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STATE OF WI: BOARD ON AGING & LONG-TERM CARE



Wisconsin has a premier agency that supports Resident Rights for Long-Term Care residents and helps consumers make informed insurance decisions. The Board on Aging and Long-Term care advocates for residents living in Long Term Care Communities.

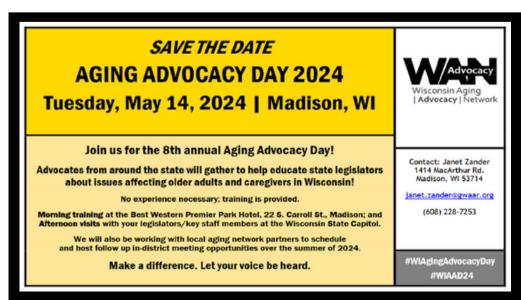
This agency supports residents in both Skilled Nursing Homes and Assisted Living communities through the Regional Ombudsman Program and Volunteer Ombudsman Program. They also offer the Medigap Insurance Help Line as part of the State Health Insurance and Assistance Program. Licensed Insurance professionals are available to help with your insurance concerns for no cost.

In 2023 the Board on Aging and Long-Term Care received a grant to develop a Volunteer Advocate Program for Assisted Living Communities. With the increase of Assisted Living Communities in Winnebago County we are recruiting Volunteer Advocates to contribute 1 or 2 hours a week to support residents and families with concerns they may have regarding their rights in Assisted Living Communities.

Listening to residents' voices, we honor their lives, experiences and wisdom and we treat residents with dignity and respect. The Board on Aging and Long Term Care is reaching out to those who might wish to become an advocate for individuals residing in Assisted Living Communities.

If you would like to become a
Volunteer Advocate, call our tollfree line at 1-800-815-0015
or Kim at 920-366-4201, email
kim.verstegen@wisconsin.gov
or visit
longtermcare.wi.gov

Make a difference in your community!



Calendar Contact Information					
FVMP Memory Cafe's Lunch Bunch	Fox Valley Memory Project (FVMP) (920) 225-1711 info@foxvalleymemoryproject.org Alisa Richetti (920) 236-1227 Arichetti@winnebagocountywi.gov Paine Art Center, Oshkosh (920) 235-6903 Bergstrom Mahler Museum, Neenah (920) 751-4658 The Trout Museum, Appleton (920) 733-4089				
Memory Screens at the Senior Centers Virtual Dementia Tour					
SPARK!					
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	jkotajarvi@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@menashawi.gov				
Lyrics and Laughter	Valley VNA (920) 727-5555				

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Alternatives to ACP Program

The Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) funds are projected to run out in April 2024.

Here are some alternative internet options:

Spectrum Internet Assist is "an affordable, reliable Internet option for low-income households." Limited bandwidth, 50 megabytes of download (Standard is 300), and 10 of upload. Prices are estimated at \$24.99 if you bring your own Router, or \$32.99 with a Router provided by Spectrum. To qualify for Spectrum Internet Assist, you must be receiving at least one of the following programs:

- National School Lunch Program (NSLP)
- Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) of the NSLP
- Supplemental Security Income (for applications age 65+ only)

Click here to apply!

Access from AT&T is "a low cost home internet service available to eligible limited income AT&T Internet and AT&T Fiber households". Access from AT&T has a standard cost of \$30.00 per month, but based on the application you may be approved for a lower price. If you already have ACP, Access from AT&T may be free. To qualify for Access from AT&T, you must be receiving at least one of the following programs*:

- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
- National School Lunch Program (NSLP)
- Have a household income below 200% of federal poverty guidelines.

Click here to apply!



