

Surry County Senior Center

A Quarterly Publication for Participants, Staff, and Community

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2019

Mission Statement

To improve and maintain independent wellness for the senior community through advocacy, nutrition, volunteerism and vigorous programming to promote healthy minds, bodies and spirits.



Holiday Schedule

November 11 Veteran's Day

Nov. 28-29 Thanksgiving

Dec. 24-26 Christmas

The Nutrition Site will also be closed on: November 5 December 23-January 1, 2020



Sept. 19: Surry Senior Fun Day 2019! Thanks to great community partners Mountain Valley Hospice, Home Instead Senior Care, and Mount Airy Parks and Rec/Reeves Community Center, and the Food Lion management team, the Surry County seniors had a great afternoon of education, dancing, eating, and fun.



Carolyn Gentry began serving as the Senior Center Manager on October 7th.

She has been Manager with

serving as the RSVP Manager with YVEDDI since February of this year.

Carolyn is the mother of 7 children andshe has 7 grandchildren.

She is a member of the Church of Jesus
Christ of Latter-Day Saints where she
currently serves as a Relief Society
Committee member and Family History
Consultant.

Carolyn's hobbies include music, photo restoration, creating slideshow videos and genealogy.

Carolyn is looking forward to serving the seniors of Surry County.







Veteran's Appreciation Program

We honor our Veterans of all generations with our annual observance with reception and fellowship to follow. Millennium Charter Academy Choir, guest speakers and a rousing salute to our armed forces! Open to all Veterans, active military, their families and guests.

WEDNESDAY

NOV. 13

1:00 PM



Senior Advocacy:

Check out the Advocacy Bulletin Board at the center. Current contact information for all Surry County elected officials is available for your use along with current election calendars and information.

Voter registration forms are available for you at the center. You may pick one up free of charge and fill it out on your own or assistance is available if needed.



How You Can Give...

The YVEDDI Senior Centers of Surry County are proud United Fund Agencies!

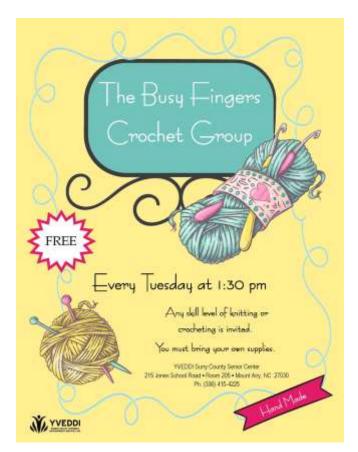
We encourage you to SUPPORT THE UNITED FUND OF SURRY

By Mail: United Fund of Surry PO Box 409 Mount Airy, NC 27030



In Person:182 West Independence Blvd Mount Airy, NC 27030

> Contact: office@unitedfundofsurry.org www.unitedfundofsurry.org





The Surry County Senior Center would like to welcome our newest neighbor at the L. H. Jones Family Resource Center. The Disabled American Veterans office will now be housed at the JFRC in room 209. If you are in need of DAV services, please stop by and speak to one of their knowledgeable staff members.



October 10 November 14 December 12

The sessions begin at 10:00am in Room 205 at the Senior Center in Mount Airy. To schedule an appointment, call the NCDHHS Greensboro Regional office at (336) 273-9692.



Room 205 No weekly fees: \$32 annual dues Attend a meeting for free





The senior center has discount vouchers for use of Reeve's Community Center

MOUNT AIRY CENTER

MONDAYS

10:00 am: Yoga Lite (Conf. Room)
11:15 am: Dance Mix w/Tracie (Conf. Room)
1:00 pm: Bridge Club (room 204)
1:30 pm: Scrap-a-Lattes (scrapbooking) (Room 205)
7:00 pm: Shag Dance practice (when lessons are not in session) (Conf. Room)

<u>TUESDAYS</u>

9:00 am: Painting with Phyllis (Room 205) \$ 1:00 pm: "Busy Fingers" Crochet (Room 205) 7:00 pm: Ballroom Dance practice (Conf. Room) \$

WEDNESDAYS

10:00 am: Tai Chi (Conf. Room)

11:00 am: Ukulele Practice Room 205

1:00 pm: Recycled Teenagers Senior Bowling (held at Mount Airy Lanes) \$

3:30 pm: Shag Dance practice (Conf. Room)

