# WAYLAND COA NEWS



**Opportunities, Information and Outreach for Wayland Residents** 

# JANUARY 2017

**Program Registration:** 

<u>Ph: 508-358-2990</u> Fax: 508-358-7175 www.wayland.ma.us Office Hours: Mon., 8am-7pm; Tues-Thurs, 8am-4pm; Fri, 8am-12:30pm		Mon 9-6; Tues-Thurs 9-3:30; Fri 9-Noon
JANUARY HIGHLIGHTS	Pg.	HEALTH/ WELLNESS p 2
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• <b>GREAT COURSES Video Lecture Series,</b> Every Monday at 1pm, No Charge. January 9, 23, 30: EXPERIENCING AMERICA: A Smithsonian Tour Through American History.	3	**************************************
<ul> <li>MAKE IT—TAKE IT JEWELRY STUDIO CLASS Wednesday, January 18, 1:30pm (Wayland residents only)</li> </ul>	3	Office Coordinator: Nancy Greenwood (M-F)
• THE CHINESE NEW YEAR: Explore Chinese History and Culture Wed., January 25, 1:30pm, COA, No charge. Reservations requested	3	<b>Outreach Coordinator</b> : Sue Hatton (M-F)
<ul> <li>"FAVORITE SPACES AND PLACES" in Wayland Sunday, Feb. 12 at 2pm, Large Hearing Room Exhibit and presentation features images by local amateur photographers (younger and older) as well as professional photographers. Event co-hosted by the Wayland Historical Society and the Council On Aging.</li> </ul>	4	<ul> <li>Project Coordinator : Shawna Levine (M, T, W)</li> <li>Volunteer Coordinator: Ann Gordon (T-Th)</li> <li>BayPath Home Delivered Meals (Requests &amp;</li> </ul>
• Wayland 'SHOP AROUND SHUTTLE' In-town errands to do? Consider this free Monday shuttle with home pick ups. Mondays Jan 9 &23	4	Changes 508-573-7200 ) S.H.I.N.E. Counselors
<ul><li>COMING IN FEBRUARY:</li><li>AARP Tax Preparation</li></ul>		Kathleen Woehrling Penny Wilson
<ul> <li>Valentine Luncheon with jazz musician Bryan Kane, February 15, Noon Entrée: Chicken Cacciatore \$8 Reservations required.</li> <li>"Favorite Spaces and Places" in Wayland showcasing resident photographs COMING IN MARCH:</li> </ul>	<b>Property Tax Work-Off</b> Becky Patterson Wednesday 9—11 am	
• AAA's "Car Doctor" John Paul, syndicated columnist and host of "The Car I tor" radio program, discusses "the older and wiser driver" as well as mechan	<b>COA WayCam Liaison:</b> Joanne Kwarta	
<ul> <li>car maintenance and safety.</li> <li>COMING IN APRIL:</li> <li>"Swing Into Spring" Afternoon Tea Dance with 16-piece Big Band</li> <li>Annual Drive-Thru Electronics Recycling Event</li> </ul>	West Suburban Veterans Services District Sarada Kalpee, Director Representative on site, every <u>Tuesday</u> 9am-4pm	
<b>OUR SNOW POLICY :</b> If Wayland Public Schools are closed due to the weather, then all COA programs (including home delivered meals) are canceled for the day. If the Wayland Town Building is open, the COA office will be open for information and referral.		Selectmen's Office 781-850-5504 *Regional VA Office 781-489-7509

### **Health & Wellness Programs**

Please bring a water bottle to all classes



### NEW EZ PAY with "FIT BUCKS" starts Mar 1

all classes	DAY	FEE	DATES	TIME	LOCATION	
FIT FOR THE FUTURE	Tues/ Thurs	\$3/class	Every Tue &Th except 1/10/17	10-11am	Large Hearing Room	
ZUMBA	Wed	\$3/class	Every Wed.	10:30-11:30 am	Town Bldg. Gym	
TAI CHI	Wed	Pay by month: \$20 Pay by class: \$8	Every Wed. (4)	11-12 noon	Large Hearing Room	
THERA-TUBE	Wed	\$3/class	Every Wed. on hiatus 'til 1/25	9:15-10:15 am	Large Hearing Room	
BETTER BALANCE	Wed	Jan 4, 11, 18, 25 \$28.00	Every Wed.	1-2 pm	Large Hearing Room	
PILATES—Pay by the month (open to non-seniors)	Tu/Th	\$50 for Tues Class \$40 for Thurs Class	Every Tue/Th	7-8am	Large Hearing Room	



