

Monthly Newsletter

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What an Exciting Month We Had...

We have had a very busy and successful first month here at the Gathering Place. We are now up to 265 members and growing every day! Everyone seems to be enjoying all the classes we have been offering and we now have even more coming up in the next few months. A lot of you seem to really like the movement and exercise classes so we are trying to enhance them even more. We will now have movement and exercise classes five days a week! Take a look at the class description section to see what is new. We had a very successful Grand Opening on June 5th and a nice Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on June 1st. Here are a couple of pictures from those events:



In addition, if you have a special skill or would like to teach a class, please complete the Class Proposal Form, which is also available on our website or here at the Center. We welcome all thoughts and ideas!

Our Board of Directors have continued to work hard to prepare our not-for-profit for a prosperous future. The specific updates are covered in this issue under "Board of Director's News" section.

If you have any questions or need any assistance, please feel free to contact me (Kim Witkowski) at 518-254-7040. If we can't provide you with assistance ourselves, we will refer you to someone who can. Remember, deadlines for articles is the 20th of each month. We hope you enjoy!

-Kimberly Witkowski, Executive Director

"The Gathering Place: Where Friends Become Family"

**The Gathering Place 50 Plus Community Center
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Cobleskill, NY 12043**

**Telephone Numbers: Center – 518-823-4338 Kim Witkowski, Executive Director: 518-254-7040
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*Our Mission is to provide cultural, social, and recreational activities,
and help meet the needs of the 50 Plus Community in Schoharie County and surrounding areas.*

News from Our Board of Directors...

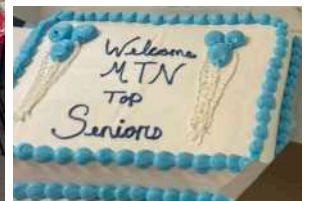
The Board of Directors will meet at the Center on Monday, June 28th at 9:30 am. Updates from this meeting will be covered in the August 2021 newsletter. In the meantime, please feel free to contact your Club Director or the Kim Witkowski, Executive Director, if you have any questions.



The Senior Council does have limited availability for assisting with Life Alert Medical Devices. If you have any questions or would like any additional information, please feel free to contact the Schoharie County Council of Senior Citizens' office at 518-254-7040.

Club News:

- The Sharon Springs Silver and Gold Club will meet on July 9th, 2021 at the Gathering Place on 127 Kenyon Road, Cobleskill at 12:00 noon. There will be pizza, salad, soda, and coffee for lunch paid for by the club. Please reply by July 5th if you will be coming so we will know how many pizzas to order. Contact either Pauline Brown at 518-284-2687 or Anne Lennebacker at 607-547-9055.
- The Schoharie 50 Plus Senior Club will now be meeting at the Gathering Place on third Tuesday at 12:00 noon. Please contact Judi Sherman for more information at 518-295-8142.
- The Cobleskill Young at Heart Seniors will now be meeting at the Gathering Place on the 2nd Wednesday at 1:00 pm monthly. The July meeting will be an outside picnic at the Center (weather permitting). For more information, please contact Janice Desandos at 518-234-7888.
- Due to declining enrollment, the Central Bridge Seniors made the decision to dissolve the formal Central Bridge Senior Club. Active members were given 2-year memberships to the Gathering Place out of the club treasury, and the remainder of the funds was donated to the Gathering Place to be used on programming needs. The club members are welcome to join any of the remaining senior clubs in the area. We thank all the Directors of the Central Bridge Seniors for their many years of service to their organization.
- The Conesville/Gilboa Mountain Top Seniors had a meeting at the Gathering Place in June. It was very well attended, and they were able to tour the Center, as well as having a delicious catered buffet from Wolfes.



The Senior Council also provides the following services to seniors in Schoharie County:

Advocacy Services for 50 Plus population with questions about programs and services in our County

Lifeline – offering medical alert emergency response service to eligible seniors

Highway Hero Program – the Senior Council will reimburse any senior citizen who voluntarily surrenders their driver's license for a photo id card

Discretionary Emergency Funds – available to aid seniors who do not qualify for other funding sources

Provide support to all 10 county-wide Senior Citizens Groups

Support and resources for all senior citizens in Schoharie County Sponsors events throughout the year for all seniors in our community

Operates the Everything Shoppes in Cobleskill and Middleburgh

Operates the Brand New Gathering Place 50 Plus Community Center!

July 2021 Programs and Activities Offered at the Gathering Place

The following is a list of descriptions for some of the programs and activities that will be offered at our center in June.

