

July 1, 2025

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# **HAPPY SUMMER!**



We have chosen a name for our van. Drumroll please..... Introducing **VANNIE**. This name is a dedication to our wonderful founder, who without her, none of this would be possible. Thank you to everyone who submitted names.

Vannie has already been on several trips in the month of June, both near and far. We cannot wait to see where July takes us, so keep reading to find out where you can go next!



Walking Group at East Point Audubon



Bridget's Lunch Bunch at Tuscan Sea Grill & Bar in Newburyport



Ogunquit Museum of American Art - Art In Bloom Exhibit

#### As a courtesy to our fellow members and staff, please be mindful of the following...

- 1. Please do not use your phone on speaker inside of the building -- this is distracting to other members and programs.
- 2. Please keep politics outside the Center, as we want this to be a safe and welcoming environment for everyone.
- 3. If you have a grievance or negative feeling about a particular matter, please schedule a time to speak with Bridget directly.
- 4. NO refunds will be issued for paid programming.
- 5. If you would like to speak to staff in the offices, please see the receptionist to call one of us. There are many confidential things happening in the offices and we would like to respect that privacy.

#### You belong at The Center! Friday Open House 9:00–10:00 a.m.

Come see the 50+ fun for yourself. Stop in, take a tour, and meet other older adults in your community. Explore a wide range of programs, events, activities, and classes, meet new friends, and learn new skills.

# Sponsor Spotlight - Weirs Buick GMC



Located in Arundel, we have a strong and committed sales staff with many years of experience satisfying our customers' needs. Weirs Buick GMC is celebrating over 60 years of serving our Southern Maine Family and Neighbors. Feel free to browse our inventory online, request more information about vehicles, set up a test drive or inquire about financing!

# New and Noteworthy

Can't-miss events, coming right up!
Please remember that <u>registration</u> is <u>required</u> for ALL programs and payment is due at registration.

We will be CLOSED Friday, July 4 for Independence Day and Thursday, July 31 for Affairs to Remember Auction

Our staff works hard to schedule and coordinate our workshops. Please be courteous and give at least a 48-hour notice if you must cancel.



Men's Coffee and Conversation Mondays, July 7, 14, 21, & 28 10AM

Join us for a casual, open forum where men can come together over a warm cup of coffee to connect, share experiences, and have meaningful conversations. Whether you're looking to discuss life, work, personal growth, or just unwind with like-minded individuals, this is a space where you can be yourself. No agenda, no pressure—just real talk and a supportive community.



## TAI CHI FOR ARTHRITIS & FALL PREVENTION MONDAYS AT 9AM JULY 7- AUGUST 11

Experiencing sun style tai chi is easy and enjoyable. The beginner's program is designed by Dr. Paul Lamb, MD and family physician. Learning this program can help you improve balance, focus, fall prevention, health and wellness using basic core movements. Approved by the Arthritis Foundation, CDC and other organizations and is great for beginners and mature adults. No prior experience or special equipment is necessary—just wear comfortable clothing and flat bottomed shoes are recommended.

**Instructor: Dennis Fallo, Board Certified** 



Payment due at sign up; cash, credit card or check payable to Spaulding Center

Call 207-967-8514 to register

Minimum 6 participants

Maximum of 20 participants





Cardio & Stretch with Sue Mondays, July 7, 14, 21, & 28,11AM Thursdays, July 3, 10, 17, & 24, 4PM

By popular demand - a second day added Sue will be joining us for cardio and stretching. Participants are encouraged to bring their own mats and light weights (1-3lbs, optional). In this 45 minute class, Sue will walk through various stretches to target all areas of the body. Modifications can be provided. All skill levels welcome. \$5 per class payable to instructor.



Intro to Mindfulness Tuesdays, July 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29 11:30AM

Mindfulness, the ability to be fully aware in the present moment with acceptance and nonjudgment, has been practiced for thousands of years, but in recent decades has gained more traction, particularly in Western cultures. A regular mindfulness practice has many benefits such as reducing stress and anxiety, boosting mental strength, responding thoughtfully to change and challenges, and creating a sense of calm. This course will provide an introduction to mindfulness including some of the research supporting its usefulness and opportunities to engage in 1-2 mindfulness meditations each week. The course will meet for 5 weeks, 1 hour per week. Fee: \$50 payable to Nancy Rankin. Minimum of 4 required.



