





PEABODY COUNCIL ON AGING Peter A. Torigian Senior Center 79 Central Street, Peabody, MA 01960 Monday-Friday 8:00AM - 3:00PM Ph: (978) 531-2254 / Fax: (978) 531-7176 www.peabodycoa.org / Find us on Facebook!



Live Peabody An Age Friendly Community

Carolyn Wynn, Director Edward A. Bettencourt, Jr., Mayor

SAVE THE DATE! Mayor Bettencourt's 9th Annual "Senior Day" at Brooksby Farm

Wednesday, September 13th: 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

Be sure to mark your calendars!



Join Peabody's Team Bill and walk in downtown Peabody act.alz.org/goto/TeamBill Sunday, October 1, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. Downtown Peabody 10:00—The Walk begins

Welcome Back "Team Bill" Fundraiser

ALZ AROUND PEABODY -

Join us for these events!

- <u>Info Table</u>: Thursday, 8/10 at Torigian Senior Center. (Sign up for either Thursday 9/28 or Sunday, 10/1 Walks)
- <u>Ice Cream Social:</u> Sunday, 9/24 from 1-4pm at the Torigian Senior Center (\$5.00 per person at the door (includes one Sundae) (We would like to thank Tom Gould "Treadwells" (for his generous donation of the ice cream for the fundraiser!)
- <u>Annual Flag Raising at City hall</u>: Tuesday, 9/26 at 1:00 pm Torigian Senior Center Welk: Thursday, 9/28 at 10:00 am
- <u>Torigian Senior Center Walk:</u> Thursday, 9/28 at 10:00 am.

Please note the following dates that the Friends Café will be closed:

Friday, Aug. 4th Friday, Aug. 25th And Monday, August 28th



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The Book Club

Our Book Club is run by **Cate Merlin.** They meet on the second Wednesday of each month for a book discussion, at the PCOA. Cate picks out and distributes the books to each participant. They are reading "The Library Book" by Susan Orlean, for the August



meeting Wed. August 9th from 10:30am - 11:30am in the Conference Room

LOW VISION GROUP

Our Low Vision Group will meet on Wednesday, August 9th

From 12:30pm - 2:00pm In Classroom A



Our Veterans Meeting

Both our Veterans Group and our DAV Group will not meet in August. They will be back in September.

\$\$ "GIFT CARDS" \$\$ As you may know, we already have gift cards for our "Friends Café". We now have gift cards that can be used for our exercise classes! They cost \$25.00 and have five \$5.00 punches. Our exercise classes cost \$5.00 a class, which is paid ahead at the beginning of the month. What a great gift to give someone you know that takes a class here! To purchase one, come see Judy or Laurie

August Birthday Celebration <u>Tuesday, Aug. 1, 2023</u>

Please register in the dining room for a free meal between 10:00—11:00!

July Birthdays were: Maria Kelley, Toni Gordon, Maureen LaPointe, Joanne Gallant, Harriet Bornstein, and Shirley Zizza

Many thanks to Evans Flowers for the Birthday Balloon and Rose!

Hee, hee, hee,! Ha, ha ha!

Do you need a "Good Laugh"?

On Wednesday, Aug. 9th, Comedian, David Shikes will be here to entertain us! We could all use a good laugh



these days! **It's free!** He'll be here at 12:30 In the Jubilee Hall. **Please sign up at the Front Desk**

MOVIE TIME Our Movies will be shown in

Jubilee Hall from **12:15** – **2:15**

Tues. Aug. 1 - "Things Change" Tues. Aug. 8 - "Billy Elliot" Tues. Aug. 15 - "Trumbo" Tues. Aug. 22 - "The Untouchables" Tues. Aug. 29 - "On The Town"



es. Aug. 29 - "On The Town" Enjoy some popcorn while you watch!

Hearing Screenings - Joe from Apex Hearing will be here on Thurs. Aug. 24th from 10:00am to 1:00pm. To make an appointment call 978-531-2254. Senator Joan Lovely office hours at the PCOA on Mon. Aug. 14th from 9 -10am Phone & Computer Help - Fri. Aug. 4 & 18 - from 9:00am - 11:00am Ping-Pong - Most Fridays 12:30 - 3:00pm in the Computer Room Crazy Cards will take the Summer off and resume in the Fall!

