

Ballston Area SENIOR UPDATE JULY/AUGUST 2024



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Linda Elmer

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Members, your new President has graciously let me share the President's page with her, so that I may say my good-byes. In my time as your President I have met many new friends, and gotten to work with some great people. Whenever I needed help, you guys always came through for me.

We have had some great times at the center and there are more to come.

I have one favor I would like to ask of you, if your President asks for help, please show her the same respect and support her the way you have supported me all these years. Remember even though my wings have been clipped, I am still watching you.

I have enjoyed my time as your President. I look forward to coming back to meetings and participating when I can. May you all be well and take care of each other.

Your Friend Always,
Linda Elmer Past President BASC

May I introduce myself to you... I am Francine Dudka, the newly elected President of BASC. I have had the privilege to work closely with our past President, Linda Elmer, and I am honored to follow her tenure. I am ready to move forward, with respect, to fulfill our mission.

The summer is upon us, and the 4th of July will be here. A time for picnics and swimming. We look forward to our Elvis/BBQ event in September and shortly after our Bazaar in November. Remember to volunteer your time or baked goods... we need you!

Respectfully submitted,

Francine Dudka,
BASC President

SPECIAL EVENTS

There will be no Special Events during July, but on August 8th we will celebrate the Travis Stakes at Saratoga Race Track by having our own race using the Bingo Board with prizes for Win, Place and Show.



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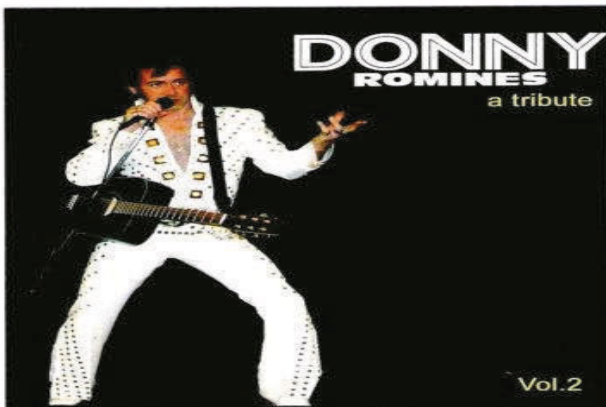


CRAFT CORNER

Dear members, we have had many new items added to our craft sale table but few people stop by to browse or purchase. We would like to let you know that we don't keep the money we make, it goes into the general fund to help with trips and any other special events that we have, so please stop by, look, even make a suggestion of what you would like to see on our table.

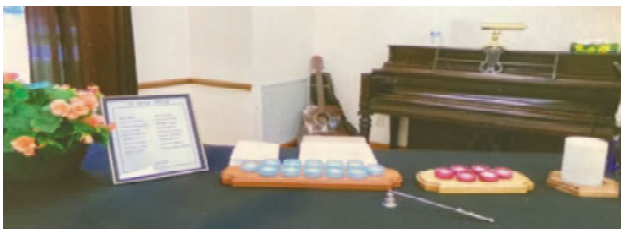
Entertainment and Dinner

On September 14th, which is a Saturday, the BASC will be hosting a dinner show featuring "Elvis", to entertain us from 3pm to 4pm. Then after the show, about 4:30pm, we will be serving a chicken barbeque dinner from the VFW 358. Cost of show and dinner is \$15.00. Tickets to go on sale in August.



MEMORIAL SERVICE 2024

We held our Memorial Service remembering and honoring our friends who passed in 2023. The chorus sang 4 hymns.



Ballston Spa Seniors Annual Bazaar

Saturday November 9, 2024

Town of Milton Community Centre

310 Northline Rd, Ballston Spa, NY 12020

We are looking for Unique Vendors & Artisans. What is your specialty? Pickles, Relishes, Jams & Jellies, or any handmade crafts are appreciated and welcome. We are looking for you to join us.

Indoor spaces—8ftW x 7ftD are \$30.00 **indoor only** (first come, first serve basis and electrical outlets are limited).

Outdoor spaces-12ftW x 10ftD are \$25.

To receive an Exhibit Contract and a Town of Milton agreement, contact the Bazaar Vendor Coordinator Sue Heimburg, we can email out contracts.

Sheim381@aol.com or call 518 885 8037/text message.

Bazaar Baskets and Gift Cards

We are organizing the Baskets a little differently this year. We are asking for donations to the baskets (which we will collect starting in September) and then we will have a work party to put them together. Please, no out of date food or Dollar Store items.

If you have a Gift Card or have asked a store if they will donate, please let myself or Earleen Van know so we don't ask again.