Strength and Balance with Serina Wednesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 9AM Thursdays, July 3, 10, 17, & 24, 9AM

By popular demand - a second day added Join us for this enjoyable and straightforward strength and balance class! Each session aims to improve your range of motion while strengthening your bones and muscles, using just a chair and your body weight. Cost: \$5/class payable to instructor.

Serina, a board-certified nutritionist, and personal trainer based in Kennebunk, Maine, focuses on functional, simple exercise techniques that enhance daily life.

Crochet Classes Wednesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30 10AM

Learn to crochet! If you're stuck on a project or have always wanted to learn, Kristin will be there to help every step of the way!

Cost: \$10 payable to instructor





Tai Chi - SECOND SESSION Thursdays, July 17 & 24 10AM

Discover the ancient art of Tai chi, gentle yet powerful practices that harmonize mind, body, and spirit. This class is the perfect introduction to these traditional Chinese health systems. You will learn gentle flowing movements that will improve flexibility, balance, and strength without strain; focused breathing that will calm the mind, enhance oxygen flow, and improve energy levels; mindful awareness that will help you cultivate a sense of peace and mental clarity through mindful focus. No prior experience or special equipment is necessary—just wear comfortable clothing and bring an open mind.

\$80 for 8 week session. Payment due at sign up; cash or check payable to instructor Michael Schwartz



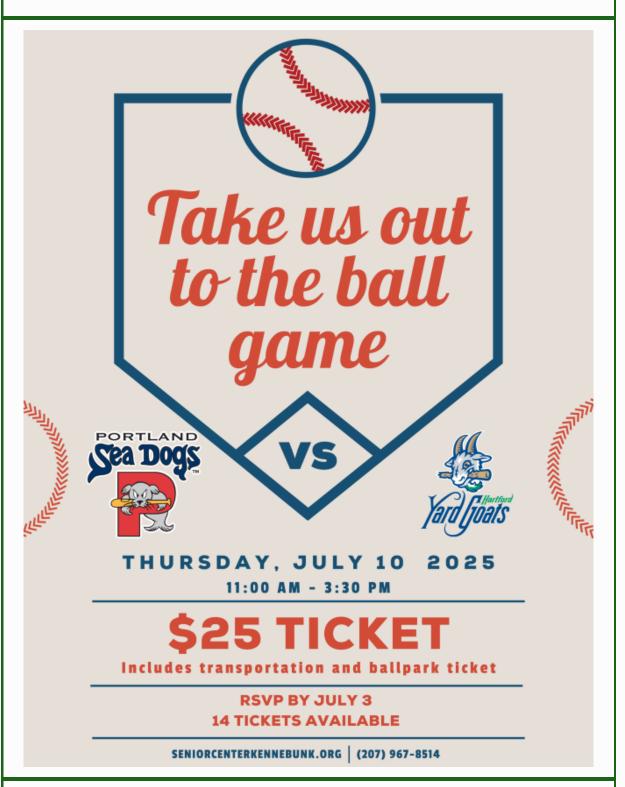
Uno & Rummikub Fridays, June 13, 20, & 27 10AM

Join us for an exciting morning of classic fun with UNO & Rummikub games! Whether you're a UNO master or a Rummikub strategist, this event is the perfect chance to unwind, socialize, and test your skills in a friendly, competitive environment. NO SKILL REQUIRED

Open Bridge Lessons
Thursdays, July 3, 10, 17, & 24
11AM



Bridge expert, Bob Howard will be teaching us how to play the fun and challenging card game. Bridge is a trick-taking card game using a standard 52-card deck. In its basic format, it is played by four players in two competing partnerships, with partners sitting opposite each other around a table. Millions of people play bridge worldwide in clubs, tournaments, online and with friends at home, making it one of the world's most popular card games! Drop in class.





Wise Women Wondering Thursday, July 10, 11AM

As women of a certain age, we have experienced a great deal thru the last few decades of our lives. Those experiences, both painful and joyful, have made us into the women we are today. You may not consider yourself "wise", but you have earned that title by enduring the unpredictabilities of life and moving forward when the easy choice would have been to stand still. If you are looking for an exchange of ideas, some laughter and the opportunity to meet up with other women who have been tested by the vagaries of life, then join us once a month. A "wise" woman can learn from others while sharing some wisdom of her own.



