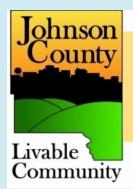
JCLC April 2024 Newsletter



Johnson County Livable Community Information for Successful Aging

> the primary information resource for Seniors<

www.livablecommunity.org

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION MONTH





April is National Volunteer Month

Find local opportunities to volunteer with United Way's 55+ Retired & Senior Volunteer Program or 55+ RSVP. People 55 and better are encouraged to get involved using their lifetime of experience to reach out and help others. Individual abilities and interests are matched with community volunteer needs.

Dining with Dignity

Mondays 4:30-6:30pm 735 George St Reservations: 319-466-3032

New Program

Dining With Dignity
(DWD)

Oaknoll is excited to announce our new program *Dining With Dignity*.

Dining With Dignity provides a unique opportunity for family and friends who have loved ones living with dementia to dine with them in a restaurant setting.

Dining With Dignity is on Monday nights and is a quiet and supportive dining experience with limited distractions. There is a simplified menu and food that is colorful, appetizing and easy to eat for those with dementia. We will also have Dementia Friendly trained staff who can offer cues and prompting to make the dining experience pleasant

Third on Third will be open on Mondays from 4:30 p.m. -6:30 p.m. for Dining With Dignity and begins on April 15. It is open to residents within Oaknoll, family members and the community.

The Third on Third Bistro is located in the Spring building on our main campus at 735 George Street. There will be a parking variance to allow guests to park on George Street on Monday evenings.

Visitors may also park in driveway 5 in any unmarked spot in the lot. The driveway is located by the skywalk and across from the Spring building.







Join us for our "Slam the Scam" Seminar!

Special guest Al Perales from the Iowa Attorney General's Office will review many topics including:

- · Why do scammers target lowa?
- · Why do scammers target certain demographics?
- · How do the scams work?
- · What scams are currently occurring in lowa?
- · & Tips to protect yourself!

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WHERE & WHEN?

Two River Bank & Trust's Lobby 222 N. Main St. Burlington, IA Thursday, April 11th 8:00AM - 9:00AM

ADDITIONAL WAYS TO ATTEND THE SEMINAR:

- Broadcasting at Coralville, Des Moines, Fort Madison Avenue F, and Mediapolis locations.
- This will also be available via webinar link, which you register to receive on our website.

April Financial is Literacy Month

It's that time of year to review your financial status, especially since it is tax time. Whether you're retired or planning to retire it is beneficial to spend some time each year to refresh your financial literacy and review your finances. Investopedia has a great set of articles to assist you in performing this refresh of your financial literacy. These articles discuss the importance of knowing your net worth, five rules to improve your financial health, the beauty of budgeting, digging your way out of debt

in 8 steps and the best retirement plans.

Find the link to the main article here.

Staff & Family Partnerships to Improve Dementia Care



The brief, easy-to-use, online training modules were developed using feedback from diverse long-term care providers to best assure relevance of the content and feasibility of use in community-based dementia-related settings. See the study description here. In addition to the 12 training modules listed here, an instructors Manual is available to help users tailor the training series to best fit the need and goals of the care setting and individual users.

12 Training Modules of Partnerships to Improve Care and Quality of Life for Persons with Dementia



The Oaknoll Dementia Experience The Dementia Live® program is a training created by the AGE-u-cate™ institute

The Oaknoll Dementia Experience is lead by certified Dementia Live* coaches who help others learn and gain perspective on how it feels to live with dementia and experience a deeper understanding of the totality of these brain diseases.

Our Dementia Live® home at Oaknoll immerses participants into what life might be like living with cognitive impairment, sensory changes, and dementia. Specialized gear is utilized that simulates dementia specific changes in aging, including altered eyesight, hearing, and tactile sensation.

The home is set up as though someone has been living there for 40 years. While wearing the gear participants are asked to perform everyday tasks, like making the bed or finding items in their kitchen. This experience is a powerful and effective tool to help others be more empathetic and supportive of those living with dementia.

The Oaknoll Experience is intended to give participants a better understanding of the anxiety, isolation, frustration, and confusion a person living with dementia may feel. There is a valuable discussion following the experience to debrief with the participants and see what perspective were gained and how it felt going through the simulation.



If you would like to learn more to have a deeper understanding please contact:

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In addition to the homestead tax credit, eligible claimants who are 65 years of age or older on or before January 1 of the assessment year are now eligible for a homestead tax exemption. For the assessment year beginning on January 1, 2023, the exemption is for \$3,250 of taxable value. For assessment years beginning on or after January 1, 2024, the exemption is for \$6,500 of taxable value.

The deadline for filing is July 1, 2024 for the 2024 assessment year. Applications filed after July 1 will be applied to the 2025 assessment year.

Find the application here.



National Prescription Drug Take Back Day and Needles Collection Event

Drop off your expired, unwanted, or unused pharmaceutical or OTC medications to law enforcement officers for destruction. We're focused on removing potentially dangerous controlled substances from our community's medicine cabinets.

Do you have a cabinet full of unused medications that you just haven't gotten around to throwing away? Here's your solution! This program is anonymous and no request will be made for identification.

Please help us combat the nationwide issue of pharmaceutical drug abuse.

Sheriff's Office staff will be available on Saturday April 27, 2024 from 10:00am-2:00pm at 511 S Capitol St, Iowa City.

Other locations: lowa City Police Department - East Side Recycling Center VA Healthcare System North Liberty Police Department

NO NEEDLES OR INHALERS will be accepted.

If you have more questions, please give us a call, 319-356-6020.

Balance & Fall Risk Assessment

By David Harper, Physical therapist, Visiting Nurse Association

Free balance and fall risk assessment by appointment for<u>members of the Iowa City Senior</u> Center. During this session, you will be asked to stand on the BTrackS Balance Plate that utilizes special software to assess your balance and fall risk. After each assessment, David will provide guidance to help you improve balance based on your results.

- April 9 & 23, 10-11am, by appointment
- Register online or call 319-356-5220

Local Programming and News Click on the categories below to access more information

North Liberty Senior Connections Lunch	AARP lowa Events	Alzheimer's Association Upcoming Events	Solon Senior News April 2024 Newsletter
Silver Linings Older Iowans	Hancher Auditorium Upcoming Events	Iowa City Senior Center Iowa City- March/ April Activity Guide	
Stanley Museum of Art Calendar	Trail of Johnson County Calendar	UI Center of Human Rights Events	







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