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	I Memory Care Respite Neenah 1:30-3:30pm Winnebago County Human Services Board Meeting 3pm	Awareness Day	3 FVMP Oshkosh YMCA Memory Cafe 1:30pm Lyrics and Laughter Valley VNA 1:30pm-2:30pm	4	5 Lunch Bunch The Mineshaft Oshkosh 11:00am	6 Oshkosh Farmer's Market Oshkosh Convention Center 9am-12:30pm
7	SPARK! Trout Art Museum 1pm Memory Care Respite Neenah 1:30-3:30pm BEAMING INC. Memory Cafe 1:30pm ADRC Committee Meeting 3pm	"Welcome to Medicare" Presentation * Neenah Human Services 10am SPARK! Bergstrom Mahler Museum 10:30am Virtual Dementia Tour Parkview Health Care Center 1:30-4:30pm Registration required	10 Lyrics and Laughter Valley VNA 1:30pm-2:30pm	11	Menasha Committee on Aging 1:30pm	13
14	15 Fair Housing: Do You Know The Law? * Oshkosh Library 3pm-5pm	16 Memory Screening Menasha Senior Center 8:30am-10:00am	17 FVMP Oshkosh Traveling Memory Cafe 1:30pm Planet Purrrk Cat Room Pizza & Movie: Rio Bravo * Neenah/Menasha YMCA 1pm	Memory Screening Oshkosh Senior Center	19	20 Oshkosh Farmer's Market Oshkosh Arena 9am-12:30pm
21	22 FVMP Memory Cafe Neenah Library 1:30pm	23 Memory Care Respite Oshkosh 1:30-3:30pm FVMP Memory Cafe Menasha Senior Center 1:30pm	Pole Walking Workshop * Downtown YMCA, Oshkosh 9:30am-10:30am SPARK! The Paine Art Center 1pm	25	26	27
2.8	29	30 Pickleball Safety Workshop * 20th Ave YMCA, Oshkosh Ipm-1:30pm	1 State St Center Craft Fair * 206 State St, Oshkosh 11am-2pm			

^{*}An asterisk indicates there is more to read about this event in this newsletter.





CONNECTING COMMUNITY THROUGH FOOD

Join us on April 2nd for a meat lollipop!
This is a pork belly wrapped around bacon and onion.

















Food often reflects our cultures and ethnicities. By sharing food and our culture with one another, we connect as humans and learn more about one another's experiences. Sharing of food provides us greater opportunities to hold space for all to explore and share at the table.

JOIN US every month with a new special guest to learn more about a culture and their traditions, customs, and recipes! Come with an appetite and open mind and leave educated and with a new cultural recipe.

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH:



DIVERSITY + FOOD + COMMUNITY

THE FIRST TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH
Downtown Y • Teaching Kitchen • 11 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

- January 9
- May 7
- February 6
- June 4
- March 5
- July 2
- April 2

FREE AND OPEN TO ALL! Stop in any time to sample a dish

from a different country.

Email Lindsey McMullin at <u>lindseymcmullin@oshkoshymca.org</u> to find out what is on the menu or to present and share a cultural dish or meal of your own!

Pre-registration is required. Sign up at the Front Desk of either location, call 920–236–3380, or register ONLINE!

OSHKOSH COMMUNITY YMCA • www.oshkoshymca.org Downtown • 236-3380 • 324 Washington Avenue

World Autism Awareness Month

The Autism Society of Greater
Wisconsin's Annual Conference is
being held April 25th-27th. This is the
biggest Autism-related conference in
Wisconsin. Their conference brings
the Autism community together to
learn, connect, and belong. It's a place
where adults with Autism, parents
and family members, and
professionals come to share
experiences and learn together.
Registration deadline is APRIL 3rd.
Visit this website to learn more about
the event:

autismgreaterwi.org/2024annual-conference

To learn more about Autism and the Autism Society of WI, visit:

autismgreaterwi.org





No Bake Energy Bites

- 1 cup old-fashioned oats
- 2/3 cup toasted shredded coconut (sweetened or unsweetened)
- 1/2 cup creamy peanut butter
- 1/2 cup ground flaxseed
- 1/2 cup semisweet chocolate chips (or vegan chocolate chips)
- 1/3 cup honey
- 1 tablespoon chia seeds (optional)
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1. Stir everything together. Stir all ingredients together in a large mixing bowl until thoroughly combined.
- 2. Chill. Cover the mixing bowl and chill in the refrigerator for 1-2 hours, or until the mixture is chilled.
- 3. Roll into balls. Roll into mixture into 1-inch balls.
- 4. Serve. Then enjoy immediately! Or refrigerate in a sealed container for up to 1 week, or freeze for up to 3 months.

*If you have trouble getting the energy balls to hold together, add more peanut butter to make the mixture a bit more sticky.



Ask the ADRC....

Do you have a question that you would like answered in the newsletter? If so, please email us at adrc@winnebagocountywi.gov and put in the subject line "Question for the ADRC Newsletter". Your name will remain anonymous.

Dear ADRC,

Are there any programs to have meals delivered to my apartment? I live alone. I am 79 years young. It's getting hard to leave my apartment now that I've had a fall trying to get out of my front door. I'm not good at doing anything on the computer either. I'm on a fixed income.

Signed,

Hungry Harold

This question will be answered by an ADRC Specialist.