Please note that it is important to pre-register for classes, either by registering on-line or by calling the Center directly at 518-823-4338. There is limited participants for each of our classes depending on the type of class it is, so please register as soon as possible to be sure you will get to be part of the program you would like.

***NEW* Fused Glass, facilitated by the Studio for Art and Craft**
Wednesdays: 10:00 to 11:15am
Activity Room B

Cost: \$48 for 4-Week Series

The instructor will focus on teaching students how to use the tools and how different projects come together and be available for guidance as needed. Students will have lots of flexibility to choose their projects. While there are projects that can be completed in one class, many take more than one class period to do and students can leave their work at the Center until it is ready to go to the Studio to be fired.

***NEW* Fun Plus Fridays, facilitated by the Studio for Art and Craft**

Fridays: 10:00 to 11:15 am
Activity Room B

Cost: \$15 per class (will make different projects each week)
Pre-registration for these classes is a must! This program gives you an opportunity to try different crafts and get in touch with your creative side. The list of weekly projects are as follows:

July 2nd: Clay pen and holder

July 9th: Fluid pour 4-light tealight holder (includes tea lights)

July 16th: Sunflower Welcome Board (choose light or dark brown background when you register)

July 23rd: Pottery Wheel bowl

July 30th: Dot mandala mug

August 6th: Paper quilled card



***NEW* Special Saturday Creative Projects, facilitated by the Studio for Art and Craft**

Saturdays (July 17th and July 31st)
from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm
Activity Room B

July 17th: Introduction to paper quilling. Cost for class is \$15.

July 31st: Dragonfly on canvas paint n sip. Cost for class is \$20.

Movement Classes with Anna Horning

Tuesdays & Thursdays – 10:00 to 11:15 am

Multipurpose Room

Cost: Members - \$0/class; Non-members \$5/class

Movement is good for the body, mind, and soul, no matter the age or mobility. These classes give you the opportunity to move and strengthen your body and improve your health.



Stress Management for the Aging Brain – Part I

Facilitated by Sandra Marnell, RN, CASAC, CHTP

Every Other Thursdays (July 1st, July 15th, July 29th) – 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Board Room

Cost: Members - \$3/class; Non-members - \$5/class

Relaxation strategies for stress management including stress warning signs, introduction to relaxation techniques, mindfulness meditation, and initiating a daily practice.



Line Dancing with Jacqui Hauser

Facilitated by Jacqui Hauser

Fridays: 12:00 to 1:15pm

Multipurpose Room

Cost: Members – No Cost; Non-members - \$5/class. **Pre-register is required for this class!**

Line Dancing is a fun, healthy, and rewarding activity. There are many benefits including health and confidence. Join us for this fun beginner movement class!



Chair Yoga with Denise

Facilitated by Denise Kelly
 Wednesdays: 10:00 to 10:45 am
 Multipurpose Room
 Cost: Members - \$5/class; Non-members - \$7/class
 Yoga moves primarily in a chair, some standing (not necessary). Yoga can improve flexibility, concentration, and strength while boosting your mood and reducing stress and joint strain.

***NEW*Intermediate Line Dancing, facilitated by a team**

Mondays: 9:00 to 10:00 am
 Multipurpose Room
 Cost: None.
 We have had many people asking if we would be doing a more advanced Line Dancing for those who have danced before. Well, here you go. This particular class will be run by a group of Intermediate to Advance dancers. This class is more of a learn by doing class.

***NEW" Zumba with Wendy Facilitated by Wendy Miller**

Multipurpose Room
 Mondays: 10:30 am to 11:30 am
 Cost: Members - \$5/class; Non-members - \$7/class
 This Zumba Class will be a lower-intensity version of the typical Zumba class and features Latin and World rhythms and is designed to help you reach your exercise goals and help you to continue to live a healthy lifestyle and have fun all at the same time!



Drum Circle with Peter

Facilitated by Peter Enders
 Fridays – (Except for Friday, July 9th) 3:00 to 4:00pm
 Activity Room B
 Cost: Members – no cost; Non-members - \$3/class
 Drum circle is an informal group of People who gather together to make music with percussion instruments. Participants will sit in chairs arranged in a circle. Players in drum circles are all equal and there are no wrong notes. Everyone listens to what others are playing and join in. It is not about perfection but rather participation. No music ability is required. Drum circles are a peaceful calming space that creates a space for physical and/or spiritual healing.

