Elmwood Hall April May 2017 Special Events

Friday Afternoon Fun! These FUN games will be played on the following Fridays: Bingo (4/7, 5/5), Timeless Trivia (4/21, 5/12) and Mark My Words, The "Quotation" Game (5/19). All three programs are slated to begin at 1:00 pm on their respective dates. Please sign up!

What Happens When I Can't Do It Myself on Tuesday, April 10 at 1:00 pm with Elder Law Attorney Alyson Marcucio. Are you concerned about how your finances will be managed if you have a physical or mental impairment? Do you lie awake at night thinking about how your health care needs will be managed if you can no longer coordinate the care yourself? Are you fearful of losing the ability to make decisions for yourself? Learn what estate plan documents you should have in order to maintain control of your life as you age and come educate yourself about some red flags you may come across when you are faced with sensitive end of life, healthcare, financial, and estate planning decisions. Please sign up!

Lunch and Learn: The Difference between Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy on Tuesday, April 18 at 1:00 pm. Many people are curious about the relationship between Occupational Therapy (OT) and Physical Therapy (PT) as there are often confusion about these two professions. There are significant differences between the two, and we will learn about those differences from Director of Rehab and Physical Therapist Liz McAdam from Bethel Health Care. Lunch will be provided. Seating is limited. Please sign up.

<u>Measurable Progress, Unlimited Support: YMCA'S Diabetes Prevention Program Information Session and Biometric Screening</u> on Thursday, April 20 from 10:00 - 10:30 am with a FREE Biometric Screening from 10:30 -11:30 am. Registration is appreciated, please sign up! The YMCA's Diabetes Prevention Program is a one-year, community based program where participants work in small groups with a trained Lifestyle Coach in a relaxed, classroom setting. Sessions are held in a group setting where participants learn how to incorporate healthier eating, moderate physical activity, problem-solving and coping skills into their daily lives.

<u>Happy Feet Program w/Dr. Richard Gosnay</u> is a wellness foot program that will run on the following Wednesdays: April 12, May 17, and June 21 with appointments between 9:00 am - 12 noon. It includes a thorough foot exam and toe nail clippings by Dr. Richard Gosnay, a local Podiatrist. Cost is \$5 and you must call Elmwood Hall in advance to set up an appointment. You must be a Danbury resident and a Non-Diabetic.

Spring Nature Series: Earthworms and Soil on Thursday, April 20 at 1:00 pm presented by Dr. Wade Elmer, Department Head, Plant Pathology and Ecology of the CT Agricultural Experiment Station. Earthworms are important for processing organic matter and for maintaining soil health. Dr. Elmer will present an overview of the different kinds of earthworms that are found in Connecticut and will discuss their role in processing organic matter and how earthworms help to increase soil health. He will also discuss his research on earthworms and show how their activity can suppress certain soil borne diseases of vegetables. Please sign up!

<u>Historian Art Gottlieb presents: Underground Railroad</u> on Friday, April 21 at 10:30 am. In the early 19th Century, abolitionists aided up to 100,000 Black slaves escape to free states, Mexico and Canada through the creation of a vast secret network of routes and safe houses that came to be known as the Underground Railroad. Please sign up!

<u>Dr. Susann Varano presents, All Pain is Not Created Equal</u> on Friday, April 28 at 11:00 am. Geriatrician Dr. Susann Varano, Director of the Elder Horizons Program at Yale-New Haven Hospital and Candlewood Valley Health and Rehab will identify different types/levels of pain and discuss their treatment options. Please sign up!

Your Life, Your Legacy on Monday, May 8 at 1:00 pm with John Falkowski of Green Funeral Home presenting. This lunch and learn will present on four easy to follow steps, as well as explain the importance and simplicity of planning funeral and cemetery arrangements in advance. Seating is limited. Please sign up!

Memories of the Great War on Thursday, May 11 at 1:00 pm presented by Jack Scully. In trying to create a profile of his ancestors, Jack grew frustrated with the lack of genealogical information he was able to uncover as years went by. Jack's research was focused on his Uncle and though he will share the many resources he used and stories about people who helped him along the way, he uncovered interesting details about the U.S. Army's involvement in WWI. Although the presentation features his uncle, the sources and methods that Jack used can be applied to anyone's study of their family history. Join us for a fun, informal presentation that may be of interest to you in your pursuit of your family history. Please sign up!

<u>Brain Food: Taste and Learn</u> on Monday, May 15 at 1:00 sponsored by Maplewood Senior Living. Do you ever look at the way food is presented and think that it won't taste good? Or does your sense of smell ever influence how something may taste before you actually taste it? Food is a primal part of our lives and yet rich with mystery. Join us for a fun afternoon! Seating is limited, please sign up!

<u>Spring Nature Series: Spring and Summer Gardening Tips</u> on Thursday, May 18 at 1:00 pm presented by Yonghao Li of the CT Agricultural Experiment Station. Spring and summer are a great time to be working in the garden for beauty and foods, but you might encounter a number of puzzling issues. This presentation will answer and discuss some common questions about general care, pruning, water management, fertilizing, and disease control in lawns, flower gardens, small fruits, and vegetable gardens. Please sign up!

<u>The Ambassadors, DMC's Senior Band is Back</u> on Tuesday, May 23 at 1:00 pm. Please join us for an afternoon of songs of yesteryear, and some old time rock and roll. The Ambassadors are a creation of the Danbury Music Center comprised of all seniors. Please sign up!

Spring Nature Series continues in June with:

A visit from <u>Christine's Critters</u> (date to be determined) and a <u>Hike at Tarrywile Park</u> on Friday, June 16.