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## AUGUST: MEDIC ALERT AWARENESS MONTH

A medical bracelet is a tool that many individuals use to communicate health conditions to medical personnel in the event of an emergency. If an individual is experiencing a medical crisis, they will likely not be able to tell them their health history and conditions. Examples of things that an individual may want to communicate are: Diabetes, Epilepsy, Dementia, a DNR (Do Not Resuscitate) order, etc... MedicAlert is one company that has been around for over 65 years. The MedicAlert Foundation is a non-profit agency that was founded in 1956 in California. This company holds a database of medical information for thousands and thousands of individuals that can be used by paramedics and other medical professionals should that individual have an emergency. There are a number of different kinds and size of bracelets. Below is the most common, classic bracelet. This is \$25. This also requires an annual membership fee. Call 1-800-432-5378 or visit <a href="https://www.medicalert.org">www.medicalert.org</a> to learn more.







There is also another company that the State of Wisconsin recommends to use for medical bracelets and DNR bracelets: StickyJ Medical. They are based out of Florida. The above MedicAlert bracelets will continue to be recognized. A DNR bracelet is available from StickyJ Medical for a fee of \$30.49. The individual's first & last name must be engraved on the first line of the back of the bracelet and there is room on the back to add other health concerns. If an individual simply wants a medical bracelet, but does not want a DNR order, StickyJ Medical can also provide a basic medical bracelet. These bracelets start at \$20. There is no ongoing membership fee. Call 866-497-6265 or visit <a href="https://www.stickyj.com">www.stickyj.com</a> to learn more.

What exactly do we mean by Do Not Resuscitate (DNR)? If you have multiple medical issues, it is important to talk to your doctor about your code status. What would you want to happen if your heart were to stop? Would you want CPR (Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation)? Start by having a conversation with your doctor. Here is a link to learn more about what a DNR order is: <a href="https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/ems/dnr.htm">www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/ems/dnr.htm</a>. If an individual does not want to be resuscitated, they first need to have a conversation with their doctor and then wear an approved bracelet (a plastic one given to them at the doctor's office or one from MedicAlert or StickyJ Medical). This bracelet allows emergency medical professionals to know what an individual's wishes are about their code status. The individual needs to be wearing this bracelet at all times if they do not want to be resuscitated. If you have additional questions you can also contact your doctor, local fire department, or the

For more information on medical alert ideas, please see page 7.

dhsemssmail@dhs.wisconsin.gov

Wisconsin Department of Health Services, Division of Public Health, Office of Preparedness and Emergency Health Care by calling #608-266-1568 or email







Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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			Winnebago County Fair	Winnebago County Fair Omro Thursday Night	Lunch Bunch The Roxy Supper Club Oshkosh 11:00am	Oshkosh Farmer's Market 8am-12:30pm
				Market Scott Park 4pm-7pm	Winnebago County Fair	Neenah Farmer's Market 8am-12pm
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Winnebago County Fair	Memory Care Respite Neenah 1:30-3:30pm Winnebago County Human Service Board Meeting 3pm	Partners Neuroscience Group 1:30-3:00pm* Registration required	FVMP Memory Cafe Oshkosh Library 1:30pm	Virtual Dementia Tour Parkview Health Care Center 9am-12pm Registration required Omro Thursday Night Market Scott Park 4pm-7pm	Menasha Committee on Aging Ipm Food Truck Friday * South Park, Oshkosh 4:30pm-8:30pm	Oshkosh Farmer's Market 8am-12:30pm Neenah Farmer's Market 8am-12pm
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_	BEAMING INC. Memory Cafe 10-11:30am	SPARK! Bergstrom Mahler Museum 10:30am	Memory Screenings Menasha Senior Center 10am-12pm	Neenah Committee on Aging 9am	Lunch Bunch Ground Round Neenah 11:00am	Oshkosh Farmer's Market 8am-12:30pm
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	ADRC Committee Meeting 3pm	2pm		Omro Thursday Night Market Scott Park 4pm-7pm		
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	FVMP Memory Cafe Oshkosh 20th YMCA 1:30pm		SPARK! The Paine Art Center 1pm	Omro Thursday Night Market Scott Park 4pm-7pm		*An asterisk indicates there is more to read about this event in this newsletter.
	Community Impact Night - Alzheimer's Fundraising * Pizza Ranch, Oshkosh 4pm-8pm			·L \L		