**"TRY IT" POLICY:** When trying any of our **on-going** exercise programs, your first class is FREE! <u>STARTING MARCH 1, use your pre-paid FIT BUCKS at all \$3, drop in exercise classes</u>. Un-used FITBUCKS are refundable

**Lois' FIT FOR THE FUTURE** Tuesday and Thursdays, 10am-11am, \$3/class. Pay only when you attend. Instructor: Lois Leav. Aerobic exercise to music, includes stretching, toning and weights.

**<u>ZUMBA</u>** Wednesdays, 10:30am-11:30am, Town Building Gym, \$3/class. Pay only when you attend. Instructor: Ellen Cohen-Kaplan, CPT, OTR. A cardio fitness class to Latin music.

**TAI CHI for STRESS REDUCTION** Wednesdays, 11am-Noon, pay by the month (see chart) or pay only when you attend at a cost of \$8/class. Modified Tai Chi to build strength and balance, reduce blood pressure and reduce pain. Develop sense of peace through focused mind and body awareness. Instructor: Robin Natanel, Certified Instructor of White Crane Taoists at Harmonious Dragon Tai Chi/Qui Gong School.

<u>**THERA-TUBE</u>** Instructor: Ellen Cohen-Kaplan, Certified Personal Trainer, OTR. Resistance bands with handles to increase range of motion and strength. Bands are light and easy to use for people of all abilities. Learn to use the bands safely and effectively at home and on the go. **CLASS ON HIATUS until JAN 25, 2017**</u>

**<u>BETTER BALANCE</u>** Wednesdays, 1 pm. Develop strategies to prevent falls and maintain independence. Learn breathing and relaxation techniques. Instructor: Leslie Worris of the Wellness Alliance. Great for beginners looking for a change from their usual routine. Pay by the month (see chart above).

**<u>RISE AND SHINE PILATES</u>** A Tuesday and a Thursday Session. Sign up for either or both. 7am– 8am. Pay by the month. Pre-register—Restricted class size. Non-Seniors welcome Instructor: Lisa Carusone, NASM-CPT.

# New happenings at the COA

#### The CHINESE NEW YEAR Explore Chinese History and Culture

Wednesday, January 25, 1:30pm

Join us to explore Chinese history and culture through a fascinating slide presentation by expert presenter Bob Gaudreau. Watch a live calligraphy demonstration to learn about this ancient art form.

Over the course of 5000 years, Chinese culture has developed through many dynasties and across varied regions. China has more than 50 ethnic minorities with distinct ways of life. Learn about the nation's new cultural renaissance and its relevance to both ancient and modern China.

No Charge, but reservations appreciated.

#### THE GREAT COURSES DVD SERIES CONTINUES

#### EXPERIENCING AMERICA: A SMITHSONIAN TOUR THROUGH AMERICAN HISTORY

Lecturer: Professor Richard Kurin, PhD

Mondays, 1pm, Jan . 9, 23, 30

The Smithsonian is a repository of America's history, achievements, aspirations, and identity. It holds the artifacts of great leaders and ordinary Americans alike. It houses scientific specimens and technological wonders. It is home to art, music, films, writings—a vast treasure trove of objects of extraordinary beauty and outstanding design.

With a collection of some 137 million items in more than two dozen museums and research centers, the Smithsonian brings our national epic to life as nothing else can.

### MEDICAL EQUIPMENT DONATIONS and DISTRIBUTION



Tuesdays and Thursdays

Due to limited space and our inability to store equipment at the Town Building, we will be accepting donations of new or clean and gently used equipment on Tuesdays and Thursdays only in the COA on her emerging and the second distance and the

the COA or by special arrangement. If you would like to borrow equipment, please call anytime.

#### AARP TAX PREPARATION

Tax Season is fast approaching. In February, IRS-trained AARP tax preparers will be available without charge to help.

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Appointments to complete your tax return with AARP Tax Preparers may be scheduled by calling the COA starting January 17.