Dear Hungry Harold,

There are some meal delivery options available for you. There are agencies that can deliver hot, prepared meals if you meet their eligibility criteria as well as companies that deliver frozen or refrigerated meals that are easy to heat up in the microwave.

Advocap is an agency in Winnebago County that provides older adults with the opportunity to receive lunchtime meals delivered right to their door if they meet eligibility criteria. Meals are delivered during lunchtime - Monday through Friday

Criteria for eligibility includes:

- The individual must live in Winnebago County.
- Must be 60 years of age or older who is frail and essentially homebound by reason of illness, disability, or isolation.
- Are unable to participate in the congregate meals program because of physical or emotional limitations.
- Are an underage, disabled individual who resides in elderly or disabled housing where meals are provided.
- Are the spouse or domestic partner of a person eligible for home delivered meals and his/her participation is in the best interest of the homebound older individual.
- Are an underage, disabled individual who resides at home with an eligible older individual participating in the program.

You can contact Advocap at 920-725-2791. The assessment for eligibility for meal delivery can be done over the phone or in person.

For those that live within the city limits of Neenah and Menasha (with a few exceptions), the Valley VNA-Meal Delivery program also delivers mid-day meals. There is a small cost for the meal that is under \$6.00 a meal. They may be able to accommodate special diets such as low sodium, renal friendly, diabetic etc. Meals are delivered during lunchtime - Monday through Friday. You can call to check if there is meal delivery availability in your area at 920-727-5555.

Another option might be getting prepared frozen or refrigerated meals delivered that can then be heated up. Check with your health insurance company to see if these types of meals are covered by your health insurance plan. Some companies that deliver frozen or refrigerated meals are Homestyle Direct, Mom's Meals, Eat Flavorly, Magic Kitchen and several others. There is a delivery charge for these agencies for the delivery.

*Homestyle Direct-\$9.95 each. Can microwave or cook the meals in the oven to heat. Have cancer support meals, diabetes specialized, gluten restricted, heart healthy and renal friendly options. 1-866-735-0921

*Mom's Meals- \$7.99-8.99 each. Discount for auto ship orders. Can remain for 14 days in the refrigerator. Can deliver 14 meals every other week. 1-866-971-6667

Signed,

ADRC of Winnebago County



WEDNESDAYS • 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Join us for our NEW walking workshops to discover the benefits of this low impact exercise! Andrea Van Dyn Hoven from Care Patrol is experienced in fitting poles and leading dynamic pole walking sessions! If you're looking to increase your cardiovascular activity, want to improve walking posture or improve stability, balance and confidence this workshop is for you.



POLE WALKING WORKSHOPS 20th Ave Y Garden Area

FREE FOR MEMBERS!

20th Avenue • 920-230-8439 • 3303 W. 20th Avenue

\$5/Workshop for Non-Members Please sign up at the Front Desk of either location!

Downtown YMCA Multi-Purpose Room

OSHKOSH COMMUNITY YMCA • www.oshkoshymca.org Downtown • 920-236-3380 • 324 Washington Avenue



April 24 | Downtown

May 29 | 20th Ave

July 31 | 20th Ave

June 26 | Downtown

August 21 | 20th Ave



ENJOY & PLAY PICKLEBALL - SAFELY!

Pickleball is one of the fastest growing sports currently. It is easy to learn and fun to play, but requires balance and agility. Join us and make sure you are on top of your pickleball game!

TUESDAY, APRIL 30 + Noon-1:30 p.m. 20th Avenue • Multi-Purpose Rooms 1 & 2 FREE FOR MEMBERS! \$5 for Non-Members





THANK YOU TO OUR LUNCH SPONSOR senior stride.

Health & Wellness Corner

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 center/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.

State Street Center's Spring Craft Fair

Where: 206 State Street Oshkosh WI

54901

When: Wednesday May 1st 2024

Time: 11am - 2pm

Members will be selling their homemade crafts & gifts.

Cash Only Please





Some of our ADRC staff starting off a Friday right with morning muffins!



Welcome to Medicare

Presented by Winnebago County Elder Benefit Specialists

The Aging and Disability Resource Center of Winnebago County invites you to attend a 'Welcome to Medicare' presentation. Current or future Medicare beneficiaries and their loved ones are invited to join us to learn more about Medicare options and benefits.