THURSDAYS

9:30 am: Bridge Club (Room 204) 11:30 am: Line Dance Practice with Blanche 1:00 pm: Open Cards (Rook, etc.) (Room 204) 3:00 pm: TOPS \$

FRIDAYS

10:00 am: Tai Chi (held at the Mt. Airy Public Library) 11:00 am: Line Dance with Blanche 12:00 pm: Line Dance practice

<u>SUNDAYS</u> 6:00 pm: Mayberry Squares (Square Dancing) (Conf. Room)

MONTHLY ACTIVITIES/EVENTS

1st Tuesday of each month 9 am –4 pm: All day Scrapbooking Room 212

2nd Monday of each month, 9:00 AM: Yoga With Heather Elliott, Conference Room

2nd Thursday, 10:00 am: NCDHHS Deaf/Hard of Hearing Equipment Sessions, Room 205

3rd Thursday, 11:30 am: "Chapters" Book Club, Room 205

1st and 3rd Fridays, 1:00 pm: Writers' Group, Room 204 Mayberry Mad Hatters (times and locations vary; call us for information)

Free Drop-In Activities

Available at the Mount Airy Center during regular center hours:

- Public computers with internet access
- Board games
- Television with local channels and DVD player
- Magazines
- Puzzles
- Playing cards (Rook, Bridge, etc.)
- Access to the Family Resource Center gymnasium (when scheduled activities are not taking place)

ACCOMMODATION STATEMENT

For accommodations for persons with disabilities, contact the Senior Center at (336) 415-4225, no fewer than five business days before the event.

PILOT MOUNTAIN SATELLITE CENTER

Drop In Activity: Adult Coloring <u>MONDAY-FRIDAY</u> Coffee Club 8:30 – 9:00 am

<u>MONDAYS</u>

11:15 am: Breathe, Stretch, Balance, and Relax12:00 pm: Knitting Group12:30 pm: Quilting Club

<u>TUESDAYS</u>

12:00 pm: Rook Club 1:00 pm: Dance Mix with Tracie

WEDNESDAYS

10:00 am: BINGO 1:00-4:00 pm: Acrylic Painting Classes \$ <u>THURSDAY</u>

12:30 pm: Bridge Club 5:30 pm: Weight Watchers \$ MONTHLY ACTIVITIES/EVENTS

2nd Thursday, 7:00 pm: Narcolepsy Support Group 1st & 3rd Friday, 10 am: Open Acoustic Jam Sessions

Pilot Mountain Center Project Specialist: Shirley Key Phone number: (336) 368-2012 ext. 203 Fax number: (336) 368-4115 Email: skey@yveddi.com General Operating Hours: M-Th 9:30am to 4:15pm





AARP Smart Drivers Class

For drivers 50 years and older but anyone can benefit by taking the course.

The class is all about change; changes in our vision, hearing and reflexes, our cars, our roads and our state laws.

Strategies are offered to deal with the changes and reduce your chances of becoming involved in a cresh.

Participants learn how to self-assess their driving and/or are referred to professional self-assessment organizations, if needed. They also discuss options to driving and realize that it is not the end of the world to have to stop driving.

Participants receive a personal work book that you can refer back to in the future.

THERE ARE NO TESTS GIVEN!

Additionally, you will receive a certificate to take to your insurance company which may make you sligble for a reduction in your car insurance premium. The Surry County Senior Center is partnering with AARP to sponsor a Smart Driver Class

For more information or to sign up for the class, call (336) 415-4225.

> \$15 - AARP members \$20 - Non-members

Participants must have thair AARP membership card or be able to provide their membership number.

The senior center will provide a light lunch.

November 19, 2019

Four-hour class beginning at 10:00 am

Surry County Senior Center 215 Jones School Road Mount Airy, NC 27030

AARP Driver Safety

www.NC211.org

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Your connection to:

- Basic Needs
- (food, clothing, shelter)
- Child Care Services
- Consumer Help
- Counseling

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Located inside the L. H. Jones Family Resource Center

Space Available: 162 sq. ft. • 280 sq. ft. • 553 sq. ft. • 556 sq. ft. 586 sq. ft. • 615 sq. ft. • 796 sq. ft.

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for Lease

Senior Services

Tune into WSYD 1300 AM on Friday mornings at 9:30 am for "Prime Time Live" for the latest updates on the Senior Center and other local senior resources and activities.



"Santa to a Senior" Tree

Once again, the Surry County Senior Center will put up a "Santa to a Senior" Christmas tree in the senior center.