Thank you for all your help to make this our best Bazaar ever.

Alison Bodle

Things are moving along nicely. Everything is on schedule. The book and puzzle room needs books that are in good condition and not ready for the dumpster and puzzles with no missing pieces. We would like this to be a quality sale so we don't have to throw things away at the end of the day. Give donations to Doris Fredette on Thursdays.

Earleen Van



We love our Senior trips but they can be tiring, as Pat and Sharon are demonstrating.

WEDNESDAY PICKIN' SESSION

Afternoon Pickin Sessions have been cancelled, but the evening sessions will continue.

Evening sessions will be held Wednesday, July 3rd and August 7th. Doors open at 6.00pm; music starts at 6.30pm and ends at approximately 9.00pm. Pickin' Sessions are open to the public.

Take a few hours and join in the music. Sing along, dance, tap your foot or.... bring your acoustic instrument and play along. There's no entrance fee but snacks to share would be appreciated. Doors open at 6:00pm.

Contact: Email Jack at jackbroderson@gmail.com or call 518-885-4229 with questions, suggestions, or comments.



DANCES

Saturday Dance Dates

July 13 th 7-10pm Peaceful Country Band

October 12 th 7-10pm River Road Boys

December 14 th TBD

Admission to all dances is now \$7.00

Please bring a snack to share

No one under the age of eighteen will be admitted.

Please come, socialize and have a great time.



2024 TRIP SCHEDULE

July 23rd Tiki, dinner and a show.

Bus leaves: 5.00pm Bus returns: 8.30

August 18th Beardslee Castle, Murder Mystery Dinner Theater.

Sign up: July 11th and 18th.

Resident members: \$45, Non-Resident members: \$55, Guest: Full Price

Bus leaves: 10.00am Bus returns: 4.30pm.

September 17th Racquette Lake lunch cruise and visit to Adirondack Museum.

Sign-Up: Aug 1st & 8th

Resident members: \$45, Non-Resident members: \$55, Guest: Full Price.

October TBA Cooperstown, 2hr train ride, lunch at The Upstate Grill and shopping at Fly Creek.

Sign up: August 15th and 22nd.

Full information to come.

TRIP PROCEDURES

Trips leave from the Pool room entrance at the Community Center.

Dues for 2024 must be paid 30 days prior to trip date. The sign up dates will be on the 2nd and 3rd Thursdays.

Masks must be worn when requested.

Resident member-lives within Saratoga County, all others considered non-resident. Replacing can

All payments by check only made out to BASC (if replacing cancelled seat, make payable to the member who cancelled).

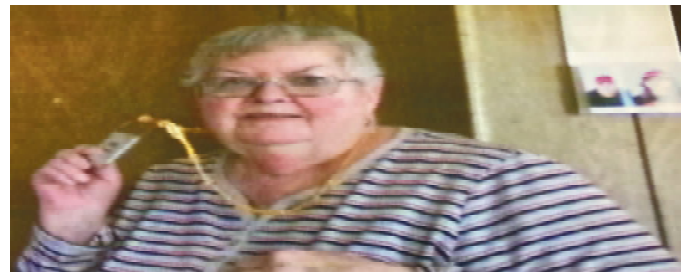
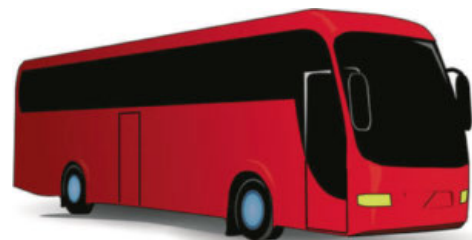
Member can sign up one other member as seat mate.

Sign up on first come/ first served basis.

Cancellation: If member cancels before the head count is turned in, they will be refunded. Trip Chairperson contacts first member on wait list. If no member on wait list, member may find a substitute. If substitute is a non-member, pay guest rate.

If no replacement after head count is turned in, no refund.

For more information, please contact the Trip Coordinator: Mary Egan 518 630 6322.



Arlene bought Kathy a new lanyard from our Crafters for her birthday. Get more ideas at their table.