Oshkosh

May 16th - 10:00 am July 9th - 2:00 pm September 10th -10:00 am

Neenah

April 9th - 10:00 am June 11th - 2:00 pm August 13th - 10:00 am



To RSVP Call 1-877-886-2372 or email us at adrc@winnebagocountywi.gov



FAIR HOUSING:

Do you know the law?

You're invited to attend a **FREE training seminar** for owners and managers of rental housing in **Oshkosh**:

Monday, April 15, 2024, 3 - 5 p.m.
Oshkosh Public Library, Meeting Rooms A & B
106 Washington Avenue

Seminar topics include:

- · Local, state and federal fair housing laws
- Advertising units in compliance with fair housing law
- · Non-discriminatory negotiation with prospective tenants
- Interacting with current tenants in a fair and legal manner
- Reasonable accommodations and modifications for tenants with disabilities

Visit https://tinyurl.com/OshkoshFHTraining2024 or call 414-278-1240 to register.



This material presented during this seminar is intended for general information purposes only and does not constitute legal advice. Recording of seminars is not permitted.

The Fair Housing Center of Northeast Wisconsin is a satellite office of the Metropolitan Milwaukee Fair Housing Council.

This seminar is supported by funding from the City of Oshkosh Community Development Block Grant Program.

If you need materials in alternate formats or other accommodations to access our services, call 414-278-1240.



NEENAH-MENASHA YMCA

Join us for this film series, "Hollywood Master Directors" presented by Walt

Master Directors" presented by Walt Ulbricht. The next film is based on the short story "Rio Bravo" by B. H. McCampbell, the film stars John Wayne

JOIN US FOR THIS
FREE MOVIE

Pizza compliments of Sammy's Pizza: Neenah

YMCA Members: Free General Public: \$5 per movie

For more information contact: Janice O'Connell, ForeverWell/Membership Specialist 920.702.2319 ioconnell@ymcafoxcities.org





Hospice Care Myths

By the GWAAR Legal Services Team

When people think of the term "hospice," many believe it means a person has given up on life or has just days to live. Many others think hospice is a type of facility, like a hospital or nursing home, that once a person enters they can never leave. However, hospice care is much different. The following are several common hospice care myths and the facts behind them.

Myth: Hospice is for people who have given up.

Fact: Hospice is for patients who are in the last phases of an incurable disease, but instead of focusing on curing an illness or prolonging death, the goal of hospice care is to relieve symptoms and give patients the best quality of life. The purpose of hospice care is to manage pain and other symptoms and to focus on the comfort and dignity of the person. And contrary to popular belief, research shows that in many cases, hospice care increases life expectancy, rather than decreases it.

Myth: Hospice is a place.

Fact: Hospice is rarely an actual location that people go to. Instead, the care almost always is provided where a person lives. Hospice patients are assigned a team of providers, such as a physician, registered nurse, home health aid, social worker, and chaplain. This team regularly checks in with the person, and works together to provide medical, emotional, spiritual and grief support to not only the patient but also their family.

Myth: People on hospice have to stop taking all medications.

Fact: This isn't always true. While it is true that hospice focuses on providing comfort rather than a cure, the decision to stop medication is usually left up to the patient. Depending on where people are in their diseases, it may be best to stop taking a medication that's a source of discomfort, but this is determined on a case-by-case basis. People are able to continue taking medications for pain and symptom control.

Myth: Once you sign up for hospice, there's no turning back.

Fact: Hospice doesn't mean a person is giving up control over their care or the ability to choose who provides it. A person can leave hospice and reapply at any time. For example, if a person on hospice wants to try a new drug trial or experimental therapy, they can always leave hospice and return at a later time, if needed.

Myth: You can only be on hospice for a limited amount of time.

Fact: Eligibility for hospice care requires that two physicians agree that the person has six months or less to live, however, this does not mean a person has to die within six months. If the person lives longer than six months but doctors continue to certify that they're terminally ill, they'll receive hospice care for as long as needed.

For families that have used hospice care for loved ones, nearly all say they wished they'd known about it sooner. You do not have to wait for your doctors to bring it up – it is never too early to ask about hospice and what benefits it could provide.

For more information, visit:

leadingage.org/common-myths-of-hospice-care-debunked

npr.org/2023/12/28/1221648271/hospice-care-mythsjimmy-carter-end-of-life



EVENT FOR COMMUNITY PROFESSIONALS PASSIONATE ABOUT DEMENTIA CARE:





DEMENTIA AND SAFETY PROGRAMS IN THE FOX VALLEY

Presented by:

Dementia Awareness Work Group

and

Sergeant Carrie Peters, Appleton Police Department

Discussing topics such as:

- Police Dementia Response
- Project Safe Response
- · Purple Tube Project
- Programs to promote dementia education and social engagement

May 7 1:30 - 3:00pm

James P. Coughlin Center 625 E. County Road Y Oshkosh, WI 54901



🔀 St. Paul Elder Services, Inc.