> Home Instead Senior Care, has for several years, partnered with many businesses and organizations in the community to help provide senior citizens in our community with Christmas gifts. These seniors may not otherwise receive a Christmas gift.

The Santa to a Senior tree will be up in the Surry County Senior Center by November 18th Please stop by the senior center, pick an ornament from the tree and bring a smile to a senior citizen this Christmas.

Here's How It Works

Home Instead Senior Care finds seniors who have needs, and distributes "ornaments" for trees of participating organizations.

The ornaments have written on them, the needs of a particular senior. These needs are simple, they range from a robe, to snacks, to pajamas.

Once all of the "ornaments" disappear from the tree, the folks who take the ornaments are asked to bring in the gifts, unwrapped, to the senior center.

The senior center manager will take them to Home Instead Senior Care where they will be wrapped in brightly colored Christmas paper and given to the seniors.



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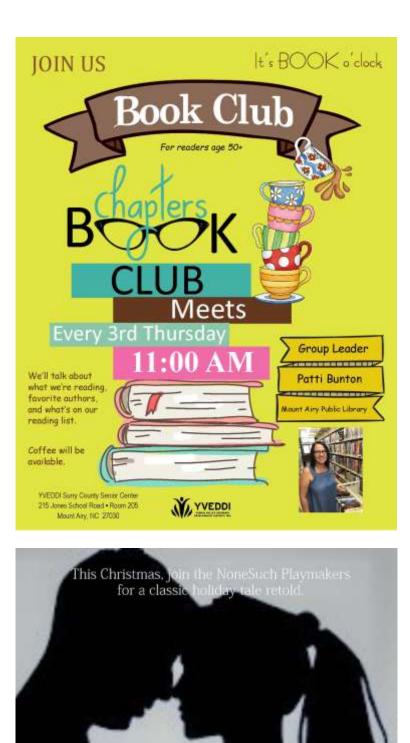
NEW!!!

YVEDDI now has a Donation Button on their website that makes it more convenient to donate to your favorite program. Please visit www.yveddi.com



Yadkin Valley Economic Development District, Inc. (YVEDDI) is a qualified Section 501 (c) (3)

Charitable Organization, EIN 56-0851147. All donors should refer to their tax advisor regarding the deductibility of their donation. No goods or services are provided in exchange for contribution.



The Gift of the

by Brack Llewellyn adapted from the story by O. Henr

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Saturday, December 14 ★ 7:00pm Sunday, December 15 ★ 2:00pm

Tickets \$10 (available at the door) Children under 12 free with paid adult

L. H. Jones Family Resource Center 215 Jones School Road • Mount Airy, NC A partian of the proceeds will benefit the Surry County Senior Center

VIP (Visually Impaired Support Group)

The Visually Impaired Support Group no longer meets at this location. For more information on services for the blind, please contact the local Services for the Blind Social Worker, Hope Sprinkle at (336) 783-8500.

Adult Coloring



This is a drop in activity anytime during regular business hours

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Pilot Mountain Senior Center 873 Old US 52 Bypass Pilot Mountain, NC 27041

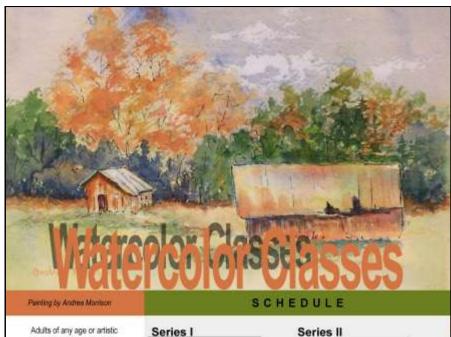
Donations to the Surry County Senior Center

Consumers donations are accepted, appreciated, and are tax-deductible.

Donations are entirely voluntary and there is no obligation to contribute.

Donations collected will be used to expand our services.

> Clients' participation in consumer donations shall be confidential.



Adults of any age or artistic experience are welcome!

We focus on using watercolor paint on drawn or traced subjects and learn techniques for making corrections.

\$50.00 per series Includes all supplies (Refunds are not given for missed classes.)

Reservations Requested

Instructor: Andrea Morrison (276) 755-3040 or rtstbrush@hotmail.com



Series I MONDAYS Sept. 23rd

Sept. 30th

Oct. 7th

Oct. 14th

9:30 am - 12:30 pm

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MONDAYS

9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Oct. 21st

Oct. 28th

Nov. 4th

Nov. 18th

Scrap-a-lattes



Scrapbooking

Join Us... Every Monday at 1:30 p.m. and 1st Tuesday of each month from 9:00 to 4:00 PM

Come and have fun with the "Scrap-a-lattes"

There is no charge for this activity and newcomers are always welcome, even you if are new to the world of scrapbooking.