JULY

AUGUST

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| 2 Donna Bishop | 6 Debra Howansky |
| 3 Lorraine Walkowicz | 6 Janette Schmitt |
| 3 Joan M. Carbone | 6 Candace Schmitt |
| 3 Jeanne A. Cramer | 9 Steve Otrembiak |
| 4 Neil C. Scheuerman | 9 Letty Rudes |
| 4 Rosemarie Sarmiento | 10 Barbara Thurnau |
| 5 Francy Balch | 11 Naomi Kruger |
| 5 Jim Frey | 11 Sharon Sommer |
| 7 Dennis Taylor | 12 Mark Preissler |
| 7 Lisa Beretz | 13 MaryEllen Catalfamo |
| 7 Christine Bullock | 13 Mary T. Carrier |
| 7 June Walsh | 16 Mary Ann Mevec |
| 8 Sweeta Aulicino | 17 Helene L. Kerwood |
| 9 Audrey Williams | 17 Francine Dudka |
| 10 Charles Higley | 19 Peter Medick |
| 10 Brian Gifford | 20 Theresa Arpei |
| 11 Alberta Sweet | 20 Fred Brack |
| 11 Lisa Wojtowecz | 21 Andrew Burke |
| 11 Elizabeth Delgado | 22 Valerie Frey |
| 11 Dorothy J. Fremont | 25 Roland Kump |
| 11 Lois Mitchell | 25 Doreen Donaghey |
| 12 Linda Pileggi | 26 Robert Miller |
| 13 Lynn O'Connor | 26 Robert McClements |
| 13 William LaMore | 27 Murray Eitzmann |
| 14 Anna Mae Emerich | 29 Carole Schumacher |
| 14 Maureen Gadbois | 29 Elizabeth Nagy |
| 15 Mary Colby | 29 Gerald Baker |
| 15 Dennis Askew | 30 Shirley Walsh |
| 16 Peter Petrillose | 31 Judith Zanella |
| 17 Glenn Becker | 31 Lillian Truax |
| 18 Patricia Hickok | |
| 18 Mary Welyczko | |
| 19 Renate Knapp | |
| 20 Frank Colby | |
| 20 Peg Gifford | |
| 21 Jean Carpenter | |
| 23 Linda Hubinger | |
| 24 Lois Radke | |
| 24 Marilyn Thompson | |
| 25 Jean Taylor | |
| 25 Frances Gailor | |
| 25 Marlu Sidenstick | |
| 25 Denise Cudemo | |
| 26 Kathleen Eitzmann | |
| 27 Estella Simmons | |
| 27 Patty Bowers | |
| 27 Donna Paynter | |
| 28 Lisa Jane Wein | |
| 29 Tom Laraway | |

JULY Continued

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| 29 David Howansky |
| 30 Paulla Lake |
| 30 Clara Dutcher |
| 30 Beverly Westfall |

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| Bill Ford | Linda Timmons |
| Helen Saunders | Jerry Kelley |
| Shirley Laskey | Fred Block |
| Barb Doane | Judy Mulvey |
| Lisa Wojtowecz | Ron Wojtowecz |
| Howard "Hutch" Hutchins Jr | |

*Our thoughts and prayers are with
the families of*



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|--------------------------|
| Alice Hassell |
| Alphonse "Al" DeFillippo |
| Diane B. Griffin |

Arlene and June went on a hike to Gray's Crossing and saw other people enjoying the area too. Arlene lets Barbara know where she is planning the next hike, so look for the information in the E-Blast.





The Ballston Spa Farmers' Market has started for the summer with fresh fruit and veggies, delicious home baked goodies, and hand made crafts (jewelry, candles, soap products etc). It is held every Saturday from 9.00am to 1.00pm and Thursdays from 3.00pm to 6.00pm at Wiswall Park on Front St.

Movies in the Park are held on the First Friday of the month in Wiswall Park, beginning at dusk (approx. 8.30). In July the movie is "Barbie" (5th) and in August it is "Honey I Shrunk the Kids" (2nd). Rain date the next night. Bring a chair or blanket, get some food from a local restaurant and have a fun, free evening.

Concerts in the Park

The free concerts in Old Iron Springs Park every Thursday evening from 6.00pm to 8.00pm begin on June 27th with the Ballston Spa Community Band. The rest of the line up is:

- July 11th Heard
- July 18th Fenimore Blues
- July 25th Tom's House
- August 1st Ice Cream Social with the Union Fire Company Band (Free Ice Cream!)
- August 8th Sirsy
- August 15th Lustre Kings
- August 22nd The Protones.

Bring a chair or blanket and enjoy 2 hours of great music from local artists. Concession stand will be open. The concert will be cancelled if it is raining.

2024 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Membership year runs January 1st through December 31st, 2024

Renewal rates: Age: 55 to 80 - \$15.00; Turned 80 in 2023 -\$10.00. Turned 90 in 2023 free
Enclose check (payable to BASC), membership card and a stamped self addressed envelope and mail to Barb Broderson, 48 Edmund Drive, Ballston Spa, NY 12020. Dues may be paid at Thursday meetings at Community Center 10am to noon. Call 518-885-4229 with questions.