This program assists low and moderate income seniors.

#### **"MAKE IT—TAKE IT" JEWELRY STUDIO CLASS** With jeweler Norma Radoff

Wednesday, Jan 18, 1:30pm No charge, Wayland residents only. Make a necklace or earrings...or possibly learn to repair a piece of



jewelry that may hold special meaning for you. Learn jeweler's techniques. All supplies provided. Class size limited. Reservations required. Registration restricted to Wayland residents.

### **Additional Health Programs**

#### **BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK**



Arrange for a free Blood Pressure Check by calling the Wayland Health Department: 508-358-3617 The next Podiatry Clinic is Monday, January 9, 2017

**PODIATRY CLINIC** 

- For an appointment, call the COA at 508-358-2990.
  - Cost is **\$30.00**. Checks payable to Dr. Cooper.
  - Please make out your check **before** your appointment.

Note: <u>Many health insurance plans **reimburse** for fitness classes held at the COA</u>. Contact your plan's Membership Services Dept. to check their policy. The COA will provide you with payment histories if needed.

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### **Education/Social Programs**

#### <u>1st WEDNESDAY COA PIZZA CAFÉ</u> Noon, \$3

Luncheon Reservations required by noon on the Monday preceding the Café



MENU: PIZZA BUFFET, Salad, Dessert, Beverage A no-cheese pizza option will also be available.

#### Wednesday, January 4, Noon

And Next Month on...

Wednesday, February 1, Noon

This ongoing program is made possible by a generous grant from the Friends of Wayland Council on Aging,

#### **MEDICATION TAKE-BACK**

Wednesday, Jan 4, 11:30am-Noon Wayland Police Department will be at the COA to collect your unwanted or expired medications and

sharps. The public is welcome to take advantage of this collection point. No pre-registration needed to drop off medications.

#### **'DROP IN' PROGRAMS**

No reservations are needed for these activities. Stop by and join in. New participants are always welcome!

 THE GREAT COURSES Video Series Mondays, 1-2pm (two 30-min lectures) A Smithsonian Tour of American History

#### **COA CONNECTIONS:**

Mondays, 2:30pm (note new time in COA) Connect with others, enjoy good conversation and meet new friends. This informal group, facilitated by Wayland resident Irma Bloom, is for everyone. Come when you can.

#### **◊ GENEALOGY:**

**2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 1:00pm** Share in great conversations and fascinating stories from the past.

#### **BRIDGE:**

#### Thursdays, 12:00pm

Players need to arrive by **Noon** to be included in table rotation. This group is for advanced or HIGH intermediate players.

#### FAVORITE SPACES/MEMORABLE PLACES Sunday, February 12, 2017 2:00—4:00 pm, Wayland Town Building

Do you have a photo of a favorite place in town? Or someplace you'd like to photograph? We are looking for residents to share pictures of Wayland for an upcoming exhibit



and presentation highlighting Wayland photos and photographers past and present.

On Sunday, February 12, 2017 in the Large Hearing Room of the Town Building, we will exhibit residents' photos along with a selection of comparable photos from the Wayland Historical Society's collection. Jane Sciacca will present a program on noted Wayland photographers. If you have a photo to share, please email it to <u>waylandphotos@gmail.com</u>. You may also bring your original photo or a scanned copy to the COA. Photos will be scanned and the original returned to you. **All photos must be submitted by January 27, 2017.** This program is sponsored by the Wayland Historical Society and the Wayland COA.

### Help with Heating Bills

The LIHEAP Fuel assistance program provides onetime assistance with heating bills for income-eligible households. Maximum income for a household of one is \$34,001 and for a household of 2 it is \$44,463. Call the COA with any questions 508-358-2990.

### GRANDPARENTS NETWORKING GROUP

Tuesday January 10, 2016 10am-11:30am

2nd floor Small Conference Room, Town Building. No cost, No reservations.



Group meets monthly on 2nd Tuesdays.

Join us in a facilitated discussion about these unique relationships that can be both richly rewarding and sometimes challenging Share resource ideas like books, articles, locations, your experiences. Refreshments served. Bring a friend. This is a casual gathering. Discussion Facilitator: Dr. Dossie Kahn, Wayland Youth & Family Services.

