



E. H. S. C. NEWS



East Hampton Senior Center News



SPRING 2019

The Site Council would like to revive a newsletter. Susan Flaherty did a very professional, comprehensive job with the newsletter, and since her retirement from the job, we have done without. Since this is for everyone, we hope you will assist by submitting material that will inform, amuse and uplift the spirits of everyone at the center. It is our plan to have four issues a year--one for each season. Comments, criticisms welcome. *Jane Wood.*

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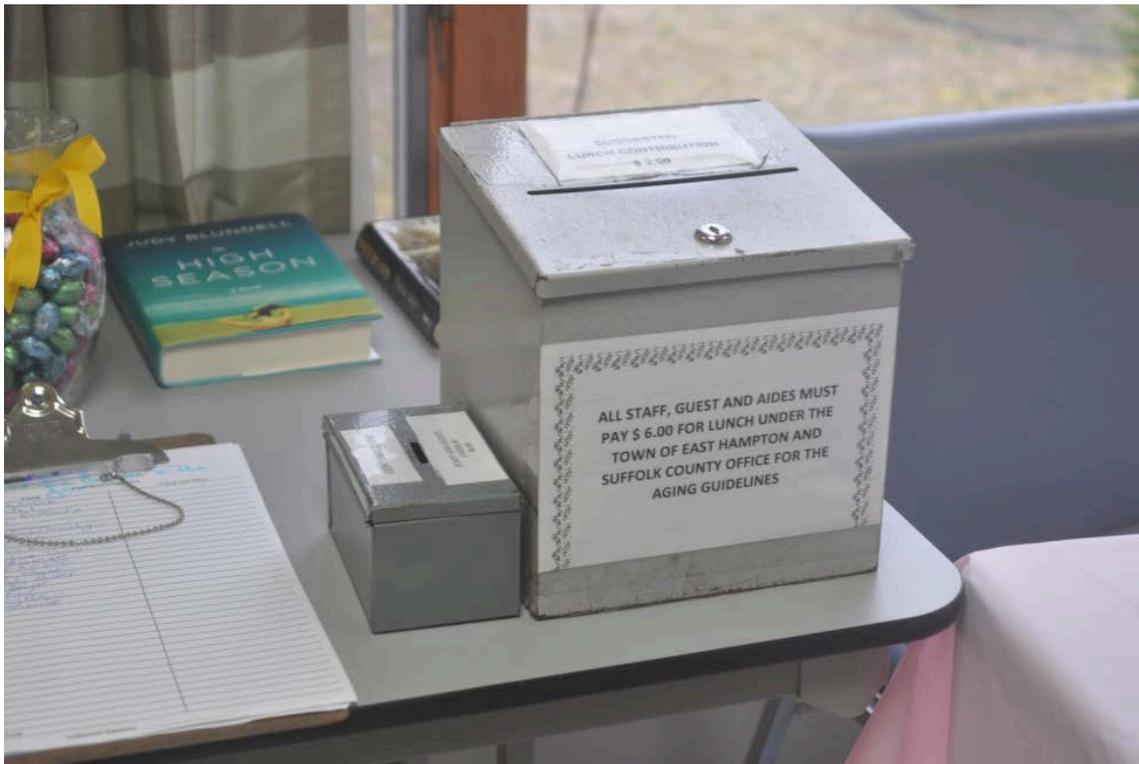
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Telephone numbers to remember:

Human Services: 631-329-6939
Nutrition Center: 631-324-6711
Transportation: 631-324-4443
Residential Repair: 631-329-6939

We all know about the wonderful services available to us each day—tasty, nutritious meals, activities including yoga, tai chi, movies, bingo, bridge, etc. However, other services are also available to those needing assistance of some sort, and information can be obtained by calling one or more of the above numbers.

A suggested donation of \$2.50 for our meals each day can be placed in the box pictured below. It's on the table by the front entrance. Also when frozen meals are supplied because of holidays during the week, the same amount is to be placed in the cash box. If you wish to make a contribution in appreciation of the services we receive, you can place a check in the box or send it to Town of East Hampton, 159 Pantigo Road, East Hampton, NY 11937.



SAINT PATRICK'S DAY



At left, Terry Sullivan, a Sag Harbor artist, sang traditional Irish songs for us On March 14. Between songs he gave us some interesting historical information about the long, difficult relationship between England and Ireland.

At right, here is Alice Maeder singing “The Same Old Shillelagh” (all the verses) at our party.

The room was, as always, beautifully decorated for the day by our wonderful staff. Carrie Gilbert and a small “choir” led us in singing a few familiar St. Patrick’s Day songs. We enjoyed punch and hors d’oeuvres, followed by a traditional corned beef and cabbage dinner. It was a wonderful celebration.

BINGO!

Recently a few bingo players have won as much as \$20 in one day here at the Center. Sharon Rafferty, Lynn Coppess and Pat Notel make Bingo a very fun afternoon for one and all. Why not try your luck? It's played Tuesdays & Thursdays right after lunch – 50¢ per card. For those who can't get enough, The Quiet Clam has games Thursday evenings, and the Club House and Springs Tavern are planning to offer it.



Bingo is based on a lottery game, Il Giuoco del Lotto d'Italia, played in Italy in the 16th century. The game was similar to our state lotteries, in that proceeds went to the state. Le Lotto appeared in 18th century France with playing cards, tokens and calling of numbers. Germany in the 19th century had a similar game which was used to teach children arithmetic. In the early 1920s Hugh J. Ward noticed people enjoying a modernized form of the game at carnivals in Pennsylvania. In 1933 Ward standardized the game and published a rule book. Further popularizing it, Edwin Lowe also noticed people playing Beano at a carnival in Atlanta in the 1930s, using beans, rubber stamps, and cardboard sheets and following Ward's rules. Lowe took it to New York, where it became popular. The origin of the name Bingo is not known—perhaps because the word sounds like a bell.

EASTER PARTY

The Easter party was, as always a joyous affair. The room was beautifully decorated and everyone was in a festive mood. The kitchen staff worked miracles, as witness Deborah Morici with these beauties ready to be served.



The Easter bonnet/hat parade was a marvel. And the winners were:
Josephine Krasky ~ Cutest
Annie Schaefer ~ Most Creative
Blanche Wisnant ~ Prettiest
Shel deSatnick ~ Funniest

THANK YOU DEE, DEBRA, CHERYL, DEBORAH and RHONDA



We had an opportunity to express our thanks to the wonderful kitchen staff for all they do to make our meals and times here enjoyable. Their preparation of special meals, their kindness, good humor and senses of humor make this a special place. Audrey presented them with a banner, signed by many of us, which they will hang in the kitchen and, we hope, will remind them of how much they are appreciated.

 Remember, this is for you. Let me know what interests you and what you think will interest others. I look forward to your assistance in this endeavor. *Jane Wood*

Assisting: Ed Galligan