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People Plus supports an engaged, healthy, and independent life for older adults, while joining others to build community for all ages

Volunteer recognition party coming

Our annual party to recognize People Plus volunteers is coming to the Center on Tuesday, June 21, beginning at 1 p.m.

A tropical ice cream social takes center stage, as staff and board members take on the "serious business" of "helping volunteers understand how important their contributions are" to the Center, according to Program coordinator Jill Ellis. The ice cream bar will be be served along with tasty finger foods, fresh fruit, cookies, punch and good conversation.

"There is just no way that People Plus could offer half of the programs, activities and services we provide without our volunteer core," Ellis Added, "they remain the heart and soul of this Center!"

Ellis estimates some 300 people ("more or less") routinely and regularly volunteer time and/or talents to the Center, working as receptionists, drivers, instructors, cooks, callers, cleaners, gardeners, greeters and more.

We hope you will plan to attend this very special event.

Please confirm with the front desk by calling 729-0757, this will help us to know how much ice cream and treats to prepare.

Raised through May 19th

\$48,966

Annual Fund Goal

\$50,000

Fiscal year ends June 30

Your donation of \$25 or more in

"New Money" contributes to

the 100 percent challenge

match of Richard Morrell,

to a maximum of \$5,000.

Brunswick.

Each donation matters!

Broadway to Brunswick Bunch

Acting interns and staff from the Maine

'50s, and '60s, and "lots of little hints"

from the coming summer theater season in

Curt Dale-Clark, Artistic director at the

theater, will preview the 2016 season, which

includes, "Ghost," "Evita," "Fiddler on the

Roof," and "Mamma Mia!" and may offer

90

60

30

98%



Annual Fund nears successful finish

With a full month remaining in the Center's fiscal year, office manager Betsy White reports the Center is only \$1,034 short of it's intended goal of \$50,000. As of May 19th, the campaign total stood at \$48,966, and that total includes \$3,352 donated as an extra gift by members at the time of paying dues.

"We're hopeful and confident," offered Executive director Stacy V. Frizzle, "We're close, so very close. People Plus means so much to so many people, the annual fund is the last piece of the fiscal puzzle."

Interns expected to present at our

Lauter, Haley Ostir, Katie Whittemore.

information desk at 729-0757 to sign up.

Refreshments will be served and pre-regis-

tration is required. Please call the People Plus

Marvelous Mystery Dinner. Guests enjoy dinner with all the trimmings at the home of Linda Cronkhite as part of the celebration for a Music In April benefit live auction item last month. In the inset (right) retiring board member Lennie Burke and husband Robert Beaumont join the celebration.

Journeys and Reflections

Write On Writers to celebrate Author's Chat

Members of the Write On Writers will mark the release of their latest work during an Author's Chat at the Center on Wednesday, June 8, beginning at 2 p.m. The 230-page, soft-covered book contains 76 stories and 120 poems, written by 24

member-authors of the WOW group, with 108 original illustrations and 11 photographs.

Self-published by the writers group, Journeys and Reflections contains original fiction and non-fiction, stories and poetry offered by members including: Betty Bavor, Elizabeth Bates, Robert Dow, Ruth Foehring, Marcia Good-Townsend, Judy Gray, Charlotte Hart, Sally Hartikka, Paul Karwowski, Russ

Kinne, Richard Krejsa, Joni Larlee, Ralph Laughlin, Rose Marie Mayer, Vince

McDermott, Charlie Payne, Ginny Sabin, Wilma Sarna, Karen Schneider, Nancy Sohl, Patty Sparks, Gladys Szabo, Woody Townsend and Bonnie Wheeler. Original illustrations in the book were done by Marcia Good Townsend.

> "From cover to cover," Write On member and author Ralph Laughlin reported, "this book is absolutely the most professional book that our Write On Writers have ever produced. Whether it's poetry, fiction or non-fiction, it is all of the highest standard!

Copies may be purchased at the Center for \$14.95. Proceeds benefit the People Plus Center.

Join us Wednesday, June 8 at 2 pm for readings, refreshments and book signings. Free, open to the public.

SAVE THE DATE

Annual summer picnic Thomas Point Beach July 21, 11 am - 2 pm

Beans, burgers, hot dogs...



Ticket offer is back!

FYI! Curtains up with MSMT!

State Music Theater return to People Plus Brunswick to Broadway show include:

on Thursday, June 9, at 1 p.m. to serenade Giovanni DiGabriele, Alex Drost, Megan

with show pieces from the 1930's, '40s, Flynn, Berkley Jones, Kyle Laing, Marty

For the third consecutive season, MSMT is offering People Plus members a main-floor block of tickets to sell for three of the four show's first Friday night performance. Tickets that normally sell for over \$60 will be available, on a first come, first sold basis, for only \$40! The season's fourth show, "Mamma Mia!" is not included in the offer.

Tickets are available only for active, dues-paying members and their guests, and may be purchased at the People Plus information desk. Ask for Pat or Jill. Purchases are not refundable, and should be made in cash or by check. A portion of each ticket cost is donated by MSMT back to People Plus. Help us raise money and enjoy a show for less!



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Six ways to stretch a dollar

could all lay back and rest on our laurels in recovery mode from what was a very busy April here at the Center.

We had two giant fundraisers that help pay the bills and keep these doors open for the good people of Brunswick, Topsham, Harpswell and surrounding area; we got our taxes filed for the organization on time any Topsham residents out there who want which is no easy feat and we are projecting to join with me on this mission I welcome it. to just barely make our budget numbers for the year again. Phew!

The expression "by the skin of our teeth" seems to define us here at People Plus but that's how we know how to do things. We hunker down, we make the most of what we have and we can stretch a dollar like nobody's business.