### **Education/Social Programs**

#### LOOKING FOR SENIORS TO SHARE THEIR PERSONAL HISTORY

### Info Session and Video at COA, Friday January 13th at 11:30AM

The non-profit organization **Sages & Seekers** is recruiting Seniors (65 and up) to participate in a 7-week intergenerational program with high school students at *The Rivers School* in Weston. Seniors, come share your life experience and invaluable knowledge. You have so much to offer the world; your maturity and experience allows for a larger perspective on life from which younger generations can learn. The goal of the program is to pair you with a teen with whom you will meet once a week to share your life experiences. Past participants rave about this program!

Your commitment is once a week for 7 consecutive weeks at Rivers in Weston (near Oak St., Wayland/Natick) starting April 4, 2017. Many class times available.

#### Contact: Iryna Priester (508) 596-3393 Irynawp@gmail.com

(Learn about this incredible program...and stay for the COA Friday Movie Matinee "Sully" at 12:30)

#### Proposed FY2017-2018 SCHOOL BUDGET How Does it Affect Older Residents?

Fri., Jan. 6, 10:30am, COA

#### **Coffee Hour and Discussion**

The Wayland School Committee invites senior residents to attend a special session on Friday, January 6, 2017 at 10:30 am in the Council On Aging. Dr. Paul Stein, Superintendent of Schools, and Barb Fletcher, a member of the School Committee, will present a summary of the Superintendent's Recommended FY2018 Budget. Residents are then welcome to ask questions and share comments. The Committee will consider this information as it begins budget deliberations for the 2017-2018 school year.

Reservations are not necessary but appreciated. 508 358 2990.

### **SHOP-AROUND SHUTTLE**

Need groceries? Want to join a friend for a cup of coffee or check out a book at the library?



### Try the new Shop-Around Shuttle!

Mondays, January 9 & 23 and February 13 & 27

#### It's FREE but Reservations are Required, Call 508-358-2990

Home pick-ups begin at 10 and the return trip will begin at noon. Stops include the library, Stop & Shop, Panera and CVS. Reservations are required. Beginning in January, the shuttle will run on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month. This is a great option for the winter months.

#### WAYLAND COUNCIL ON AGING

The Wayland COA provides programs and outreach services to and on behalf of seniors to enhance quality of life and promote independent living. We are committed to creating a welcoming environment that values dignity, tolerance, respect, appreciation of diversity and positive regard for all members of our community.

#### **BOARD MEMBERS:**

Betsy Soule, Chair; Bill Sterling, Vice Chair; Mary Antes, Clerk; Evelyn Ekmejian; Nancy Leifer; Becky Patterson; Ellen Scult; Denise Yurkofsky; Carol Glick. Meetings are held the 1st Tues. of each month at 8am in the Town Building. Meetings are subject to change; check town calendar. **Next Meeting:** 

Tuesday, Jan.; 3 2017 at 8am

#### FRIENDS OF THE WAYLAND COA, INC.

A 501(c)3 dedicated to the support of COA programs, services, and equipment that cannot be financed through the COA's town budget due to limited line item allocation.

#### FRIENDS BOARD:

Betsy Willard, President; Jane Capasso, VP; Mary Kelly, Treasurer; Mary Antes, Clerk; Janie Belive; Steve Correia; Kara Harvey; Wade Larson; Nancy Leifer; Patty MacNeil, Sue Pope.

#### PROPERTY TAX RELIEF COMMITTEE

This Selectmen-appointed committee meets bi-monthly on the second Wednesday at 7pm.

