September is Healthy **Aging Month**

By Rebecca Boggs, RN

About 15 years ago Carolyn Worthington, editorin-chief of Healthy Aging Magazine, recognized a need to create resources aimed at educating people about the positive aspects of aging.

September is Healthy Aging Month was born and every year the Healthy Aging Campaign helps people become aware of all the factors that contribute to successful aging. Take time this month to celebrate life and turn over a new leaf! Need some ideas? Here are some tips from Healthy Aging Maga-

•Do not act your age or at least what you think your current age should act like. What was your best year so far? 28? 40? Now? Picture yourself at that age and be it. Some people may say this is denial, but we say it's positive thinking and goes a long way toward feeling better about yourself. (Tip: •Don't keep looking in the mirror, just FEEL IT!)

•Be positive in your conversations and your actions every day. When you catch yourself complaining, check yourself right there and change the conversation to something positive. (Tip: Stop watching the police reports on the local news).

Have negative friends who complain all of the time and constantly talk about how awful everything is? Drop them. As cruel as that may sound, distance yourself from people who do not have a positive outlook on life. They will only depress you and stop you from moving forward. Surround yourself with energetic, happy, positive people of all ages and you will be happier too. (Tip: Smile often. It's contagious and wards off naysayers.)

·Walk like a vibrant, healthy person. Come on. You can probably do it. Analyze your gait. Do you walk slowly because you have just become lazy or, perhaps, have a fear of falling? (Tip: Make a conscious effort to take big strides, walk with your heel first, and wear comfortable shoes.)

•Stand up straight! You can knock off the appearance of a few extra years with this trick your mother kept trying to tell you. Look at yourself in the mirror. Are you holding your stomach in, have your shoulders back, chin up? Check out how much better your neck looks! Fix your stance and practice it every day, all day

until it is natural. You will look great and feel better. (Tip: Your waistline will look trimmer if you follow this advice.)

·How's your smile? Research shows people who smile more often are happier. Your teeth are just as important to your good health as the rest of your body. Not only is it the first thing people notice, but good oral health is a gateway to your overall wellbeing. (Tip: Go to the dentist regularly and look into teeth whitening. Nothing says old more than yellowing teeth!)

·Lonely? Stop brooding and complaining about having no friends or family. Do something about it now. Right this minute. Pick up the phone, landline, or cell and make a call to do one or more of the following: Volunteer your time, Take a class, Invite someone to meet for lunch, brunch, dinner, or coffee. (Tip: Volunteer at the local public school to stay in touch with younger people and to keep current on trends, take a computer class or a tutorial session at your cell phone store to keep up with technology, choose a new person every week for your dining out.)

 Start walking not only for your health but to see the neighbors. Have a dog? You'll be amazed how the dog can be a conversation starter. (Tip: If you don't have time for a dog, go to your local animal shelter and volunteer. You will be thrilled by the puppy love!)

 Make this month the time to set up your annual physical and other health screenings. Go to the appointments and a while.

•Find your inner artist. Who says music lessons are a summer break and you did for young school children? You may have an artist lurking inside you just waiting to be tapped. Have you always wanted to play the piano, violin, or tuba? Have you ever wondered if you could paint a portrait or scenic in oil? What about working in wood? (Tip: Sign up now for fall art or music classes and discover your inner artist!)

Regarding Healthy Aging Magazine, Carolyn Worthington says "we are about vibrant, active 45-plus people who are taking charge of their lives, following their passion, and who are happily looking forward to what's next in life." Are you interested in more Healthy Aging resources? Sign up for a free Healthy Aging newsletter at: www. healthyaging.net

RSVP volunteers enjoyed the fall recognition dinner at Topsail Senior Center in August.

By Barbara Mullins RSVP Director

Topsail Senior Center was in full swing with 70 RSVP volunteers celebrating a successful year volunteering in Pender County. Irv's Signature Catering provided a wonderful feast of hamburgers, hot dogs, chicken and lots of fix-

ins. Steve Merritt and Annie Sharp entertained us with their fiddle, bass, viola, guitar and singing. Thank you to the RSVP Board members for planning such a fun evening and to all our RSVP volunteers in Pender County that every day make a difference in the life of our seniors and school

Volunteering is a way to reward yourself with good health. Bryan Huffman (96 years old) and Jane Niederberger (92 years old) are perfect examples that there is no ceiling to stop you from being a volunteer. Both have birthdays this month and we are so thankful for the wisdom, love and patience they add to our

RSVP consists of volunteers 55 and older. Our work in Pender County thrives by those wanting to be an intricate part of keeping our seniors living independently at home.

If you would like more info on volunteering 2-3 hours a week call Barbara at 910-259-

September activities, classes at Pender Adult Services

August has been terribly couraged. then, hopefully, you can stop hot and wet. We are hoping worrying about ailments for for a fall breeze to dry our

Some of our classes took too! Donna and Jennifer hope to be giving you a hug soon as you come back into our Heritage Place and Topsail Senior Center soon.