> Surry Senior Center 215 Jones School Road Mount Airy, NC

Questions about Medicare? SHIIP can help! 855-408-1212

The Seniors' Health Insurance Information Program (SHIIP) is available to help you work through your Medicare options. If you have any questions or concerns call SHIIP at 1-855-408-1212. One-on-One Insurance Counseling is available at the Surry Senior Center through SHIIP upon request. The Senior Center can assist in making these appointments. (Appointments subject to the availability of a certified SHIP Counselor.)

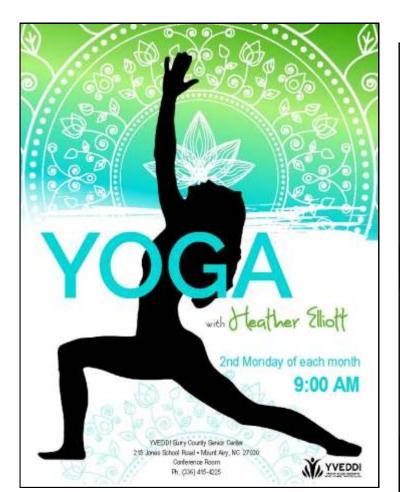
Prescription Drugs: Medicare beneficiaries may be eligible for the federal Extra Help/Low Income Subsidy program if he/she has limited income and resources. Seniors may apply online at www.socialsecurity.gov, or contact the SHIP office. The Senior Center can assist you with completing the on-line application process or with a paper application or contact:

NC Cooperative Extension Service "

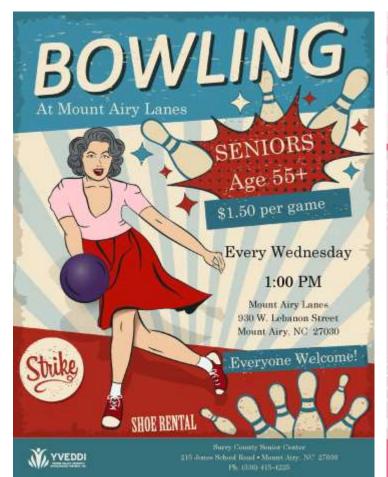
915 Atkins Street Suite 300 Dobson, NC 27017 (336) 401-8025

Surry County Government Resource Center 1218 State Street Mount Airy, NC 27030 (336) 783-8500











FEELING TIRED & STRESSED? WISH YOU COULD REVIVE YOUR ENERGY LEVEL? WOULD YOU LIKE TO LEARN HOW TO RELAX?



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YVEDDI Jones Family Resource Center is sponsoring a new support group: Every Thursday from 6:30 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. Jones Family Resource Center Room 202 215 Jones School Road Mount Airy, NC 27030

Must be 18 years or older to attend.

PAL - PARENTS OF ADDICTED LOVED ONES

The primary goal is to provide hope through education and support for parents dealing with addicted loved ones by offering confidential peer support.

Other family members of addicted loves ones are also

welcome to attend.

For more information contact the Jones Family Resource Center at (336) 415-4256, visit our Facebook Page PAL / Parents of Addicted Loved Ones in Surry County, or visit www.pal-group.org

By attending these meetings, you learn proven ways to help your loved one toward recovery from addiction.

THERE IS HOPE

PAL meets very week and provides continuing education along with support, at no charge, for parents with a son or daughter suffering from alcohol or drug addiction.

YOU ARE NOT ALONE

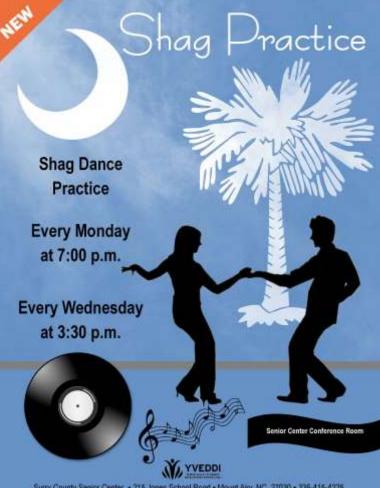
Many families are affected by addiction. PAL will allow you to give and receive support from others who are facing the same challenges you are. The guiding principles of PAL are confidentiality, respect, acceptance and support.