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AugustLunch is served promptly at 11:30 a.m.Meal Cost: \$5.2023Promptly at 11:30 a.m.Friends Member				t: \$5.00 Members: 4.00
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
IMPORTANT LUNCH CHANGES Diners need to purchase their lunch tickets between 10:00- 11:00 am! They <u>WILL</u> <u>NOT be sold after</u> <u>11:00 am!</u>	1 <u>Vegetable</u> <u>Quiche</u> Tomato Salad Pasta salad Birthday Cake	2 <u>Swedish</u> <u>Meatballs</u> Mashed Potato Basil Carrots Fruit Cup with Yogurt	3 <u>Stuffed Peppers</u> Steamed Potatoes Greek Salad Chilled Peaches	4 <u>Tuscan</u> <u>Tuna Salad</u> Italian Garden Soup Crackers Pasta Salad Vanilla Pudding with Fruit Café Closed
7 <u>Chicken Pot Pie</u> Baked Potato Sour Cream Corn Chilled Apricots	8 <u>Chef's Salad</u> (Turkey & Cheese, Strips, Greens, Tomato Wedge, Egg Half)/Dressing Wheat Pita Bread Brownie	9 <u>Turkey Wrap</u> Pasta E Fagioli Soup Coleslaw Banana Cream Pie	10 <u>Cheese Burger</u> Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles French Fries Strawberry Cream Pie	11 <u>Haddock</u> Oven Brown Potato Peas/Red Pepper Chilled Peaches
14	15	16	17	18
<u>Chicken Piccata</u> Guacamole Salad Oven Brown Potato Ice Cream	Reduced Sodium <u>Hot Dog</u> Ketchup, Mustard Bk Beans/ Homemade Coleslaw Ice Cream	<u>Stuffed Shells</u> Marinara Sauce Italian Blend Vegetables Tropical Fruit Salad Watermelon	<u>Roast Turkey</u> Gravy Cranberry Sauce Fresh Sweet Potatoes Green Beans Chilled Peaches	<u>Fish Sandwich</u> with Cheese On a Roll Lettuce & Tomato Tartar Sauce Potato Puffs Chocolate Pudding
21	22	23	24	25
<u>Chicken</u> <u>Parmesan</u> Tomato Sauce & Cheese/Ziti Chilled Mixed Fruit	<u>Steak Tips</u> on Tossed Salad Dressing Potato Salad Pita Bread Lemon Meringue Pie	<u>Italian Sub</u> Pasta Salad Wedding Soup Ice Cream	<u>Chicken</u> <u>Cordon Bleu</u> Gravy/Mashed Potato Broccoli & Cauliflower Roasted Red Pepper Humus and Crackers Strawberry Shortcake	<u>Seafood Salad</u> On A Hot Dog Roll Potato Salad Tomato Salad Cookie Café Closed
28	29	30	31	
Breaded Chicken Filet Marsala Sauce Rice Pilaf Green Beans Apple Pie Café Closed	<u>Pulled Pork</u> on a Roll Pasta Salad Homemade Coleslaw Ice Cream	<u>American</u> <u>Chop Suey</u> Grated Cheese/ Seasoned Green Beans/Tossed Salad/ Dressing Garlic Bread Chilled Pears	<u>Chicken Salad</u> w/Cranberries on a roll Cucumber Salad Potato Salad Watermelon	Menu Subject To Change Without Notice



TRANSPORTATION: Jim Downey

RIDE DONATION OF \$1.00 EACH WAY IS GREATLY APPRECIATED





ATTENTION ALL SHOPPERS

Below is the MARKET BASKET in Danvers schedule starting at 11:00 AM and returning at 1:00 PM. The limit is **4** COA BLUE bags per person

Please call by at least by 2:00 pm a day ahead to get your name on the list!

Monday Tuesday Thursday Friday

12-15-16 Crowninshield Street, 18 Walnut Street, Lowell Street and West Peabody 50 Warren Street, 75 Central Street, 20 Central Street Wednesday South Peabody area, Rockdale Park, Lynn Street and Lynnfield Street Eastman Park, Bresnahan Street, Washington Street, 98 Central Street East End area, Connolly Terrace, Wilson Terrace, 103 Central Street

> **Please call the Transportation Office** at 978-531-2254 with any questions.

