

# SENIOR CITIZEN'S ROUNDTABLE NEWS

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# SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 6, 2014 NOON—3PM

# GREENE MEDICAL ARTS CENTER 159 JEFFERSON HEIGHTS, CATSKILL



# **Attention Coxsackie-Athens Seniors:**

# **HELPING HANDS**

Greene County Department of Human Servicesø Senior Angels have teamed up with the Coxsackie - Athens Rotary Club to get the õHELPING HANDSö program back up and running again.

If you need some minor repairs done around the home (i.e.: changing light bulbs, changing screens to storm windows, or any other minor repairs), please let Greene County Human Servicesø Senior Angels know.

For further information, call 719-3555 and ask for the Helping Hands Coordinator.

<u>Note:</u> Large jobs requiring a contractor (i.e.: new roof, new deck or new fencing) will not be considered.



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The office is open 8:30am - 5pm Monday thru Friday, with the exception of July & August (4:30pm). Agency staff specialize in a variety of subjects. While walk-ins can sometimes be seen, staff who can best assist you may be unavailable. We recommend you call ahead for an appointment.

#### TO SUBSCRIBE

To receive electronically, please email aging@discovergreene.com with your name & email address **US Postal delivery:** Please contact the address/phone number above.

#### TO ADVERTISE:

To help defray costs of publishing, the RoundTable News will accept paid advertisements. For further information, contact Ken at 719-3555.

Greene County Department of Human Services operates the Rivertown Senior Center in Athens, as well as Senior Nutrition Sites throughout the county:

\* Rivertown Senior Citizens Center

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\* Jewett Senior Service Site

Jewett Municipal Building Route 23C, Jewett (518) 263-4392 Staff: Gayle Ruvolo, Cook MaryAnn Brink

#### **CONGREGATE MEALS**

Each site serves a hot noon-time lunch, Monday - Friday for a suggested donation of \$3.00. They are closed on legal holidays and inclement weather.

All congregate meals include:

Meat or Alternative Entrée Vegetables & Fruit Bread & Milk Dessert We ask that you call at least one day ahead to make sure you are included in the lunch count.



Please consider a contribution to the Greene **County Aging** Services Foundation

# **Seniors Helping Seniors**

The Greene County Aging Services Foundation, Inc. raises funds to support some of the essential programs of the Department of Human Services.

The Foundation reimburses the kind, generous volunteers who transport local seniors to medical appointments. With cutbacks at all levels of government and the costs associated with Hurricane Irene, the County is in need of our support more than ever.

Volunteers provide this essential benefit out of goodness of their hearts, but very few of these wonderful people can afford to carry out this effort without some reimbursement for vehicle costs.

We, as seniors, recognize the value that such programs bring to our communities. Let us remember that many of our loved ones, friends and families have received personal benefits from this important service.

\$5 Senior Friend	\$10 Senior Supporter
\$20 Senior Benefactor	\$50 Senior Patron
Other	\$50 Semor Patron

Please make checks payable to the Greene County Aging Services Foundation Inc., and mail to the Foundation c/o Department of Human Services, 411 Main Street, Catskill, NY 12414

# GREENE COUNTY SENIOR SERVICE CENTERS

# ACRA SENIOR SERVICE CENTER 622-9898



Acra Community Center Old Route 23B, Acra

Aging Information & Assistance: 2nd monthly Wednesday, 11 am

Cairo Crafters: 1st & 3rd monthly Wednesday 1 pm

# COXSACKIE SENIOR SERVICE CENTER 731-8901



# Town of Coxsackie Sr. Center 127 Mansion St., Coxsackie

Aging Information & Assistance: 3rd monthly Mon, 11 am

Genealogy class: Mon/Wed 10:30am,

Blood Pressure: 2nd Mon., 11 am Exercise Class: Tues/Thurs 10:30 am

Knitting: Tuesday, 11am

Line Dancing: Friday, 10am

# JEWETT SENIOR SERVICE CENTER 263-4392



# Jewett Municipal Building Route 23C, Jewett

Aging Information & Assistance: 4th monthly Fri - 11 am

Blood Pressure: 2nd monthly Tues - 11am

# **CATSKILL SENIOR NUTRITION SITE**



# Washington Irving Senior Center 15 Academy Street, Catskill 943-1343

Aging Information & Assistance 2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs of month, 11am

