



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



December 14, 2022 9:30 am ~ 12:30 pm in Jubilee Hall

It's the time of the year where friends and family make a point of getting together to celebrate their special holidays. We hope that you will join us in celebrating this very special time of the year.

> We are serving our Baked Stuffed Chicken dinner with Supreme Sauce, Mashed Red Bliss Potatoes, Green Beans Almondine and delicious Tiramisu for dessert. All served with fresh hot coffee. Scrumptious!

Tickets are \$15.00 and go on sale Monday, November 28th!

Enjoy great music by "The Memory Laners" [

The talented students from the High School Chorale will also be here to sing a few Carols for your listening enjoyment!



Design and Construction has been completed but equipment deliveries continue to be behind, holding up the opening of the Friends Café. But...We are still very excited to tell you about it! The Café will offer the seniors a whole new dining experience, different from our dining hall. You will find the café cozier with ambient lighting and warm colors, creating a very relaxing and enjoyable atmosphere. We have several tables that are wheelchair friendly and two chair height bar areas to dine at.

Delicious lunches will be offered for inside dining Monday through Friday and we will offer additional outdoor patio seating as well in the warmer months.

For your enjoyment there will be background music playing and if you have to wait to be seated, you will be given a pager to let you know when seating is available.

So stay tuned! We will be sure to keep you updated on our progress and will also keep you posted on our Grand Opening date!

Be sure to check our website at www.peabodycoa.org and our Monthly Newsletter, Tips and Topics for updates!

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CITY OF PEABODY



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR EDWARD A. BETTENCOURT, JR.

December 2022

Dear Friends,

As Mayor of the City of Peabody, I am honored to extend to you my best wishes for a happy holiday season and a healthy and prosperous New Year. During this festive time of year, we often reflect on the truly important aspects of our lives like family, friends, and faith. We count our many blessings and give thanks for the freedom and opportunity we enjoy as Americans.

In celebrating our own good fortune, we are mindful of those who are less fortunate; the lonely and dispirited, the sick and dying, the hungry and helpless. The holiday season provides many opportunities to give of ourselves, our time, our money, and our prayers. As Mayor, I am privileged to witness extraordinary giving each day by the many caring individuals who make up the fabric of our community.

Peabody seniors are especially vibrant leading active social lives and engaging in their community more than ever. We are fortunate to be home to the Peter A. Torigian Senior Center which is a hub for thousands of older residents and has long been the envy of the entire region.

As we approach the New Year, I look forward to spending time with you at the Senior Center during the wonderful celebrations throughout the year. I also look forward to our annual Senior Day at Brooksby Farm.

May the joy of the season be yours and may the spirit of giving fill all our lives in 2023. Happy Holidays!

Warmest regards,

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Edward A. Bettencourt, Jr. Mayor, City of Peabody



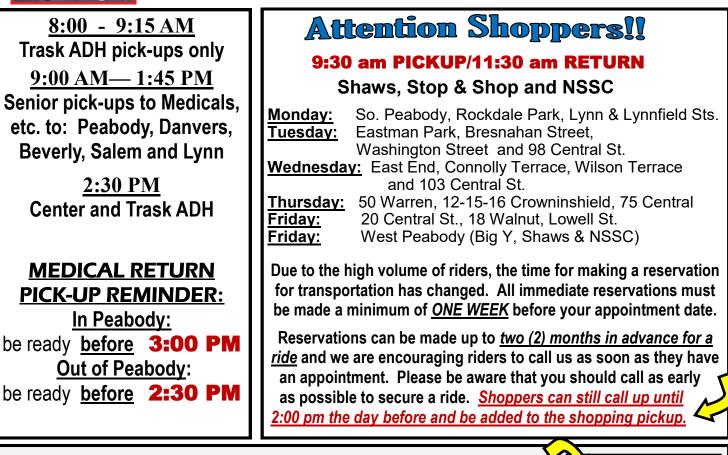
Ping-Pong - Most Fridays 12:30 - 3:00pm in the Computer Room **Scrabble** - Most Wednesdays from 11:30pm - 2:30pm in the Computer Room