FOR SPOUSES TOO

PAL can also assist spouses who are sometimes forced into acting like a parent to their addicted partner who is abusing alcohol or drugs.

Parents of Addicted Loves Ones (PAL) is a national organization founded in Arizona by a Licensed Independent Substance Abuse Counselor.





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RSVP PROGRAM (RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM)

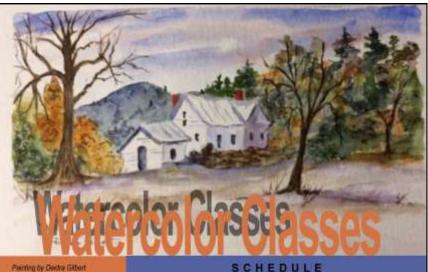
Giving & Receiving

There is a CRITICAL need for Volunteer Drivers to deliver meals to home-bound seniors in Dobson, Mount Airy and Pilot Mountain.

Volunteer mileage reimbursement and volunteer insurance may be available.

If you are age 55 or older and are interested in a rewarding volunteer opportunity in your community, please call the YVEDDI RSVP Manager, Carolyn Gentry at (336) 415-4247 or email cgentry@yveddi.com.





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SCHEDULE

SERIES I MONDAYS Nov. 25th 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Dec. 2nd 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Dec. 9th 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Dec. 16th 9:30 am - 12:30 pm SERIES II MONDAYS Jan. 6th

9:30 am - 12:30 pm Jan. 13th 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Jan. 27th 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Feb. 3rd 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

The center is closed on January 20, 2020 for Martin Luther King day.

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 Find us on Facebook. Simply log onto Facebook, search for "YVEDDI Surry Senior Centers" and click on the "like"

Visit our website: www.yveddi.com

Look for articles and announcements in

 Listen for announcements on local radio stations such as WSYD, WIFM & WBRF

 Look for announcements on the local Time Warner Cable Channel.

Follow us on Twitter at twitter.com/



Service Connections: The center has a system that connects older adults to a broad range of services that are available by providing information and referral for regional, state, and/or national resources. Please call the center if you need information, referral or assistance with any of the following services:

- Health Screenings
- Senior Games
- Legal Services
- Caregivers Class
- Housing Assistance
- Home Repair/Modification
- In-home Aide Services
- Social Security Benefits
- Congregate Meals/Home Delivered Meals
- Disaster Services

- Fitness & Health Promotion
- Tax Preparation/Counseling
- Transportation Medical/General
- Family Support Groups
- Reverse Mortgage Counseling
- Home Health Services
- Medicaid Benefits/Medicare Benefits
- Food Distribution
- Adult Day Care/Day Health
- Durable Medical Equipment/Assistive Devices

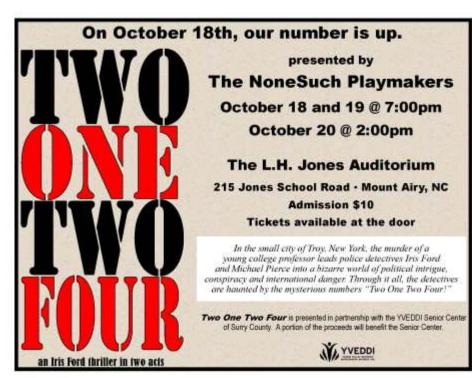
- Long-term Care
- Facilities Rehabilitation Services
- Mental Health
- Insurance Counseling/SHIP
- Telephone Reassurance
- Job Training/Placement
- Energy Assistance
- Respite
- Report Suspected Abuse, Neglect, or Exploitation

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Hospice Care

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BINGO Every Wednesday at 10 AM Pilot Mountain Senior Center 873 Old US 52 Bypass Pilot Mountain, NC 27041 (336) 368-2012 ext. 203



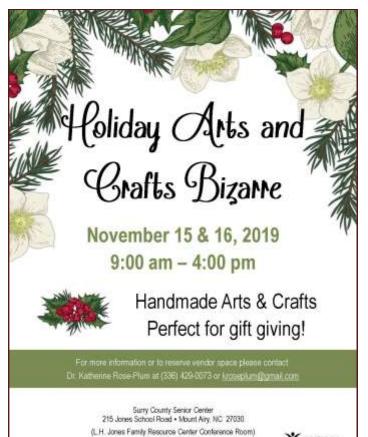
Typically, the Surry County Senior Center follows the inclement weather policy of the Surry County School System.