Casino Tutorial

Facilitated by Peter Enders
 Fridays – 1:00 to 2:00 pm (Except for Friday, July 9th)
 Activity Room B
 Cost: Members – no cost; Non-members - \$3/class
 If you have never played in a casino before, but would like to, then you'll find all the information you need to get started right here. Much of this information will be useful to players with some experience too, so even if you've played before you might want to take a look through all of it. There are some top tips for new players as well, and details of some common mistakes that you should try to avoid.



Sing-along Fun

Facilitated by Peter Enders
 Fridays – 2:00 to 3:00 pm (Except for Friday, July 9th)
 Activity Room B
 Cost: Members – no cost; Non-members - \$3/class
 This workshop is all about fun through music. Engage your minds, memories, and movement through music. Come and have fun singing and clapping to your favorite songs, while Peter plays along on his guitar.



Knitting with Adele

Facilitated by Adele Morrissey
 Thursdays – 11:00 am to 12:00 pm
 Activity Room B
 Cost: Members – no cost; Non-members - \$3/class.
 Please note that participants will need to bring a pair of knitting needles, size 8 or 9. Yarn will be provided.
 Enjoy lively talk, lots of laughter while learning to knit various project. Beginner through

Advanced knitting. Adele will lead you through the basics and work with you to create beautiful projects which you can keep or use as gifts to your loved ones.



Book Club

Facilitated by Kim Witkowski
Monthly – Second Tuesday
3:00 to 4:00 pm
Board Room
Cost: None

The Book Club is more than a reading group, it is also a great time to socialize, make new friends. We decided that with this book club, participants will pick their own book to read for the month and then share a brief summary at the next meeting. This helps participants to be exposed to books they might not have read before.

Garden Club

Facilitated by TBD
Monthly – 2nd Saturday
10:00 am to 12:00 pm
Meeting in Activity Room A
Cost: None

Gardening is a healthy, stimulating physical activity that can be enjoyed by all. Join us as we work on gardening projects and raise our own veggies and flowers as a community group, right here at the Center. We will be going on a field trip at our July 10th meeting date to Lavender Manor here in Cobleskill. We will meet at the Center at 10:00 am. All are welcome to join us!



Technology Help Desk

Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays
10:00 am to 12:00 pm
Computer Lab
Cost: None
Having an issue with your Smart Phone? Questions about your computer or using computer programs? Stop by the Computer Lab Help Desk for answers to your technology questions.

Cards and Games

Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays
1:00 to 3:00 pm
Activity Room B
Cost: None
Come to the Center and get a group together to play cards. Cards available at the Center or bring your own. Like board games or Trivia games? We have plenty to choose from. Get a group of friends together and have some fun! ***NOTE: We have a group of three Pinochle players who are looking for more members to join the group. Contact the front desk if you are interested. You don't need to have played Pinochle before to join in the fun!**

Pool Table and Ping Pong Table

Available Daily
1:00 to 4:00 pm
Multipurpose Room
Cost: None
We have a beautiful competition size pool table and ping pong table available for your use. Get a group together and have fun while sharpening your skills. ***NEW*. We also now have a Corn Hole set! Come play on your own or bring friends to start a friendly tournament! Can be used inside or outside.**

Defensive Driving Class

Facilitated by Linda Karpovich
Wednesday, July 7th (class is full); however, we are working to schedule an August Defensive

Driving Course – as soon as I have a date, we will notify those who have signed up at the front desk.
9:00 am to 3:00 pm
Activity Room A
Cost: Member - \$35; Non-member \$40
Certified by New York State, Defensive Driving Class after successful completion will allow you: a 10% insurance discount; reduction of your current driving record by up to 4 points; refresh your driving skills and learn techniques for accident prevention.

Coming Soon...

Computer Classes with Marcy Beginning in August 2021.

We have a wonderful technology teacher who will be joining our Center to teach computer and tech classes to our members. In preparation for these classes, we have developed a brief questionnaire that is available at the Gathering Place Front Desk. This questionnaire will give us an idea of what type of computer classes and technology classes you would like here at the Center. Please take a few minutes to give us your thoughts. Or if you would like, let Marie know at the front desk and she can jot it down for you.

In addition, I should have our computers coming in the next couple of weeks so they can start to be set up for any of our members that would like to use them.

Kim is still doing Tech Help Desk, so if you need help with Facebook, your phone, or any other tech related issue, just give the front desk a call and schedule a time with me. My goal is to have all of you so tech savvy that you will be able to teach your own computer classes in the future!



Upcoming Day Bus Trips for the Gathering Place

After not being able to travel or even leave our homes thanks to the pandemic last year, it is time to finally start to travel again and see new things!