**MEMBERS:** Rebecca MacGregor, Chair; Ann Gilbert, Clerk; Pauline DiCesare; Steve Colella; Joan Bradford; Linwood Bradford.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2 HOLIDAY TOWN BUILDING CLOSED	7:00 AM Pilates 3 9:15 GT Nuggets 10:15 Golden Tones 10:00 Lois' F4F 1:00 Genealogy	10:30 Zumba 4 11:00 Tai Chi 11:30 Medication Take Back 12:00 Pizza Café 1:00 Better Balance	7:00 AM Pilates 5 10:00 Lois' F4F 12:00 Bridge (Advanced Players)	6 10:30 School Budget Presentation
9 1:00 Great Courses 2:30: Connections Podiatry Clinic Shop Around Shuttle	7:00 AM Pilates 10 9:15 GT Nuggets 10:15 Golden Tones 10:00 Grandparents <i>Trip to Museum of</i> <i>Natural History</i>	11 10:30 Zumba 11:00 Tai Chi 1:00 Better Balance	12 7:00 AM Pilates 10:00 Lois' F4F Legal Clinic-by ap- pointment only Trip to Symphony	11:30am13Learn aboutSages & SeekersIntergenerationalProgram with Rivers(high school level)12:30 Movie: Sully
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30 1:00 Great Courses 2:30 Connections	31 7:00 AM Pilates 9:15 GT Nuggets 10:15 Golden Tones 10:00 Lois' F4F	LEGEND: GT: Golden Tones F4F: Fit for the Future WAC: Wayl. Art Ctr. L@NSC: Longfellow at Natick Sports Club	JANU	JARY

### From the Outreach Desk

### **Property Tax Relief for Seniors**

Property tax relief options are available for seniors at a variety of income levels. Please be sure to call the Assessor's Department of the Council on Aging for further details on any of these programs. You may be eligible for more than one of these programs.

<u>All</u> programs have separate eligibility requirements, deadlines and require a new application annually.

Statutory exemptions: Application deadline is April 3, 2017

A homeowner may receive only one statutory exemption (clause) per year. Clauses include;

- a. *Elderly Exemption* (over 65, income under \$20,000 for single, \$30,000 for married; assets under \$40, 000 if single, under \$50,000 if married). Proof of income and assets is required.
- b. Surviving Spouse (you must have assets \$40,000 or less)
- c. *Military Veteran-Disabled* (must provide certificate disability-10% or more- from the VA)
- d. Blind (must have a current certificate from the MA Commission for the Blind)

<u>Property tax deferral: Application deadline is April 3, 2017</u> 65 years old, annual income under 40,000. No asset limits.

<u>Community Preservation Act (CPA) Exemption:</u> <u>Application deadline is April 3, 2017</u> Removes the CPA surcharge from your bill. Exemption is based on household income.

MA Senior Circuit Breaker Tax Credit: This credit is filed as part of your MA Income Tax Return.

<u>Wayland Town Match of the Senior Circuit Breaker Tax credit</u>: This benefit is similar to the Circuit Breaker Credit on you MA tax return. <u>You must file application with the Town of Wayland Assessor's office</u>.

Property Tax Work-Off: Applications in June. More details to come in our June newsletter.

Valor Act-Veteran's Tax Work Off: Apply directly with the Wayland Assessor's Department.

## **Volunteer Corner**

Are you handy? If you can change a light bulb, replace a washer, unstick a stuck drawer, or handle other simple household tasks, you could be a volunteer in our Fix-It program. Just call me at 508-358-2990 to sign up.

Our Fix-It Volunteers help residents with simple tasks that don't require professional help. Residents call the COA to describe their need, and if it fits within the Fix-It guidelines — no heavy lifting, no plumbing or electrical work, no yard work, nothing too complicated — we call our Fix-It Volunteers to find someone who is willing and available to help. The volunteer and the resident work out a mutually convenient time to take care of the task.

Some folks are lucky enough to have a neighbor they can turn to when they need just a little bit of help. But for those who don't, there's our Fix-It program. And in a town the size of Wayland, aren't we all really neighbors?

Warmly, Ann Gordon

# SERVICES AVAILABLE AT THE SENIOR CENTER

In addition to our many programs, we offer a variety of services to provide assistance to older adults in their homes and at the COA. For information about any of the services described below, call the Wayland COA at 508-358-2990 (unless otherwise indicated).

#### ⇒ Information and Assistance

*Information and Referral*–Our Outreach Coordinator, Sue Hatton, provides free information about a wide variety of resources and services available for older adults and their families. Please call with any questions or concerns: 508-358-2990.

*Fuel Assistance*–Wayland Council On Aging is the Fuel Assistance agent for the Town. Fuel assistance is a LIHEAP (Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program) administered through SMOC. Contact Outreach Coordinator Sue Hatton for further information. Program runs from November - April.

*Free Legal Clinic*–Denise Yurkofsky, an elder law attorney, is available to discuss legal issues. Call the COA to schedule a free, 20-minute appointment. Legal clinics are held in a private consultation area. See our calendar for the next Legal Clinic dates.

