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EASTHAMPTON COMMUNITY CENTER  
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# The Chronicle



Dear Friends of the Community Center,

May is always a very busy month at the Center. We start off with Valley Gives Day on **May 2nd**. Donations help our Pantry Program feed the children during the summer months.

**May 6th** is the "Stop the Hunger Campaign". The Board of Directors and I will take to the streets in the center of Easthampton to collect monetary donations from passing motorists. All donations will help us fill the shelves for the children's pantry this summer.

**May 13th** is the Mail Carrier's Food Drive. Our Easthampton Postal Carriers do an excellent job of bringing all the cans and boxes of food from your mailbox to the Community Center and Congregational Church Pantries. This is a lot of extra work for the postal employees and we greatly appreciate all their efforts! Thank you for all your help bringing food to our pantries.

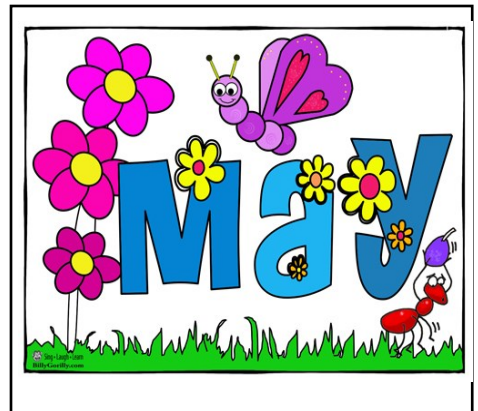
The "Big Pete Fappiano Golf Tournament" will be happening on **May 26th**. Huge thanks to the officers of the Easthampton and Northampton Police Departments and Big E's Supermarket for their continued sponsorship of this tournament. Always a great day at Southampton Country Club raising funds for our pantry programs.


Always a favorite day of mine is Memorial Day when we honor our Veterans with a pancake breakfast. **May 29th** we will serving a free breakfast to all veterans and their families with our deepest gratitude for their service to our country. Please come out and join the Community Center in honoring these wonderful men and women!

*Robin*

Robin Bialecki, Executive Director

Don't forget Mother's Day on May 14th!!





**7TH ANNUAL  
 STOP THE HUNGER  
 CAMPAIGN  
 9 AM to 3 PM**

Look for Robin and the Board of Directors at the Main and Union Street intersection. We will be collecting monetary donations for the Food Pantry Program.

**Help us stop the hunger in our community!**





# On Going Here at Your Center:

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<p><b>Tae Kwon Do Class</b> Monday and Thursday from 6 to 8:30 PM Cost \$5.00 per class</p> <p><b>Line Dancing-</b> Monday afternoon 1 PM to 2:30 PM Cost \$3.00 per class</p> <p><b>Landscape painting class with Carl Poole-</b> Bob Ross style of painting will meet on May 16th \$20 per class</p>	<p><b>Clothing Closet</b> Hours are Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday 9 AM until Noon and Monday, Wednesday evening 4-7 PM</p> <p><b>Food Pantry/Gluten Free Pantry</b> Monday 9AM—Noon &amp; 4—7 PM Wednesday 9AM—Noon &amp; 4—7 PM</p>	<p><b>Wednesday Morning Ladies Group</b> will continue to meet on Wednesday morning from 9 AM to 11 AM. We are always looking for new helpers to knit and crochet- stop in and join us!</p>
<p><b>Board Game Thursdays</b></p> <p><b>Scrabble Club and National League Mah Jong</b></p> <p>Groups meet from 9:30 AM to Noon.</p>		

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TOPS (Take off Pounds Sensibly) Meets every Wednesday from 6:30 to 8 PM. Come and learn a sensible way to healthy living. For more information call Dolores at (413)- 203-1457.

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**Community Care Kitchen Dinners**

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Meals served from 4:30 –to-6 PM  
Rolls & Butter, Juice & Coffee Served with all meals

**Pitch Club** 

Monday,  
Wednesday and Friday  
9 AM until Noon

**May 2nd**

Taco Salad  
Beef or Chicken toppings  
Salsa



**May 9th**

American Chop Suey  
Tossed Salad  
Brownie and Ice Cream Sundaes

**May 23rd**

Hot Dog or Hamburger on roll  
Baked Beans  
Cole Slaw  
Chips  
Assorted Cookies

Easthampton Community Center

Board of Directors meeting will be held Thursday, May 18th at 12:30 PM

If you have any concerns and would like to be placed on the agenda, please call the office at 527-5240.





# THANKS FOR THE ALL STAR DONATIONS

To all of our friends at St. Philip’s Episcopal Church and Our Lady of the Valley Parish for their continued support for our Food Pantry. To Trinity Lutheran Church, Christ United Methodist Church, and the Westhampton Council on Aging, as always the foodstuffs you donate help so very much! Many thanks to the God is Love Church for their monthly support of our mission. Thank you all who drop off foods at Big Y and Big E’s in the special collection boxes. The Southampton Women’s Club is so wonderful to pick up the Big Y donations and bring them to the Center.

Thank you to Donald Payson; Dave and Melissa Fagnand; Clem Couchon; Gene and Anne DeFilippo; Nancy LaFleur, Donna Cushing,, Eileen Dunn, Patrick Gaudet , Kevin McKenna, Ronald Chateaufneuf,, and The Helping Hand Society, for your continued monthly support!