#### **CENTER ACTIVITIES**

Sponsored by Town of Catskill

\* **Mon:** Crafters - 1 pm

\* Tues: Line Dancing - 10:30 am

Weight Watchers - 11am Cards & Games - 1 pm

\* Wed: Water Colors - 10am

BINGO - 10:30 am Movie of Week - 1pm

\* Fri: Exercise Class - 11 am



# RIVERTOWN SENIOR CENTER 945-2700

# 2nd & Warren St. Athens

Aging Information & Assistance  $2^{nd}$  Mon of month, 11am

1st Mon. of month - õMovie Timeö - 12:30

Tuesday & Friday: Exercise 11:00 ó 11:30

2nd & 4th Tues. of month: Crafters 1pm ó 2pm

Wednesday: Certified Zumba Gold classes, 10am Karaoke 10:30 ó 11:00

Thursday: Cards, Games, Billiards 1:00 - done 3rd Thursday, 11am: Blood Pressure Screening

Friday: Group games (õMind Your Mindö, õName That Tuneö, etc.) 11:30 ó lunchtime

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# **GREENE COUNTY NUTRITION PROGRAM**

# ALL PERSONS OVER AGE 60 CAN ATTEND LUNCH at ANY SITE SUGGESTED DONATION: \$3.00

All meals include Bread with Promise spread; Milk; Coffee and Tea

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
Sерт 1 - 5	ALL SENIOR SER-VICE CENTERS CLOSED  NO MEALS SERVED or DE-LIVERED	BRATWURST w/SAUERKRAUT Low-Salt Diet Subst BAKED BEANS OLD FASHIONED MIXED VEGETABLES PINEAPPLE JUICE APPLESAUCE & COOKIES Diet Dessert Subst	BEEF STEW GREEN BEANS ORANGE BLOSSOM PUDDING Diet Dessert Subst	BAKED CHICKEN QUARTERS w/Gravy & Cranberry Sauce BRUSSEL SPROUTS WHIPPED POTATOES DINNER ROLL BROWNIE Diet Dessert Subst	CHEESE LASAGNA SPINACH TOSSED GREEN SALAD FRESH SEASONAL FRUIT		
SEPT 8 - 12	CHICKEN CHOW MEIN over Rice PEAS & CARROTS TROPICAL FRUIT	BAKED ZITI OLD FASHIONED MIXED VEGGIES MANDARIN OR- ANGES	ROAST PORK w/Gravy SWEET & SOUR CABBAGE OVEN ROASTED POTATOES WINTER SQUASH BIRTHDAY CAKE Diet Dessert Subst	MEATLOAF w/Gravy MASHEDPOTATOES BRUSSEL SPROUTS APRICOTS  9.01	CHICKEN & BISCUITS WHIPPED POTATOES BROCCOLI SEASONAL FRUIT		
SEPT 15 - 19	MACARONI & CHEESE STEWED TOMATOES 3-BEAN SALAD CRANBERRY JUICE APRICOTS	LEMON PEPPER FISH EXCALLOPED POTATOES CALIFORNIA MIXED VEGETABLES TROPICAL FRUIT	CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE Low-Salt Diet Subst PARSLEY POTATOES SLICED CARROTS CHOCOLATE PUDDING w/Whipped Topping Diet Dessert Subst	SWEDISH MEATBALLS over Egg Noodles OLD FASHIONED MIX VEGETABLES ORANGE JUICE APPLE CRISP Diet Dessert Subst	CHICKEN JAMBALAYA  MEXICALI  VEGETABLES  CORNBREAD  FRESH SEASONAL  FRUIT		
SEPT 22 - 26	CHICKEN PARMESAN ROTINI in Tomato Sauce ITALIAN MIXED VEGETABLES TROPICAL FRUIT	SHEPHERD'S PIE BROCCOLI MANDARIN ORANGES Diet Dessert Subst	PORK CHOP w/Gravy SAUERKRAUT FRESH SWEET POTATOES CAULIFLOWER PARMESAN OATMEAL RAISIN COOKIE Diet Dessert Subst	SALISBURY STEAK w/Gravy SCALLOPED POTATOES GREEN & WAXED BEANS w/BABY CARROTS STRAWBERRIES, PINEAPPLE & BANANNA in JELL-O	ROAST TURKEY w/Gravy & Cranberry Sauce STUFFING WHIPPED POTATOES CALIFORNIA MIXED VEGETABLES FRESH SEASONAL FRUIT		
SEPT 29 - 30	CHICKEN DIJON RICE PILAF SPINACH ORANGE JUICE PEACHES	BROCCOLI CHEESE FISH FILET w/Tartar Sauce SCALLOPED POTATOES OLD FASHIONED VEGETABLE MIX ORANGE JUICE PEACHES	In Memory of the innocent victims who died September 11, 2001				



# SEPTEMBER: NATIONAL BREAKFAST MONTH



For many people, breakfast is a low priority or not one at all. If you think you are saving time or cutting calories by skipping breakfast, think again. Making a healthy breakfast a part of your morning can help get you on track to make healthier choices throughout the day, increase your physical activity, and help curb overindulging on convenience foods and overeating at lunch. A healthy breakfast replenishes your body and can have a positive impact on your general health. Check out these tips on why a healthy breakfast is important and how to make it happen.

