

### September 2023

#### **GOING WITH THE FLO**

Friendship Lunches & Outings (FLO) Newsletter



## Join us for friends & fun at **Blazing Saddles Animal Sanctuary**

**Thursday** 

Meet the animals & hear some of their backstories

(508) 717-0400

**Limited spots!** 

Sept 28th

10 am

One-on-one animal encounters

to register

Approximately 45 minutes

Benches available for resting & breaks

Guided group tour around the farm

Snack at the picnic tables or in the barn after the tour!



**National** Falls Prevention **Awareness** Month

September is



#### **EASY WAYS TO MAKE YOUR HOME SAFER**

**CLEAR THE WAY.** Remove tripping hazards, like throw rugs, cords or clutter on the floor. **LIGHT IT UP**. Replace lightbulbs with bright, non-glare bulbs to help you see around the house. **HAVE A SEAT.** Place a chair in your bedroom so you can sit while getting dressed or putting shoes on. **SECURE SOME SUPPORT**. Buy a shower seat, grab bar and an adjustable height handheld showerhead to make bathing easier.

STORE FOR SUCCESS. Keep frequently used items between waist and shoulder height, making them easier to access without the need for a stepstool or unsafe reaching.



#### WHAT ARE YOU READING?

#### Here are some of the great book recommendations we received:

Demon Copperhead by Barbara Kingsolver Moonology: Working of the Magic of Lunar Cycles by Yasmin Boland Summer in Nantucket by Elin Hillderbrand Barefoot by Elin Hillderbrand

Remarkably Bright Creatures by Shelby Van Pelt All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr Poisonwood Bible by Barbara Kingsolver The Winter Garden by Nicola Cornick Hiss Me Deadly by Maranda James

Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus Let us know what you are reading! Call (508) 717-0400







## Fighting The Flu Together!



The CDC reports that 50% to 70% of seasonal flu-related hospitalizations occur among people 65 and older.

The flu vaccine reduces the risk of illness that requires care from a health care professional by more than 60% for people 65 and older, says the CDC.

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Since there are different types of vaccines available, always talk to your doctor about which one is right for you.

Join us in celebrating...





### SEPTEMBER

by John Updike

The breezes taste

Of apple peel.



LUNCH

IS ON US

#### Alternatives for Staying at Home When You're Frail: The Frail Elder Waiver

Friday, September 22nd

at the Wamsutta Club

12:30 pm to 2:30 PM

<u>Enjoy lunch with our friends from the LGBTQ+ Network</u>

To register | (508) 717-0400

**Limited Space | Participants by lottery** 

TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE | HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE
DIETARY RESTRICTIONS ACCOMMODATED

The Frail Elder Waiver (FEW) is for people who meet the criteria for nursing facility care but prefer to live in the community. The program supports older adults with services to assist them with self-care and everyday tasks. Participants who are age 65 or older can choose to enroll in the Senior Care Options program to get their waiver (and if applicable, their Medicare) service all together through a single SCO plan.

FEW has both financial and clinical eligibility requirements.

For more information on FEW, visit massoptions.org or call 800-243-4636.

The air is full
Of smells to feel—
Ripe fruit, old footballs,
Burning brush,
New books, erasers,
Chalk, and such.
The bee, his hive,
Well-honeyed hum,
And Mother cuts Chrysanthemums.
Like plates washed clean
With suds, the days
Are polished with
A morning haze.

Don't miss the FREE Financial Workshops – Iimited space and lunch Will be provided. SEE ATTACHED FLYER



## Join us for FINANCIAL LITERACY **WORKSHOPS**

With the support of United Way of Greater New Bedford and BayCoast Bank.

Workshops will take place at:

ARAW

174 Union Street, Unit 4W **New Bedford** 

> Parking and Transportation available Handicap accessible









#### **WORKSHOP OFFERINGS**

Wednesday, October 11th | Noon - 1:30 pm Your Money Values & Influences

Wednesday, October 18th | Noon - 1:30 pm Your Spending & Savings Plan

Wednesday, October 25th | Noon-1:30 pm Making Housing Decisions

Further details on next page





Workshops are FREE and LUNCH is included!



LIMITED SPOTS!

Call ARAW to register (508) 717-0400

## Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup> | Noon – 1:30 pm Your Money Values and Influences

Participants will be able to:

- ✓ Identify their own values
- ✓ Explain why values are important and how they influence finances
- ✓ Know how goals are related to financial decisions
- ✓ Set goals using the SMART framework
- ✓ List external factors that influence spending
- ✓ List strategies for controlling budget

## Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> | Noon – 1:30 pm Your Spending & Savings Plan

Participants will be able to:

- ✓ Create and use a spending and saving plan
- ✓ List ways to increase income and decrease expenses
- ✓ Prioritize which bills to pay first based on what might happen if bills are not paid in full and on time

# Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup> | Noon – 1:30 pm Making Housing Decisions

Participants will be able to:

- ✓ Identify what they need and want in housing
- ✓ List key factors to consider when deciding to rent, buy, or find another option
- ✓ Identify housing options and make choices
- ✓ List costs associated with housing options
- ✓ Estimate how much they can afford to pay for housing
- ✓ Read and understand a rental agreement
- ✓ Explain the purpose of renter's insurance
- ✓ Identify their rights and responsibilities as renters

## Wednesday September 20<sup>th</sup> from 5-7PM at The Andrea McCoy Recreation Center, 181 Hillman Street, New Bedford

#### **FREE! Taste of Creative Classroom Performances**

Did you like moving and grooving with Sue at our salsa workshop? Come learn about all the classes we'll be offering at the Andrea McCoy Recreation Center this Fall including ukulele, salsa dancing, jazz jam, songwriting, Cape Verdean dance, and improvisation! Classes start in October, but you don't want to miss this sneak peek.