As we start crunching numbers for the

I thought May was going to be slow. We new fiscal year the town of Brunswick, Topsham and Harpswell are in their budget cycle as well. We are incredibly appreciative of the financial support we receive from the town of Brunswick and it's good taxpayers, as well as the town of Harpswell. I am still working diligently to get Topsham to donate a little to our cause and if there are

> The funding for an organization comes from so many different areas. We received no state or federal funding but the town funding, combined with Spectrum Generations, the United Way, the annual giving campaign, the back-to-school letter for the teen center, Music in April, the Gelato Fiasco fundraiser, and several grants and foundation's support; we manage to cobble together a living that

From the **Executive Director**

Stacy V. Frizzle

benefits over 1000 seniors and 225 teens in

May has been such a lovely month for the emergence of flowers and leaves and greenery in nature. I hope that your world is in bloom as well. Our tulips are thriving, as is the Monday Munchies program and lots of the others classes we offer here at the Center. I invite you to come check us out on the corner of Union and Cumberland Street at the Center That Builds Community to see what all the hoopla is about!

From **Plate**



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This past week has been pretty awesome. One of my clients has lost over 60 pounds!!! He is now wearing clothes that he has never been able to wear. Today someone came into my office and has lost 20 pounds. I was describing the idea of holding 2 five-pound bags of flour and 2 five-pound bags of sugar as a point of reference for this awesome achievement. Just then I thought of my bag. Have you ever seen me walk around with my big bag? I asked her to please pick up my bag. I was thinking that it weighed about 20 pounds. Let's just say the bag is heavy. Believe it or not when we weighed the bag it was indeed 20 pounds! Two clients with diabetes have improved their glucose so much that it is now in the normal range. Most of the time nutrition and physical activity can work better than medication. My clients are cooking more and eating out less. Without a

- doubt the comments are always the same: • "I feel so much better."
- "I am sleeping better."
- "I have so much more energy."
- "I really like the food that I am preparing.'

The name of my business really says it all. Everyday Nutrition is really meant to have everyone make their own plan, eat everyday nutritious foods and make progress in improving their overall health. We talk about making a shift in food choices.

As we think about the Father's day we can use the concept of meal makeover. Let's face it most of the fathers are probably going to want steak. If we make over the meal we can cook up a steak, slice it thin and make some grilled chicken to go along

Keep on going with your journey to eating healthier and finding the right balance for

Korean Grilled Chicken Breasts

- 1 Tb. light brown sugar

- chicken in a Ziploc bag. Mix to combine.
- 2. Marinade for at least one hour or

What's it worth?

Appraisal fair coming to **Highland Green Community Center**

Do you need to sell or bequeath or insure Ben Truesdale will share his knowledge of some of your valued treasures? Or are you Rare Books, Maps & Ephemera. just curious if something you own is worth millions? If so, start searching your house now and bring them to the Appraisal Fair!

On June 11 from 1:00 to 4:00 pm, an appraisal fair will be held in Topsham at from Freeman's Auction House, based in Philadelphia, will be appraising your antiques, fine art, decorative arts, historical documents, or jewelry. Freeman's is one of the oldest and most respected auction houses in the country.

Appraisal fairs are fun and informative events that are always salted with unexpected surprises. If you have watched "Antiques Roadshow" on PBS, you know how fun the process can be. Two of the appraisers who will be providing verbal appraisers for the event are "Antiques Roadshow" regulars: Kelly Wright and Virginia Salem. Wright serves as a Director of Freeman's Trusts & Estates department and is the New England Representative. Salem is an expert appraiser of jewelry. Matt Wilcox, a Bowdoin grad, serves

Individuals are encouraged to bring their treasured items for valuation and will be asked to offer a donation of \$10 for each item appraised or 3 items for \$25. All items are welcome with the exception of coins, stamps, Highland Green's Community Center, 7 guns, or carpets. Although it is easier to put a Evergreen Circle. Four expert appraisers value on items that can be seen in person, the appraisers are willing to do the appraisal from photos if items are too bulky or fragile.

While you wait your turn, refreshments will be served and chairs will be available for you to watch the proceedings. If interesting items appear, the appraisers will make sure that you get to hear all the details about it.

Reservations are preferred, but walk-ins are welcome. To place a reservation and avoid long waits, register online at http://uucbAppraisal.brownpapertickets.com or contact Susan Michaud at 729-4857 or at michaud susan@comcast.net.

To reach the Highland Green Community Center, turn in the entrance off Route 196/ Topsham Connector and drive past the golf club. The Community Center is just beyond as VP of Freeman's Trusts & Estates depart- on the right with ample parking and easy ment and is the Mid-Atlantic Representative. access with no steps.

Memorial Donation in Memory of Katherine "K" Schmidt

July 11, 1917 - May 4, 2016



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- 1 pound thin boneless, skinless chicken 1. Place all the ingredients except the
- 1/4 cup low sodium soy sauce • 1/4 cup unsweetened apple sauce
- 1 tsp sesame oil
- ½ t ginger, onion and garlic powder

- 1 teaspoon red pepper flakes (optional)

- 3. Cook over a grill until not longer pink on

Note: This is quick and easy! Delicious!

many Americans...and our politicians. The music of words

by Charlie Payne

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by Sally Hartikka

International Clubs

I have been a school librarian much of my

life, and in two of the high schools I served,

appreciate other cultures and experience the

values and lifestyles of non-Americans. Our

activities were varied and included visiting a

Hindu service, sponsoring foreign students

for study at the schools, and touring other

countries. We welcomed exchange students

into our group and helped them become

acclimated; we celebrated the holidays of

schools, the clubs were active and drew

Over the years, I have followed the con-

tinuing success of both groups and have

been delighted to learn they both still exist and continue to be committed to interna-

tional understanding. I feel it is important to

stress to kids at an early age that we are not

lone on this planet, and must learn to coop-

erate with people of many backgrounds. To

they are coming from." This understand-

ing should help dispel the fear and hate of

foreigners that seems to have overtaken too

relate with them, we must appreciate "where

concerning other nations. At both

many interested students.

other nations; we discussed political events

I organized and oversaw an International

Club. I recognized the need for kids to

'BRAVO" to all you masters of the written word! You have created a rhapsody that I will play over and over on those days dreary and dour that invade my soul. You will chase away those brooding,

dark, cloudy thoughts of the futility of life's journey.

