# SENIOR UPDATE NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2023



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#### FROM THE PRESIDENT

Just a few words about our Seniors Group. We are having a great year. Our membership is continuing to grow. We have just concluded a successful bazaar. There have been varied and interesting trips that have gotten positive reviews from the attendees. Our pot luck dinners have been well attended and an abundance of good food has been shared. Our picking sessions have been very enjoyable with many very talented musicians sharing their instrumental and vocal talents. Our chorus continues to provide us with fun programs. We continue to have our dances. The craft group has provided many items that are quite reasonable to purchase. Our fitness group is well attended. Members are enjoying our social meetings where they can kick back and enjoy each other's company. Our split the pot program is popular.

None of this could be possible without the contribution of time and talent from our members, officers, and committee chairpersons and committee members. We need more volunteers to keep these programs going. Several of our new members have stepped up and are sharing their talents and smiles. Our officer nominating and election process is happening in November and December. This is your opportunity to step up and strengthen our Seniors Group. On behalf of myself and our executive board members I want to thank all of you for making this organization the lively one that we all share.

#### **ELECTION OF NEW OFFICERS**

We will be holding an Election in December for 7 of the 9 places on the Board. The positions are: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership and 2 Directors. If you would like to run for any of these positions please give your name to Francine Dudka at the meetings.

The slate of Candidates will be announced on <u>November 9th</u>, nominations will be taken from the floor, and then the nominations are closed. The Election will be on <u>December 7th from 8.00am until noon.</u>

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#### **BINGO**

Now we have a slightly different schedule for our Thursday meetings, Sue Heimburg wanted to clarify when Bingo will be played.

**1st Thursday of the month;** right after Split the Pot, (approximately 12.30).

2nd Thursday; right after the General Meeting

(approximately 1-1.30).

3rd Thursday; right after Split the Pot.

4th Thursday; right after the General Meeting.

**5th Thursday**; right after Split the Pot.

10 or more players are needed to play Bingo, Sue will

ask each time.

#### **FESTIVE DINNERS**

Our Thanksgiving Dinner will be held on <u>November</u> <u>16th</u> at The Vista restaurant at the Van Patten Golf Club in Jonesville. It will be a traditional Thanksgiving dinner at this very pretty venue. Our Christmas Dinner will be held on <u>December 14th</u> at the Hilton Embassy Suites on Congress Street in Saratoga Springs.

The cost for each is \$15.00 for members and \$35.00 for guests. Tickets for Thanksgiving are on sale on **Thursdays November 2nd & 9th** and for Christmas on **Thursdays November 30th & December 7th.** Mark Hersh is going to be our DJ for both dinners.

#### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

In November the Special Events committee are going to bring you Smiths Pies (apple and pumpkin) with, or without!, whipped cream. This will be on **Thursday**9th. We will be giving you a treat in December too, more details to follow.

Ice cream and all the fixin's, thank you to Stewarts for

their generosity.



#### **BOOK CLUB**

The September Book Club choice is 'Girls in Navy Blue' by Alix Rickoff. The meeting to discuss the book will be Tuesday September 5th at 1.30pm at the Community Center.

Call Francine Dudka at 518 309 3112 for further information. All welcome to join at any time.





#### **REMINDER**

#### 2024 Membership Renewal

Renewal rates for 2024 BASC Membership have increased the first time in over ten years. The new rates are as follows:

If member is 55 to 80 years –(will turn 80 in 2024) dues are \$15

If member is 80 to 90 years –(will turn 90 in 2024)... dues are \$10

Members who turned 90 in 2023 are life members and no dues are required. However, the renewal form needs to be filled out and returned to update or verify addresses, phone numbers, email, etc.



It is great to see Charlene managing to get to our meetings after her hip surgery. Here she is with a get well card from the people on the bus of that fateful trip!

#### WEDNESDAY PICKIN' SESSIONS

The November 15<sup>th</sup> and December 20<sup>th</sup> Wednesday afternoon Pickin' Sessions have been cancelled due to an overload of activities during the holiday season. The November 1<sup>st</sup> and December 6th evening Sessions have not been affected. So.....



....come on down! Sing along, dance, tap your foot or bring your acoustic instrument and join the Jam. There's no entrance fee but snacks to share would be appreciated. Doors open at 6:00pm.

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

#### **BAZAAR**

Our Bazaar this year was a great success, and although we don't have the final profit amount yet, it looks to be a good result. Many thanks to all the people who volunteered their time to make it happen, from the food donations to the kitchen and baked goods, all the fabulous baskets and gift cards, to the people who manned the



tables, and of course the set up and break down crews. Well done everyone!





#### TRIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

There is no trip in November.

<u>**December 7th**</u> Turning Stone-Buddy Holly Holiday Show. Lunch at the casino.

Bus leaves: 9.15am Bus returns: 7.30pm

Trips are being planned for 2024 and there will be a list of venues in the New Year.

Dues for 2024 must be paid 30 days prior to trip date. The sign up dates will be on the 2nd and 3rd Thursdays. For more information, please contact the Trip Coordinators: Carol Moll 518 339 8926 or Mary Egan 518 630 6322.



#### **DANCES**

Here are the dates and bands playing at the dances. Saturday nights from 7pm to 10pm, \$5 at the door to include snacks and drinks.

November 11th River Road Boys December 9th, 31st TBA



I saw a quote recently: 'People who TAKE may eat well, but people who GIVE sleep well.'

