# **RSVP** update

By Barbara Mullins RSVP Director

The school year has ended and Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) Reading Buddies have completed another awesome year in Pender County elementary schools. Reports are just now coming in from our school stations and each one shows growth in reading comprehension and vocabulary.

Teachers have praised RSVP volunteers and the role they have in their classrooms. Not only are they great tutors, encouraging students to do better, praising their participation, but they also are wonderful role models.

Students know they can count on an older adult they connect with, they know they will come every week to read with them, they know this adult truly cares about them. We are proud of our RSVP volunteers in our Reading Buddy program and look forward to a great 2019-2020 school year.

Already we have a list for requests from teachers asking for a RSVP volunteer next school year. RSVP also was able to proctor more than 60 EOG exams this year. This was huge support for Pender County Schools as every classroom requires a volunteer in the testing classroom with the teacher giving the exam. It is state law so RSVP again gave support where needed.

We are accepting applications now for additional reading buddies because the more we have, the more students we can attach volunteers to and the hope is to add 2-3 new elementary schools to our program.

There is a short application process and early August we will meet as a group and train together for the next school year. Interested in more info on being a Reading Buddy? Please do not hesitate to call Barbara at 910-259-9119 (x329) We look forward to hearing from you

### **Operation Fan Heat Relief 2019**



## Pender Adult Services **Operation Fan Heat Relief 2019**

Operation Fan is a summer program intended to provide a more comfortable living environment and reduce heat related illnesses.

Applications will continue to be processed and reviewed for approval. Please bring power bill to confirm

address and carrier. The fans are provided by Progress Energy, Four County Elec-tric and Fran's

In order to be eligible for the program, applicants

• Reside in county & not received a fan in the previ-

• Be an adult; 60 years of age or older or with a dis-

· Have a home situation where a threat to health and well-being exists (heat related illness)

For more information on the Operation Fan Relief program, call Pender Adult Services at 259-9119, extension 0.

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### What is Elder Abuse?

of mistreatment that results in harm or loss to an older person, according to the National Committee for the Prevention of Elder Abuse. The abuse could take the form of domestic violence, financial exploitation, neglect, physical harm, psychological abuse or sexual abuse. Because each type of abuse is so different, the indicators associated with them often vary:

•Financial exploitation, like all other forms of abuse, could have long-lasting effects on a person. Signs of this abuse could include missing checks, failing to make payments on time if at all, missing credit or debit cards, missing property, insufficient funds in banking accounts of failing to pay for medical treatment as needed. The perpetrators often are family members, according to the NCPEA.

•Neglect can be committed by all types of caregivers, and the abuse can range from failing to wash clothing to failing to provide necessary medical care. Signs of neglect could include dirty or unsanitary living conditions, poorly man-

Elder abuse is any form aged medications, bedsores, dehydration, malnutrition and other unexplained or untreated medical conditions. Neglect often leads to selfneglect, which according to the National Adult Protective Services Associations, could lead to serious health and safety concerns.

•Physical abuse results in some type of bodily injury or impairment. It could range from cuts and scratches to brain injuries or broken bones. If there is a history of repeated injuries, this also could be a sign. No matter the severity of the unexplained injuries, they should be taken seriously. These physical marks also could be indications of sexual abuse and domestic violence.

·Psychological abuse may be a little more difficult to detect. It could, however, have just as significant of an impact on a person. This abuse could cause the elderly patient to be afraid of a caregiver or person, to become disconnected from family and friends or to act out in a different way. If the person suffers from a mental illness, his or her actions could be more severe.

## Heritage Happenings

By Jennifer Mathews **Pender Adult Services** 

Come join us and get in out of the heat. We are excepting new riders on Pas Tran for activities and meals at Heritage Place and Topsail Senior Center. Call 259-9119, press one and speak with transportation about completing a simple application to become a rider.

Heritage Place will be celebrating Gorgeous Grandma day on July 23, 2019. This is an actual date set aside to celebrate Grandmas We would love to see your classy or sassy or jazzy attire. We are also encouraging ladies to bring a baby picture of themselves for a fun display of who has the cutest baby face.

The summer fan program is ongoing. We appreciate

Four County, Duke Energy and Fran's Fans and our Burgaw Walmart! Please bring an ID or power bill to confirm your address. Fans are available for seniors over 60 that live in Pender County.

We had a great time on our summer picnic at Soundside Park in June. Seniors from Burgaw, Atkinson, Maple Hill and Hampstead and Surf City came together and relaxed breathing in the salt air and a few caught a few fish. "Mostly we made good memories,' quote from one seniors.

