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THE SUNSHINE SENIOR CENTER NEWSLETTER

ACTIVE ADULTS LIVING THEIR BEST LIVES

December 2022

This holiday season, we are bringing some fun events to all of you once again! Please respond early, if there are tickets to purchase or register for, because these events will fill up quickly.

Thursday, December 15, 11:00 a.m.—Volunteer Holiday Party; for volunteers only, free. Please sign up with Ronnie at the front desk or call 727-893-7622.

Friday, December 23, 1:00 p.m.—Holiday Fun with Santa & Mrs. Claus; free.

Reminder: Starting in January, Cooking Around the World will have a charge of \$3 per person. A real bargain considering you get the groceries to take home and make a meal! You can start signing up for this class on Wednesday, January 4.

We look forward to the upcoming special events. Our regular programs continue, and we encourage everyone to come out and have some fun with us at the Sunshine Senior Center where "the sun always shines!"

Price Increase in Sunset Avenue Café

Unfortunately, the times have caught up with us. As groceries have increased tremendously in price, we are forced to raise our prices, too. We are still the lowest priced (and most delicious) lunch in town, but we've got to cover our expenses. Check out our new menu soon.





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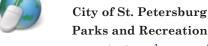
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Volunteer of the Quarter

October—December

While not actually volunteers, we felt the need to recognize our AARP Foundation Senior Employment Program workers. We have three currently: Ken, Bert and Pearl. Ken and Pearl can be found working in the Sunset Avenue Café. Ken is a back-up for Chef Brad, and Pearl keeps everything clean and ready for the next patron. Bert is a custodian whom we dearly appreciate. He works very hard, and is doing a great job! Please say hello and thank you to each of these valuable Sunshine Senior Center partners!

Ken, Bert and Pearl—we appreciate you!











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Thursday December 15, 11:00 a.m.

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We are starting something new. We want to celebrate you!

Calling all December Birthdays... Monday, December 12

11:00 a.m.

Join us to celebrate everybody who has a birthday in December. Have some cake, sing Happy Birthday, and bring a friend! We look forward to honoring you! Come even if you are not a December baby, and be on the lookout for your birthday month so that we can honor you!



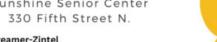
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Coffee Chat

Please join Supervisor Sally Marvin for a Coffee Chat on Wednesday, Dec. 14, at 10:40 a.m., right after Ronnie's Arthritis Exercise Class.

Grab your free coffee from the Café, learn about new programs, and discuss what you would like to see in programming and about the Sunshine Senior Center in general.





Kline Tours and the Friends of the Sunshine Center, Inc.



Saturday, February 18, 8:00 p.m

Departure 5:30 p.m. from Lowes at 2365 25th Street N.

The \$109 per person includes ticket and roundtrip motorcoach to Ruth Eckerd Hall in Clearwater Fl. Reserve by calling Carol Ann Payne at 727-821-2323 for more information.

All major credit cards are accepted will be payable to Kline Tours Deadline for reservations January 18.

Support Groups at The Sunshine Senior Center

For estate planning, elder law, or tax questions - appointments are available on the 2nd Monday of the month, from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Call 727-893-7133 for an appointment.



GUARDIAN SERVICES

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Grief Café - 2nd Tuesday of the month at 10:30 a.m. Open to all who are grieving.

Care Partner Space - 2nd Wednesday of the month One-on-one coaching is available by appointment.

Call Susan 727-490-8609





Veterans Coffee Hour - 1st Thursday of the month at 8:30 a.m.

Need legal advice? Community Law Program 1st Friday of the month at 9:30 a.m. Call 727-582-7480 to schedule an appointment.





The SHINE Program - 1st Tuesday of the month. Call 727-893-7133 to schedule an appointment.