I will play it each time I falter, just as I used to play Gerhwins "Rhapsody in Blue." You have put the full spectrum of colors in this publication of "Journeys and Reflections.

"CHEERS" to the team of the masters, and to the talented writers in its printing.

FIRE

by Elizabeth B. Bates

In the early Spring, when the grass was showing green, it was still too cool to put out the fire in our wood stove. We were sitting in our living room looking out the glass doors. The view was of our cove, with the various kinds of ducks swimming by . There were eiders, and mergansers, and old squaws, and even a loon or two. We loved seeing them. The cat was lying in front of the stove in her usual nap. The stove was burning brightly and life was

At first, we didn't notice that the usual slight smell of smoke was getting worse. All of a sudden there was a roaring filling the cottage and the cat was running into the kitchen. My husband shut the doors of the stove to keep the worst of the smoke out and ran to the telephone to call the town fire department. It was a volunteer fire department, so it took a while for them to get there. Some low-class jokers in the town called them "the cellar savers". I ran into the bedroom to get my purse because that was where the credit cards were, and then into the kitchen to grab the cat and open the kitchen door. I ran out and to the old cottage we also owned next door. I looked out the window from there to see the firemen arriving. They got onto the roof and started spraying water. The roaring diminished and finally disappeared. We were very lucky that the fire had not melted our Metalbestos chimney. The firemen said that all was now okay and left.

My husband told our neighbors who were watching that I had saved my money and our cat running away without saving him. He was joking, of course.

Haiku by Virginia Sabin

Forsythia will Flaunt its wild sprays of spring gold In darkened woods

Fondly Recalled...

Gasoline sold for five gallons for a dollar, and Ed or Paul Vose was there to pump it for you AND wash your windshield in this full service station that used to stand "on the falls end of Brunswick's Maine Street." This garage and several small businesses all went away when the Route one underpass was constructed in early 1961. From the collection of Alvina Menard.

THRU THE YEARS a 40th anniversary feature

June, 1976: Town of Brunswick purchases the former St. Charles Church, at Noble and Maine streets for \$79,000, structures to be used for "betterment of local senior citizens."

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June, 1987: Shape Up Fitness, with Pat Robinson and Arlene Hanchett, will resume in the fall.

June, 1988: Romeo Bernier's oil painting class is taking the summer off, June through Sept., come paint with us again in the fall.

Sonnet to Sylvie's Sea of Gold

by Charlotte Hart

"Don't mow that field!" cries Sylvie with dismay. Leave dandelions' brilliant quilt of gold. Beside the stone wall, daffodils hold sway, In regal rows our awed attention hold. Forsythia bursts like fireworks by the fence, Wild, showy, startling, glowing there for weeks. The tulip bed a royal show presents. It does not offer comfort that one seeks. O dandelion, favorite, constant friend, Your leaves, your roots hold great medicinal powers You close your golden blooms, announce day's end, Reminder of the time for restful hours, My sweet sprite Sylvie gathers blooms for me Of dandelions. She is wise at three!

OVERLOAD

by Bonnie Wheeler

I use to do everything Today I cannot I am 74 and counting I am enjoying my journey I am thankful for enough In my past, a little was a lot Over the years, I collected too much I am overloaded Today my needs are simple Yet my house overflows Have I traveled the path wisely?

C &C SITTING

by Betty Bavor

Allie and Biggie are Maine Coon cats and the Girls are three chickens – hence C &C, cats and chickens. "Mom, are you available to take care of our cats and chickens for ten days while we hike Utah's National Parks?" "It would be a pleasure," was my immediate reply. "I am going on a church retreat Friday and Saturday so your Vet will need to come by twice for insulin shots." "No problem, I will call her and thank you," she said. I have done weekend sitting but never a long term so the plan was to commute daily from Topsham to Durham to stay overnight.

Biggie has diabetes and requires daily insulin shots at 7 am and 7 pm which I have learned to give him. One of the Girls lays an egg each day which needs to be collected. Of course all need to be watered, fed and entertained!

My sitting run-thru began with a dry-run to get acquainted with where food is located, letting the Girls out daily, putting them to roost at night, insulin needle supply, litter box routine and picking up the mail. Day one torrential rain as I traveled the route through the bridge construction site and on to the house. When I arrived everyone was waiting for my greetings as I picked up the egg, petted the cats and collected the mail. The evening was relaxing – oh I forgot to mention the refrig-

erator was well stocked for my entire stay so

dinner, shoot the cat and early to bed. My 6 AM alarm clock was Allie meowing,

sniffing my face. My cat

chores done a farewell

checking me out by

walking on me and

pat, I was off to let

chickens out. Their

by R. Neil Laughlin

The past is remembrance. The future is speculation. The present is real, enjoy the moment, EVERY moment!

Reality

humble abode is an enclosed house, a small space with open sides, a roof cover and door, and a long open fenced in run. My direction was to let them out in the roofed section. I had grapes for their morning treat and when I opened the door out they all ran. I managed to catch 2 of them but the third took off around the back of the house. It was a sunny day, wet grass and chicken #3 was not about to be caged in for the day. Finally, I coaxed it back, secured the door and was off for my day's events.

I settled in with a routine for the rest of the week, however the next to last day when I was getting the mail, I noticed three people slowly walking the side of the road. The woman came over to me and said they were looking for her son's class ring. He had put a box on the roof of their car while getting a dog inside the car and off they went forgetting the box. As luck would have it, in the rearview mirror, they saw it fly off. This box contained collectables and they were trying to find them. She said coins, a football ring and several trinkets were found but no college class ring her son had received a week ago and he is devastated. The dad said it had to be there so I also took a look without success. I walked the area again the next day. I have left a phone message for them hoping to hear they returned with a metal detector and did find the ring.

My family returned from their awesome trip and said the cats were calm, relaxed and happy and the Girls were fine also. My C & C Sitting was an enjoyable experience and I will return again when needed.