Prospective members must register in person at a Thursday meeting between 9:30 and noon. 2024 dues are \$15 regardless of age. PLEASE PRINT

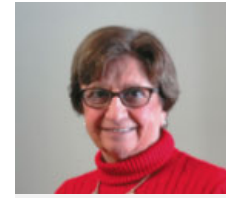
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STREET ADDRESS		APT. No.	CITY
TELEPHONE NUMBER		CELL NUMBER	E-MAIL ADDRESS

First name of spouse/significant other _____ Are they a member? Yes No
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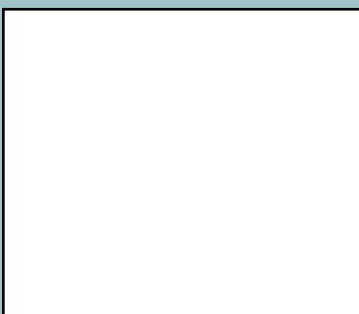
Hello Everyone,
 We have had a wonderful Spring, a little too much rain, but overall, pretty good. Summer officially begins on June 20 and I for one am looking forward to a fun summer with all the activities going on in the Town and the Village. I wanted to let everyone know the Town of Milton will be having a Farmers Market beginning on Thursday, July 11 from 3 pm til 6pm in Burgess-Kimball Park. This will be our first year to see how the residents respond and participate in this event. Please stop by some Thursday evening and take a look. Let us know your thoughts and ideas. We are updating the Town's Comprehensive Plan. The Town has sent out postcards asking residents to participate in a Community Survey. Everyone should have received one in the mail. If you live in an apartment, I will be leaving copies at your complex offices. The Comprehensive Review Committee and the Town want your input concerning how you would like to see Milton develop over the next few years. You can reply to the survey online and if you do not have access to a computer, please contact Town Hall and we can get you a hard copy to complete. One last piece of good news, in case you were not at the Senior meeting, CDTA will be restoring the bus line on Rowlands Street. If you live in the Senior Apartments or any other place from Northline to Geysler, the bus will be making stops along the route. This will be happening in late August or early September. I will keep you updated exactly when and try to get the schedule to everyone. Finally, I would like to say "Thank You" to Linda Elmer for all the work and dedication she has put into the Ballston Area Seniors. Your leadership and dedication to the organization is appreciated. Have a wonderful Summer.
 Barbara

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 William J. Mevec Mary Ann Mevec

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WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Mondays

9.00am—12.00	Shooting Pool
10.00am—11.00am	Chorus
11.15am—12.00	Exercise

Tuesdays

10.00—12.00	Crafts
1.00—4.00pm	Mahjong

Wednesdays

12.30—3.00pm	Quilters
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Thursday

12.00	Lunch & Meeting, Bingo.
1.00—4.00pm	Shooting Pool

Fridays

11.15am—12.00	Exercise 1st
6.30—9.00pm	Shooting Pool

If you would like to take part in any of these activities, please call Dan Buneo for pool at 518 309 3093, Earleen Van for crafts at 518 885 8730, and Alison for exercise at 518 288 3565.

I will neither grow up or grow old!
 I will just age disgracefully with a smile!

Thanks to Marge Bayer, great attitude!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

JULY

3rd Pickin' Session 6.30-9.00
 5th Movie "Barbie" at Wiswall Park, dusk.
 11th Luncheon//Meeting/Bingo/Board Meeting.
 Trip sign up Concert—"Heard"
 18th Luncheon/Pizza/Meeting/Bingo. Trip sign up
 Concert—"Fenimore Blues"
 23rd Trip, Tiki Dinner and Show.
 25th Luncheon/Pot Luck/Meeting/Bingo
 Concert—"Tom's House"

AUGUST

1st Luncheon/Meeting/Bingo/Board Meeting.
 Trip sign up
 Concert, Ice Cream Social, Union Fire Community Band
 2nd Film "Honey I shrunk the Kids" at Wiswall
 Park, dusk.
 7th Pickins' Session 6.30-9.00pm
 8th Luncheon/Meeting/Bingo. Trip sign up
 Concert—"Sirsy"
 15th Luncheon/Pizza/Meeting/Bingo. Trip sign
 up. Concert—"Lustre Kings"
 18th Trip, Beardsley Castle, Murder Mystery
 22nd Luncheon/Pot Luck/Meeting/Bingo. Trip
 sign up Concert—"Protones"
 29th Luncheon/Meeting/Bingo