If you have a parent or an older aunt or uncle that would benefit from socialization, a hot meal and/or activities please contact Jennifer Mathews at 259-9119 ext. 303 to discuss getting them

## Topsail Center News

By Donna Murphrey Center Coordinator

Hard to believe it's July already except for the high temperatures and humidity outside! We still have plenty of fans to give away to seniors living in Pender County, please •Geri-fit is a low-impact come by and pick one up. June weight bearing class offered was busy at Topsail – picnic at Sound Side Park and a tree planting celebration for Elder Abuse Awareness

We are grateful for all who for times. Call Jennifer for made the tree planting possible, especially Pender Pines for donating the lovely tree

and Wilmington Funeral and Cremation for the plaque.

If anyone suspects Elder Abuse is happening to someone they know please call Pender County Social Services and report, even anonymously if you prefer. We have a hurricane preparedness speaker from Hope4NC/Pender County July 23 at 11:15 a.m. and encourage seniors to attend since we are now in hurricane

We would like to give a big thank you to Renovation

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## Staying healthy

You can live a healthy lifestyle and prevent disease by exercising, eating well, maintaining a healthy weight and not smoking.

care pays for many preventive services to help keep you healthy. Preventive services can find health problems early and fight off certain diseases.

can get a yearly wellness visit and many other preventive services.

Geri-fit is a low-impact weight bearing class offered



The Cape Fear Elder Abuse Network in cooperation with Topsail Senior Center and Pender Pines held a tree planting to raise awareness for elder abuse prevention. Come by and see our new Japanese maple at the Topsail Senior Center. If you suspect elder abuse please contact Pender County DSS at 259-1240.

## Transportation News

PAS-TRAN is hiring Part-Time Drivers Applications available at 901 S Walker Street Weekdays only Call 910-259-9119 X press 1 for more information

PAS-TRAN is accepting new senior (60 & up) Nutrition riders for both Heritage Place in Burgaw and Topsail Senior Center in Hampstead.

Rural General Public rides for Grocery Shopping, College Educational, Employment, and Medical visits and needs, in county and Out of County are also available. New service available to Jacksonville and Wallace/Rose Hill. Call for more information and reservations.

Please Call 910-259-9119 Press 1 TDD/TTY 1-800-735-2962 Monday thru Friday

Certain restrictions apply for trips and Medical appointments. Services may be interrupted if funding is not available.

## *Need Medicare help?*

The Seniors' Health Insurance Information Program (SHIIP), is a division of the NC department of Insurance that offers free, objective information about Medicare, Medicare Supplements, Medicare Advantage plans, Medicare prescription drug plans, Medicare fraud and abuse, and long-term care insur-

SHIIP will be conducting two free

Topsail

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Church of Hampstead for

painting our front steps and

handicap ramp as part of their

Community Work Day. They

had all ages including youth

take part in this project and

we are so grateful to them for

thinking of us. Also, we had

delicious blue berries donated

to the center for all of our

Meals on Wheels clients last

month. We are very blessed

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seminars soon. Medicare 101 will be offered Monday, Aug. 5, at 5:30 p.m. at Heritage Place located at 901 S Walker Street, Burgaw. Call (910)259-9119 to register.

We will offer another Medicare 101 Monday, Sept.16, at 5:30 p.m. at Topsail Senior Center located at 20595 Hwy 17, Hampstead, NC 28443. Call (910)270-0708 to register for this event.

Pender Adult Services SHIIP program offers ongoing appointments to Medicare recipients to review their coverage. We meet one on one with clients in Burgaw and Hampstead to answer Medicare questions and help them with supplements and Part D plans. Please call (910)259-9119 for more information or to make an appointment.

other cool activities puzzles

or games; Bingo, Canasta,

Bridge, Rummikub, Quilting

and Art & Crafts. We hope to

see you soon!

Senior Games

Please call Heritage Place at 259-9119 X 309 (Or Topsail 270-0708) if you need information, referral or assistance with any of the following services:

it during the day, we also

have line dancing on Tuesday

nights at 6 p.m. (with the ex-

ception of the first Tuesday

of the month). Join us for

INFORMATION PLEASE – WE ARE HERE TO HELP

Health Screenings **Insurance Counseling** Legal Services Caregivers Classes Housing Home Repair/Modification In-home Aide Services Social Security Benefits Adult Day Care/Day Health Disaster Services Hospice Care Rehabilitation Services

Telephone Reassurance

Volunteer Opportunities

**Energy Assistance** 

Respite

As always please join us for

exercise in cool air condition-

ing; Tai Chi, Yoga, Pilates,

Geri-fit & Line dancing are

available. If you can't make

Fitness & Health Promotion Tax Preparation/Counseling Transportation Medical/General Family Support Groups Reverse Mortgage Counseling Home Health Services Medicaid Benefits/Medicare Benefits Job Training/Placement Community Mental Health Durable Medical Equipment/Assistive Devices Long-term Care Facilities Report Suspected Abuse, Neglect or Exploitation SHIIP (Senior Health Insurance) Congregate Meals/Home Delivered Meals Food Distribution