A FREE 6 WEEK EVIDENCE-BASED WORKSHOP THAT CAN HELP CAREGIVERS:



- Reduce stress
- Improve self-confidence
- Set goals and problem solve
- · Make tough decisions
- Communicate effectively with family, doctors, and paid caregivers

6 week class held every Monday
May 13th through June 24th
(no class held on Memorial Day)

12:30 - 2:00 pm

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Goodwill Community Campus 1800 Appleton Road, Menasha Respite is available!





Ageless Grace® is an evidence-based seated exercise class that uses 21 simple and playful tools to address primary factors that cause aging in the body, all while stimulating & utilizing the 5 main functions of the brain. It is preventative, restorative AND developmental! Take a class and feel the difference in YOUR life.

Fox Valley Ageless Grace® Class Schedule



Mondays (2nd + 4th of the month) 1-2PM
Ageless Grace® FVTC Riverside Campus, Room 158
150 N. Campbell Rd
Oshkosh, WI 54902
Cost: FREE



Wednesdays (EVERY week) 11:15-Noon Ageless Grace LIGHT

Menasha Senior Center 116 Main Street

Menasha, WI 54952 Cost: \$3



Thursdays (1st + 3rd of the month) 1-2PM

Ageless Grace® Goodwill-Menasha 1800 Appleton Rd. Menasha, WI 54952

Cost: FREE



Fridays (EVERY week) 10-10:40AM

Ageless Grace®

Menasha Senior Center 116 Main Street

Menasha, WI 54952

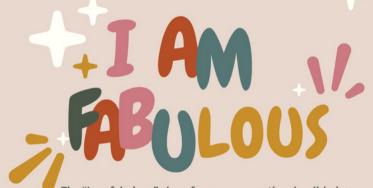
Cost: \$3







Oshkosh Traveling Memory Cafe



The "I am fabulous" class, focuses on emotional well-being.

Demonstration on applying oils to Chakra energy points

throughout the body.

Areas of focus: overwhelmed, self-esteem, clarity & vision, and projection.

Jeanne Gehrke

Owner | Dreams of Jeanne LLC ~ Wellness Advocate





100 CITY CENTER C OSHKOSH WI



ALLERGY Note: This location has cats for customers to love

April Memory Cafe's



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 refreshments. For more information and other cafe' locations throughout the Fox Valley contact the Fox Valley Memory Project at www.foxvalleymemoryproject.org

Menasha

Menasha Senior Center, 116 Main Street, Menasha-Tuesday, April 23rd - 1:30pm-3pm

Laughter Yoga - Come laugh with us! Laughter yoga is a modern exercise that involves prolonged laughter. This technique brings more oxygen to the body and brain and makes us more energetic, reduces stress and blood pressure!

Neenah

Neenah Public Library, 240 E. Wisconsin Avenue, Neenah- Monday, April 8th - 1:30pm-3pm

Ageless Grace with Stacy Parish. She will show us fun ways to move our bodies.

Oshkosh

Traveling Oshkosh Memory Cafe - We will have a different location each month to experience many of the fun things to do in Oshkosh.

Planet Purrrk Cat Room - 100 City Center C, Oshkosh- Wednesday, April 17th - 1:30pm-3pm

The 'I Am Fabulous' class, focuses on emotional well being. Demonstration on applying oils to Chakra energy points throughout the body. Areas of focus: overwhelmed, self-esteem, clarity & vision and projections.

Oshkosh YMCA, 3303 W 20th Avenue, Oshkosh - Wednesday, April 3rd - 1:30pm -3pm

Classic Television Theme Songs - Join us for a walk down memory lane! What were some of your favorite television shows and commercials? We'll share about our favorite shows and commercials, play TV theme song Bingo and enjoy some retro snacks.

BEAMING INC.

BEAMING Barn, 2692 County Road GG, Neenah - Monday, April 8th - 1:30pm-3pm

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 incbeaming@gmail.com

Contact Us!

220 Washington Ave, Oshkosh 211 N. Commercial St, Neenah Email: adrc@winnebagocountywi.gov

Monday - Friday- 8am-4:30pm (after hour appts available upon request) f

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