## **Calendar Contact Information**

FVMP Memory Cafe's	Fox Valley Memory Project (FVMP) (920) 225-1711		
Lunch Bunch	info@foxvalleymemoryproject.org		
Memory Screens at the Senior Centers Virtual Dementia Tour	Alisa Richetti (920) 236-1227 Arichetti@winnebagocountywi.gov		
SPARK!	Paine Art Center, Oshkosh (920) 235-6903 Bergstrom Mahler Museum, Neenah (920) 751-4658 The Trout Museum, Appleton (920) 733-4089		
Neenah Memory Respite Care	(920) 383-1180 or memorycarerespite@gmail.com		
Oshkosh Memory Respite Care	(920) 727-5555 ext. 2217		
Winnebago County Human Services Board	pbartelt@winnebagocountywi.gov		
ADRC Committee Specialized Transportation Committee I Team Meeting	ADRC@winnebagocountywi.gov		
Neenah Committee on Aging	ckasimor@ci.neenah.wi.us		
Menasha Committee on Aging	khutter@ci.menasha.wi.us		

## Pecan Chicken Salad

- ½ cup mayonnaise
- ½ cup plain Greek yogurt
- 2 teaspoons white wine vinegar
- ½ teaspoon garlic powder
- ¼ teaspoon dried thyme
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 2 cups chopped cooked chicken
- 2 stalks celery, sliced
- 1/3 cup chopped toasted pecans
- 2 tablespoons minced red onion



- 1. Mix mayonnaise, Greek yogurt, vinegar, garlic powder, thyme, and maple pepper together in a bowl until well combined. Add chicken, celery, pecans, and red onion; stir well to incorporate.
- 2. Serve immediately or refrigerate for up to 3 days.

Credit: allrecipes.com

# Upcoming Welcome to Medicare Presentations

August 15th @ 2pm
Dept of Human Services
211 N. Commercial St,
Neenah

September 12th @ 2pm Dept of Human Services 220 Washington St, Oshkosh

Please RSVP to 877-886-2372

#### DAY OF EDUCATION AND SUPPORT FOR THOSE WITH PARKINSON'S, FAMILY, FRIENDS & **CAREGIVERS**



PITCHING PARKINSON'S

TIMBER RATTLER STADIUM THE FOX CLUB 2400 N CASALOMA DRIVE 11:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M

Event Details:

11:00AM REGISTRATION OPENS | 40 SETS OF URBAN POLES TO BE GIVEN AWAY | ENGAGING PRESENTATIONS | FREE BALL PARK LUNCH | TAKE HOME A BAG OF LOCAL RESOURCES CONTINUED LOCAL SUPPORT AND SO MUCH MORE!

Registration is required, please scan the QR code to register and to find sponsorship opportunities. See back for more details, call 920-851-8319 with any questions.

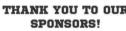
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## ADRC Outreach

**ADRC Specialists Melissa** Sell (L) and Amanda Runge (R) recently presented at two local senior apartment complexes about the importance of Powers of Attorney.

Are you looking to finally get your documents done? Call the ADRC!



## MAMIFamily & Friends

NAMI Family & Friends is a free, 2-hour seminar that informs adult individuals who have loved ones with a mental health condition how to best support them. Participants learn about diagnoses, treatment, recovery, communication strategies, crisis preparation and NAMI resources.

Join us for our upcoming seminar on August 8, 6:00-8:00 PM. This is a hybrid event. You can choose to participate in-person or via Zoom. Space is limited and registration is required.

For questions, please contact Vivian Flanagan, Family Program Coordinator, at vivian@namifoxvalley.org or 920-740-3499.

#### Goals of the Seminar

The seminar is led by trained people with lived experience of supporting a family member with a mental health condition. They will walk you through the following topics:

- Understanding diagnoses, treatment and recovery
- Effective communication strategies
- The importance of self-care
- · Crisis preparation strategies
- NAMI Fox Valley and community resources



## Ask the APRC...

We are excited to start a "question and answer" section in our newsletter! We will share some common questions that our ADRC staff receive. Do you have a question that you would like answered in a newsletter?

If so, please email the us at *adrc@winnebagocountywi.gov* and put in the subject line "Question for the ADRC Newsletter". Your name will remain anonymous.

#### Dear ADRC,

I have been noticing that my mom has been having some memory issues, she has been losing things in the house and repeating herself. What should I do?

Signed, Concerned and Confused

This question will be answered by our Dementia Care Specialist.

#### Dear Concerned and Confused,

This is a common question that many people inquire about. There can be many reasons why a person can have a decline in memory. It is important to observe and ask others that know your mom well to see if they have picked up on any changes. I would keep track of what you are observing and if there are things that she is not doing that are a part of her normal routine. Talk to your mom in a supportive way to find out what she is feeling regarding any changes that she is experiencing. Making her feel supported and that you are in her corner is important because this can be a hard thing for people to talk about. A good first step is to get a memory screen done. This will pick up on any abnormalities with thinking and memory and can be done by the ADRC or a primary care physician (PCP). If the testing indicates that there is an impairment, the next step is to have the PCP rule out if there are any medical issues that are causing the change. There are many things like having a urinary tract infection (UTI), vitamin deficiencies, depression, or an untreated medical condition that can cause a person to have cognitive impairments. If there are no other causes, then the PCP should make a referral to a Neurologist to do further testing. If a person does get a diagnosis of dementia, there are many treatments and programs that offer education, support, and social opportunities to meet others dealing with similar issues. The ADRC is a great place to find out about these programs. Being in charge of your future is important to ensure that people in your life know what really matters to you.