June, 1992: Rusty Chute has offered to be our gardener again this year. If you have any perennials to thin out, we'd love to have them. People coming to our center really appreciate our "homeyness." June 10, 1998: Bus to shop in Portland's

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old Port. You pay for your lunch, trip cost June 16, 1997: Sig Knudsen begins work as Executive Director of 55 Plus Center.

June 22, 1998: Celebration of Summer, Thomas Point Beach from 11 a.m. To 2 p.m.; old fashioned cookout with hot dogs, hamburgers, salads-BRING YOUR FAMILY- cost is only \$5.50, event held in rain or shine.

June, 1999: Walter Cucci, aka "the **roadrunner**" is cutting down his extraordinary workload as a volunteer here, and we need someone to take over selling ads for and distribution of our newsletter.

(1,165copies each month)

June 2, 1999: Gertrude "Trudi" Catlin of Brunswick is named the second recipient of the Leona Harris Volunteer of the Year award. She contributes an average of 30 hours weekly to the center as a craftsperson, program committee member, desk volunteer

and "tireless organizing." June 20, 2000: Beverly Salmon is planning a gathering where by members bring a hobby to share and discuss. The meeting will be followed by enjoying **strawberry** shortcakes.

June, 2000: Evelyn Cucci, Volunteer/ Activities Coordinator and Dorothe Hallenback, Office Coordinator, are both leaving their jobs at the end of the month, as the center is establishing a full-time Administrative assistant position. June 14, 2001: Maine Gov. Angus S.

neighbor," keynote speaker at Center's 25th Anniversary breakfast event. June, 2001: Town Manager Donald Gerrish recommends old high school on Spring St. be converted into intergenerational center for People Plus and the Brunswick

King, Jr., "the Center's most famous

June 30, 2002: Frank Connors hired as part-time Program Director. June 9, 2004: Former State Legislator Charlene Rydell will offer her take on Medicare Prescription Drug Cards in Jordan-Wilson Hall at 1:30 p.m.

Recreation Dept.

June 1, 2005: The Brunswick Teen Center, housed in the newly refurbished basement under Jordan-Wilson Hall, will open for business June 1. June 12, 2008: Special screening of

"Young At Heart" film at Eveningstar Cinema for People Plus members. Film follows experiences of 27 singers, aged 73 and older, who tour America. Cost is \$6.25 June. 2008: Suzanne Benoit leaves as Interim Executive Director, Sig Knudsen returns.

June 25, 2009: Susan Cole hired as Executive Director, People Plus June 9, 2011: Gladys Szabo "volunteer coordinator extraordinaire, and Hank Welzel named Volunteers of the year at Appreciation event.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN JUNE



Harpswell hiking challenge set

Challenge opens the weekend of June 4 by the Harpswell Recreation Department, and 5, highlighting many local trails and the Harpswell Heritage Land Trust, Healthy

marking National Trails Day with a great local celebration.

Each year, the challenge selects four town trails and four Harpswell Heritage Land Trust trails to hike-total hiking mileage is under ten miles- hikers can hike all the trails in one day

or over the entire weekend, you can start wherever and whenever you like. There are sticker boxes prominently displayed on each trail, stickers should be placed on your participation form. You can drop your completed form at the information booth behind the town offices, or in the drop box at the town office main entrance.

Download your participation form on the town of Harpswell web site, using the key word: Recreation. The first 100 people to register receive free t-shirts. Prizes will be awarded randomly to some of the participation forms turned in completed.

The fifth annual Harpswell Hiking The 2016 Challenge is sponsored jointly

Maine Walks, Access Health, Roxanne York Real Estate, the Giant Stairs Grill, Your Island Connection, the

weather is half as good as last year, the day will be spectacular-AGAIN" Connors added that beach owner Patti Island Candy Company and Crooker has arranged for the tide to be, the Casco Bay Tuna Club. "just a little past full" this season. The band Pejepscot Station is booked for the day, "We can't wait to get this one going," he said. Grant Connors has promised to return and grill "dogs and burgers...and we're hoping Ralph is back in time to supervise opera-

Thomas Point Beach

It is NEVER too early to pencil in members, and \$10 for non-members. If Thursday, July 21, on your calendar, so you members pay \$10 (and non-members pay \$15) they get a free People Plus 40-year celebratory t-shirt.

picnic at Thomas Point Beach. "This is our Again this season, Crooker is extending Services coordinator Frank Connors her special offer to members of People Plus. Flash your valid, paid-up membership card at the gate ANY weekday, Monday through Friday, and general beach admission for the day is only \$1! (Regular admission is \$3 per tide.) Crooker said she makes this offer each summer to honor her parents, Harry C. and Marion Crooker, who were "great Brunswick boosters" and long-time members and supporters of People Plus.

Beach goers over the age of 80 (and under the age of 3) are always admitted free, she

DON'T FORGET THE WATER

The "Beach" awaits

This time of year it is important to stay hydrat- would be poisoned by 1. Most people agree that drinking water is comtheir own waste prod-

tions," Connors said. Cost is only \$7 for

do not miss the annual People Plus summer

big summer membership event," Member

explained, "burgers, beans, hot dogs,

live music and sunshine," he said, "if the

We also know many people report they never drink just water, and literally live on liquids that lehydrate the body. Examples of such dehydrating liquids are coffee, soda and tea, all of which ontain caffeine. Switching from these dehydratng beverages can be the first step toward the ealth vou desire.

The human body is composed of 75 percent ater and as adults we can only survive three to our days without water.

Only nerve function and the air we breathe are fore important for life than water. Hydrated peosignals exiting the spine and reduces overall le perform better on tests than dehydrated peohealth. The combination of proper hydration and

Twenty percent more strength and aerobic proper spinal hygiene can help to minimize nerve ower can be seen in a typical 150 pound person who has optimum body water levels as compared o individuals who lose three pounds of water ght during the same activity

Water as an aid to weight loss. We often turn to

age. The loss of height Dr. Tim Coffin and decreased nerve function seen in some individuals can be linked to dehydration as well as joint dysfunction. If each spinal disc loses 10 percent to 12 percent of its water content, an average person will lose approximately two inches in spinal height as

ing from their body's

Stay tall and maintain

nerve integrity as you

metabolism.

