

LONGMEADOW LINES

Meet Senator Candaras' Aide Janice Hassett

Monday, October 6th, 11:00— 11:45 AM

LONGMEADOW ADULT CENTER VAN FOR LOCAL TRIPS



Tuesday, October 14th

\$1.00 each way
565-4150

ENFIELD SQUARE MALL

Friday, October 31st
10—1 PM

Limited Seating—Call Early!



2009 ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Everybody knows the Entertainment Book is full of 50% and 2-for-1 discounts on restaurants, movies, sporting events and more. If you enjoy saving money while supporting a good cause, stop by the Adult Center for your Western Mass or Hartford edition.

TOWN MEETING & ELECTION NEWS

The last day to register to vote for the November State Election is 8:00 pm on Wednesday, October 15, 2008. The Special Town Meeting will be held at 7:00 pm in the High School Auditorium on Tuesday, October 28, 2008.



DIAL-A-LAWYER

Wednesday, October 22nd,

3:30—7:30 PM—only

Sponsored by Mass Bar Association. Call for free legal advice.

413-782-1659.



Cribbage League

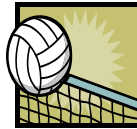
Tues thru June 2nd, 7:15 PM

New members always welcome, but please come with experience. Approximately 25-30 players attend each night and play nine, fifteen-minute games at Greenwood Center. Call Bob Arnold at 413-283-8438 for info..



Senior Men's Volleyball

Fun pick up games for men ages 50+ years. Players call their own violations. Approximately 15 men show each night. A great way to stay fit. Some players prepare for the senior Olympics in June. Mondays, 10/6-6/1, 7:45-9:15pm, Greenwood Center Gym. Fee: \$30 per participant for season or \$3 night.



LEAF PICKUP TOWN YARD NEWS

Leaf bags will go on sale October 6 and will be sold at Brightwood Hardware, the Adult Center and the DPW office. The West Road leaf site will be open starting October 27 and will be open 7 days a week 8am – 5pm. Curbside bagged leaf pickup will be from November 10 to December 5. The Recycling and Yard Waste Center winter hours start November 1. Saturdays from 8am – 3pm. through the end of December, January – April, open from 9am – noon.

KEEP WARM – KEEP SAFE

Think safety first when heating your home this winter! Heating is the number two cause of home fires in Massachusetts, causing over 14,000 fires over the past five years. Use your home heating system and space heating appliances wisely and responsibly.

Cover the ABCs of fire safety:

- Make sure there are working smoke alarms in every level including one outside bedrooms.
- Test smoke and carbon monoxide alarms monthly and change batteries twice a year, when you change the clocks.
- Hold home fire drills to practice the home escape plan.

Be careful when using fireplaces and solid fuel stoves:

- Have the chimney professionally cleaned every year.
- Make sure your stove is approved by a national testing agency.
- Obtain a building permit before installing a stove.
- Keep anything that can burn 3 feet away.
- Dispose of the ashes in a metal container, with a lid, away from the house, garage and porch.

Space heaters need space:

- Do not use space heaters as your number one heating source.
- Keep anything that can burn 3 feet away. Use only heavy-duty extension cords.
- Always turn off when going to bed or leaving home.
- Portable kerosene heaters are illegal in Massachusetts to use in your home.

Maintain natural gas equipment:

- Have your furnace and hot water heater professionally checked yearly.
- Do not use or store gasoline or painting supplies inside where they can be ignited by the pilot light.
- Gas leaks can be dangerous – if you smell something like rotten eggs or you think there might be a leak, move outdoors, do not smoke or turn on or off electrical switches, call 911 immediately.

Maintain oil heating equipment:

- Have your furnace professionally cleaned and checked every year.
- Don't let the tank get below one-quarter.
- If the oil burner releases smoke or soot in the house, call for service.

Carbon monoxide: The silent killer – Heating equipment is the leading source of carbon monoxide in the home.

- Install carbon monoxide alarms on every level of your home.
- Don't use the gas stove or oven for heat.
- Have furnaces and chimneys checked annually by a professional.
- Keep appliance vents and exhaust pipes clear of drifting snow and bushes.

For further information go to www.mass.gov/dfs or call the Department of Fire Services at 978-567-3100.