A few classes are getting started back. Monday Art at Heritage will begin Sept. 11 at 9 a.m. There is a fee for this six-week class. You get 15 hours of instruction for \$50. Please call Maureen McKenna at 631-312-6102.

She will tell you what supplies you need and more about your opportunity to learn watercolors, acrylic or oil in this stress-free class where fun and socialization is en-

Monday morning at 9. Basket Class will start back with Peggy Casey Sept 12 (TSC) or Sept 13 (HP). Both of these classes begin at 9 a.m. The fee for this six-week class is \$18 (60 and older) and \$28 (59 and younger).

Jewelry Class (HP) has been shifted to Thursday morning from 10 a.m. until noon. Anna Eubanks will lead you in jewelry repair and creation. Cost for this class is \$8 (60 and older) and \$15 (59 and younger).

Quilting groups meet weekly Tuesdays (HP) 1 p.m., Wednesday (TSC) 9 a.m. and Thursday (TSC) 1 p.m. Our Burgaw group has a new plans with several ideas com-

group that meets at Topsail jamin. They are working on formational meeting at Heria friendship quilt and have other projects lined up for the fall. Our Tree Top Quilters meet monthly at Topsail (second Monday at 1 p.m.)

We have many opportunities for you to socialize, learn or exercise at our centers. Please look at the schedule. Geri-fit, Pilates, Tai Chi and Yoga are all offered. We are looking at a new program called Walk with Ease. This is a program to get people walking that suffer from arthritis and lack of motiva-

We hope this class will establish several walking groups from our clients. Walking is safer and puts less stress on the body than

ing from a new member and most other forms of aerobic We also have a regular Art volunteer leader Patty Benexercise. We will have an intage Place Aug. 30 at 1 p.m.

Healthy Aging Week is Sept. 25-30. Our centers have a Fall Prevention and Balance Education Program has been planned Sept. 26. Topsail Senior Center will host their program at 10 a.m. Heritage Place will hold their program at 11 a.m.

Area Rehab/Balance Specialists will be sharing helps and tips for preventing falls as a part of Healthy Aging Week. We also have an End Of Summer Social and Dance at the Topsail Senior Center Sept. 29. Tickets are \$5 in advance to cover DJ expense. Light Refreshments will be served.

Have arthritis but want to move more?

No matter if you need relief from arthritis pain or just want to be active, the Arthritis Foundation's six-week Walk with Ease program can teach you how to safely make physical activity part of your everyday life.

Studies by the Thurston Arthritis Research Center and the Institute on Aging of the University of North Carolina show that Walk With Ease is proven to:

•Reduce the pain and discomfort of arthritis

•Increase balance, strength and walking pace

·Build confidence in your ability to be physically active •Improve overall health

The Walk with Ease program is offered as a selfguided course or may be held

in a community setting. Get support in a group setting as you follow the six week Walk with Ease program. Classes will be taught at Pender Adult Services

Informational meeting will be held August 30 at 1 p.m. or call Jennifer Mathews at 910-259-9119 extension 303 for more information

Prescription Assistance Coordinator

Individual needed to manage Prescription Assistance program providing low or no cost prescriptions to eligible clients. Must have experience with computers and software programs. Training provided with specific software to determine client eligibility and search for needed prescriptions. Ability to work independently, maintain accurate records and ensure confidentiality. Must maintain professional and amicable relationship with clients and staff. Background Check required.

> Forward application or resume to: Wesley B Davis, Executive Director

Pender Adult Services, P O Box 1251, Burgaw, NC 28425

Thank you to Duke Progress, Four County Electric and Fran's fans For your support of Operation Fan Heat Relief 2017





Pender Adult Services September 2017

Sept 4 – Closed for Labor Day

Sept 5 – RSVP Perks 9 a.m. (HP)

Sept 6 – RSVP Perks 9 a.m. (TSC)

Sept 11 – Patriots Day Memorial Services – 12:30 p.m. (HP) Sept 13 – Blind Group Meeting,

contact Patricia Miller 259-1464, 1p.m. (HP)

Sept 18 – Bowling at Ten Pin Alley –sign up at front desk

Sept 21- Health Checks (TSC) 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Sept 26 – Fall Prevention 10 a.m. (TSC) 11 a.m. (HP)

Sept 28 - Health Checks (HP) 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Sept 28 – Caregivers Support Meeting 11:30 a.m. (HP)

Sept 29 – End of Summer Social & Dance 6:30 p.m. (TSC) For more information – call 910-259-9119 www.penderpas.com

> NC STATE FĂIR TRIP – OCT 17 Medicare Part D Open Enrollment *Oct* 15 – *Dec* 7 **Flu Shot Clinics**

Heritage Place on Thurs, Oct 19 **Topsail Senior Center on Tues, Oct 24**

Open Enrollment for Prescriptions Drug Plans (Medicare Part D) October 15 – December 7, 2017



Call (910) 259-9119 X 303 to set an appointment with a SHIIP counselor.

We can help review your current Prescription Plan.