We have tentatively scheduled the following day trips starting in August 2021:

Friday, August 20th, 2021:

Thousand Island and Boldt Castle, Alexandria Bay, NY

Cost: Members: \$130 per person;
Non-members: \$150 per person

Travel to beautiful Alexandria Bay, NY. Board a boat at Uncle Sam Boat Tours and sail through the enchanting channels of the Thousand Islands on a 2 ¼ hour luncheon cruise and learn much more about the region's rich history from the entertaining narrator-guide. Enjoy a scrumptious lunch while sailing past the spectacular scenery and magnificent island homes. Stop off at Boldt Castle, the full-size Rhineland Castle on picturesque Heart Island. Built as a testimony of love, the grandest of all Gilded Age mansions.

Registration Deadline: July 10th, 2021. Please note: Payment is due no later than July 10th, 2021.

DATE CORRECTION

Saturday, September 16, 2021:

Chocolate Trail Tour, Farmers Market, and Corning Glass Museum, Corning, NY.

Cost: Members: \$85 per person;
Non-members: \$95 per person.

Do you have a sweet tooth? We have got the cure! Visit the downtown businesses of Corning's Gaffer District for our famous Self-Guided Chocolate Trail Tour; Follow the Chocolate Trail and discover all the delectable chocolate delights available for purchase, including decadent handcrafted chocolates, luxurious chocolate-scented soap, chocolate cigars, and more! You can also enjoy the Farmers Market right in Corning's Riverfront Centennial Park where they have a little bit of everything for everyone such as produce, crafts, hand lotions, food trucks, etc. We will also tour the amazing Corning Glass Museum and learn how glass is made.

Registration Deadline: August 10th, 2021. Payment is due no later than August 10th, 2021.

DATE CORRECTION

Thursday, September 23, 2021:

Cruising the Erie canal and Beardslee Castle, Herkimer, NY

Cost: Members: \$110 per person
Non-members: \$115 per person

Travel back in time as your captain narrates the history and legends of the historic Erie Canal. We will board the vessel for a fun and historically fascinating cruise. Experience the thrill of being raised and lowered as we sail through 100-year-old locks, relax and enjoy the beautiful scenery of this distinctive river valley. Before our informative cruise, we will have a gourmet lunch at the historic Beardslee Castle, a replica of an Irish Castle built in 1860 located in Little Falls, NY.

Registration Deadline: August 23rd, 2021. Please note: Payment is due no later than August 23, 2021.

DATE CORRECTION

Wednesday, October 13th, 2021:

Friesians of Majesty, Townshend, Vermont.

Cost: Members: \$125 per person;
Non-members: \$130 per person.

First stop on our way to Townsend, Vermont, will be the amazing New England Restaurant. All meals include soup and Chef's choice of seasonal sides. Entrée choices are: New England Beef Pot Roast, Herb-crusted white fish; or Cider Chicken and Cheddar Biscuits. Desert is Apple Bread pudding! Then after lunch, we are on our way to the amazing 650-acre full-service breeding and training facility of the largest Friesian Horse farm in the United States, located in the heart of Vermont's Green Mountains. A Friesians of Majesty equestrian tour and show performance creates a unique and magical experience. You will learn about the history of the farm and meet some of their beautiful black stallions! Questions are encouraged and photo opportunities abound.

Registration Deadline:

September 10th, 2021. Please note: Payment is due no later than September 10, 2021.

Saturday, November 6th, 2021:

The New England Christmas Festival at Mohegan Sun Casino, Uncasville, CT.

Cost: Members: \$70 per person;
Non-members: \$75 per person.

Upon arrival, everyone will receive a \$35 Casino Bonus: \$15 meal/buffet coupon and two \$10 Free Bet coupons. Then jump start your holiday shopping at the

New England Christmas Festival at the Mohegan Sun Resort. You will be able to enjoy hundreds of American Artisans selling their unique creations. Sample holiday fare in the Specialty Food Aisle. Also shop in Mohegan Sun's 46 stores. Great way to start the holidays!

Registration Deadline: October 1st, 2021. Please note: Payment is due no later than October 1st.

Attention!

We have just added our first overnight trip, after many members suggested it.

**Thursday, October 28th, 2021 – Friday, October 29th, 2021
Sight and Sound Theatre Trip to see Queen Esther in Lancaster, PA!**

Cost: Members: Single - \$317 per person; Twin - \$257 per person; and Triple - \$240 per person; Non-members: add \$10 to each package.