ATTENTION All Riders!

For booked appointments, we will get you there on time but return time takes a while due to unforeseen conditions. (Thankyou for your patience and understanding!)

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Those wishing to go the hairdressers will follow the same schedule as the Medical. Any day, any time, AS LONG AS YOUR HAIRDRESSER IS LOCATED IN PEABODY





THE WeCARE PROGRAM, Offered by a collaborative of North Shore Health Departments, offers friendly phone calls to older adults living in Beverly, Danvers, Marblehead, Nahant, Peabody, Salem and Swampscott.

Under this program, trained Community Health Workers will contact older adults or homebound individuals daily to provide comforting calls and offer a greater sense of personal connection. Our team of callers are available to speak with seniors Monday through Friday and offer interpreter services if needed.

If you or an older adult in your life is interested in participating in this free program, please reach out to Maryanne Pierce, LSW at 978-531-2254 X120.

How to stop unwanted calls on a **CELL PHONE**

See what built-in features your phone has...

- Download a *call blocking app*
- Some apps are *free*, but others charge a monthly *fee*
- Some apps will access your contacts.
- Calls might be stopped, ring silently, or go straight to voicemail.

See what call-blocking and call labeling services your carrier offers. Report unwanted calls at <u>ReportFraud.ftc.gov</u>

How to stop unwanted calls on your HOME PHONE

See what *call-blocking* and *call labeling services* your *carrier* offers.

- Is your carrier an internet or VoIP provider? Look into internet-based call blocking & call-labeling services.
- Have a traditional landline that doesn't use the internet?
- Install a call-blocking and call labeling device. (Not sure? Ask your carrier.)
- With blocking services, calls might be stopped, ring silently, or go straight to voicemail.
- Some services are free, but others charge a monthly fee.

Federal Trade Commission: ReportFraud.ftc.gov

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August 2023

Important information from the Peabody Board of Assessors:

A tax exemption is a discharge from the obligation to pay all or a portion of your real estate tax. For eligibility, an individual must satisfy requirements relating to (1) age, (2) ownership and domicile (3) annual income and (4) whole estate or assets. All applicants must own & occupy the property as their domicile as of July 1, 2023. Applications must be filed annually, and the deadline is April 1st of each Fiscal Year. Please contact the Peabody Assessors at 538-5716 for further information or to request an application.

CL 17D Persons over 70, surviving spouses or minors with limited assets.

Applicant must be (1) a widow or widower of any age, OR (2) over 70 OR (3) a qualified minor who has a deceased parent AND have assets that do not exceed \$66,497. Assets include, but are not limited to, savings account balances, checking account balances, stocks, bonds, CD's, and annuities as of July 1, 2023.

Applicants over 70 must have owned and occupied the property as their domicile for not less than 5 years. Qualified applicants are entitled to between \$175.00 and \$315.00 off their taxes.

CL 22 Qualifying Veterans, their spouses and parents

Applicant must have a (1) service-connected disability of 10% or more, OR (2) been awarded the Purple Heart, OR (3) have served in the Spanish War, Philippine Insurrection or the Chinese Relief Expedition, OR (4) fathers and mothers of soldiers or sailors who died in wartime service, OR (5) spouses of qualifying veterans for as long as they remain unmarried. Applicants must have lived in Massachusetts for at least 6 months prior to entering the service or have resided in the Commonwealth for the 5 years prior to the date of filing for the exemption.

Qualified applicants are entitled to an exemption between \$400.00 and \$720.00 total tax exemption depending on their qualifications.

CL 37A Legally Blind

Applicant must be legally blind as of July 1, 2023 with annual certification from the Commission of the Blind. Qualified applicants are entitled to between \$500.00 and \$900.00 off their taxes.

CL 41A Person over 65 with limited income

Applicant must be over 65 years of age as of July 1, 2023 and have income that does not exceed \$46,054. Income includes, but is not limited to, social security, pensions, retirement, interest & dividends, wages, salaries, and tips. This exemption provides for the provision for the deferral of real estate taxes during the life of the owner until the property is sold and at that time the taxes and 8% interest must be paid back to the City.

Qualified applicants are entitled to determine the amount that they wish to defer annually.