ınd disc issues. The Action Steps: How much water is enough? DAILY water requirements can be calculated by dividing your body weight in pounds by two. That number is the number of ounces of water that you should have. Water requirements come from clear fluids. Add 2 glasses of water per day for each cup

Keep hydrated and get your nervous system and spinal systems checked to improve overall

Programming to open your summer...

PEOPLE PLUS NEWS



Zumba instructor Bea Blakemore leads a highly-charged Zumba class in the People Plus main hall each Monday morning, beginning at 10 a.m. "Try it, you'll like it!"

"Aging Well" Lunch and Learn: 4 Your Eyes Only

Monday, June 27, 12:00 pm

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Do you wear or need glasses? Are you wearing the best glasses for you? Michael Cartwright, ABO, the optician from Berries Hearing and Optical Center, will discuss the ins and outs of eyewear on Monday, June 27 at 12 pm. Topics include understanding prescriptions, lens, frames, styles and choices. Free, open to the public. Bring your lunch (or grab take-out from our Monday Munchies), we provide chips, drinks and dessert. Call to register.

Technology Clubs:

Apple Club meets the first Monday of every month at 10 am. Bring your Apple device and questions and Stacy will help answer your questions.

Tech Time (for non-Apple devices) meets the 3rd Monday of the month (watch calendar changes due to holidays) at 10 am. Same as the Apple Club but for non-Apple devices. Beth from All Thumbs Computer Care will help answer your questions! Both clubs are free and for members only.

AARP Smart Driver Class at People Plus

class at People Plus on September 22, from

Thursday, September 22, 1pm – 5 pm Register now for the AARP Smart Driver

1- 5 pm. This class is designed to help older drivers hone their driving skills and learn about any recent law changes. Registrations should be made by contacting the instructor, Read Rich, directly at 729-0775. Class size is limited to 20. Cost is \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for non-members. Drivers can be eligible for discounts on insurance upon completion of the class.



Welcome to Medicare with Spectrum Generations

This session is designed to provide you with knowledge about Medicare and its many "Parts" 2nd Tuesday of each month from 12:30 - 2:00 pm. Free and open to the public. Registration **Lunch & Connections**

Chicken, grilled like the "Colonel" won't do!

Fresh chicken, marinated overnight in butter and lemon juice and grilled to perfection on the lawn at People Plus, will be our luncheon feature on Thursday, June 16.

"We always have fun with this one," Center chef Frank Connors said. "There the grill, served up with some super sides!" He added that the "sides" include roasted red potatoes with peppers and sweet onions, cranberry sauce and butternut squash.

Our bread this month is coming from the Union Street Bakery; our dessert this month rhubarb crisp, topped with a knob of vanilla

A fresh, lightly-dressed green garden salad will be waiting for everyone; drinks include coffee, fruit juices and milk, and to mark national iced tea month, we'll bring back Norman's secret iced tea recipe. June favors will commemorate Flag Day, National SMILE Day, and, most important of all, the beginning of SUMMER! Our monthly Lunch & Connections are luncheon at 12-noon.

blood pressures, and Mary Morano of are few things that compare to chicken off Mary's Affordable Hearing Aids is available in the quiet and privacy of the teen center to complete free hearing checks. Arrive at 11:30 a.m. to chat with your friends and claim you favorite place setting. There's always time to pick up your 50/50 raffle ticket (last month's ticket paid \$48!) will be a sumptuous serving of strawberry and to register for one of several free door prizes. Seating is limited to 68, so

sponsored by Spectrum Generations, and

are planned to focus on nutrition, useful

information, fun and variety. A CHANS

home healthcare professional is always in

attendance to take and record members'

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so we can activate our waiting list. Cost is still only \$6 for card carrying members, \$8.50 for non-members, we can only rarely accommodate walk-ins. Yes, you can pre-order a takeout, and pick it up after 11:30 a.m. We start serving our buffet-styled

pre-registration is required, and only after

the first of the month. Please remember, if

you ARE registered and can't attend, call us

Join the Challenge and Take a Hike!

Tuesday, June 14, 1:30 pm

Southern Midcoast Maine offers fantastic hiking, beaches, and beautiful views on the many properties managed by local towns and land trusts. Colleen Fuller, of Access Health, joins us Tuesday, June 14 at 1:30 pm to talk about their Summer Trail Challenge jointly sponsored by Access Health, Brunswick-Topsham Land Trust, Harpswell Heritage Land Trust, and Kennebec Estuary Land Trust. Learn how to participate, about raffle prizes, websites, and about highlighted trails that are part of the challenge. Watch the People Plus calendar for regular summer hikes to challenge destinations with additional prizes for People Plus members! Free, open to the public.

World Affairs Conversation Series with Ed Knox

Fridays 11:00 am – 12:30 pm

Ed Knox moderates our World Affairs Conversation Series that meets on Fridays 11:00 am - 12:30 pm. Ed has lived and worked professionally in the Middle East and taught Mideast History. Visit the group's website at http://worldaffairsconversation.weebly.com to see materials gathered by the group, suggested readings and research and past topics. Free, for People Plus members only.

Easy Riders Biking Club

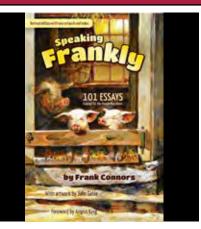
Now in its 3rd year, this group meets at People Plus every Wednesday (weather permitting) at 9 am (earlier in hot weather, later in cold weather). In 2015, we biked May through December mostly in the Brunswick/Topsham area. Occasionally we put bikes on bike racks and drove 15 minutes to towns such as Freeport, Lisbon Falls and Bowdoinham for an adventure. Rides average 10-15 miles and about 2 hours, usually gathering for "coffee and" at the end. Make sure to call People Plus to confirm the weekly time and destination.