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Peter A. Torigian Senior Center				
December 🐥 🖉	Lunch is served promptly at 11:30 am		Meal Cost: \$4.00 Friends Members: \$3.00	
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE	IMPORTANT LUNCH CHANGES Diners need to purchase their lunch tickets between 10:00-11:00 am! Lunch Tickets WILL NOT be sold after 11:00 am!		1 <u>Roast Beef</u> Gravy Baked Potato Sour Cream Broccoli Tapioca Pudding	2 <u>Fish Cakes</u> Beans Homemade Coleslaw Brown Bread Ice Cream
5 <u>Chicken Parmesan</u> Ziti/ Tomato Sauce Garlic Dinner Roll Red Pepper Hummus & Crackers Chocolate Cream Pie	6 <u>Italian Sub</u> Pasta Salad Wedding Soup Ice Cream Birthday Cake	7 <u>Chicken Salad</u> On Mixed Greens Dressing Cold Vegetable Lo Mein Noodle Salad Wheat Pita Fortune Cookie & Chilled Mandarin Oranges	8 <u>Hot Dog</u> Beans Cole Slaw Ice Cream	9 <u>Potato</u> <u>Crunch Fish</u> Tartar Sauce Wild Rice/Brown Rice Peas/Onions Mandarin Oranges
12 <u>Italian Sausage</u> Peppers & Onions On Roll Tossed Salad Dressing Chilled Pears	13 <u>Stuffed Shells</u> Meat Sauce Garden Salad Garlic Bread Custard Pie	14 Holiday Special <u>Baked Stuffed</u> <u>Chicken</u> Supreme Sauce Mashed Red Bliss Potatoes/Green Beans Almondine Tiramisu	15 <u>Swedish Meatballs</u> Butter Rice Glazed Carrots Apple Pie	16 <u>Baked Scrod</u> Crumb Topping Lemon Wedge Oven Roasted Potatoes Vegetable Medley Bread Pudding Topping
19 <u>American</u> <u>Chop Suey</u> Seasoned Broccoli Garlic Bread Chilled Pears	20 <u>Breaded</u> <u>Chicken Filet</u> Marsala Sauce Rice Pilaf Greek Salad Apple Crisp	21 <u>Cheeseburger</u> Lettuce, Pickle, Tomato on a Roll Oven Fries Homemade Cole Slaw Peaches	22 <u>Cheese Lasagna</u> Apple Juice Meat Sauce Grated Cheese Italian Blend Veggies Cherry Pie	23 Christmas Eve Seafood Salad Tomato Basil Soup Crackers Potato Salad Chocolate Pudding/Topping
26 Center Closed For Christmas Day	27 <u>Reduced Sodium</u> <u>Hot Dog</u> on Roll Sautéed Cabbage Baked Beans Condiments Yogurt with Fruit	28 <u>Stuffed Cabbage</u> Tomato Sauce Steamed Potatoes Carrots Tapioca Pudding	29 New Year's Eve <u>Chicken Cordon</u> <u>Bleu</u> Red Bliss Mashed Potatoes Corn and Pimentos Cheese Platter &Crackers Apple Cider <i>Champagne Toast</i>	30 <u>Grilled Salmon</u> Lt. Bernaise Sauce Rice Pilaf/Spinach Peaches and Strawberries



TRANSPORTATION: Jim Downey

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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.

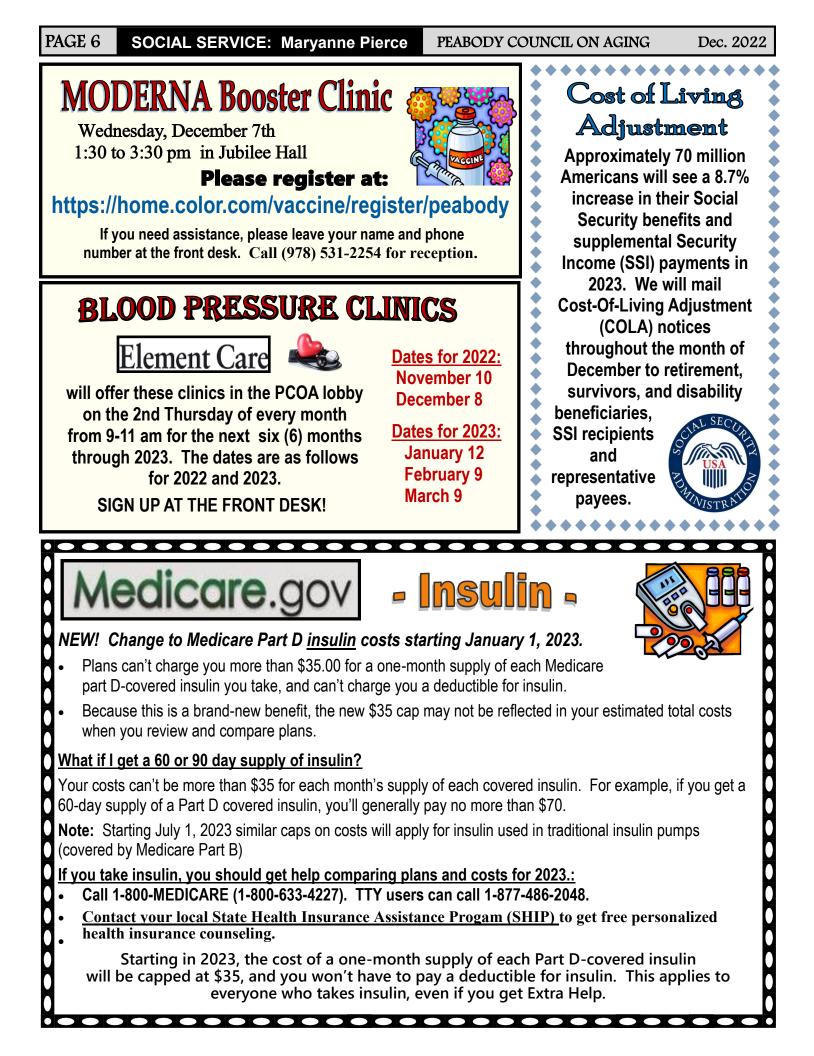
ATTENTION All Riders!

