

Club 55 Senior Center

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Club 55 Senior Center is participating in the City-Wide Rummage sale as a fundraiser on Friday, May 7, and Saturday, May 8. It will be held in the gym at RLAC, 229 Fremont Street. You may drop off gently used items for the sale when Club 55 is open on M, T, and Th. from 10-12 and Wed. from 10-3.

Call 920-728-2176 to arrange pick up of heavy or large items on Friday, April 23, or Thursday, April 29.

We are also in need of hangers for clothing, and plastic bags. Volunteers are always accepted to sort, price, and work the days of the sale. Help us reach the matching grant from Catholic Financial Life for up to \$500.

A meeting in April 1963 between President John F. Kennedy and members of the National Council of Senior Citizens led to designating May as "Senior Citizens Month," now known as "Older Americans Month." It has been a time to acknowledge contributions of past and current older persons to our country, especially those that defended our country. Every President since Kennedy has issued a formal proclamation during or before the month of May asking that we pay tribute to older persons in our communities. I hope you will consider thanking an older neighbor, relative, or friend that has contributed in some way to enriching our community. The pandemic has been especially hard for the older generation as many live alone and have been isolated. They are anxious but cautious about returning to public gatherings.

Bingo will be held this week on Wednesday, April 21, from 1-2:30 in the gym at RLAC enabling us to socially distance and enjoy an 'outing'. We supply the cards and markers unless you want to bring your own dabbers, buttons, or coins. This is a free game, and we supply the prizes. Trinity Pines will be sponsoring our bingo on Wednesday, May 29 so plan to join us.

"My good deed for the day is..." is the theme of our contest this week. Tell us what you have done for another by sending it to jane.riedl@lakemills.k12.wi.us

Stay tuned for information about a new discussion group offered by Mary Ann Jackson titled, "Maximize Your Yard's Potential". Mary Ann is a local gardener, former employee at America's Best Greenhouse and former teacher. This will be a discussion group, not lecture, so will be limited in size, and will be two, 1 hour discussion sessions. The focus will be to create a healthy and safer environment for insects, birds, small animals and people.

So many of us are thankful for Jason and Beth of Bia Food Co. They deliver meals that were ordered each Wednesday to Club 55 and by the look on peoples' faces and the aroma that fills the hallway it makes midweek their favorite day! This week we are enjoying meat lasagna, Italian salad, crunchy bread, and dessert. On the menu for next week, April 28 is Polish sausage, sauerkraut, German potato salad, and dessert. Call Club 55 at 920-728-2176 to find out more.

As more folks are getting their immunizations they are asking when we are going to resume some of the activities they enjoy at our senior center. Dominoes, cards, shared puzzles, and visiting are some of the favorites that are missed. We are hoping to have the answer soon. We have been able to physically distance for bingo and exercise because we use the large gym space.

Do you have a hobby or collection you would like to share with us? You might be surprised how many would be interested to hear about it. Start thinking about coming in and sharing.

Mother's Day is Sunday, May 9th and we have the perfect gift idea for you. Jennifer Ewing has been renting the kitchen at RLAC to make her delicious candies using her company name, Sweet Treats. She has offered to donate \$2 of each candy item she sells during our rummage sale to Club 55. She will make chocolate rose arrangements and decorated fudge for our sale. She also has metal spinner decorations for garden art and will donate \$5 from each sale of those. Stop by and see what catches your eye.