Note: Sometimes we will be closed even if the schools are on a delayed schedule due to the safety of our seniors and volunteer drivers.

There will be <u>two</u> separate announcements:

Meals on WheelsSenior Services/Senior Center.

Please stay tuned to WXII-12 or Fox 8 News for the latest updates.



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The YVEDDI Retired Senior Volunteer Program & the Surry County Senior Center

Ph. (336) 415-4225

Are proud to announce that we are partnering with the IRS to provide

FREE Tax Preparation at the Mt Airy Public Library !! Help your community — become a VITA volunteer!

Are you looking to learn a new skill while helping those in your community? The IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program, or VITA, is looking for volunteers to help prepare tax returns for 2019.

VITA sites provide free income tax preparation for low-to moderate-income taxpayers (generally those who make \$56,000 and below) who need help filing their returns.

VITA volunteers come from all walks of life and include professionals, retirees, college and high school students, IRS employees and others who simply want to help taxpayers in their communities. IRS partners with non-profit, community and governmental organizations to provide free tax assistance to more than 3 million taxpayers nationwide.

Volunteering with VITA is an opportunity to 'pay it forward.' Spending a few hours each week with other volunteers is an enjoyable experience.

Not only will you feel a sense of pride by helping people fulfill their tax obligation, but you also will learn new skills that will benefit you outside the VITA program.

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Becoming a VITA volunteer is easy, and free training is offered both online and in a classroom setting.

If you are interested in becoming a VITA volunteer please contact:

RSVP Program: (336) 415-4225





Surry American Red Cross

Chapter Building 844 Westlake Drive Mount Airy, NC 27030

Monday, November 4, 2019 1:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Sponsored by Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) For an appointment, call (336) 756-4183.

Download the Blood Donor App | redcrossblood.org | 1-800-RED CROSS | 1-800-733-2767



Every Wednesday 1:00 -4:00 p.m. \$5.00 per student/per class Instructor Dr. Katherine Rose-Plum

If you have any supplies, please bring them to class. If you don't have art supplies, come anyway, we will have some available.

No experience is necessary!

Pilot Mountain Senior Center 873 Old US 52 Bypass - Pilot Mountain, NC 27041 12065 368-2912 e.e. 203





All proceeds from this event benefit YVEDDI Meals-On-Wheels GROWING waiting I to feed seniors in Surry County.



215 Jones School Road Mount Airy, NC (336) 786-6155 ext. 222



FOOD

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Proceeds will benefit the L. H. Jones Family Resource Center

DOOR PRIZES

RAFFLES

YVEDDI Surry Senior Centers

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For more information about any Senior Center event, activity or program, please contact:

Carolyn Gentry, Manager Phone: 336.415.4225 Fax: 336.786.1951 Email: cgentry@yveddi.com

Pilot Mountain Senior Center Edward M. Armfield, Sr. Civic and Recreation Center 873 Old US 52 Bypass Pilot Mountain, NC 27041

Shirley Key, Project Specialist Phone: 336.368.2012 x 203 Fax: 336.368.4115 Email: skey@yveddi.com

Interested in a Veteran's Support Group? Please let us know! Call (336) 415-4225



Public Transportation

Call (336) 679-2071

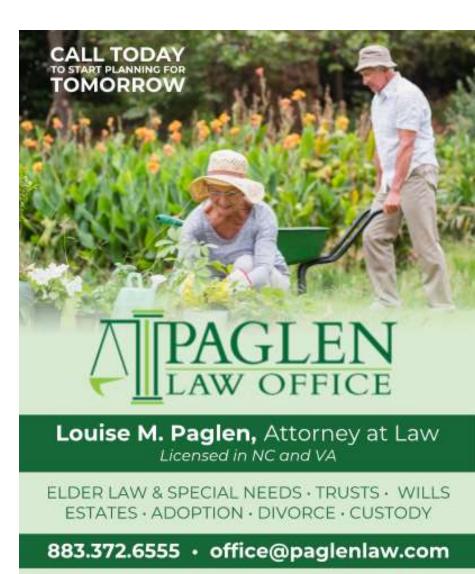




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Call today! 336-789-2273

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- Companionship
- Meal Preparation
- Light Housekeeping
- Medication Reminders
- Incidental Transportation
- Shopping & Errands

Call for a free, no-obligation appointment (336) 789-4472



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