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





Inspector General's Warning:



Offers to Increase Your Social Security Benefit Are from Criminals. Criminals continue to Impersonate Government Agencies That unexpected offer from the Social Security Administration (SSA) to activate a benefit increase is from a criminal and not the real SSA. Do not share personal or financial information. Do not click on links or respond. Report suspected scams to oig.ssa.gov/report.

Criminals continue to impersonate SSA and other government agencies in an attempt to obtain personal information, money, or download malware onto phones. Recent reports indicate that criminals are trying to trick people into sharing personal and financial information over the phone or through deceptive text and email messages that lure recipients to a fake Social Security website. Criminals falsely advise recipients to apply to receive Social Security benefits or extra money, such as a cost-of-living adjustment (COLA), or to set up an online account. The message may also provide fake contact information for SSA.

HOW A GOVERNMENT IMPOSTER SCAM WORKS

Recognizing the signs of a scam can help you avoid falling victim to one. These scams primarily use the *telephone* to contact you, but scammers may also use *email*, *text message, social media, or U.S. Mail.* Scammers pretend to be from an agency or organization you know to gain your trust and say there is a problem or a prize and pressure you to act immediately, also telling you to pay in a specify way.

PROTECT YOURSELF!

- Do not take immediate action!
- Do not transfer your money!
- Do not buy that gift card!
- Be skeptical!
- Be cautious!
- Do not click on likes or attachments!

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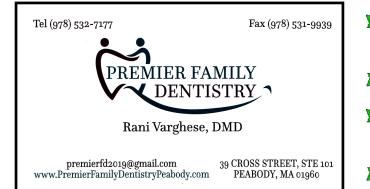
The Registry of Motor Vehicles (RMV) Michele Ellicks, Community Outreach Coordinator, will be offering a FREE workshop on the <u>REAL ID</u>.

December 9, 2022

12:30-1:30 PM in Jubilee Hall

Information will be presented on new federal and state requirements concerning driver's license and ID card renewals. *REAL ID is a federal ID that you can use to fly within the United States or ender a federal building.* To get one, you'll need to provide <u>Additional Documentation</u> and come into an RMV service center. *Sign up at the Front Desk!*

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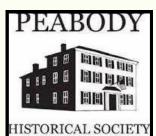




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& MUSEUM

Presents a Holiday **Open House**

Sunday, December 4th, 2022 From 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

At the Nathaniel Felton, Jr. House and Firehouse Museum

There is parking at 38 Felton Street, Peabody, MA

Members are FREE / Non-members \$5.00 Handicap accessible



For more Information, please call: (978) 531~0805





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RSVP Laurie Nadeau at 978-531-2254 X108

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Points to Ponder... Jack Lawless December: The month of "Joy and Happiness"