Travel to the Amish Country in Lancaster, PA. Arrive at the Sight and Sound Theatre and enjoy an amazing live experience that comes to life with special effects, live animals, and magnificent sets! Hotel accommodations will be at the Fulton Steamboat Inn, in Lancaster most unique hotel. Delicious dinner to follow at the Millers Smorgasbord (you will not leave hungry!). Then back to the hotel for the evening and to re-energize for the next day. On Friday morning, enjoy a family style breakfast at the Fulton Steamboat hotel.

Registration Deadline: September 28th, 2021. Please note: Payment in full is due no later than September 28th.



Special Event Series – 13-week series

The Gathering Place is proud to offer the Performance Arts Series on Thursday evenings, starting at 6:00 pm, beginning July 8th.

We will be offering the following performing arts events. Please note that these events are free to all and will take place in our side yard of the Center under tents. Please bring your own comfortable chair to enjoy the shows!



- **Thursday, July 8th: Jazz Duo – Evan Jagels and John Colonna**
- **Thursday, July 15th: Original Songs – Story Arc**
- **Thursday, July 22nd: Open Line Dancing Dance – level is absolute beginner to advanced beginner.**
- **Thursday, July 29th: Selections from 2021 Talent Showcase – Timothy Murphy Playhouse**

- **Thursday, August 5th: Original Songs – Becca Frame and Brian Shafer**



- **Thursday, August 12th: Traditional Irish Music – Six Penny Bit**
- **Thursday, August 19th: Radio Comedy with The Theatre Project of Schoharie County**
- **Thursday, August 26th: Eclectic Musical Styles – Dennis Shaw**
- **Thursday, September 2nd: Old Time tunes and Original Songs – Tom and Gerri White**



- **Thursday, September 9th: Acoustic Americana – Three BonZ**
- **Thursday, September 16th: Open Line Dancing Dance – level is absolute beginner to advanced beginner.**
- **Thursday, September 23rd: North Country Blues – Mike Hermann**
- **Thursday, September 30th: Celtic Harp and Songs – Reggie Barnes**

Special Thanks to Jacqui Hauser and Tom Wadsworth for putting this wonderful Performance Series together for us!

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**We Now Have a Sign to
 Help People Find Us!**

Who Are the Senior Council Members?

The Senior Council Board is made up of representatives of all 10 Senior Groups from the individual towns in Schoharie County. Contact Information for these clubs is as follows:

- Carlisle Seniors: Meet 2nd Wednesday @ 12:30pm at the Carlisle Fire House. Contact Shirley Koser at 518-868-4683.
- Cobleskill Young at Heart Club: Meet 2nd Wednesday @ 1:00pm at the Gathering Place 50 Plus Community Center. Contact Janice Desandos at 518-234-7888.
- Conesville/Gilboa Mountaintop Seniors: Meet 3rd Thursday @ 12:00pm at the Firehouse. Contact Carolyn Brown at 518-827-6282.
- Jefferson Seniors: Meet 2nd Wednesday @ 1:00pm at the Community Center. Contact Mary Ann Nyback at 607-397-8094.
- Middleburgh Golden Agers: Meet 1st Saturday at 12:00pm at the Methodist Church. Contact Matthew Coltrain at 518-231-8489.
- Richmondville Seniors: Meet 1st Wednesday @ 12:00pm at the Firehouse Hall. Contact Vern Hall at 518-705-0159.
- Schoharie Fifty Plus Club: Meet 3rd Tuesday @ 12:00pm at the Gathering

Place 50 Plus Community Center. Contact Judi Sherman at 518-295-8142.

- Sharon Silver and Gold Club: Meet 2nd Friday @ 12:00 pm at the Gathering Place 50 Plus Community Center. Contact Anne Lennebacker at 607-547-9055.
- Summit Seniors: Meet 3rd Tuesday @ 12:00pm at the Summit Fire House. Contact Elsa Varrechia at 607-588-7452.
- Wright Friendly Seniors: Meet 2nd Thursday @ 12:00pm at the Lutheran Church in Gallupville. Contact Connie Skinner at 518-295-7734.

Please welcome a wonderful addition to our staff: Marie. Marie is our new Program Assistant and will be available to assist you Monday through Friday, 9:30 to 2:30. Stop by and welcome Marie!