Bus to Oxford Casino

There is a bus scheduled for a day trip to the Oxford Casino on June 8. The bus leaves the Bath Senior Center at 9 a.m., and picks up at the Home Depot Park & Ride in the Topsham Fair Mall at approximately 9:15 a.m. Cost is still only \$30, and there will be coupons for fun money. Bus leaves Oxford for the trip home at 4 p.m. Call the Bath center

443-4937 to confirm your seat.

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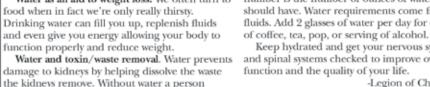
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On the beach at Prouts Neck, Cape Elizabeth (bottom).



"MONDAY MUNCHIES"

"Best meal I've had since last Monday," muttered the guy at the window claiming his second bowl of chicken-corn chowder last month. "Keep it coming," he added.

Join us Mondays (11-12:30) at People Plus for our weekly meal program providing a healthy and low-cost lunch for seniors. A \$3-4 donation is appreciated but not required! Come eat with your friends or take it home or both! Check our calendar for weekly menu!

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Monday Munchies MENU

June 6: Beef Stew

June 13: Pork barbecue with Cornbread & Slaw

June 20: Steamed Hot Dogs with Potato Salad

June 27: Chili



SWEET SUCCESS. Spectrum Generation staffers Aryana Davis (left) and Casey Henson collaborated at last month's Lunch & Connection's meal, selling cookies, cupcakes and other goodies to benefit the local Meals on Wheels program. More than a hundred dollars was raised, said MOW coordinator Henson, in just a couple quick hours, thanks to the dozens of folks who donated items, or purchased treats.

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"WAY TO GO, AMY!, Amy Feeley came to People Plus as a Social Work intern on January 20, 2016, and graduated, Magna cum laude, (3.8 GPA) from the University of Maine at Augusta with a B.S. Degree in Mental Health and Human Services, on May 14, 2016. Amy became a key member of the Center's new Monday Munchies team, and hopes to return to the Center to volunteer, "as time allows," to continue working with the meal program and continue to serve the many new friends she made during her "too short" internship. She has taken great pride in helping with the menu for the program, and describes her internship at People Plus as, "very beneficial."









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Drivers for the Volunteer Transportation Network (VTN) gather for an Appreciation Coffee, held at People Plus on May 24th. From left: Cecelia Hitte, VTN Coordinator Jennifer Felkay, Jack Rhode, Joan Peck, Gloria Beeman, Gladys Szabo, and Stephanie MacNeille.



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TEEN OF THE MONTH Lillyanah Fitzsimmons

Lilly is in 6th grade this year at BJH and began attendng the Teen program this September along with her older brother Alex (who is helping her sign in!).

Lilly says she likes coming to the Teen Center Program because "it is nice and relaxing where she can hang out with her friends and have fun"

Over the school year, Lilly has developed into a positive addition to our afternoons! Congratulations Lilly! Lilly received 2 tickets to Regal Cinema as her reward.



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Brunswick Area Teen Center

Summer's on its way...

It's been a great Spring for the teen program! We've got a good group of kids who love coming to the Center! With the help of many, together we have been able to provide more than just "fun" for the kids. From happier holidays to help with basic needs and making sure they are getting enough to eat, the program has become much more to our youth members than just a physical space. And for us, with more and more kids attending the program for multiple years, we get to watch them grow, change, deal with life transitions, accomplish goals and so much more!

I love watching and hearing from our members. It is apparent that the kids feel accepted, respected and cared about when they are here. Many of them will tell you they "love it here", "best part of the day", "so much fun" and the one that really makes me feel good is how many of them say "I feel safe here".

I think we really have something very special here with this program ♥

As we move towards summer, we say goodbye to our Bowdoin College volunteers and hope to soon be welcoming an intern or two from the Upward Bound Bridge program. For many years now we have had Interns helping out at the TC for about 6 weeks each summer. They do their community work Tuesday-Thursday from 1:30-4:30 so those have been our summer hours and will be again this summer! The last day of school for Brunswick students is Friday, June 17th and our new hours will begin the following week, which is the week Upward Bound also starts! School does not begin again until September 6th this year!

Our summer attendance is generally lower than during the school year but if what I hear from the kids is accurate, it could be a busier summer than usual. Quite a few of the influx of new kids we got this past September seem to be around this summer, with a new group

Center News Jordan Cardone

of just about to graduate from 5th grade kids apparently ready to appear at our door the first day of our summer schedule!!!! We allow kids to start attending in the summer between 5th and 6th grade. It helps to start in the summer when it is not quite as noisy and busy with everyone coming in off the school bus at the same time!!!!

The kids think we should do "Teen of the Month" during the summer months too. We have not done that over the past few summers because we had a small group of the same kids all the time in the summer but last year was busier so yes.....I guess.....we should! Everyone wants to make it at least once and it is hard for some but, like for next month, kids can choose to work on a behavior (or 2!) that we specifically tell them is preventing them from being Teen of the Month and if they do well with that or

They sit around looking at the pictures up on the wall of past T.O.M.'s and say things like "I can't believe so and so made it" "I can't believe how many times so and so is up there" etc.

