WELCOME 2021!

Happy New Year

New day - new start; new you, New Year! It’s never too late to start anew, merely throw out the old and bring in the new.

- Jean Renee Porter, A New Day

We wish you all a happy and healthy new year!

The Staff and Board of Directors at

The Gibson Center.

PROUDLY SERVING SENIOR CITIZENS SINCE 1979
ENTRUSTED

That is the word that comes to mind as I consider the honor I now feel at following George at this position of Director of the Gibson Center. It is home. It is love and support. It is family and long traditions. I have been gifted. Entrusted.

I know of no other organization in the Valley with as much dedication to its mission as exists here through the staff at the Gibson. Early and late these employees are here to enrich the lives of seniors throughout the Valley. Witness Mark and his kitchen staff here well before the sun rises, creating the meals to suit each individual’s tastes and needs for over 150 people every day. The full staff, including administrative staff - Ken, Lynn, and me – serving up, labeling and filling the coolers for the Meals on Wheels drivers who have never failed to deliver.

Through the day, Karen and Sharon with their volunteers keep the Thrift Store beautifully neat, decorative, appealing and profitable for our community and mission. Sharon drives her routes, eagerly awaiting a chance to return to full buses.

Becky and the nutrition staff take the referrals, noting every detail of who is and isn’t on the route every day and what they need. Penny is always at the phone, always ready to greet you.

And Jill – here until nearly 5:00 in the evenings closing down after her calls and programs to keep us all connected.

You all know this. I would not have accepted the challenge if I didn’t know this remarkable group of people and the volunteers are here doing the work because they are truly committed with heart and soul to the Gibson. While our smart, engaged Board creates a Search Committee to find the best and right person to lead the Gibson Center on a permanent basis, I will do my best with what has been entrusted to me.

My heartfelt thanks to George for all his years of leadership.

Marianne Jackson
Executive Director
COVID-19 UPDATE AT THE GIBSON CENTER

The news is encouraging that vaccinations have begun for our hospital and other direct service medical providers. Soon to follow will be long-term care facility residents of Merriman House, Genesis (Mineral Springs) and the Mountainview Nursing Home.

Very importantly, no guard will be let down here for months to come. The Gibson Center, through the network of the MWV Age-Friendly Community, will be assisting the county-wide efforts at locating and staffing mobile vaccination clinics as soon as community supplies of vaccines are available.

We emphasize with you all that not only are two injections required 21 days apart, but immunity is not fully established until another 3 weeks after that. Widespread community vaccination will be required before we can feel safe.

We will be watching both the numbers of people vaccinated and the number of daily and weekly local cases to determine when we can open again. We are as eager as anyone to return to in person lunches and activities.

Stay vigilant, stay safe and we will all be together again.

Marianne Jackson
Executive Director

This is what donating to your local senior center meals on wheels program looks like... The ability to give seniors in need a little bit of comfort knowing that even if something happens they have shelf stable food available to them.

#donate #seniorservices #mealsonwheels.

If you are looking to help out with donations of food or money - send the Nutrition Director, Becky a message at becky@gibsoncenter.org. Thank You.
UPCOMING JANUARY EVENTS
Check our web calendar at www.gibsoncenter.org/calendar or call us at 603-356-3231.

ALL PROGRAMS HAVE BEEN CANCELLED AT THIS TIME.
While all in person programs have been cancelled, we are attempting ZOOM programs. If there are some people you would like to meet with, speak with Jill, and she will set up a ZOOM Call.

The Belly Dance Class is holding ZOOM classes, please email Jill for a link. jill@gibsoncenter.org

The Gibson Center will be closed Friday January 1st. No MOW, medical transportation, or lunch pick up.

The Gibson Center will be closed Monday, January 18th for Martin Luther King Day. No MOW, medical transportation, or lunch pick up.

GRAB AND GO MEALS
We’re still providing grab and go meals from the dining room
Monday through Friday from 11:30 to 12:15
SILVER LAKE LANDING APARTMENTS ARE YOU ON THE LIST?

While there are currently no vacancies, we are happy to accept your name on our waitlist for our beautiful apartments on the shore of Silver Lake in Madison.

Please call Ken at the Gibson Center, 356-3231, ext. 112 for an application.

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GENESIS HEALTHCARE MINERAL SPRINGS

Short Stay Skilled Rehabilitation
Long Term Nursing Home Care
Assisted Living / Respite Care

1251 White Mtn. Hwy
North Conway, NH 03860
Call 603-356-7294

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Mount Washington Valley Adult Day Center

Call: 603-356-4980 or Visit Us Online
http://www.mwvalumiddaycenter.org/

Senior care services brought to you by Memorial Hospital. The Mount Washington Valley Adult Day Center is a 14,000 square foot facility that provides senior care services in a comfortable, home-like setting.
KUDOS - DONATIONS
The many people who have called us and offered help! This is such a wonderful community!