**SHINE**-Serving Health Insurance Needs of Everyone on Medicare. Trained volunteers provide free counseling for all your <u>health insurance</u> concerns. Our SHINE Counselors are Kathleen Woehrling and Penny Wilson. Call COA for appointment.

#### State Senator Richard Ross:

Constituents interested in discussing a concern should contact his office at 617-722-1555.

 $\Rightarrow$  Health Services Free BLOOD PRESSURE check by Wayland Health Department. By appointment. Call Ruth Mori, Community Health Nurse, 508 358-3617.

#### $\Rightarrow$ Meals on Wheels

For information on the *Meals On Wheels* program, please call BayPath Elder Services at **508-573-7200.** Meals are delivered to program participants M-F.

 $\Rightarrow$  Town Elections/Meetings Services *Transportation* to every <u>Town Election</u> and to all sessions of the annual <u>Spring and Fall Town</u> <u>Meeting</u> is provided by the COA. Advanced reservations are required. <u>Call the COA at 508-358-2990</u> for a ride reservation with at least 48-hour notice.

### ⇒ In-Home Services

*Friendly Caller Program*–Volunteers provide a friendly phone call to homebound residents who may benefit from a caring conversation.

*In-Home Fix-It Program*–Our volunteer handypeople will assist elders at home with small jobs such as changing a light bulb or smoke alarm battery. The service is free–you pay only for needed supplies.

*File of Life*–Free! These small magnetic folders attach to your refrigerator and list your pertinent medical information, doctors, emergency contacts, etc. This information can be invaluable to emergency personnel. Call the COA office today to get one–it could save your life! Folders are provided courtesy of *The Friends of the Wayland Council on Aging*.

*Medical Equipment Loan Closet*—The COA accepts donations of —and loans out—gently used medical equipment (including shower chairs, transfer benches, commodes, walkers, canes, wheelchairs, transport chairs and more). To borrow or to donate, call the COA office 508-358-2990.

*Lock boxes*—Allow access to your home in the event you call Emergency for help and cannot get to the door. A house key is stored in a small locked box that is secured to your house in an inconspicuous place; only Wayland rescue personnel have access. Free installation with a one-time fee to purchase the box. Call the Wayland Fire Dept. at **508-358-7951**.

*Elders At Risk in Weather Emergencies*—Seniors with specialized medical equipment or physical limitations that may put them at risk during severe storms or power outages can be included on this list. As resources allow, emergency personnel will call to make sure everything is OK. Call the COA to register and we will forward to Public Safety.

*Smoke and CO Detectors*—As time and supplies are available, Wayland Firefighters will come install free smoke and CO detectors and provide fire safety training to Wayland Seniors. Call the COA to place your name on this 'wait list only' program. 508-358-2990.

Concerned about abusive behaviors: elder abuse, bullying, abusive dating relationships, family violence? Help is available in the MetroWest area. Call 877-785-2020 or Visit www.domesticviolenceroundtable.org

# **COA** Transportation Choices

### **IMPORTANT INFO on TAXI VOUCHERS**

- $\Rightarrow$  JFK Medical Taxi Vouchers are now ORANGE.
- ⇒ Expired Blue JFK Medical Taxi Vouchers may no longer be used.

#### **MWRTA "DIAL-A-RIDE"**

**WHO:** All Wayland residents 65 years of age or older, and disabled of any age. Note: You must be pre-registered with MWRTA to schedule a ride. For registration forms, call the MWRTA at 508-820-4650 or the Wayland COA at 508-358-2990.

**WHAT:** Handicapped accessible, shared ride van providing curb-to-curb transportation, on an "as available" basis throughout the MetroWest community. Rides may be for shopping, leisure, work, and/or medical appointments

WHEN: Mon.-Fri., 7am – last pickup at 6:30pm.

WHERE: Travel anywhere within the MWRTA communities Ashland, Framingham, Holliston, Hopkinton, Marlboro, Natick, Sherborn, Southborough, Sudbury, Wayland, and Weston. **\$2 each** way. ALSO, to Woodland MBTA station. **\$3** 

#### **EXTENDED SERVICES FOR MEDICAL**

**RIDES ONLY:** Berlin, Dover, Hudson, Lincoln, Maynard, Medfield, Medway, Milford, Millis, Needham, Newton, Northborough, Shrewsbury, Stow, Upton, Waltham, Wellesley, Westborough, and Emerson Hospital in Concord. **\$3 each way.** Boston, Worcester, Brookline, Jamaica Plain (VA Hospital only). **\$5 each way**.