Everything is important to them I have

So, summer on it's way, flowers and plants being sold and planted everywhere went this past weekend (including my place!) and the sun seems to have been out more than not lately! All good signs! We'll be back with news for July! Jordan and gang

weekly Winners 🗱

April 27: Mike Linkovich, 708

Lorraine LaRoche, 704 Lois Fournier, 694

May 4: Lois Fournier, 726 (perfect game) Coleen Petrin, 716

Joe Tonely, 703 May 11: Anita Jones, 723 Mike Linkovich, 707

Colleen Petrin 705 May 18: Mike Linkovich, 711

Lorraine LaRoche, 699 Lois Fournier, 696

Monday-Saturday Bridge

April 18: Bill Coop, 3,370 John Rich, 3,350 Lorraine LaRoche, 3,070 April 23: Martha Cushing, 3,920

Bill Buermeyer, 3,510 April 25: David Bracy, 3,510 Bill Buermeyer, 3,360

Dick Brautigam, 3,080 Joyce Lyons, 2,980 April 30: David Bracy, 5,190 Bill Coop, 4,590 John Rich, 4,550 May 2: Art Trefley, 3,660

Bill Coop, 3,650 Anne Brautigam, 3,110 May 7: John Rich, 4,590 Martha Cushing, 4,310 Tom Alley, 4,090

May 9: Fran Lee, 4,330 Bill Buermeyer, 3,860 Joyce Lyon, 3,760 Lorraine LaRoche, 3,690

May 14: Bob Cressey & Dick Brautigam, (tie) 3,610

May 16: John Rich, 4,710 David Bracy, 3,460 Bill Buermeyer, 3,330 Jeff Lauden, 3,290





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June 2016





World Elder Abuse Awareness Day is June 15th, 2016

Every year an estimated 5 million, or 1 in 10, older Americans are victims of elder abuse, neglect, or exploitation. And that's only part of the picture: Experts believe that for every case of elder abuse or neglect reported, as many as 23.5 cases go

WORLD ELDER ABUSE World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD) serves as a AWARENESS DAY call-to-action for individuals, organizations, and communities to

raise awareness about abuse, neglect, and exploitation of elders. The International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse and the World Health Organization at the United Nations (UN) launched the first WEAAD on June 15, 2006 in an effort to unite communities around the world in raising awareness about elder abuse.

Spectrum Generations is commemorating WEAAD by hosting events at our centers throughout our six-county area. FMI visit spectrumgenerations.org

Help Support Meals on Wheels With FIVE GUYS

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Join us at Five Guys Burgers and Fries in Cooks Corner, Brunswick on Wednesday June 15th between 5 and 8pm for a delicious Meals on Wheels fundraiser. Five Guys will be donating 10% of all sales during that time to our local Meals on Wheels program.

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Spectrum Generations Caregiver Respite Program



Although there are many rewards in caring for a friend or family member with dementia, family caregivers can become stressed and exhausted over time. Respite, the opportunity to take a break, is vital to caregiver well-being.

The Caregiver Respite Program supports family caregivers by helping to cover the cost for someone else to provide care for the person with dementia. This may take place in the home, at an adult day-care program, or overnight in a facility (on a limited basis). The care may be provided by a family member, friend, neighbor, someone from a homecare agency or an adult day program. The respite program allows caregivers the opportunity to take some time for themselves to re-energize, do something for fun, or get necessary errands done.

The Caregiver Respite Program can reimburse up to \$3,040 a year (which is 80% of a total annual cap of \$3800) of what it costs to have someone come into the home a few hours a week, or several hours of adult day care per week. It can also help with the cost of up to two full weeks of overnight continual care in an assisted living or nursing facility. Furthermore, up to \$2,000 (lifetime) can be used to help cover the cost of home modifications needed to promote independent living.

In order to qualify for the Caregiver Respite Program, there must be a written diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease, dementia, or related memory disorder from a physician, liquid assets cannot exceed \$50,000 for one person or \$75,000 for a couple, and there must not be any assistance from any other state subsidized programs.

For more information, or to apply, contact the Family Caregiver Program at Spectrum Generations at 1-800-639-1553.

PROUD TO PARTNER WITH PEOPLE PLUS

Members of the Write on Writers gather each Wednesday at 1 p.m. to coach and encourage each other about working literary projects. Lately, they've been spending more than a little time congratulating themselves on the recent completion of their book, "Journeys and Reflections".

We're here for you!

Last month, a lady came with a friend for our Lunch & Connections meal and confessed she has been paying her dues for two years, "and this is the first time I've darkened your door!" But she was quick to add, "I'll be back, you have a wonderful place here!"

That's one of the things that makes People Plus special. There are members who come to the Center so frequently, some days they are confused with staff members, and there are others who pick and choose their events, dropping by once a month, or once each week. However YOU decide to use your Center, know that we're here for you, and because of

Annual dues are still only \$35 for Brunswick residents, and \$45 for folks from anywhere else. Always remember to keep that membership card close, as dozens of area businesses and organizations will offer you significant discounts when you present the card at time of sale. "That card can save you money every day," Member services coordinator Frank Connors explained, "Offer it often and offer it proudly! Before you know it, you will pay for vour annual membership several times over!" Listed below are some of the local businesses and organizations offering discounts and deals to members and friends of People

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The reason for the holiday...

I'd been to the lumber yard, getting supplies for a weekend project and when I came back to my truck, here's this guy leaning on my bumper, smoking a cigarette. I nodded. told him the truck was about to move, and indicated he might want to smoke somewhere else. I figured I'd been as polite as I

"This your truck?" he asked, jerking his thumb; I nodded again, kept walking toward the door.

"I've been waiting for you," he said, puffing his chest just a little, "I want you to know I'm a veteran, and I think this treatment of MY flag is disgraceful!" He fingered a heap of 75 or 80 spent flags laying in the bed of my truck. Yes, these little flags had blown in the wind for a year, most were tattered and faded, now they were dirty and not a little wet, and indeed, they were laying unkempt where I'd dropped them, waiting for what was next.

But I didn't care for the attitude I was getting, and he wasn't letting go of my truck.

"Mister," says I, "you're not the only vet in this parking lot. You don't need to worry one more minute about those flags, they are in my care. Every one of them will be stripped from its staff, flattened, and given to MY legion post for a ceremonial burn. You want to follow me home, I'll let you understand my process a little better. I'll even let vou help me!"

Maybe he choked a little on his cigarette, there was an audible cough.