CL 41C Persons over 65 with limited income and limited assets

Applicant must have been continuously domiciled in Massachusetts for the 10 years preceding the application and have owned and occupied the property or other property in Massachusetts for 5 years. Applicant must be 65 years or older as of July 1, 2023.

Gross receipts (income) must be less than \$27,164 if single, and \$33,300 if married (INCLUDES SOCIAL SECURITY). Income includes, but is not limited to, social security, pensions, retirement, interest & dividends, wages, salaries, and tips.

Whole estate (assets) must be less than \$46,330 if single and \$49,640 if married.

Assets include, but are not limited to, savings account balances, checking account balances, stocks, bonds, CD's, stocks, and annuities as of July 1, 2023.

Qualified applicants are entitled to between \$500.00 and \$900.00 off their taxes.

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FOR 9-1-1 EMERGENCIES IN MASSACHUSETTS: CALL IF YOU CAN:

CALL IF YOU CAN; TEXT IF YOU CAN'T.





Source: MA State 911 Department and the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security www.mass.gov/e911

Friends Cafe News...

Summer has finally arrived and we are pleased to see all of you coming into the Friends Café for lunch, whether it be inside the dining room or under the awnings on our beautiful outdoor patio!

Our fabulous chef Cathy Andre does an amazing job preparing delicious and generous soups, salads and sandwiches for diners and our special volunteers welcome and serve all customers with a smile.

Every month a new special is introduced to the Café, so be sure to check the menu for any new additions.

Updates on our Café can be found on our website, just outside the Café itself on our blackboard or posted in our newsletter.

Hope to see you again soon!



No matter how hard life can get, be grateful you still have one.





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Hot Weather Tips...Provided by Peabody TRIAD...

The Peabody TRIAD Council consists of Seniors and Law Enforcement working together to develop and implement policies and programs to reduce criminal victimization, promote crime prevention and safety awareness, and serve the needs of the senior community in Peabody. In addition, the Council designs and supports programs to improve the quality of life for our senior citizens. The Peabody TRIAD Council believes they have the ability to make a difference in our community and are dedicated to serving our city and its residents.



- Never leave people or pets in a closed car on a warm day.
- If air conditioning is not available in your home go to a cooling center.
- Take cool showers or baths.
- Wear loose, lightweight, light-colored clothing.
- Use your oven less to help reduce the temperature in your home.
- ✗ If you're outside, find shade. Wear a hat wide enough to protect your face.
- Drink plenty of fluids to stay hydrated.
- Avoid high-energy activities or work outdoors, during midday heat, if possible.
- Check on family members, older adults and neighbors.
- Watch for heat cramps, heat exhaustion and heat stroke.
- Consider pet safety. If they are outside, make sure they have plenty of cool water and access to comfortable shade. Asphalt and dark pavement can be very hot to your pet's feet.
- If using a mask, use one that is made of breathable fabric, such as cotton, instead of polyester. Don't wear a mask if you feel yourself overheating or have trouble breathing.

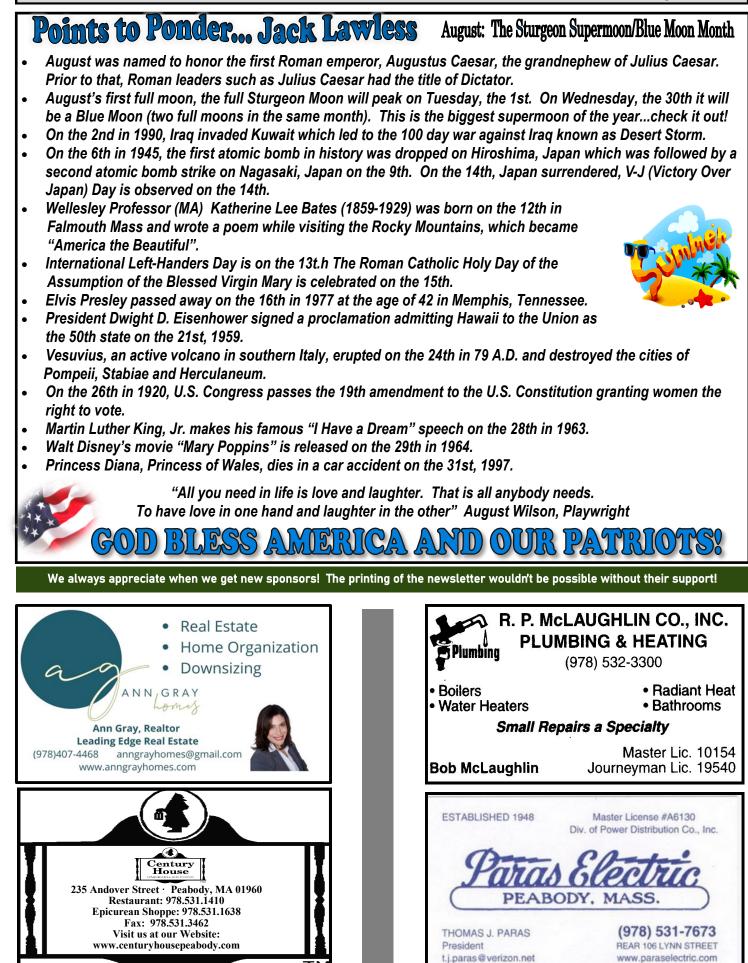
We collect eyeglasses and eyeglass cases for the <u>Lions Club</u>...If you have any old glasses and eyeglass cases that you are not using anymore, please bring them down to the Center.





