

Laconia Senior Center

May Newsletter

Your Resource for Healthy Aging

2024

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Communities Served:

Belmont ★ Gilford
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Sanbornton
Meredith
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New Hampton

But ALL are welcome!

Hours:

M, T, TH -8:30-2:30 W, F-8:30-1:00pm

Take Out Meals To Go

Monday – Thursday 11:30am-12:30pm

Meals on Wheels

Offered to anyone homebound age 60 or to those who are unable to shop or cook a meal independently.

> Service Link Resource Center 1-866-634-9412 or 528-6945

May is National Blood Pressure Month



Facts About Hypertension

<u>Blood pressure</u> is the pressure of blood pushing against the walls of your arteries. Arteries carry blood from your heart to other parts of your body.

Blood pressure normally rises and falls throughout the day, but it can damage your heart and cause health problems if it stays high for a long time. Hypertension, also called high blood pressure, is blood pressure that is higher than normal.

In 2017, the American College of Cardiology and the American Heart Association published new guidelines for hypertension management and defined high hypertension as a blood pressure at or above 130/80 mmHg. Stage 2 hypertension is defined as a blood pressure at or above 140/90 mmHg. ¹

Blood Pressure Categories:

Blood Pressure Cate- gory	Systolic Blood Pressure		Diastolic Blood Pressure					
Normal	<120 mmHg	and	<80 mmHg					
Elevated	120-129 mmHg	and	<80 mmHg					
Hypertension								
Stage 1	130-139 mmHg	or	80-89 mmHg					
Stage 2	≥140 mmHg	or	≥90 mmHg					

Starting in May, the Laconia Senior Center will be <u>closing at</u>
1:00 on Wednesdays and Fridays.

Thank you!

We are adding another Congregate meal on Tuesdays, starting Tuesday, May 7th at 12:00pm. Come and join us for another meal with friends!

Having hypertension puts you at risk for <u>heart disease</u> and <u>stroke</u>, which are leading causes of death in the United States.²

- In 2021, hypertension was a primary or contributing cause of 691,095 deaths in the United States.²
- Nearly half of adults have hypertension (48.1%, 119.9 million), defined as a systolic blood pressure greater than 130 mmHg or a diastolic blood pressure greater than 80 mmHg or are taking medication for hypertension.³
- About 1 in 4 adults with hypertension have their hypertension under control (22.5%, 27.0 million).³
- About half of adults (45%) with uncontrolled hypertension have a blood pressure of 140/90 mmHg or higher. This includes 37 million U.S. adults.³
- About 34 million adults who are recommended to take medication may need it to be prescribed and to start taking it. Almost two out of three of this group (19 million) have a blood pressure of 140/90 mmHg or higher.

Whatever your age, you can take steps each day to keep your blood pressure in a healthy range.

You can help prevent high blood pressure also called hypertension—by making healthy choices and managing other health conditions you may have.— cdc.gov



We are off to the races! May 2nd-Wear your favorite Kentucky Derby hat or outfit to the Senior center!



Come and Enjoy a wonderful meal provided by our chefs! Every Tuesday and Thursday at 11:30 am at the Laconia Senior Center. Please signup at the center or by calling 603-524-7689 to RSVP. A \$3.00 donation per person is greatly appreciated



Our walking group meets Tuesdays at 1:00pm. The group meets at the Senior Center and walks around the city. Come and give it a try and walk as much as you would like. Weather permitted. We hope to see you there!



The EatingWell Cobb Salad

By: Eating Well Test Kitchen

This Cobb salad recipe is true to the original with all the good stuff-chicken, eggs, bacon, avocado and a tangy dressing. But we cut the saturated fat in half and doubled the amount of healthy monounsaturated fat.

Cook Time: 40 minutes Servings: 4

3 tablespoons white-wine vinegar

2 tablespoons finely minced shallot

1 tablespoon Dijon mustard

1 teaspoon freshly ground pepper

½ teaspoon salt

3 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil

10 cups mixed salad greens

8 ounces shredded cooked chicken breast, (about 1 large breast half; see Tip)

2 large eggs, hard-boiled (see Tip), peeled and chopped

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From your...

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2 medium tomatoes, diced 1 large cucumber, seeded and sliced 2 slices cooked bacon, crumbled1/2 cup crumbled blue Cheese

Directions

Whisk vinegar, shallot, mustard, pepper and salt in a small bowl to combine. Whisk in oil until combined. Place salad greens in a large bowl. Add half of the dressing and toss to coat. Divide the greens among 4 plates. Arrange equal portions of chicken, egg, tomatoes, cucumber, avocado, bacon and blue cheese (if using) on top of the lettuce. Drizzle the salads with the remaining dressing.

Help with your Heating and Electric Costs!