**TO SCHEDULE A RIDE:** Call MWRTA "Dial-A-Ride" 508-820-4650, Mon.-Fri., 8am-4pm, no more than two weeks – and no less than 48 hours - **prior to your ride.** 

**PAYMENT:** Upon registration you will establish a fare account with the MWRTA; accounts are automatically debited on the day of your ride

VAN DESCRIPTION: A white, handicappedaccessible van signed: MWRTA-Kiessling.

#### MEDICAL TAXI VOUCHERS

WHO: All Wayland seniors (60+ years of age) and/or disabled of any age.

Call JFK 508-653-4500.

**WHAT:** A discounted taxi ride for **medical appointments** only and **medically related activities at the COA** including exercise classes, SHINE, legal appointments and medical seminars.

**WHEN:** Taxis avail. 7 days/week , 6:30am to10pm.

WHERE: Wherever you need to go for your medical appointment. Multiple vouchers may be used. Taxi rides to Boston hospitals are fixed rate-\$60 in meter time each way-using medical taxi voucher tickets brings your cost down to \$36.

**COST:** A book of tickets worth \$25 of meter time can be purchased for \$15.00 (each book has 5 tickets and each ticket is worth \$5.00 of meter time.) Taxi voucher books are available at the COA or by mailing a check to the COA. (A single voucher worth \$5 of meter time may be purchased for \$3).

**NOTE:** A taxi driver gratuity IS expected and must be paid in cash, not with a voucher.

#### F.I.S.H. (Friends In Service Helping) For medical rides only

FISH is a VOLUNTEER organization that offers rides to Wayland residents of any age who have exhausted all options for transportation to local *medical appointments*. (Some drivers are available to travel to Boston.)

Riders pay tolls and parking fees. Donations are not expected, but those who wish to donate should make checks out to the *Town of Wayland*.

To request a ride: Call 508-358-3474 at least ONE WEEK AHEAD of your appointment date. You will reach the FISH ANSWERING MACHINE. Please leave your NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER, DATE, TIME, and LOCATION of appointment. A telephone volunteer will call to confirm your request and make every effort to find an available driver.



CALENDAR OF UPCOMING OUTINGS

For additional information, please contact the COA or stop by the office and pick up flyers.

### JANUARY

#### Tuesday, 1/10/17: Harvard Museum of Natural

**History.** Depart COA at 9 am. Return at 2 pm. Cost: \$20 for admission and transportation. The museum presents a rare glimpse at the exotic and a fresh look at the familiar with exhibits on marine life, birds, Africa and more. One of Harvard's most famous treasures is the internationally acclaimed Ware Collection of Blaschka Glass Models of Plants, the "Glass Flowers." The glass flowers gallery has reopened following an extensive remodel. This unique collection of over 4,000 models, representing more than 830 plant species, was created by glass artisans Leopold and Rudolf Blaschka. Following two hours at the museum, we will head to Harvard Square for lunch.

#### Thursday, 1/12: Boston Symphony Rehearsal:

Depart COA at 9:00, Return by 1:30. \$15 for transportation for one concert, \$50.00 for four concerts. Remaining dates: March 23, April 20, and May 4. Riders must purchase their own Boston Symphony tickets: **Box office 888-266-1200** <u>WWW.BSO.ORG</u>.

Tuesday, 1/17: All the City's a Stage: A Season of Shakespeare at the Boston Public Library: Depart COA at 9:15am. Return at 2:00 pm. Cost: \$10 for transportation. Discover the Bard's lasting legacy with two exhibits commemorating the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his death. Shakespeare Unauthorized pulls back the curtain on 400 years of collaboration, confusion, and even literary deception that surround the plays, poems, and life of William Shakespeare. Through an unprecedented exhibition of the BPL's world-class collections, visitors can view some of the rarest, most extraordinary books in the world and learn about the countless men and women who have made and remade the works of a literary icon. Shakespeare's Here and Everywhere explores the role travel plays in his comedies, tragedies, and histories through maps, atlases, and illustrations. View these exhibits or just explore the library. There are several restaurants on site and in Copley Square.