Then I thought of us Seniors: Seniors enjoy to eat well, but rarely get to sleep well.

That's me anyway, You too?



#### NOVEMBER DECEMBER Rosemary Craig Ruth Armbruster 3 Stanley Dsouza 1 Helen Marshall 3 2 Alice Nunes George Solan 3 Mary Drake 3 Joe Bless 5 3 Judy Cooper Sheryl Forshey 5 Clara Scotti 4 Pat Newman-Vallachi 5 Charles Crawford 4 Pat Larin 6 4 Diane Regulinski Loretta Barnes 6 MaryJo Girard 6 Alphonse Defillippo 7 6 Sharon Ouinn Barb Bell 7 7 **Dolores Blow** Susan Heimburg 8 7 Diane Hrebinczak **Bob Sharp** 7 8 William Heimburg Kathy Knight 8 8 Eleanor Fitzgerald Jon Fayad 9 8 Mona Clear **Bruce Carlton** 10 Lindley Blackwood Charlene McAvoy Linda Elmer 10 10 Donna Dardaris Judith Lopez Howard Waller 15 16 Diane Coburn 10 Jean Keehan

18 Carol Frederick
18 Larry Parker
18 Gloria Frizzi
19 Marilyn Moore
19 John Marcy
19 Debra Woodworth
20 Carl Thurnau

16 Doris Fredette

16 Angela Bertrand

16 Judy Cranfield

- 21 Carol Thomas23 Sharon LaViska24 Ann Ryan
- 25 Kathy Anthony25 Katy Nutting26 Debby Spackma
- 26 Debby Spackmann26 Jere Blackwelder
- 26 Patricia Carlton
- 28 Jeanne Cusack
- 29 Cindy Garcia

- 10 James Polewczak
- 11 Karen Dussault
- 11 Debra Cottrell
- 12 Virginia Humphrey
- 12 Jeanette Galusha
- 14 Priscilla Oboyle
- 15 Harold Stewart
- 15 Pialold Stewar
- 15 Rick Daltillo
- 15 Richard Zito
- 15 Lou Tuminello
- 17 Sharon Witbeck
- 17 Sharon with
- 18 Joan Hutt
- 19 Betsy Rose
- 19 Jacqueline Traver
- 20 Tom Ogle
- 20 Fran Many
- 20 Phyllis Kuczek
- 21 Nellie Johnson
- 21 Cynthia Angel
- 23 Mary Beth Wing
- 23 Mary Lou Casey
- 25 Bonnie Bagan
- 26 Barbara Zeller
- 27 Marilyn Phillips
- 28 Jim Cummings
- 30 Allen Burke
- 31 Doug Brown
- 31 Elizabeth Riley



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**Barb Haynes** 

Jim Bennett



Our thoughts and prayers are with the families of



Jack Hoffman

Fred Emano

Dorothea Ferris

'I believe the second half of one's life is meant to be better than the first half. The first half is finding out how to do it. And the second half is enjoying it.'

Frances Lear

'Getting old is like climbing a mountain, you get a little out of breath, but the view is much better.'

Ingrid Bergman



# Around the Town



Hello Everyone,

Here in the Town of Milton, we have lots of excitement happening. We are in the process of moving our Town Garage facilities north on Rowlands Street to the area where our salt shed is now located. If you drive to that location, you'll see lots of activity. A few trees in the front had to be removed so the whole area can be leveled, and utilities can be installed. We are installing a new fuel island and a new cold storage building. The steel for the new building is due to arrive on November 3<sup>rd</sup>. In the couple of months, I hope to show everyone a conceptional presentation of what the area around Town Hall will look like once the garage operations move to the Rowlands Street location.

In the meantime, the best time of the year is almost here. I'm looking forward to the Holidays, first Thanksgiving and then all the Christmas activities. The Town will be participating in the Christmas Parade in the village. I reminded the Highway guys that the parade is early this year (December 1). They always do a good job building a float for us. We couldn't do it without them.

I believe everything is going well with the Community Center. If anyone has a problem or concern, please contact me and I will direct the information to the right person here at Town Hall. Please feel free to call me at any time (518-369-5271)

See everyone at our weekly meetings,

Barbara

#### **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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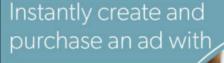
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#### **WEEKLY ACTIVITIES**

#### 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

**Thursday** 

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

Fridays

11.15am—12.00 Exercise 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.

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

#### NOVEMBER

1st Pickin' Session 6.30-9.00pm

2nd Luncheon/Bingo/Gathering day. Festive dinner tix on sale.

9th Luncheon/Bingo/General Meeting. Festive Dinner tix. Special Events—slice of pie and whipped cream. Nominations announced for election.

11th Dance—River Road Boys, 7.00—10.00pm

16th Thanksgiving Dinner at The Vista

23rd Thanksgiving Day—No Meeting 30th Luncheon/Bingo/General Meeting. Pot Luck. Festive Dinner tix.

#### **DECEMBER**

Pickin' Session 6.30-9.00pm

7th Luncheon/Bingo. Trip to Turning Stone. Election of New Officers, voting at the Centre from 8.00am until noon. Festive Dinner tix.

9th Dance, Band TBA

14th Christmas Dinner at the Embassy Suites.

21st Luncheon/Bingo/Board Meeting

28th Possible Luncheon, more details to follow.

31st New Years' Eve Dance