Current Board of Directors:

Betty Karlau, President

***Judi Sherman, Vice President
& Director of Schoharie 50
Plus Senior Club***

Lorraine Wood, Treasurer

***Patricia MacNeil, Secretary &
Director of the Cobleskill
Young at Heart Senior Club***

***Faye Harris, Corresponding
Secretary & Director of the
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***Shirley Koser, Director of the
Carlisle Senior Club***

***Anna Slavinski, Director of
the Central Bridge Senior
Club***

***Dottie Pickett, Director of the
Conesville Mountain Top
Senior Club***

***Willie Karlau, County Liaison
& Director of the
Middleburgh Golden Agers
Senior Club***

***Vern Hall, Director of the
Richmondville Senior Club***

***Pauline Brown, Director of
the Sharon Springs Silver and
Gold Senior Club***

***Elsa Varrecchia, Director of
the Summit Senior Club***

***William Olewnick, Director of
the Wright Friendly Seniors
Club***

July's Points to Ponder

- My husband and I went through the McDonald's drive thru window and I gave the cashier a \$5 bill. Our total was \$4.25, so I also handed her 25c. She said, 'you gave me too much money.' I said, 'Yes I know, but this way you can just give me a dollar back.' She sighed and went to get the manager who asked me to repeat my request. I did so, and he handed me back the 25c, and said 'We're sorry but we don't do that kind of thing.' The cashier then proceeded to give me back 75 cents in change. Do not confuse the people at MacD's.
- We had to have the garage door repaired. The repairman told us that one of our problems was that we did not have a 'large' enough motor on the opener. I thought for a minute and said that we had the largest one made at that time, a 1/2 horsepower. He shook his head and said, 'You need a 1/4 horsepower.' I responded that 1/2 was larger than 1/4 and he said, 'NOOO, it's not. Four is larger than two.' We haven't used that repairman since...
- I live in a semi-rural area. We recently had a new neighbor call the local city council office to request the removal of the DEER CROSSING sign on our road. The reason: 'Too many deer are being hit by cars out here! I don't think this is a good place for them to be crossing anymore.'
- My daughter went to a Mexican fast food and ordered a taco. She asked the person behind the counter for 'minimal lettuce.' He said he was sorry, but they only had iceberg lettuce.
- I was at the airport, checking in at the gate when an airport employee asked, 'Has anyone put anything in your baggage without your knowledge?' To which I replied, 'If it was without my knowledge, how would I know?' He smiled knowingly and nodded, 'That's why we ask.'
- The pedestrian light on the corner beeps when it's safe to cross the street. I was crossing with an 'intellectually challenged' co-worker of mine. She asked if I knew what the beeper was for. I explained that it signals blind people when the light is red. Appalled, she responded, 'what on earth are blind people doing driving?!'

Tips for Visiting the Gathering Place and Registering for Classes and Events

We are working hard to ensure that every time you visit our center, you have an enjoyable experience. Consequently, we wanted to share some helpful tips to make your visit successful:

- ***Please pre-register for classes by either stopping at the front desk, calling the Center at 518-823-4338, or going online as follows:***

If you want to sign up for classes on-line, and you are already a member with a key card, go to myactivecenter.com and click on the New Users tab at the top of the page. It will walk you through on how to register for on-line access. If you have any questions, please contact me (Kim) at the Center. The screen looks like the one below:



- When you arrive at the Center, please come to the reception area, located at the middle door on the front of the building.
- You will need to sign-in using your key card each

time you come to the Center. This helps us to keep track of who is in the building, as well as helping us with information on how our class participation is working. If you are not a member, you still need to sign in using the kiosk. Assistance is available if you need help signing in.

- If you are a member, you are always welcome to visit the Center, even if you are not participating in any of the classes. We have computers set up if you would like to use them, as well as free-WIFI. Coffee, tea, and water are available for a small donation. We have a nice small library, as well as puzzles if you would just like the company of others and to visit. We LOVE seeing you!
- If you have any suggestions or comments about classes or anything pertaining to the Center, please feel free to fill out a comment card and leave it in the box in the reception area.
- If you are having issues or have questions about getting assistance of any kind, please feel free to ask me (Kim) and if I am not available, leave your name and number with the receptionist and I will certainly get in contact with you as soon as I am able.
- We are working on building some partnerships with local restaurants to be able to provide grab and go type lunches that you will be able to order ahead a time. More information to come as we move forward.
- We have notary services available. Please call the Center ahead to schedule a time.
- We also hope to have an area here at the Center where we can share vegetables and items that you grow in your garden if you have an abundance of them. This way we can share healthy food with everyone!
- Private Meeting Room: We have a private meeting room which is soundproof and available for our members to use if they would like to meet with an attorney, insurance provider, or for any other purpose and not have to meet strangers in your home. Just call the Center for availability.
- In addition, we now have the ability to accept credit cards at the Gathering Place to process payments for membership, classes, trips, etc.