Unwanted Cell Phones We continue to accept donations of unwanted cell phones. If you no longer use them, donate them to the PCOA. The money raised will be used for the Center. Please drop off your cell phone donation at Reception.

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MICHAEL F. "MIKE" ZELLEN, PRESIDENT OF FRIENDS REPORT: AUGUST 2023

Summer Barbeque

On behalf the Board of Directors of the Friends of the Peabody Council on Aging, we hope that you enjoyed the music provided by the Golden Echoes Big Band, and barbeque lunch last month at the "Summer *Barbeque*" sponsored by the Friends. We had over 480 people in attendance on that day which was filled with fun, friendship, and laughter.

Come on Down & Beat the Heat!

The dog days of summer occur during the hottest and muggiest part of the season. Webster defines "dog days" as the period between early July and early September when the hot sultry weather of summer usually occurs in the northern hemisphere. And what better place for our Seniors to be, than at the Air-Conditioned Senior Center, enjoying friends and participating in the many activities.

National Senior Citizens Day

Senior Citizens Day is celebrated in the United States on Monday, August 21, 2023. On this day, we are encouraged to recognize and show appreciation for the value and contribution of elderly people to home, family, and society. In his Presidential Proclamation (August 19, 1988), President Ronald Reagan said "For all they have achieved throughout life and for all they continue to accomplish, we owe older citizens our thanks and a heartfelt salute. We can best demonstrate our gratitude and esteem by making sure that our communities are good places in which to mature and grow older."

Senior Day at Brooksby Farm

Mark your calendar for Senior Day. *Mayor Bettencourt has* announced the ninth **Senior Day at Brooksby Farm**, to be held **Wednesday, Sep. 13, 2023** from **10:00 AM -1:00 PM**. Plan to attend and enjoy a delicious meal and a fun filled day.



The Board of Directors of the Friends of the PCOA, Inc. wish our members a happy and fun filled Summer.

"Friends Care – Friends Share" By Working Together to Make a Difference In Honor of Gifts to the Friends of the Peabody Council on Aging:

In Honor of Sandi Dupont: Lucinda Wilmot In Honor of Kay Morrocco (For years of service. Thank you!): Susanne Baldracchi In Honor of the Friends of the PCOA: For all you do for our seniors. Thanks!: Charlene Perkins In Honor of the PCOA Staff: Gita Parmar

In Memory of Gifts to the Friends of the Peabody Council on Aging:

In Memory of Dorothy Buckley: Kathleen Ryan In Memory of Sara V. Cali: Ana B. Gutierrez In Memory of Pat Doyle: James Dovle In Memory of Geraldine (Geri) Jenkins: Ed and Bath Mazzetta Frances McClure Kathleen Ryan In Memory of my Mother, Janet T. LaChapelle; She loved coming to the Senior Center: Peter D. LaChapelle In Memory of Shirley Parish: Joan Johnson



The Friends of the PCOA have a PAYPAL account for donations for (In Honor of/In Memory of) Go to the PCOA Website: wwwpeabodycoa.org) and click on <u>DONATE.</u>

2023 Friends Board Meetings:

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Remember to stay cool and hydrated!



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