Save the date for our ANNUAL SILENT AUCTION *November 9, 2017*

Thank you for your contributions to our Memorial and Honorary Giving Program Holy Trinity Episcopal Church Wardell & Ruby McDuffie

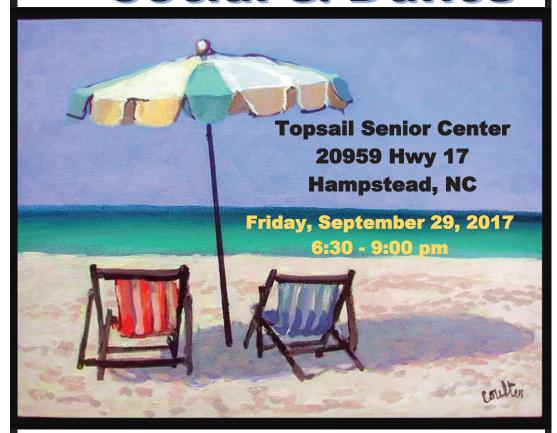
For more information on Pender Adult Services Memorial and Honorary Giving Program please contact Wesley Davis at 910-259-9119.



9/11 Memorial Service

Monday, September 11, 2017 Pender Adult Services 901 S. Walker Street, Burgaw 12:30 p.m.

End of Summer



Light Refreshments Advance Tickets: \$5, Tickets at the door: \$6

> Let your requests be known Our DJ has a good variety beach music, line dances and oldies

Pender Adult Services Class Schedule

Heritage Place Opportunities

Monday 8:00-7:00

9:00 Art Class (9/11)

12:00 Meals

1:00 Bid Whist

1:00 Canasta

3:00 Lamplighters Chorus

(offsite at times)

6:00 Line Dance

Tuesday 8:00—5:00

9:00 Crocheting

9:00 RSVP Perks (1st)

11:00 Geri-fit

12:00 Meals

12:30 Pinochle

1:00 Rummikub

1:00 Quilting Group

1:00 Knitting Group

Wednesday 8:00-5:00

9:00 Basket Class (9/13) 11:00 Bingo

12:00 Meals

1:00 Bid Whist

1:00 Bridge 1:00 Blind Support (2nd) **Thursday** 8:00-5:00

10:00 Jewelry (new time)

11:00 Geri-fit

11:30 Caregivers Support (4th)

11:30 Health Checks (4th) 12:00 Meals

1:00 Rummikub

1:00 Mexican Train 3:00 Craft Club

Phone: 910-259-9119

Friday

8:00-3:00

11:00 Bingo

12:00 Meals

Saturday—closed

Facility Available For Rentals

Phone: 910-270-0708

Topsail Senior Center Opportunities

Monday 8:30 am—5:00 pm 9:00 Art Class (group) 10:00 Modified PILATES 12:00 Meals 1:00 Tree Top Quilters(2nd)

3:00 Hospice Trg (2nd)

Tuesday 8:30 am—5:00 pm 9:00 Baskets (9/12) 9:00 Geri-Fit 10:00 Senior Crafts & fun 12:00 Meals

2:00 Gentle YOGA

3:15 Advanced Tai Chi

Wednesday 8:30 am—5:00 pm 9:00 Quilting Bee 9:00 RSVP Perks (1st) 9:30 Knitting Group 12:00 Meals 1:00 Canasta

Fitness Fusion Group Fitness Classes

8:30 am—5:00 pm 9:00 Geri-fit & Cribbage 10:00 YOGA 10:00 Bingo 11:15 Beg. Tai Chi 12:00 Meals (BP Checks-3rd) 1:00 Quilting Class

1:00 Mahjong & Bridge

Thursday

Friday 8:30 am—2:30 pm 11:00 Line Dance 12:00 Meals **12:00 Line dance 2 Caregivers Support **** **Call for info

Saturday - Facility Available for rentals



Pender Adult Services is committed to providing our community a safe, stable, environment in which individuals can maintain their independence, good health practices, and a healthy sense of self-esteem.

Monday

Open 5:00—9:00 5:30 RPM Cycling 8:30 BODYPUMP 9:40 YOGA

10:45 FIT OVER 50 4:00 RPM Cycling **5:30 BODYPUMP**

Tuesday Open 5:00—9:00 5:30 RPM Cycling 8:30 CARDIO BLAST 9:40 YOGA **10:45 FIT OVER 50** 5:30 BODY ATTACK

5:30 RPM Cycling

Wednesday Open 5:00—9:00 7:00 RPM Cycling 8:30 BODYPUMP 9:50 PILATES

5:30 BODY PUMP Massage by **Appointment**

Thursday Open 5:00—9:00 5:30 RPM Cycling 9:40 YOGA **10:45 FIT OVER 50**

5:30 RPM Cycling 5:30 BODY ATTACK

Friday Open 5:00—9:00 8:30 BODYPUMP 9:50 PILATES **5:30 BODY PUMP** Saturday

Phone: 910-259-0422

Open 8:00—2:30 8:30 RPM Cycling 8:30 Body Attack