Welcome and we are so excited to have you join our Gathering Place family!!!

YOUR DONATIONS TO SCHOHARIE COUNTY COUNCIL OF SENIOR CITIZENS, INC. ARE WELCOME AND TAX-DEDUCTIBLE!

There are many ways you can help us continue to make a significant difference in Schoharie County and surrounding areas. Please understand that every penny counts and helps us to help others. No gift is too small. The Senior Council would ask that you help us in whatever way you can to help us continue to improve aging in our 50 Plus Community.

Here are just a few ways you can help:

- Go to our website, www.schoharieseniors.org and click the “Donate” button at the top of the page. You can easily make a one-time donation, or set up a monthly donation, through our PayPal account.
- Amazon Smile: We are thrilled to let you know that we have become members of the AmazonSmile.com initiative. When you shop at Amazon, you simply make sure you go to Amazon Smile and pick Schoharie County Council of Senior Citizens, Inc. as your not-for-profit charity. Each quarter, the AmazonSmile Foundation will make donations to us based on your purchases which will help us to continue to bring

new programs into Schoharie County to help all of our Senior Citizens.



- Drop off or mail your donation to: 127 Kenyon Road, Cobleskill, NY 12043
- Drop off your clean returnable cans and bottles to Righi’s Recycling and tell them it is for the Gathering Place.

We appreciate your continued support and look forward to bring even more services and opportunities to our 50 Plus Community!



Thank you to Our Sponsors: We could not do this without you!



We also want to thank all of you who have graciously donated to our Center. The continued support for this endeavor is very humbling. We are so excited to bring the Gathering Place 50 Plus Community Center to our area.

Help Support the Gathering Place and Our Programs

Our Fundraising Committee is selling the following items to raise funds for the Gathering Place. All of these items are available for purchase at the Center’s Reception Desk.

Two-Tone Tote Bag

Great tote bag to carry important items, along with drinks. Many compartments to keep items. Price: \$12



Final thought...

“The Wisdom and experience of older people is a resource of inestimable worth. Recognizing and treasuring the contributions of older people is essential to the long-term flourishing of any society.”

-Daisaku Ikeda



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Be sure to also visit our Everything Shoppes in Cobleskill and Middleburgh! Donations of clothing and household items are accepted during business hours. Thank you for your continued support!

Insulated Grocery Bag

Very sturdy and large insulated grocery bag. Great for using as an insulated grocery bag for your frozen items or as a cooler on a picnic! Price: \$12



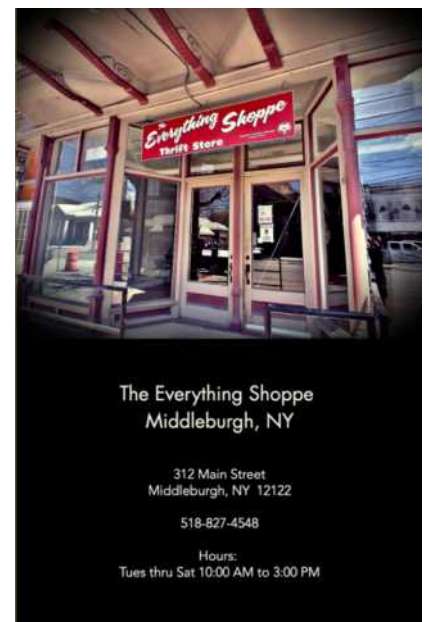
“Live in the sunshine.
Swim in the sea.
Drink in the wild air.”
- RALPH WALDO EMERSON

Handicapped Parking now available at the Gathering Place! We now have parking for those with mobility issues located around the back of the building. When you come into the Driveway, continue straight and before you get to the yellow gate turn right.



Insulated Lunch Bag

Easy to carry insulated lunch bag. Great to carry snacks, beverages, or any other items you can think of. Price: \$9.