Vaughn Community Services: Food Pantry & Jennifer
Kim & Neysa Packard: The Farmstand in Chocorua
Shaws, Wanda Wirling
NH Food Bank
Catholic Charities of NH
Wal-Mart: Phil Spinney
Old Village Bakery
Al Zaino: Pantry Bags
White Mountain Oil & Propane
Julie Levine
Rob McCarthy
Jordon Hewson, Designed Gardens
Ski Bees, MOW Gift Bags

Local Radio Stations:
Easy 95.3 WBNC
93.5 WMWV
104.5 WVMJ - Magic.

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Platinum, Diamonds, Coins & Jewelry
Free Estimates
North Country Fair Jewelers

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2448 Main St., No. Conway 603-356-5819

info@northcountryfairjewelers.com
GIBSON HELLO
The Program Department sends out Activity Letters a few times a week. They include information about Gibson events (the menu), some form of art (photos, music, or a poem), a joke (we all need to laugh these days), some links to educational articles and entertainment videos, as well as scam alerts, and a game or puzzle.

If you would like to be added to the list, please send us your email, jill@gibsoncenter.org. In these times of increased isolation, thank you for reaching out to friends and neighbors.

GIBSON CENTER DAY TRIPS
Please sign up for all programs: 603-356-3231.

AT THIS POINT IT IS NOT SAFE FOR LARGE GROUP TRIPS.

PROGRAM VOLUNTEERS

Open Enrollment:
Ele Boarder

Computer Grant:
Jeff Beavers
David Smolen
Andrea Libby
Karen Vitek
Computer Port, computer cleaning
Tom Albert

Computer Donations:
The generous people who have donated the computers.

MASK ANGELS

Rotary Club
Small Town Quilters
Betty R
Karen G
Nancy M
Ellen F
Michelle O
Lynn G
Jay R

SPECIAL THANKS TO LOCAL RADIO STATIONS FOR SUPPORTING US

93.5 wmwv
Easy 953 fm
Magic 104 fm

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Collette has a fantastic insurance policy, one can cancel up to 24 hours before the trip.


Alaska Discovery, Land & Cruise: Fairbanks, Sternwheeler Discovery, Fannie Q’s Saloon, Denali National Park, Tundra Wilderness Tour, Luxury Domed Rail, Anchorage, Hubbard Glacier, Glacier Bay, Skagway, Juneau, Ketchikan, Inside Passage aboard Princess. Summer 2022


Beasley & Ferber, P.A. (1-800-370-5010) David Ferber, estate planning including avoiding probate, protecting assets from nursing homes, avoiding state taxes, and elder law.

Chalmers Insurance (356-6926) Steve Cote, full line of personal and business insurance, including Long term care, life and annuities.

Coleman Alvin J. & Son (447-5936) 9 NH Route 113, Conway. General Contractor

First Allied Securities (356-9371) 3277 White Mt. Hwy. Investments including Stocks, Bonds, Annuities, Retirement, College Planning

Gamwell, Caputo & Co., PLLC (447-3356 or fax 447-6563) Dave Caputo, certified public accountants providing tax, accounting, and financial statement services for businesses, individuals, trusts and estates.

H.R. Hoyt Construction Inc. (447-2612) Conway, NH. Poured Concrete

Maureen Cason Hanlon, LICSW (356-6400) 3277 White Mountain Highway, North Conway- Counseling services for adults and elders.


North Country Fair Jewelers (356-5819) Brian Smith, Main St, N Conway. Diamonds, gold and silver jewelry, coins, pearls, watches, clocks and antiques. Repairs, appraisals, buy, sell and trade.

NorthEast Auto Body (356-5808) David Smith, 530 Eastman Road, North Conway, N.H.

Notchland Inn (374-6131) Harts Location, NH Romantic dining and lodging.


Settlers Green Outlet Village (356-7031) over 60 stores. Every Tuesday is Senior discount day at participating stores.

The Hearing Aid Shop (603-356-0172) Jessica Williams, Board Certified Hearing Instrument Specialist, Hearing Aid Sales, Fitting, Repairs, All Makes/Models. Two convenient locations in North Conway and Wolfeboro. Handicap Accessible. www.lifesoundsmazing.com


White Mountain Hotel (356-7100) Gary Sullivan Wonderful place to go for lunch or dinner.

White Mountain Oil and Propane (356-6386) The Saunders Family, oil and propane, major appliances.

MEALS AVAILABLE FOR SENIORS

Made Daily in the Gibson Kitchen
Monday - Friday 11:30 -12:15
Through the Ramp Door in the Main Parking Lot
14 Grove Street, North Conway Village

Donations Appreciated | Menu on gibsoncenter.org