



Book Club

Monday, January 9th

Stillwater Senior Book Club will be meeting on the second Monday in January. Jim Dahl will be leading the discussion on *The White Tiger* by Aravind Adiga. It is a fast-moving novel, set in India, and winner of the Book of the Year 2008. Anyone interested is invited to join the group. The February book will be the *Leper* by Steve Thayer.

500 Cards

Wednesday, January 11th & 25th
12:00-2:30pm

Refresh your card playing skills and come to have some fun with other avid card players. *Bring a buck for the house/quarter for the prize pot. For more information, please call 439-7434.

Lunch Bunch

Monday, January 16th
11:15 depart Senior Center

In January we'll be trying the new Golden Crown (on south side of Hwy. 36) for some great Asian dining. When you make your reservation with us, please sign-up and confirm if you will be driving to the restaurant or if you need a ride. We'll meet at the Golden Crown at 11:30am. Looking forward to bringing in the New Year with you!

Bowling

Mondays * Start time 12:30pm
Woody's Bar & Grill in Bayport



Join this enthusiastic group of bowlers! It's fun! It's exercise! It's a great price! Your time has come to get moving~ Call the Senior Center for more info.
Cost: \$3

Hand & Foot

Monday, Jan.23rd & 30th
12:00pm

It's the new rage at the Center! Everyone's enjoying learning and playing "Hand & Foot". Visitors are always welcome!

Dominoes

Wednesday, Jan. 25th 10:00am

It's time to cozy up to play some Mexican Train dominoes! Kathy Conley is a great instructor for those just learning the game. To plan accordingly, please sign-up by calling #439-7434.

Court Case Decisions/ When Helping Isn't Helping

*Note-formerly "You Be the Judge"
Thursday, Jan. 26th 9:30-10:45

Join us for interesting discussions on court cases that are in the news locally or state-wide, also discuss interesting cases in the news. Following this from 10:45-12:00noon will be OPEN DISCUSSION: *When Helping Isn't Helping*-Facilitated group discussions of daily living and volunteer situations that are getting uncomfortable. Topics include senior independence and transitions, volunteer and agency expectations and neighbors in group settings. Bill Funari will facilitate the discussions.

Card Making Class

Monday, January 30th 10:00am

This month Janet Plaster will be helping students create wonderful cards for Valentines Day! Make one of your sweethearts a special card this year. All materials are provided~
Cost: \$5- Class size limited, so sign-up soon!

Cribbage Tournament

Tuesday, Jan.31st
*Check-in time is 12:15
Start time: 12:30pm

Let's pretend it's July...and have another cribbage tournament! The more the merrier~ Players must be at least 18 years old to play. Refreshments provided. *If weather is inclement, please call #439-7434 to assure the tournament will be played. Please sign-up by Monday, January 30th if you will be participating. Cost: \$7

Watch your mailbox!

Sometime in the near future you will be receiving our annual Senior Center donation letter and 2012 Interest Form. If you would like to continue receiving the newsletter, please complete this short Interest Form and return it *as soon as possible*. If we do not receive the form back from you, we will assume you no longer wish to receive the newsletter, and will remove you from the current newsletter mailing list. If you have e-mail, we'd be happy to have you receive the newsletter via the internet, but we still will need the Interest Form returned to us to update our data base. Thank you so much!

Tax Preparation Time



Beginning in early February, AARP Tax volunteers will offer free tax assistance to community members.

Trained AARP Tax-Aide program volunteers, certified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), will explain tax requirements & answer your questions, then help complete and electronically file your return. The AARP Tax-Aide program of the AARP Foundation, offered in conjunction with the IRS, for low and middle-income taxpayers, with special attention to those age 60 and older.

When you come, you are asked to bring the following (those that apply) for review by the volunteer assisting you.

- Photo identification
- Social Security Cards or other official documentation for yourself and all dependents
- Copy of 2010 income tax return(s) and 2009 return(if you received Homebuyers Credit)
- W-2 forms from each employer
- 1099-R forms if you received pension or annuity income
- SSA-1099 forms if you paid Social Security benefits
- All 1099 forms showing interest and/or dividend income and any documents showing your cost of assets(stock, etc.) you sold
- W-2G forms received from gambling winnings
- 1099-misc. forms showing and miscellaneous income
- 1099-G forms listing unemployment compensation received.
- If you are a renter, your Certificate of Rent Paid
- If you are a homeowner, a copy of your 2011 property tax statement & 2012 tax statement

Appointments are required~Please call #439-7434

Assistance is free, though donations are welcomed to Community Thread.

Volunteer Opportunities

Medical Records File Assistant-Human Services Inc: HSI is looking for a volunteer to assist with the clean up and reorganization of the medical records room at the Stillwater office. This is a project that will require 10 hours a week until completed. If interested, please contact Sara Umbreit at sumbreit@hsicares.org

Craft Assistant-Woodbury Health Care Center: Crafters wanted! Weekly volunteer opportunities are available on Tuesdays from 1:00-2:30 to assist a staff member lead crafts for residents with disabilities. Craft knowledge is helpful but not required! For more information, please contact Mary Bjerke at mbjerke@woodburyseniorliving.com or 651-735-0075.

AARP Driver Safety Program

Minnesota drivers that are 55 and over can become safer drivers and save money on car insurance by completing this course. The cost of the class is \$14 with a \$4 fee. Total cost is \$18. Pre-registration, accompanied by payment is required. Registration may be made in person or by mail at the Stillwater Senior Center. Call #439-7434 to register.

8 Hour- First time class 12:00-4:00

Tuesday & Thursday, February 21 & 23

Refresher classes (4 hours) 12:00-4:00

Tuesday, Jan.10th or Thursday, Jan.12th

Tuesday, March 13th or Thursday, March 15th

Refresher Evening classes 5:30-9:30pm

*Minimum number of participants needed

Tuesday, January 3rd

Tuesday, February 7th

Monday, March 19th

Valley Tour and J&M Tour Information

Newsletters and information on Valley Tours and J&M Tours are available at the Stillwater and Bayport Senior Centers. To schedule a trip/outing call Sally Erickson at Valley Tours #439-6110 ~OR~ Julie at J&M Tours #426-2313 Monday-Thursday 1:00-5:00pm for trip and outing information