Thank You to **Tandem Bagel** for their donation of bagels to our Food Pantry and thank you to **Bruegger’s Bagels** in Northampton for their donation of bagels each week. Thank you to **Small Oven Bakery** for their delicious croissants and loaves of bread and to **Big E’s Supermarket** for the bread and pastries they donate.

We are very pleased and grateful to say that Sven Kielhorn is donating 100% of the profits from sales of his merchandise to the Community Center.

Please go to <http://svenkielhorn-photography.com> to see his wonderful pictures of Easthampton and surrounding areas. Thank you Sven, this is an amazing to gift to help your community feed those in need!



## Thank You!!



## Travel News

**Boston Tall Ships and Quincy Market- Sunday, June 18th**  
Enjoy some time at Quincy Market before the 90 minute Tall Ship viewing cruise! \$109 per person. Call today for your reservations! This will book up quickly.

**Newport Playhouse LOBSTERFEST Sunday, August 13th**

1 1/4 lb lobster with your lunch-eon meal. Followed by the play “Baggage”. Two difficult people get their luggage mixed up at the airport and the result is hilarious!

\$147 per person

Call Robin at the office to book your seats today at 527-5240.

### DO YOU HAVE SPRING/SUMMER CLOTHES TO DONATE?

We would be happy to accept them in our Clothing Closet! You are welcome to drop off donations during the week from 8 AM to 6 PM  
Spring and Summer Fashions are out!. Come and see what’s new!

## ANNUAL LETTER CARRIER’S FOOD DRIVE

Please help us fill the shelves for summer.

Put your non-perishable donation in a bag by your mailbox and the local letter carriers will deliver it to the Food Pantry!

Please check all items for freshness dates.





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*Happy May  
 from Mary Newton!*

ADVISORS AFTER  
 CANDY CUTE DATE  
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 HAVING FUN HEROES  
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**PCT's Annual Spring Fundraising  
 Plant Sale**
  
 Saturday, May 13th, 2017 8 AM to 1 PM  
 Big E's Supermarket Parking Lot

Perennials, Ornamental grasses, Trees, shrubs and more. PCT will also be having raffle items!  
 The Pascommuck Conservation Trust is Easthampton's land trust. Our annual plant sale helps to fund our land protection and maintenance efforts.

***NICOTINE ANONYMOUS MEETING***

Based on the 12 steps      **Every Thursday 7 to 8 PM**

The only requirement for membership is the desire to stop using nicotine.  
[www.nicotineanonymous.org](http://www.nicotineanonymous.org)

For more information contact: Nance P. at (413) 268-0391







**Once again, we are participating in VALLEY GIVES DAY on May 2nd**

The communities of Western MA have joined together for 24 hours to support non-profits working to make our region an amazing place to live! This is our 5th year participating in this spectacular fundraising event. Last year we raised over \$2100 for our Kid's Summer Pantry Program and our goal is to reach \$2500 this year.

Funding will enable us to feed the 800 children in our summer program.

Your donation on-line will also enable the Center to be in drawings for additional prizes to add to our total fundraising dollars.

<https://valley-gives.org//designee/easthampton-community-center-inc>



The Easthampton Community Center is very excited to announce that there will be four weeks of Mad Science classes at the Center beginning July 10th and ending August 4th!

For more information and to book your reservations, please contact Mad Science at (413) 584-7243 or 1-800-338-5711

Website: [WESTNEWENGLAND.MADSCIENCE.ORG](http://WESTNEWENGLAND.MADSCIENCE.ORG) or by email: [summerprograms@madsciencewne.com](mailto:summerprograms@madsciencewne.com)

Classes are available to children ages 6 to 12

Classes are from 9 AM until Noon and from 1 PM until 4 PM





*Memorial Day*



**MEMORIAL DAY  
PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

**Monday, May 29th, 2017**

**7 AM until 10 AM**

**Easthampton Community Center 12 Clark Street**

**Complimentary Breakfast**

**To all Veterans and their families! And all Memorial Day Parade Participants**

**Pancakes, Sausage, Danish, Donuts, Coffee, Juice, Real Maple Syrup!**



SHINE (Serving Health Information Needs of Elders) Dick B will be available to answer all your health insurance questions.

Please call Dick at 527-8199 to make an appointment.

SNAP (formerly Food Stamps) Assistance is available at your convenience.

Please call Dick at 527-8199 to make an appointment.

Fuel Assistance Questions ? Please call Community Resources and Advocacy,

17 New South St, Suite 116, Northampton

No Walk-ins Please make an appointment Phone 413 582-4237

**EASTHAMPTON COMMUNITY CENTER, INC.  
12 CLARK STREET, EASTHAMPTON**

**OFFICE HOURS : Monday through Friday 8:30 AM until 5:30 PM**

**Friday AM- Office closed to go to the Food Bank/ Re-opens at Noon until 5:30 PM**

**FOOD PANTRY/CLOTHING CLOSET HOURS:**

**Monday 9 AM until Noon and 4 PM until 7 PM**

**Tuesday (Clothing Closet Only) 9 AM until Noon**

**Wednesday 9 AM until Noon and 4 PM until 7 PM**