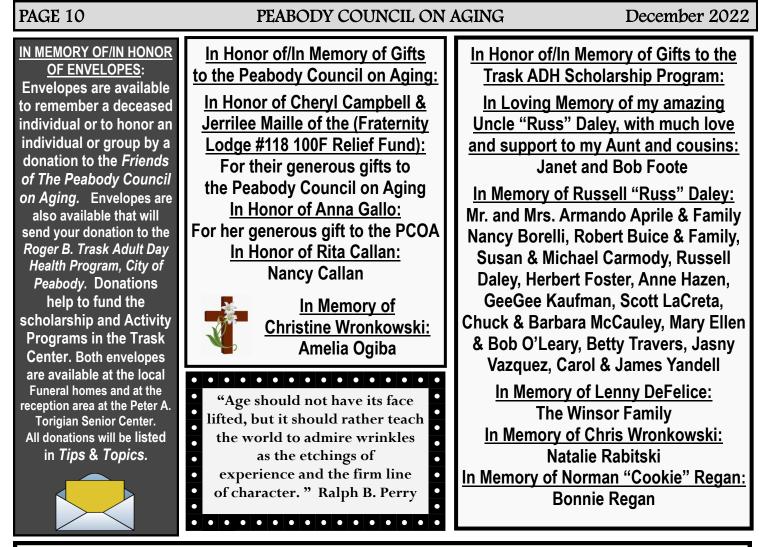
- No less than nine states became states in December, namely Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Indiana, Mississippi, Illinois, Alabama, Iowa and Texas.
- Rosa Parks on the 1st in 1955 in Montgomery, Alabama started the bus boycott.
- The worlds first heart transplant took place in South Africa on the 3rd in 1987.
- On December 6, 1863 the 13th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution was ratified abolishing slavery.
- On December 7, 1941 was the Japanese attack on the U.S. Naval Base at Pearl Harbor.
- The 8th Full Moon is called the "Cold Moon".
- American Industrialist, Clarence Birdseye was born on the 9th in 1886 in Brooklyn, New York. He developed a method of deep-freezing foods.
- Father Edward Flanagan establishes Boys Town on the 12th in 1917.
- On the 15th in 1939 the movie, "Gone With The Wind" premieres.
- Hanukkah begins on the 19th and war broke out in French Indochina as Ho Chi Min attacked the French on the 19th in 1946, seeking to oust them from Vietnam which led to a thirty year conflict with heavy U.S. involvement.
- The Winter Solstice is on the 21st of the month and that was also when the first crossword puzzle was published in the New York World newspaper.
- In 1947 on the 23rd, Bell Labs demonstrates the worlds first Transistor radio.
- In 1865 on the 24th, a group of Confederate soldiers form the secret society the "Ku Klux Klan".
- Have a "Merry Christmas!" on the 25th.
- Radio City hall opened in New York city on the 27th in 1932.
- In 1945 on the 28th, the U.S. Congress officially recognized the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
- Have a Safe and Happy New Year!

"Kindness is snow that beautifies everything it covers, so be kind in December".



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MICHAEL F. "MIKE" ZELLEN, PRESIDENT OF **FRIENDS REPORT: DECEMBER 2022**

A Special Time of the Year

As we approach the upcoming Holiday Season, we will all be busy with our families and friends in attending holiday parties, visiting the malls to purchase that special gift, or sending out greeting cards to family and friends. However, we all know that there are those who have no family to get together with, who will not receive a gift or a greeting card and may even spend a holiday alone. As "Friends" we cannot and should not forget that there are folks who are too proud to ask but need our help. It is a wonderful time to think of others and share friendship and kindness.

<u>*"Friends Care – Friends Share"*</u> As we draw near to the end of the year, the Board of Directors of the Friends of the Peabody Council on Aging would like to thank the Members who have supported the Friends Organization during the current year. Because of each of you and your generous donations to the Annual Appeal, we were able to support the Council on Aging, Director Carolyn Wynn, and her outstanding staff with their endeavors and to supplement their funding for the Council's many programs and events. One Hundred Percent (100%) of the funds derived from the Annual Appeal, are used to supplement the budget of the PCOA.

Hope you had an Enjoyable Day

This past month the Friends sponsored a Karaoke Party which was a huge success and a lot of fun. Many great singers performed, and the Friends awarded the top female singer Carol Frechette who sang "Be My Baby" and the top male singer Jim Rooney, who sang "Let It Be Me," each with a \$50.00 gift card to Market Basket.

Annual Holiday Party & Celebration

The Peabody Council on Aging will be hosting the Annual Holiday Party & Celebration on Wednesday December 14th. Tickets are available at the front desk. Come on down and enjoy the festivities with entertainment provided by The Memory Laners and the Peabody High School Chorale.



A new year will begin on January 1, and the 2023 Annual Appeal for Funds Packet will soon be in the mail. We sincerely ask for your continued support so that we may continue to assist in providing the many services, programs, and recreational activities provided at the center.

In closing, the entire Board of Directors of the Friends of the Peabody Council on Aging wish each of you and your families a Joyous Holiday Season and a Happy New Year.

The Friends Board has joined forces with Amazon Smile. It's a simple and automatic way for you to support the Friends of the PCOA and shop on-line. With Amazon Smile you can now select: Friends of the PCOA as your favorite non-profit charity and 5% of your purchases will be donated by Amazon to the Friends.

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



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In Honor of Jim (in Transportation) "The Best of the Best":

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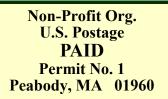
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