#### **Skipping Breakfast and Weight Gain**

• Skipping breakfast may increase your chances for weight gain as it may leave you feeling famished - leaving the door open for temptations such as candy, chips and other foods

# **Health Benefits of Breakfast**

- Research shows that those who eat breakfast regularly are more likely to have a healthier overall diet.
- Having a nutrient-packed start in the day gives you energy to perform better, both mentally and physically.
- ☼ Breakfast is one of the best times to eat whole grains, fruits and milk three of the food groups encouraged by the new Dietary Guidelines.
- Healthy options include whole grains (oatmeal, whole grain cereals and breads), low-fat protein (peanut butter, lean slices of meat), low-fat dairy (milk, cheeses or yogurt), and fruits and vegetables (fresh or frozen or 100% juices)

#### **Some Healthy Breakfast Ideas**

- \* Small whole wheat bagel with peanut butter, a banan and a glass of skim or low-fat milk
- \* Fresh pineapple chunks mixed with low-fat cottage cheese & a slice of whole-wheat toast
- \* Oatmeal, a whole-grain or bran cereal with skim or low-fat milk topped with dried or fresh fruit, chopped nuts and/or a sprinkle of brown sugar
- \* An egg-white omelet, loaded with peppers & low-fat cheddar cheese, with turkey bacon on a whole grain English muffin

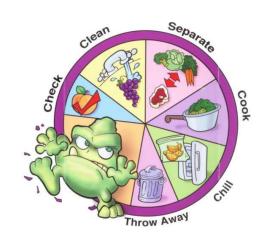
If you are one of the many people who skip breakfast, start eating breakfast this month and make it a routine. Plan ahead to eat breakfast to save time in the morning.

## SEPTEMBER: NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH

## **Are You Equipped for a Healthy Feast?**

With the holidays quicly approaching, will you soon be planning a big meal or family buffet? Use the Kitchen Safety Checklist from www.HomeFoodSafety.org to make sure your kitchen is prepared with the tools and resources you need to be safe before the big day.

- ☆ Two cutting boards: Keep one for raw meats and seafood and the other for ready-to-eat foods.
- ☆ Food thermometer and cooking temperature guide: Ensure foods have reached the safe minimum internal temperature with a food thermometer.
- ☆ Shallow containers: Store leftovers in shallow, covered containers to reduce their temperatures faster and help them stay safer longer.
- Soap: Have plenty of soap nearby so everyone helping in the kitchen can wash their hands thoroughly before and after handling foods. While lathering up, sing two choruses of õHappy Birthdayö to make sure you wash your hands for 20 seconds.
- ☆ Paper towels: Sponges and kitchen towels soak up bacteria and cross-contaminate kitchen surfaces and hands. When a crowd is coming over and food prep gets hectic, it can be better to use disposable paper towels.
- ★ Keep It Cool: Food storage chart: Find the shelf-life of leftovers at HomeFoodSafety.org





On Tuesday, June 24, the Coxsackie Senior Nutrition Site hosted a Tie-Dye Day. At that time, the seniors in attendance tie-dyed various shirts, shorts, socks and whatever. All enjoyed the time and look forward to doing again.



Mon. Sept. 22 Tues. Sept. 23 Wed. Sept. 24 Thurs. Sept. 25 Town of Coxsackie Senior Center Rivertown Senior Center, Athens Jewett Municipal Building Acra Community Center

All clinics will run from 9:30am - 11:30am

Any senior citizen wishing to stay for lunch after the clinic is invited to do so.

Kindly call the appropriate Senior Nutrition site at the above location at least a day in advance

Rivertown: 945-2700 Acra: 622-9898 Coxsackie: 731-8091 Jewett: 263-4392

#### FALLS PREVENTION AWARENESS DAY

The 7th annual Falls Prevention Awareness Day will be observed on September 23, 2014ô the first day of fall. This year® theme, *Strong Today, Falls Free*® *Tomorrow*, seeks to raise awareness about how to prevent fall-related injuries among older adults. Greene County Department of Human Services will be sponsoring informational sessions on what seniors should do tp prevent being the victim of a fall. Dates for the sessions have yet to be finalized so watch for further information posted at your favorite nutrition site.