The Zeiterion Performing Arts Center is kicking off our satellite season with a free concert on Saturday September 30<sup>th</sup> at 4PM and you're invited! Please let us know if you would like to come so that we can get you free tickets!



The Zeiterion Performing Arts Center is offering free tickets and transportation to any of the shows below for 4 lucky ladies. Tickets will be given away on a first call, first serve basis. Preference will be given to ARAW members who have not attended a performance at The Z recently.

Thursday October 5<sup>th</sup> at 8PM at UMass Dartmouth, 285 Old Westport Rd., North Dartmouth Jake Shimabukuro

Listen to Hawaiian ukulele player Jake Shimabukuro take the ukulele to places it's never gone before. Jake explores jazz, rock, blues, bluegrass, folk, and even classical music through this tiny but mighty musical instrument. There will be a free beginner ukulele workshop before his performance.



## Saturday October 14<sup>th</sup> at 8PM at Bristol Community College Theatre, 777 Elsbree St., Fall River Gisela Joao in Partnership with Fabric Arts Festival

Listen to New York Times, chart-topping fado singer Gisela Joao's bold new take on this traditional Portuguese art form.



Thursday October 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:30PM at the Kilburn Mills, 127 West Rodney French Blvd., New Bedford Stagedoor Live! presents Ladies Night featuring Lori Gomes, Ashley Victoria, and Jacquelyn Legendre

This one's for you ladies! Listen to some of the most talented female singers and musicians from the Southcoast come together to share their talents on one stage.



## September 10, 2023, at 10 a.m.

Mikey B's Restaurant, 989 Victoria Street, New Bedford, MA 02745





## REGISTER AT https://bit.ly/LGBTQ-Breakfast-Club

For more information, email maureen@sclgbtqnetwork.org or call (774) 775-2656 to reserve your spot.







IT'S BACK!
BOWLING NIGHT FOR OLDER
SOUTH COAST LGBTQ+
INDIVIDUALS!

SEPT. 24, 2023
6PM-8PM
WONDER BOWL
NEW BEDFORD

Register at: bit.ly/LGBTQ-Senior-Bowling-Night. Email maureen@sclgbtqnetwork.org or call (774) 775-2656 for more info.











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Join us for a 1-hour Harbor Tour Friday, September 8th at 1:00pm Transportation provided upon request

Limited seating - Reserve your spot now by calling Herstory Project Manager Laura Campbell at (508) 654-1666 herstory@fishingheritagecenter.org



New Bedford Fishing Heritage Center
38 Bethel Street, New Bedford MA
fishingheritagecenter.org





# SEE WHAT'S NEW AT THE NEW BEDFORD FISHING HERITAGE CENTER!

#### **Ongoing Exhibit: Sea Monsters: Real and Imagined**

July 13 - December 31 • Center (38 Bethel Street, New Bedford)

There are things that live deep underwater...some exist, some exist only in legend. Our newest exhibit showcases a series of real-life deep-sea creatures as well as representatives of myth around the world! Featuring artwork from local artists Brian Tittellt, Christina Jacobsen DeVilliers, and Erik Durant!





### **Sea Monsters** from Classical Times to the Age of Exploration

Thurs., 9/14 • 7 PM • Center (38 Bethel Street, New Bedford) • FREE!

Map lovers rejoice! Special guest speaker Glen Gawarkiewicz, Senior Scientist at Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, will share examples of how sea monsters were depicted on antique maps from Classical Times through the Age of Exploration, including Olaus Magnus' 1539 Carta Marina!

#### **Book Talk: Hometown with John K. Bullard**

Thurs., 10/12 • 7 PM • Center (38 Bethel Street, New Bedford) • FREE!

Join former Mayor of New Bedford John K. Bullard to hear a presentation and select readings from his new memoir, Hometown! In this deeply moving and thoughtful memoir, Bullard weaves a tale of family legacy intertwined with the pitfalls and promise of New Bedford. Hear about his time a Mayor as well as his connections to the fishing industry!





New Bedford Fishing Heritage Center 38 Bethel Street, New Bedford MA (508) 993-8894



Sea Monsters: Real and Imagined and associated programming are funded by the Acushnet, Dartmouth, Fairhaven, Mario<mark>n, Mattapoisett, New Bedfo</mark>rd Cultural Councils, as well as grant from the Westport Cultural Council, a local agency supported by the Helen E. Ellis Charitable Trust administered by the Bank of America, the Massachusetts Cultural Council, BankFive, BayCoast Bank, and a Community Impact Grant from Eversource.