"THE WORKSHOP WAS FANTASTIC" "GREAT PEER SUPPORT"
"INSPIRING" "INSIGHTFUL"



EVENT INFORMATION:

Facilitated by: Deana Andrade, LICSW &

Alexa Moniz, LCSW

Date: Tuesday, September 5, 2023 Duration: 16 classes, once a week

Time: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Location: Brockton Council on Aging

Cost: Free

Space is limited. If you think this workshop is for you, please click the link or scan the QR code to request a screening for workshop readiness. If you have any further questions contact Deana Andrade at dandrade@ocesma.org or call 508-584-1561 ext. 232



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Discover how **DASH Nutritional Seminars** can Work for You

What is DASH: *Dietary Approaches to Stop Hypertension

How can DASH Nutritional Seminars work for you?

- 1. Manage hypertension
- 2. Reduce sodium intake
- 3. What to shop for at the grocery store
- 4. Prepare and cook food for better blood pressure management
- 5. Choose foods wisely healthy eating for life

East Bridgewater YMCA is offering a *free* Healthy Living event to various communities. We are fortunate to be part of the educational collaborative that aims to manage chronic illness and disease.

DASH is a 4-part <u>Series</u>

Beginning September and ends <u>December</u>

one week a month: same material for Tuesdays and Wednesdays

Tuesday September 12th and Wednesday September 13th

Tuesday October 10th and Wednesday October 11th Tuesday November 7th and Wednesday November 8th Tuesday December 12 and Wednesday December 13





MAYO Clinic, DASH diet: Healthy eating to lower your blood pressure - Mayo Clinic, paragraph 1

Complimentary appointments with National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys

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

Call the office to set up a 30 minute consult

Show Off Your Skills

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CoA Greeter (Daily 10 to 12)
CoA Newsletter (monthly)

Train for a Skill:

SHINE (Medicare) AARP (Tax Preparer)



Halifax Council on Aging welcomes

Country Artist MATT YORK

WHERE: 499 PLYMOUTH ST HALIFAX (TOWN GREEN)

WHEN: Thursday, September 14th

TIME: 12PM-2:30PM (call to reserve a seat)



HALIFAX COUNCIL ON AGING IS SPREADING THE WORD

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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20th

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Labor Day A Federal holiday honoring American workers and their contribution to National strength and prosperity. A LL TOWN OFF SES CLOSED LABOR DAY	9am-11am 2 Free Health Clinics (Town Hall; 9am-10am & Halifax Estates; 10am-11:30am) 10am-11:30am Coffee Social (COA) 10am-12pm Healthy Living Collaboration for Blood Pressure Screenings (COA)	6 10am-11:30am Coffee Social (COA) 10am-12pm Healthy Living Blood Pressure Check (COA) 2pm-3pm ZUMBA Gold/ Heather (Great Hall)	7 10am-11:30am Coffee Social (COA)	8 10am-12pm Attorney Paula Schlosser (COA) 10am-11:30am Coffee Social (COA)
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