### Memorial and Honorary **Giving Program**

In Memory of Gene B Lanier By Bill & Joy James

Haywood Debnam By Bill & Joy James

Mary Ann Lewis By Bill & Joy James Contributions have been received recently from All Saints Catholic Church

Thank you for your contributions

Have you considered a gift to Pender Adult Services, Inc.? We appreciate your support for services that we offer!! Your donations to PAS are tax deductible. An acknowledgement will be sent whether donation is in Honor or in Memory of individual or group. For more information on Pender Adult Services Memorial and Honorary Giving Program please contact

### Get your body in balance with Yoga, Pilates and Fit over fifty at Fitness Fusion

Wesley Davis at 910-259-9119.

See our schedule for dates and time



summer picnic at Soundside Park.



### **Pender Adult Services**

Presents a Fabulous Trip To

## Amish Experience in Lancaster, PA

For Information and/or Reservations, Please Contact:

Jennifer Mathews @ 910-259-9119 x 303

**Trip Date:** September 26 – September 29, 2019 **Price**: \$599.00 Per Person – Double Occupancy

**Travel Protection:** Travel Protection can be purchased at \$79.00/person – Double Occupancy. If you wish to purchase Travel Protection, please send in a separate check made payable to PML Travel & Tours. Travel Protection should be purchased at the time of your initial deposit to ensure full benefits. Insurance premiums are non-refundable. Fuel urcharges by all transportation companies may be assessed.

## Pender Adult Services Class Schedule

### **Heritage Place Opportunities**

Monday 8:00-7:00

9:30 Art Class 12:00 Meals 1:00 Bid Whist 1:00 Canasta

6:00 Line Dance



Monday 8:30 am—5:00 pm 9:00 Art Class (group) 10:00 Modified PILATES 12:00 Meals 2:00 ZUMBA Gold 1:00 Tree Top Quilters(2nd) 3:00 Hospice Trg (2nd)

**Tuesday** 

8:00-5:00

9:00 Crocheting 9:00 RSVP Perks (1st) 10:30 Group Walk 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 11:00 Bingo 12:00 Meals 1:00 Bid Whist 1:00 Bridge

1:00 Blind Support (2nd)

**Thursday** 8:00-5:00 9:30 RSVP Card Class (2nd)

**10:00 Jewelry** 10:30 Group Walk 11:00 Geri-fit 11:30 Caregivers Group(4th) 11:30 Health Checks (4th) 12:00 Meals 1:00 Mexican train (1st)

1:00 Rummikub

### **Topsail Senior Center Opportunities**

Wednesday

8:30 am—5:00 pm

8:30 am—5:00 pm 9:00 Baskets /Cribbage 9:00 Geri-Fit 10:00 Senior Crafts & fun 12:00 Meals 2:00 Gentle YOGA

3:15 Advanced Tai Chi

6:00 Line Dancing

**Tuesday** 

9:00 RSVP Perks (1st) 9:30 Knitting Group 10:00 Beginning Tai Chi 12:00 Meals 1:00 Canasta/Bridge 2:00 Rummikub

9:00 Quilting Bee

**Thursday** 8:30 am—5:00 pm 9:00 Geri-fit/Cribbage 10:00 YOGA 10:00 Bingo 11:15 Tai Chi 12:00 Meals (BP Checks-3rd) 1:00 Quilting 1:00 Bridge/ Mahjong

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

Phone: 910-259-9119

Friday

8:00-3:00

Saturday—closed

Facility Available

For Rentals

Phone: 910-270-0708

11:00 Bingo

12:00 Meals

Saturday – Facility Available for rentals

Open 5:00—8:00 10:45 FIT OVER 50

5:30 BODYPUMP

**Tuesday** Open 5:00—8:00 5:30 RPM Cycling 8:30 Cardio Fit \*new 9:40 YOGA

**10:45 FIT OVER 50** 5:30 BODY ATTACK

Fitness Fusion Group Fitness Classes Wednesday Open 5:00—8:00 7:00 RPM Cycling 8:30 BODYPUMP 9:50 PILATES

> Massage by **Appointment** 5:30 BODYPUMP

**Thursday** Open 5:00—8:00 5:30 RPM Cycling 9:30 Gentle Yoga 10:45 FIT OVER 50

Phone: 910-259-0422

Friday Open 5:00—8:00 8:30 BODYPUMP 9:50 PILATES

5:30 BODY PUMP

**Saturday** Open 8:00-2:30

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** 5:30 RPM Cycling **8:30 BODYPUMP** 9:40 YOGA

6:30 RPM Cycling

5:30 RPM Cycling