You may be eligible for help with your energy bills. The Fuel Assistance Program will help pay your winter heating bills and the Electric Assistance Program can provide a discount on your electric bill if eligible. Please call the Area Center nearest you for more information or to make an appointment to apply. Home visits and mail-in applications are available for those unable to come in to a center.

Concord Area Center – 603-225-6880 Laconia Area Center – 603-524-5512 Meredith Area Center – 603-279-4096 Franklin Area Center – 603-934-3444 Warner Area Center – 603-456-2207 Suncook Area Center – 603-485-7824



Elder Services Community Action Program, Belknap Merrimack Counties, Inc.

Suzanne Demers, Director, Heather O'Brien, Operations Wellness Manager

	ion to the Meals on Wheels Program in tribute to someone special, or to elebrate a special occasion.		
Name:	In Memory/Honor of		
Address:	(circle one above)		
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Phone # (if we have questions)	Address:		
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MAY 2024 ACTIVITIES

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
*Calendar is subject to change *See other side for Thursday's Congregate meal menu	Lucau	1 9-9:45 am- Strength and Balance with Jena 10:00am- Men's only coffee hour	2 Wear your Kentucky derby hat day! 10-11:15am: Fraud prevention with Meredith Village Savings Bank 11:30am- Congregate	3 9-9:45 am- Strength and Balance with Jena 10:45-11:15am: Chair Yoga with Russ
6 10-11:00am-Foot and Blood pressure Clinic – Granite VNA *By Appointment* 10-12:00pm – Corn Hole 1:00pm – Walking Group	7 <u>9-10:00am</u> – Ping Pong <u>9:30-11:30am</u> - Bingo <u>11:45</u> Congregate	8 9-9:45 am- Strength and Balance with Jena 10-11:00am- Activities committee meeting	9 9:30-10:30am- Mother's Day Brunch 11:30am-Congregate meal	10 9-9:45 am- Strength and Balance with Jena 11:00- cooking 10:45-11:15am: Chair Yoga with Russ
13 <u>10-12:00pm</u> – Corn Hole <u>9-12:00pm</u> – Board Games <u>1:00pm</u> – Walking Group	14 <u>9-10:00am</u> – Ping Pong <u>9:30-11:30am</u> - Bingo <u>11:45</u> Congregate	15 9-9:45 am- Strength and Balance with Jena 11am-12:00-National Chocolate Chip Cookie Day- bring your favorite recipe to share	16 10:30-11:30- Franklin VNA blood pressure clinic 10:00- Strategic Caring Solutions Talk 11:30am-Congregate meal	17 9-9:45 am- Strength and Balance with Jena 10:45-11:15am: Chair Yoga with Russ
20 <u>10-12:00pm</u> – Corn Hole <u>9-12:00pm</u> – Board Games <u>1:00pm</u> – Walking Group	21 <u>9-10:00am</u> Ping Pong <u>9:30-11:30am</u> Bingo <u>11:45</u> Congregate	9-9:45 am- Strength and Balance with Jena 10:00am- Artfully Aging Art class with Partnership for Public Health	23 10:00am- Book club and swap <u>11:30am</u> -Congregate meal	24 9-9:45 am- Strength and Balance with Jena 10:45-11:15am: Chair Yoga with Russ
The center is closed for the holiday.	28 9-10:00am Ping Pong 9:30-11:30am Bingo 11:45 Congregate	29 9-9:45 am- Strength and Balance with Jena 10am-12:00- Corn hole games	30 11:30am-Congregate meal 12:30pm- May birthday celebration	31 9-9:45 am- Strength and Balance with Jena 10:45-11:15am: Chair Yoga with Russ



LACONIA SENIOR CENTER

MAY 2024 MOW MENU

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
		1	2	3
*=low sodium meals FOOD ALLERGY NOTICE: P advised that our food may con ingredients: Milk, Eggs, Whe	tain these	*Ground beef Patty w/ mushroom gravy Grilled Chicken		Scrambled Eggs
6	7	8	9	10
Sweet and sour meatballs Chicken tenders		*Ground beef patty w/mushroom gravy Chicken Provencal		Meatballs and Marinara
13	14	15	16	17
*Chicken Lasagna		* Chicken Paprikash		* Orange chicken
* Beef steak w/ Stroganoff Sauce		Beef and Pork meatloaf		
20	21	22	23	24
Baked beans and Hot dogs French toast, eggs and sausage		*Ground beef patty w/ Port Jus * Turkey A La king		Buttermilk pancakes * Pork w/ applesauce * Thai style coconut curry chicken
27	28	29	30	31
AGENCY CLOSED Memorial Day		Grilled Chicken w/Teriyaki sauce Sweet and sour meatballs		Scrambled eggs