No Book Book Club Thursday, July 10, 12PM

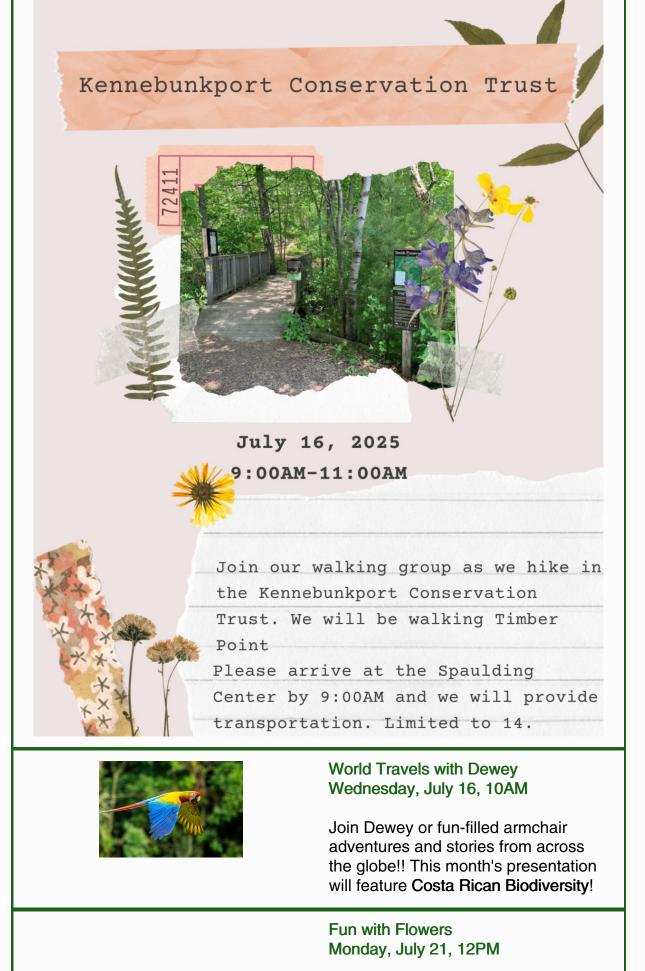
The No-Book Book Club has an openended approach where discussions aren't tied to a specific reading. The new Silent Book Club gives participants a low-pressure environment for members to read independently. The silent book club fulfills two things, it's an opportunity to meet new people and potentially —because it's not mandatory —discuss books with others without an assignment of what book to read. It also appeals to individuals who mainly are more introverted and don't necessarily feel like they can join other book clubs that are more discussion based but want to get out of their home. Bring your own bagged lunch and we will provide desserts.



Medicare 101 Monday, July 14, 10AM

Please join Miranda Butler, a local independent insurance agent specializing in Medicare. Miranda will be discussing the ABCD's of Medicare. Medicare 101 is intended to educate people about when to apply, what age, and the different parts of Medicare.





Come and create a lovely summer flower centerpiece! Bring your favorite vase, all other supplies provided.



\$10 fee for supplies. Register by Friday, July 18.



Discover Canyon Country Collette Tours Presentation Tuesday, July 22, 1PM

Join us for an informational presentation on our Spring 2026 trip to Arizona, Utah, and Nevada.



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# BBQ Party +



Pasta Salad
Potato Salad
BBQ Chicken
Hamburgers & Cheeseburgers
Strawberry Shortcake
Iced Tea & Lemonade

22 July : **2025** :

22 July Spaulding Center

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# BRIDGET'S

# LUNCH BUNCH & SHOPPING

# WEDNESDAY, JULY 23 11 AM - 2 PM

Green Leaves Chinese Restaurant & Lounge



WE WILL BE TAKING THE VAN TO YORK FOR LUNCH BUNCH, WITH SHOPPING IN KITTERY AFTERWARDS. **MAX OF 14,** PARTICIPANTS WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR OWN BILL.

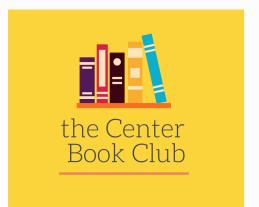




Social Club Thursday, July 24, 11AM

The Social Club meets once a month to discuss and plan excursions to local events, such as theater performances, movie screenings, and local restaurants. It's a fun and casual way to stay connected with like-minded individuals while exploring the latest in entertainment and dining in the area. Whether you're a fan of the arts, film, or food, The Social

Club offers an exciting opportunity to discover and experience new things together.