### **FEBRUARY**

**Monday, 2/6: Market Basket & Marshall's** Depart COA at 9:15 am. Return by 1:30 pm. N/C Home pickups available by request.

Tuesday, 2/14: Tuesday, The Medici's Painter: Carlo Dolci and 17th-Century Florence at the newly reimagined Davis Museum in Wellesley. Depart COA at 10:30 am. Return at 2:00 pm. Cost: \$15.00 for admission, tour, and transportation. This is the first exhibition in America devoted to the luminous and meticulously rendered paintings and drawings of Italian artist Carlo Dolci. It includes more than fifty autograph works, pictures of the highest pictorial, technical, and spiritual qualities, through exceptional loans from the world's major museums and rarely seen works from private collections in the U.S. and abroad. Following a private docent tour of this exhibit, there will be time to view other special exhibits and the permanent collection. Please note, while admission to the Davis museum is normally free, the regular admission for this special exhibit is \$25. This is an opportunity to see the exhibit at a reduced group rate.

Wednesday, 2/22: Worcester Art Museum. Depart COA at 10:00 am. Return by 3:30. Cost: \$10 for transportation. Admission \$12 paid at the museum. This museum is world-renowned for its 35,000-piece collection of paintings, sculpture, decorative arts, photography, prints, drawings and new media. The reinstalled medieval galleries combine WAM's outstanding pre-existing collection of ecclesiastical artwork with the chivalric arms and armor of the Higgins collection to tell a new story for 21st-century audiences. In addition, Mary Cassatt's 1901 pastel *Simone in a White Bonnet* will be on view at the museum as part of a small, focused installation. Lunch is available in the museum café.

### MARCH

Friday, 3/24: Save the Date for the Boston Flower & Garden Show: details & sign-up in February.

#### COA TRIP POLICY

Registration for Wayland residents will be open as soon as the trip is advertised. Those from other communities may register on the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month or the first day the COA is open if the 15th is on a weekend or holiday. We require payment at the time of registration. You may register in person or send in a check made out to the Town of Wayland, specifying the trip you are registering for. For non-residents, checks received before the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month will be processed on the 15<sup>th</sup> using a lottery system. Due to advance financial commitments, refunds will only be given if the vacancy is filled.



# FRIDAY "After Hours" MOVIE MATINEE

Showtime: 12:30 pm, Wayland C.O.A. Bring a friend, and/or bring your lunch. ENJOY self-serve popcorn and cold drinks from our "Hospitality Cart" — it's all complimentary!

#### Friday , January 13: SULLY (2016) PG-13, 96 min, Action/Adventure, Drama.

Tom Hanks stars in this thrilling portrait of heroic airline pilot Chesley "Sully" Sullenberger, re-enacting his successful emergency landing of an Airbus A320 full of passengers on the Hudson River.

#### Friday, January 27: A MAN CALLED OVE (2016) PG-13, 116 min., Comedy/Drama

Based on Fredrik Backman's international best-selling novel, Ove is the quintessential angry old man next door. An isolated retiree with strict principles and a short fuse, who spends his days enforcing block association rules that only he cares about, and visiting his wife's grave, Ove has given up on life. Enter a boisterous young family next door who accidentally flattens Ove's mailbox while moving in and earning his special brand of ire. Yet from this inauspicious beginning an unlikely friendship forms and we come to understand Ove's past happiness and heartbreaks. What emerges is a heartwarming tale of unreliable first impressions and the gentle reminder that life is sweeter when it's shared. **In Swedish with English subtitles.** 

### Do 1 Thing: Your Goal for January

Make A Plan: Understand what puts you at risk from disasters and take steps to lower your risk. Plan what to do if you have to evacuate.

'Do 1 Thing' is a web-based twelve-month preparedness program that focuses on a different area of emergency preparedness each month, and provides a range of preparedness options for each topic. Every month has a low or no-cost option to become better prepared. They suggest a choice of three things you can do, then you choose one. You can jump in at anytime. For more information visit www.do1thing.com. If you would like a print copy of the monthly tip sheets, please stop by the COA or give us a call.

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