#### **GREENE COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS:**

GREENE COUNTY DEPARTMENT
of HUMAN SERVICES
IS DOING A TRIAL EXPERIMENT
& WANTS YOUR SUPPORT

Effective September 2014, the Hamlet Bus service of Greene County Department of Human Services will be undergoing some route changes.

NEW ROUTES! LUNCH AT LOCAL CENTER!

If response is favorable - will become permanent

MONDAY: Mountaintop (Jewett, Windham, Hunter, Ashland & Prattsville)

TUESDAY: Cairo/Catskill

WEDNESDAY: Athens/Coxsackie

THURSDAY: Greenville

We ask that you call at least one (1) business day in advance to make arrangements to be picked up: (518) 719-3559. As the bus is wheelchair accessible and can only hold 16 passengers, it is first come, first served with limit of of 2 wheelchairs. Please specify if you are a wheelchair rider.



# **Volunteers Reap What They Sow**



**Lead With Experience** 

## **ATTENTION VOLUNTEERS:**

Have you had some changes in your home contact information recently?

Maybe a new address?

A new telephone number or cell number?



Please keep your records up-to-date.

If you have had any changes in the above or any contact information we require on file, please contact Ruth Pforte
Greene County Department of Human Services
Volunteer Coordinator
(518) 719-3555

#### **ATTENTION VOLUNTEERS:**

<u>Great news</u> . . . RSVP of Greene County Human Services Department has been selected to participate in a national survey to show the importance of volunteering!

Some volunteers will receive a telephone call from a California research company. If you have Caller ID, it should show *RSVP Volunteer Survey*. You will be asked to answer a few basic questions (gender, age, etc.) and also questions regarding your personal volunteer experience. Please cooperate with the research assistant so they can collect the data needed.

This is a great opportunity to help make the country aware of rural volunteers.





Volunteers are needed to help deliver meals to homebound seniors in Windham and in Coxsackie.

If interested,
please contact Ruth Pforte
Greene County Department of Human Services
Volunteer Coordinator
(518) 719-3555





# 3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL MOUNTAIN TOP SENIOR HEALTH DAY

Sponsored by:
Greene County Department of Human Services RSVP

October 7, 2014 10am – 4pm

Hunter Mountain Ski Bowl
Main Lodge (Colonel's Hall)
Route 23A
Hunter, NY

This is an educational outreach event,
whose mission is
to improve our communities' quality of life
by providing knowledge of resources
& supportive services
that encourage health, safety, and well being.

For more information or to register for a table, please contact Ruth Pforte (518)719-3555

This event is free & open to the general public

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# ATTENTION GREENE COUNTY SENIORS:

## HOME GARBAGE PICK-UP JUST GOT CHEAPER!

NOT JUST FOR ONE MONTH OR TWO BUT YEARS TO COME!

GREENE COUNTY SANITATION
WILL SUPPLY YOU WITH
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CALL GREENE COUNTY SANITATION, 622-3000 FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

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## GREENE COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS CLUBS

#### **ATHENS:**

ATHENS SR. CITIZENS

2nd & 4th Monday, 1:15pm Rivertown Senior Center

#### **CAIRO:**

CAIRO GOLDEN AGERS

2nd & 4th Wednesday, 1:30pm Acra Community Center

# CATSKILL CATSKILL SENIOR FELLOWSHIP

3rd Thursday, 1:00pm Washington Irving Center

#### RIP VAN WINKLE SENIOR CITIZENS

2nd Thursday, 1:00pm Washington Irving Center

# **COXSACKIE:**

BETHANY VILLAGE TENANTS ASSOC.

3rd Wednesday, 1:15pm Van Heest Hall

#### COXSACKIE AREA SRS.

2nd & 4th Wednesday, 1:15pm Van Heest Hall, Bethany Village

#### SR. CITIZENS of COXSACKIE

1st & 3rd Monday, 1:30pm Coxsackie Center

# GREENVILLE:

GREENVILLE GOLDEN YEARS

1st Wednesday, 1:30pm American Legion Hall

# **MOUNTAIN-TOP:**

MTN. TOP GOLDEN AGERS

4th Thursday, 1:30pm Tannersville Village Hall

## W-A-J-P-L GOLDEN AGERS

1st & 3rd Monday, 1:30pm Hensonville Town Bldg.

