

WELCOME TO OUR

Senior Spotlight

Volunteer Appreciation Month

We are so grateful for our volunteers! Thank you for all that you do!



"Never be limited by other people's limited imaginations."

- Dr. Mae Jemison

Health and Safety

LOOK IN THIS SECTION OF OUR NEWSLETTER EACH MONTH FOR IMPORTANT HEALTH AND SAFETY TIPS AND COMMUNITY HEALTH-RELATED EVENTS OR RESOURCES SPECIFICALLY FOR SENIORS!

SPRING CLEANING

If you're feeling a little cooped up from winter, spring cleaning is an excellent way to feel good doing something productive and get yourself in the mood for warmer weather!



- Replace air filters
- Check smoke detectors
- Organize medicine cabinet
- Use light storage containers
- Use helpful tools to reduce the risk of falling, like extendable dusters and a standing dustpan
- · Ask for help!



HAVING A PARTICULARLY HARD DAY? FEELING LONELY AND WANT TO TALK?

OR

Reach out to a friend, neighbor, family member, Senior Visitors Program,

Connect with MHAV's Warm Line for a friendly voice and other resources.

WARM LINE 866-400-MHAV (6428)

9 AM to 9 PM (Mon. - Fri.) 5 PM to 9 PM (Sat. - Sun.)

Age Your Way and with the support of people you choose.

Options Counseling can help you with:

- Identifying community supports
- Understanding community supports
- Weighing risks and benefits of each option

Call Us (540) 371-3375





AN UPDATE FROM ONE OF OUR SENIORS

I met Peter and Ashley at one of their favorite places, Bojangles in Spotsylvania. Their genuine smiles and comfortable conversation said volumes about their friendship.

"Ashley is a hard worker. He was a chef for 35 years. For decades he worked two jobs to support his family. He grew up on a farm near Keysville. Really, he is a



social butterfly, and he is always positive, upbeat, and full of energy," says Peter.

Ashley says, "Peter is a fine person. I couldn't ask for a better friend. We enjoy talking about old times, but we talk about the future too." Ashley went on to say, "This program is good for the mind. I lost my wife and that was really hard. [This program and Peter's visits] give me something to look forward to."

When I asked Ashley and Peter if they had a favorite outing together, they both agreed that a fishing trip to Mott's Run just before the pandemic was their favorite. Ashley explained, "We didn't really catch anything, but it was nice to be out in the fresh air fishing. I have always enjoyed fishing."

Peter said, "We are hoping to return to outings soon. Maybe we can go on another fishing trip. My favorite thing about our visits is the conversation. One of our favorite topics is 'it was better in the old days.' Really, we are just two old guys sitting around telling stories."

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March/April Birthdays

BARRY G.	3/2	LUCY M.	3/24	LISA H.	4/13
JUANITA C.	3/4	RICHARD J.	3/31	MONA F.	4/18
COY R.	3/6	VIRGINIA H.	4/2	NANCY B.	4/23
MARY T.	3/13	HATTIE B.	4/3	SUSAN M.	4/23
DAVID M.	3/17	CARL F.	4/3	BETH M.	4/25
DONALD B.	3/23	VERNON B.	4/9	ASHLEY W.	4/27

Community Connection



PROSPER TAX SERVICES

by Rappahannock United Way

TAX PREP FOR FREE!

if your household income was \$80,000 or less in 2022.



FREE TAX SERVICES: JANUARY 23-APRIL 15, 2023

If your household income was \$80,000 or less in 2022, Rappahannock United Way can help you file your taxes for FREE.



DON'T FORGET TO BRING:

- · Income Forms W2s, 1099s (-INT, -DIV, -NEC, -R, -MISC, etc.), plus a list of expenses if self-employed
- . Unemployment Forms 1099-G, if applicable
- Childcare or Dependent Care Information such as providers name, address, tax ID number, and amount paid in 2022, if applicable
- Photo ID for any and all person(s) filing
- · Original Social Security Card for each person filing and all dependents (original documents, no copies)
- Other Tax Related Documents such as interest statements, loan documents, retirement statements, list of charitable contribution deductions, etc.
- Household Health Insurance Coverage Information 1095-A if applicable (must report coverage on 2022 taxes if
 you or a family member were enrolled in the <u>Health Insurance Marketplace</u>, otherwise reporting health insurance
 coverage on 2022 tax returns is not required.)
- Direct Deposit Information to receive your tax refund via Direct Deposit (blank check or Bank name, Account Type Checking or Savings, Routing Number, and Account Number). In the event that you owe the IRS, Direct Debit is also available via this method or you can mail payment to the IRS. Any payment arrangements need to be made with the IRS directly on their website.
- · Married Filing Jointly? Both parties must be present to sign the return prior to filing



TAX SITE TIMES & LOCATIONS:

FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE -NO APPOINTMENTS REQUIRED!

MONDAYS • 3:00PM-7:00PM Howell Library

TUESDAYS • 3:00PM-7:00PM Downtown Fredericksburg Library

WEDNESDAYS • 3:00PM-7:00PM Porter Library THURSDAYS • 3:00PM-7:00PM

Salem Church Library (every other week beginning 1/26/23)

Smoot Library

(every other week beginning 2/2/23)

FRIDAYS • 1:00PM-5:00PM and SATURDAYS • 9:00AM-1:00PM Rappahannock United Way

For more information please visit WWW.RUWFREETAXES.ORG

Please contact Rappahannock United Way directly to request special accommodations.

PHONE: (540) 373-0041 Ext. 319 EMAIL: taxhelp@rappahannockunitedway.org

If you or a loved one are a victim of abuse or suspect abuse, please ask for help!

Call your local law enforcement, adult protective services, or long-term care ombudsman.

Social Services telephone numbers:

Caroline (804) 633-5071 King George (540) 775-7181 Fredericksburg (540) 372-1032 Spotsylvania (540) 507-7898

Stafford (540) 658-8720

Spring Words

Word Search Puzzle

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DAFFODIL GARDEN **BLOSSOM BEES** JUNE MARCH **SHOWERS GROWTH** APRIL BULBS BUDS LADYBUG **CROCUS** IRIS RAINY MUD BUGS TULIP PICNIC

SODUKU SOLUTION FROM THE JAN/FEB NEWSLETTER.

A NEW SODUKU WILL BE PRINTED IN THE NEXT NEWSLETTER!



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