Memory screenings are a free service offered by the ADRC and can be done at the ADRC office or in your home. Our Dementia Care Specialist is available at the following Senior Centers to complete memory screenings and answer questions regarding memory loss, dementia, and caregiving.

#### **OSHKOSH SENIOR CENTER**

200 North Campbell Road
Oshkosh
3rd Thursday of the month
10:30am—Noon
Call to set up your appointment
(920) 232-5300

#### MENASHA SENIOR CENTER

116 Main Street
Menasha
3rd Wednesday of the month
10 am—11:30am
Call to set up your appointment
(920) 967-3530



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#### FOR ARTHRITIS & FALLS PREVENTION

MENASHA SENIOR CENTER - 116 MAIN ST. THURSDAYS, SEPT 7 - NOV 9
1:00 - 2:00 PM

Focusing on improving stability, strength and mental health.

Reduce falls and fear of falling.
Enhance balance and mobility.

Gain serenity through gentle, flowing poses and movements.













In July, our ADRC Specialists experienced the Virtual Dementia Tour at Park View Health Care Center. This tour is designed to help caregivers and family/friends of adults with Dementia better understand how it feels to

have the disease. This tour temporarily alters participants physical and sensory abilities. This is a free program for the community.

Sign up for our next Virtual Dementia Tour

Thursday, August 10th
Time slots from 9am to Noon
Contact the ADRC to register
1-877-886-2372

or follow this link:

https://forms.gle/mfCHdU5owAQwAztc7



Looking for upcoming classes to improve your balance and strength? There are many programs and classes offered in our county designed to reduce falls. Classes can also help improve your mood and

introduce you to new people! Check out the below organizations who offer regular classes:

#### Menasha Senior Center

#920-967-3530

 $https://www.menashawi.gov/departments/senior\_ce\\nter/index.php$ 

#### Oshkosh Senior Center

#920-232-5300

www.ci.oshkosh.wi.us/seniorservices

#### Neenah-Menasha YMCA

#920-729-9622

https://www.ymcafoxcities.org/foreverwell

#### Oshkosh YMCAs

#920-230-8916

www.oshkoshymca.org/programs/seniorprograms/index.html

#### Winnebago County Health Department – Wellness Plus

#920-232-3000

www.co.winnebago.wi.us/health/divisions-programareas/your-health/adult/wellness-plus-healthyaging-classes

#### **Omro Community Center**

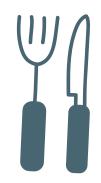
Please call #920-685-0380 for current activities.

Thanks to Ruben from Wagner's Market for presenting at the "Connecting Community Through Food" program at the Downtown Oshkosh YMCA in July!

The Houevos Ranchero brats were a hit!

Please note that there will not be a presenter for the month of August, but this program will resume in September.

Do you have a dish you'd like to share from your culture/heritage, please reach out to, Lindsey McMullins, Program Director at the Oshkosh Community YMCA. You can reach her by calling 920-236-3380 x390 or emailing her at lindseymcmullin@oshkoshymca.org. There is some reimbursement available for food costs.









#### Personal Emergency Response System

A Personal Emergency Response System (PERS) helps an individual get the help they need when they have an emergency. Many have heard them referred to as "Lifelines". This is generally a necklace that an individual can wear around their neck or a band around their wrist. The button on the necklace or wristband is what the individual would press to indicate they need help. There are multiple agencies that offer this kind of support. Some agencies also offer things like GPS tracking, fall detection (hard falls), medication reminders and more. Some systems require landlines, and some can run off signals from cell towers. If you would like a list of agencies that offer this service, please call the ADRC or visit our website and look under the "Resource Library" or visit:

www.co.winnebago.wi.us/adrc/resourcelibrary/personalemergency-response-systems



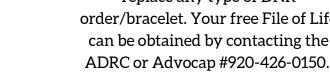
#### File of Life

File of Life is another way to communicate to medical responders in the event of any emergency. This tool can let them know an individual's name, date of birth. medications, allergies, medical history, doctor, emergency contact person, etc... This information is listed in a packet (like shown to the R) and placed on the front of the refrigerator. It is important to make sure that this is kept up to date. Please note that this does not replace any type of DNR order/bracelet. Your free File of Life can be obtained by contacting the









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AUGUST 2-6, 2023 OSHKOSH, WISCONSIN





Team: "For the Cure" EDATE: Monday, August 28th TIME: 4:00-8:00PM

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LOCATION: 1051 S. Washburn St. Oshkosh



PIZZA RANCH WILL DONATE 10 %
of your quest check to the designated organization.