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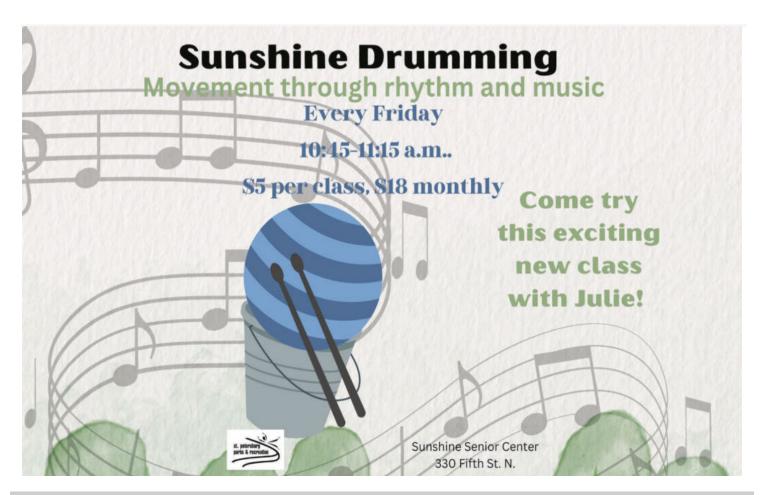
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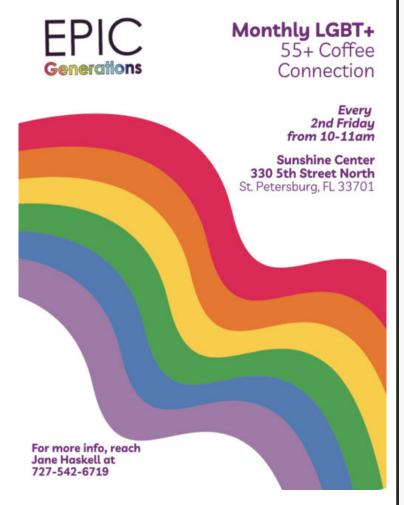


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Creative Writing Corner

The free Creative Writing class is on Thursday at 10:30 a.m. Please join us.

What if I Didn't?
Sherry Davis

What if I didn't write this story or poem? Then where in the heck would I be goin'? Ideas keep running through my head. But three days later, I'm not ahead. Now if I were kidnapped by Martians, or swallowed by a whale,

Would you excuse the sorry tale? Or am I just destined to fail?

How about the dog ate my homework, Or is that too lame?

I have no one except myself to blame. So dear writers will you excuse this schmuck,

and kindly let me off this hook? It'll never be a best-selling book!



FEE CLASSES

Card Games Canasta and Hand & Foot	Tuesday and Thursday, 12:30 p.m. Exercise Room	\$2 drop-in
Caribbean Aerobics	Tuesday and Thursday, 9:30 a.m. Exercise Room	\$22/month or \$4/class
MahJong	Wednesday, 1:00 p.m. Exercise Room	\$2 drop-in
Painting Class (Watercolor or Acrylic)	Monday, 1:00 - 3:30 p.m. Exercise Room	\$30/month
Spanish Language	Thursday, 10:45 a.m. Pelican Room	\$16/month
Sunshine Drumming	Friday, 10:45 a.m. Banyan Room	\$18/month or \$5 class
Tai Chi	Wednesday, 3:00 p.m. Banyan Room	\$24/month or \$7/class
Yoga	Tuesday, 11:00 a.m. Exercise Room	\$20/month or \$6/class

ON-SITE AGENCIES

Commission on Aging Meeting	Second Wednesday of each month	Carole Ware 727-893-7102
Office On Aging	Monday to Friday	Carole Ware
Guardian Group Services	Monday to Friday By appointment	Susan Brehm 727-490-8609
Friends of the Sunshine Center,	Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. – noon	727-821-2323
Kids & Kubs 3/4 Century Softball Club	Monday, Wednesday, & Friday 9 a.m. – noon	727-893-7108
Moore Medicare Options	Monday to Friday By appointment	727-677-8040
Neighborly Care Network Senior Café, Meals on Wheels	Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 2 p.m. Monday to Friday, 11:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	727-893-7136 727-756-1001 ext.
Seniors in Service Retired Senior Volunteer Program	Monday to Friday By appointment	Sarah Rosenbaum 727-890-4808 813-582-2162 ext.
St. Petersburg Lions Club Eye Center	Monday, Wednesday, & Friday 727-893-71. 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.	

The Friends of the Sunshine Center has an exciting new feature on their website: www.sunshinecenterfriends.org/ $\,$

They are selling the T-shirts that so many of us want. There are a variety of designs from which to choose, all with a sunshine theme! Most are under \$20. Join us on trips, activities, walks, and just hanging out at the center in a beautiful Sunshine T-shirt! Proceeds directly benefit center participants.

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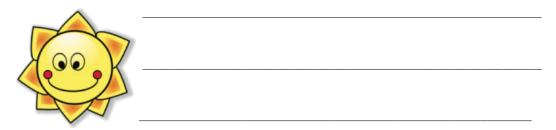
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