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Gathering Place 50 Plus Community Center

July 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	1	2	3
				09:00a Socializing/Just Visiting 10:00a Movement Classes with Anna 10:00a Stress Management for the Aging Brain - Part I 11:00a Learn to Knit with Adele 01:00p Pool and Table Tennis and Corn Hole 03:00p Healthy Eating for Older Adults	09:00a Socializing/Just Visiting 10:00a Fun Plus Fridays Craft Projects 10:00a Mixed Arts with the Studio for Art and Craft 12:00p Line Dancing with Jacquie 01:00p Casino Tutorial 01:00p Pool and Table Tennis and Corn Hole 02:00p Sing A Long 03:00p Drum Circle	09:00a July 3rd Center Closed for Holiday Weekend!
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
09:00a Intermediate Line Dancing 09:00a Socializing/Just Visiting 10:00a Help Desk for Technology Issues and Questions 10:30a Zumba with Wendy 01:00p Card Games 01:00p Pool and Table Tennis and Corn Hole	09:00a Socializing/Just Visiting 10:00a Movement Classes with Anna 01:00p Card Games 01:00p Pool and Table Tennis and Corn Hole	09:00a Socializing/Just Visiting 10:00a Movement Classes with Anna 01:00p Card Games 01:00p Pool and Table Tennis and Corn Hole	09:00a Defensive Driving Course 09:00a Socializing/Just Visiting 10:00a Chair Yoga with Denise 10:00a Fused Glass with Studio of Art and Craft 10:00a Help Desk for Technology Issues and Questions 01:00p Pool and Table Tennis and Corn Hole	09:00a Socializing/Just Visiting 10:00a Movement Classes with Anna 11:00a Learn to Knit with Adele 01:00p Card Games 01:00p Pool and Table Tennis and Corn Hole	09:00a Socializing/Just Visiting 10:00a Fun Plus Fridays Craft Projects 10:00a Mixed Arts with the Studio for Art and Craft 12:00p Line Dancing with Jacquie 01:00p Pool and Table Tennis and Corn Hole 02:00p Sharon Spring Senior Club Meeting	09:00a Socializing/Just Visiting 10:00a Garden Club 01:00p Pool and Table Tennis and Corn Hole
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18	19 09:00a Intermediate Line Dancing 09:00a Socializing/Just Visiting 10:00a Help Desk for Technology Issues and Questions 10:30a Zumba with Wendy 01:00p Card Games 01:00p Pool and Table Tennis and Corn Hole	20 09:00a Socializing/Just Visiting 10:00a Movement Classes with Anna 12:00p Schoharie 50 Plus Senior Club 01:00p Card Games 01:00p Pool and Table Tennis and Corn Hole	21 09:00a Socializing/Just Visiting 10:00a Chair Yoga with Denise 10:00a Fused Glass with Studio of Art and Craft 10:00a Help Desk for Technology Issues and Questions 01:00p Pool and Table Tennis and Corn Hole	22 09:00a Socializing/Just Visiting 10:00a Movement Classes with Anna 11:00a Learn to Knit with Adele 01:00p Card Games 01:00p Pool and Table Tennis and Corn Hole	23 09:00a Socializing/Just Visiting 10:00a Alzheimers Support Group for Schoharie County 10:00a Fun Plus Fridays Craft Projects 10:00a Mixed Arts with the Studio for Art and Craft 12:00p Line Dancing with Jacquie 01:00p Casino Tutorial 01:00p Pool and Table Tennis and Corn Hole 02:00p Sing A Long 03:00p Drum Circle	24 09:00a Socializing/Just Visiting 10:00a Help Desk for Technology Issues and Questions 01:00p Pool and Table Tennis and Corn Hole
25	26 09:00a Intermediate Line Dancing 09:00a Socializing/Just Visiting 09:30a Senior Council Board Meeting 10:00a Help Desk for Technology Issues and Questions 10:30a Zumba with Wendy 01:00p Card Games 01:00p Pool and Table Tennis and Corn Hole	27 09:00a Socializing/Just Visiting 10:00a Movement Classes with Anna 01:00p Card Games 01:00p Pool and Table Tennis and Corn Hole	28 09:00a Socializing/Just Visiting 10:00a Chair Yoga with Denise 10:00a Fused Glass with Studio of Art and Craft 10:00a Help Desk for Technology Issues and Questions 01:00p Pool and Table Tennis and Corn Hole	29 09:00a Socializing/Just Visiting 10:00a Movement Classes with Anna 10:00a Stress Management for the Aging Brain - Part I 11:00a Learn to Knit with Adele 01:00p Card Games 01:00p Pool and Table Tennis and Corn Hole	30 09:00a Socializing/Just Visiting 10:00a Fun Plus Fridays Craft Projects 10:00a Mixed Arts with the Studio for Art and Craft 12:00p Line Dancing with Jacquie 01:00p Casino Tutorial 01:00p Pool and Table Tennis and Corn Hole 02:00p Sing A Long 03:00p Drum Circle	31 09:00a Socializing/Just Visiting 10:00a Help Desk for Technology Issues and Questions 10:00a Special Saturday Creative Projects 01:00p Pool and Table Tennis and Corn Hole