Book Club Wednesday, June 25, 1PM

Join us each month to chat with fellow bibliophiles about this month's selection! July's selection is *The Women They Could Not Silence* by Kate Moore.



Leo Hallen Book Talk Thursday, June 26, 11AM

Would you like to more know about your books? Whether there's a single book or a collection; there's an upcoming Book Talk at the Center that can answer questions like:

What's my book worth and how to determine this?

Do autographs make a book worth more? How to tell what edition it is and does this make a difference as to value? What's the history of book printing? What are specific terms book dealers use to describe books and appraise them? How to search the internet for books you want?

Who are some local dealers/places where you can find books?
Feel free to bring a specific book to be

Leo Hallen is a Senior Center member who is a life-long book collector; worked for various publishing companies in New York and Europe for many years and has been a book dealer for over 30 years.



Healthy Habits for Older Adults Lunch and Learn Monday, June 28, 12PM

More Information to come

looked at.



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Click here to view the Full July Calendar!





# **Discover Canyon Country**

April 17 - 24, 2026



#### SPECIAL TRAVEL PRESENTATION

Date: Tuesday, July 22, 2025 Time: 1:00 PM Spaulding Center for Active Living, 175 Port Rd. Kennebunk, ME Second prestation will be on September 18, 2025 at 2:00 PM



For more information contact Bridget Dempsey Spaulding Center for Active Living (207) 967-8514

director@seniorcenterkennebunk.org



**More Information** 

#### **Explore Greece Island Hopper**

featuring Athens, Mykonos, and Santorini

October 14 — October 24 2026 • 11 Days • 14 Meals



#### Highlights

Acropolis of Athens & The Parthenon, *Taverna* Dinner Show, Mykonos Old Town, Santorini Island, Oia Village, Ancient Akrotiri, Wine Tasting

#### **More Information**

# Community Outreach Services

#### FISH TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

Our FISH (Friends In Service Helping) Transportation Program volunteer drivers provide rides to Kennebunk, Kennebunkport, and Arundel residents who need rides to medical appointments. Riders may use FISH Transportation when they have no other means (friends, family) of getting to an appointment. *Please let staff know if you would like to volunteer to drive for FISH.* 

#### TENDER LOVING CALLS

Many older residents live alone and worry about falling or having an accident at home. TLC callers can be arranged to check on the well-being of these residents and ensure they are safe. There is no charge for this service. Please let us know if you are aware of anyone who can benefit from our TLC program.

#### CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

Caregiving can be a lonely role that is demanding and physically exhausting. This group is designed for you to get the understanding and support needed for this most difficult life experience. If you are the primary caregiver of a loved one, this group could offer the help needed to navigate your journey.

The facilitator has extensive experience in group facilitation, has been a caregiver herself, and would like to be able to help others.

#### **OUR STAFF**

Bridget Dempsey Executive Director

Jessica Slachta
Communications and Social Media
Coordinator

Cecilia Finlay
Community Engagement
Coordinator

#### **HOURS**

Monday - Friday 8:30 - 4:00



Dooley Dempsey
Official Center Support Dog

#### Volunteer with Us

The Center is always in need of dedicated volunteers. If interested, give us a call at 207-967-8514.

#### FISH Medical Ride Program

Our FISH Transportation Program provide free rides to area residents who need to get to medical appointments.

To register for the program or sign-up as a driver, please call us at 207-967-8514.

#### **Monthly Calendar**

To view our monthly calendar, visit our <u>website</u> or stop by the Center to pick up a copy.

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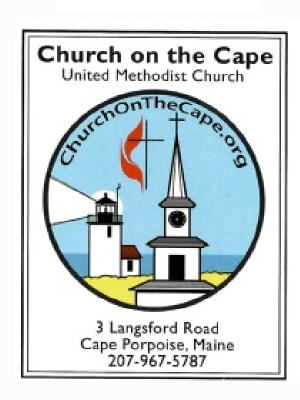






Don't neglect your health, reform it





# Community



# Life is better with friends. And fun.

At Atria Kennebunk, residents enjoy opportunities to stay active, learn and celebrate in the warm company of neighbors, every day.

Call 207.985.5866 to schedule a visit.



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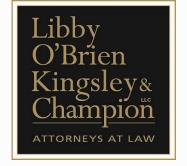






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