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inserting fresh flags atop some 350 veteran's graves. The project gives me great personal pride. I visit more than a couple dozen cemeteries, too many of them forgotten and abandoned. I cross swamps, I feed ticks, I get bitten by mosquitoes. I fall on my face in puddles, trip over rocks, scratch myself and rip my clothes on bushes. I've been doing this long enough to remember the good years making the visits with my kids, and now I get to go with my grandboys! When I finish the night before the holiday, I've offered my silent tribute to veterans from America's Revolution, from her civil war, from the war to end all wars, and from the five or six wars we've fought since that one. Every year, I await the job with a great deal of anticipation.

"I'm a Vietnam COMBAT vet," I told the guy on my bumper, "You?"

"16 years in the air force," came his answer, "I missed Vietnam." His answer was diminished, he took his foot off my truck, turned and started the walk back toward the store. "Guess this means you don't want to bother helping," I called after him. He didn't look back.

Two years ago, I started the list. "You can't do this forever," Jane keeps telling me, "and wouldn't it be good if the town had a list to use when you're done." At first I took her declaration with a certain amount of disbelief, but I've come to accept the wisdom in what she's telling me, again. The list is by veteran, by cemetery, and by the alphabet. Even a civilian could use it. With each name I add any essential information I wander the cemeteries of my Bowdoinham, collect: Service, rank, war, dates of birth

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and death. Now the list is taking a life of its own. Occasionally a family will call me and offer a newspaper clipping, a letter, or write it down. Something else for the Town to deal with when I'd done. One lady wanted to know if I collected dog tags, and I told

I started doing my 2016 flags the other night, and fell over a rock in the very first cemetery I visited. "Here we go again," I said to myself, spitting dried leaves out of my mouth. In the second cemetery, I noticed

some other bit of oral history, and I dutifully a stone with a death date of 1863. It was a guy, he was twenty years old when he died. "Hm-m," said I, and checked the list of Civil War vets I keep in my truck. "William Aderton," I said with more excitement than even Jane might appreciate, "This year, you get YOUR flag!"

Frank

Connors

Speaking Frankly

Enjoy your Memorial Day holiday, but DO take a moment to recall why we celebrate.

In Others' Words...

Do you have comments, notes or clarifications to share with People Plus members? Address them to the Editor, People Plus News, 35 Union St, Brunswick, ME 04011 or news@peopleplusmaine.org

I wanted you to know that I received outstanding assistance from People Plus in preparing my tax return on March 17. This was my first experience in seeking help without having to pay, and I must admit that the AARP volunteer at People Plus far exceeded my expectations.

Karen spent over two hours with me, taking the time to ask questions and research answers. She was very polite and attentive to my questions and concerns. I never felt hurried or embarrassed because I was a little unprepared and did not have all the immediate information that she needed. While I had been advised a year ago that I might not have to file, Karen figured out that it would be to my benefit to do so, and she ended up getting me a small refund from the state because of her persistence. In the end, she took the time to review my return and then finished the job with the electronic submission. Marlene was also patient in her greeting to me in the reception area and outlining what might happen, and then in the final double-check to ensure accurate figures.

I signed up for the appointment not certain of what was going to happen, except for some guidelines in what to do. I was pleasantly surprised when the tax return was completed the very day, and I did not have to worry further about it. I would recommend this service without hesitation for the professionalism, knowledge, and competency in seeing a job through from start to finish. Thank you for the opportunity to have a dreaded project done far better than I could do and at no charge, which is important to those of us on a limited retirement budget.

Sincerely, Karin



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Lunch out!



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Spring Student show continues

The collected works of students in Connie Bailey's art classes remain on display through June in the Union Street Gallery of People Plus. This multi-media exhibition features more than two-dozen new and original works by our student artists, and is the first of the season show for Bailey's popular classes.

Students invited to exhibit include: Beth Aldenberg, Lorraine Berte, Sandra Cox, Karen Guistra, Natalie Johnson, Richard Jordan, Myrtle and Tony LaCroix, Donna Lemieux, Mary Maverick, Richrd Nickerson, Ralph Palmer, Valerie Robbins, Ann Sanfasin, Wilma Sarna, Frances Stone and Alfred Tyrol.

Bailey's mixed-media classes include instruction in watercolors, watercolor pencils, graphite and charcoal, colored pencils, pen and ink, pastels, and scratchboard. It is her "plan" to expose her students to "several forms of expression" during a typical class cycle, and to encourage them to practice and work in the media where the feel the most comfortable, and become the most proficient. Weekly class schedules usually run for two hours.

These collected works are usually for sale, and may be seen during normal business hours at the People Plus Center, 35 Union St., Brunswick.



Shore Birds

Acrylic by Sandra Cox

Golf for Big Brothers Big Sisters at the Brunswick Golf Club

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Bath/ Brunswick is holding its annual Big Swing Golf Tournament on Friday, September 16th at the Brunswick Golf Club. Teams of four will enjoy 18 holes of golf with cart, contests, lunch, awards, and prizes. A \$150.00 donation (per golfer) or \$500.00 per foursome (team) will provide a day filled with fun. Sign up for our "special deal" and save: a \$600.00 registration will provide entry fee for your team and your company name to be displayed on one of 18 holes on course - a \$100 sponsor savings. This tournament will be limited to 29 teams so sign up soon!

No matter how someone chooses to be

each person has a hand in helping to start a child on the right path to future success. Every dollar raised through The Big Swing directly funds our mentoring programs and helps to maintain and sustain mentoring relationships, increasing each child's chances for success.

The average cost to support one Big and Little match through the year is \$1,000. As a non-profit organization that does not receive state or federal funding, BBBS of Bath/Brunswick relies on its community supporters to continue vital programming. Donations and sponsorship support

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Community-Based Mentoring and 15 School-Based Programs that are offered in Brunswick, Harpswell and the communities of Sagadahoc County. The organization is presently serving 192 active Big and Little matches and supported a total of 296 matches in 2015. There are currently 18 children waiting for the right match with an adult Big in the Community.

More information can be obtained by calling 729-7736 or email director@ bbbsbathbrunswick.org. You may also visit the organization's website: www.bbbsbathbrunswick.org







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