## MEMORY CAFÉ Monday August 14 10-11:30am

10-11:30am

A horse experience for adults with dementia & their caregivers





#### EMPOWERED CARE PARTNERS!

Education for Individuals Caring for a Loved One with a Memory Disorder

- · Learn communication approaches and strategies
- Receive practical tips and information
- Problem-solve solutions for those tough situations
- Facilitated by a Licensed Clinical Social Worker who specializes in Memory Disorders

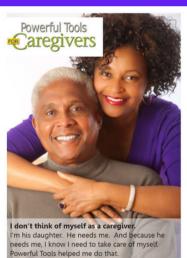
#### 2<sup>ND</sup> AND 4<sup>TH</sup> TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH/1:30-3:00

(8 SESSIONS: BEGINNING AUGUST 8, 2023)

NEUROSCIENCE GROUP, 1305 W. AMERICAN DRIVE, NEENAH

Registration is required for this free series. Contact Julie Feil, MSW, LCSW (920) 725-9373 ext. 6850 for more information and to register. Book and materials included





#### There's a Powerful Tools for Caregivers workshop starting soon near you!

Mondays September 18th to October 23rd 2023

Oshkosh Public Library

106 Washington Avenue

To register and for more information

Contact: Alisa Richetti @ 920-236-1227

arichetti@winnebagocountywi.gov

If you need for respite for your loved one to attend this workshop please contact Alisa

Registration deadline is September 15th



#### Caregiving is rewarding.

#### But it can be challenging too.

Caring for someone with an injury or illness — such as dementia, cancer, heart disease, Parkinson's disease, stroke or others — can be physically, emotionally and financially demanding.

#### Taking care of yourself is important.

Powerful Tools for Caregivers (PTC) can show you the way!

#### What is Powerful Tools for Caregivers? And why should I take it?

Powerful Tools focuses on **your** well-being. The class meets once a week for six weeks and has been studied and shown to help family caregivers:

- · Reduce stress, guilt, anger, and depression and improve emotional well-being
- · Manage time, set goals, and solve problems
- · Master caregiving transitions and be part of decision-making
- Communicate effectively with the person needing care, family members, doctors, and other helpers
- · Find and use community resources





ALZHEIMER'S () ASSOCIATION

Save the Dates:

Oshkosh Walk is on Saturday, September 23rd at the Lakeshore Park Pavilion

Fox Cities Walk is on Sunday, October 8th at the Fox Cities Stadium in Appleton

Walk details found on alz.org

### <u>August Memory Cafe's</u>



Memory Cafe's welcome people experiencing memory loss, along with family and friends who love and care for them. Participants get involved in activities, learning, music, conversation, laughter, fun and also enjoy refreshments. For more information and other cafe' locations throughout the Fox Valley contact the Fox Valley Memory Project at <a href="https://www.foxvalleymemoryproject.org">www.foxvalleymemoryproject.org</a>

#### Menasha

Elisha D. Smith Public Library, Location at Smith Park - 301 Park Street, Menasha

Wednesday, August 16th -1:30pm-3pm

Join us at Smith Park with the NewVoices Choir. Let's enjoy some music, fun and treats in the park together!

#### <u>Neenah</u>

Neenah Public Library, Location at Valley VNA - 1535 Lyon Drive, Neenah

Monday, August 21st -1:30pm-3pm

The Rickshaw drivers will take participants on a short tour of Neenah, plus more activities!

#### **Oshkosh**

#### Oshkosh Public Library, 106 Washington Avenue, Oshkosh - August 9th -1:30pm-3pm

Moving with Fusion Stephanie Pereria da Silva will introduce us to safe exercises for movement and flexibility.

#### Oshkosh YMCA, 3303 W 20th Avenue, Oshkosh - Monday, August 28th - 1:30pm -3pm

'Dog Days of Summer' - We'll be doing all things dogs! If you are or have been a dog owner, bring a picture of your dog(s) and we'll share about our dogs. We'll play some dog themed games, have a 'doggy bark along', enjoy a dogthemed snack and maybe even have a visit from a therapy dog.

#### **BEAMING INC.**

#### BEAMING Barn, 2692 County Road GG, Neenah - Monday, August 14th - 10am-11:30am

Equine-assisted memory cafe's for seniors with memory loss and their caregivers to enjoy the horses and other interactive activities. To register call 920-851-6160 or email incheaming@gmail.com



## **Contact Us!**

Hours:

Monday - Friday- 8am-4:30pm (after hour appts available upon request) Like us on Facebook! Phone: 877-886-2372

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