



TOWN OF HUNTINGTON Calling All Seniors Newsletter MAY 2025



ACTIVITY/NUTRITION CENTER ■ BEACH HOUSE ■ CLUBS

Dear residents,

I hope that you are enjoying the springtime and everything it has to offer here in Huntington. It has gone by rather quickly, and soon we will begin the run up to summer. From important holiday celebrations to casual gatherings, there has been something for everyone to enjoy so far this spring, with plenty more to come.

There was an abundance of music at the Flanagan Center in April, provided by the musicians many of our seniors know and love. The seniors also celebrated warm weather and spring cheer with the Spring Hat Parade, a festive event to show spirit and enjoy the arrival of spring.

Last month, the Flanagan Center focused on health as well. With warmer weather already here, and significantly warmer weather well on its way, it is imperative that our seniors mind their health and take care of themselves the best they are able, and that they are provided with the appropriate knowledge to do so. We are fortunate that the Flanagan Center continues to provide opportunities for them to do so. In April, presentations were hosted on fall prevention and stopping wound bleeding. Additionally, the Center hosted a visit from the St. Francis Community Outreach Bus for seniors to undergo free health screenings. We are grateful to all those who so generously provide education and care for our seniors so that they may maintain their health.

Adult Day Care hosted holiday celebrations for several holidays in April. Within just a few days, the seniors received a visit from the Easter Bunny, celebrated Passover, and had a special Earth Day event just for them. The Town's Adult Day Care program is highly impactful and provides much-needed joy and reprieve for those who need it most, from our senior participants to their families. Here in Huntington, we frequently hear from the family members of our Adult Day Care participants – their testimonies remind us just how important programs like this are. I am endlessly thankful for the dedication of our Adult Day Care staff and the truly essential work they do each and every day.

Many of the senior clubs across Huntington held their installation ceremonies in April, honoring their newly-elected officers. The Flanagan Center may be a home base for Huntington's seniors, but it is wonderful to see the continued expansion of the membership of senior clubs throughout the town.

This month will bring even more musical performances, celebrations, and parties to the Flanagan Center. The festivities will begin with a May Day Party on May 2, followed by music scattered throughout the month for our seniors' enjoyment. On May 22, the Memorial Day ceremony will honor the legacy of those who have served bravely in defense of our nation, featuring a Color Guard, guest speaker US Army Captain Gerard Asher, and music by DJ Bob. For dates and times for all of this month's happenings, please see the calendar.

I would like to extend my thanks to the Senior Division for their continued dedication to making the Flanagan Center the happiest place in Huntington. I hope to see you all around this month.

Regards,

Ed Smyth, Supervisor



**Councilman
Dr. Dave Bennardo**



**Councilman
Salvatore Ferro**



**Supervisor
Edmund J. Smyth**



**Councilwoman
Brooke A. Lupinacci**



**Councilwoman
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Town Board Meetings: Tuesday, May 13, 2025 @ 2:00 pm



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Huntington Senior Citizens Board of Directors

Maureen Strein, Chairperson

SENIOR CENTER 423 Park Avenue, Huntington NY 11743

Monday - Friday 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Seniors@HuntingtonNY.gov

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www.TOHSeniors.com



TOWN OF HUNTINGTON CALLING ALL SENIORS MAY 2025



Dining Room Open 11:00 am - 2:00 pm

Registration: 11:00 am - 12:30 pm ▪ NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!

AT THE SENIOR CENTER - CLOSED MAY 26

May 2025 Music Events

Friday, May 2	May Day Party with DJ Chuck	12:30 - 1:30 pm
 Mondays, May 5 start date	Guitar Lessons with Brent & Kevin See flyer	2:00 - 3:30 pm
Friday, May 9	Music Performance by Woodhull School Students	12:30 - 1:30 pm
Tuesday, May 13	Music with Janice Buckner	12:30 - 1:30 pm
Friday, May 30	Silver Chords Performance	12:30 - 1:30 pm



April Showers Bring May Flowers: Gardening/Weather Presentation
NEWS 12 Meteorologist Alex Calamia

Wednesday, May 7 ▪ 1:30 pm

Diabetes and You Presentation by Excel

Wednesday, May 21 ▪ 1:30 pm



Memorial Day Recognition

Thursday, May 22 ▪ 11:00 am - 2:00 pm

Color Guard, Guest Speaker: Hon. W. Gerard Asher and DJ Bob



Acupuncture and You with Dr. Victoria Liotta

Wednesday, May 28 ▪ 1:30 pm

Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month

Movie: The Farewell Friday, May 23 ▪ 1:30 pm

Asian Paper Cutting Craft with Jane Kang and Karen Beck

Thursday, May 29 ▪ 1:30 pm



AT THE SENIOR BEACH HOUSE – CLOSED MAY 26

Spring Hours: Sunday Noon-4:45pm; Monday-Thursday 10:00am -3:45pm

Complimentary Mother's Day Treat, May 11



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MAY

Meals subject to change

HUNTINGTON SENIOR NUTRITION CENTER

423 Park Avenue, Huntington ~ Lunch Served • Noon - 1:15 pm
 \$3 Suggested Voluntary Anonymous Contribution
Please Note: There is always an optional alternate meal.

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

		<p><u>PLEASE NOTE:</u></p> <p>All classes and events are open to Town of Huntington Residents with Membership Cards. Get your membership card in the Senior Center's Front Office.</p>
<p>5 Manicotti w/ meat sauce</p> <p>BLOOD DRIVE IN GYM <i>Birthdays of the Month Special Dessert</i> 10:00 Arthritis Exercise (213) 10:00 Informal Canasta 11:00 Pool Sharks 12:30 Card Playing/ Instructional Chinese Mahjong 1:30 Next Steps Support Group for those who have lost a spouse 2:00-3:30 Guitar lessons with Brent and Kevin: Bring Your Guitar</p> 	<p>6 Roast Pork Dijonnaise</p> <p>9:30 Fitness Training 10:00 Pool Sharks 10:45 Tai Chi 3 11:35 Tai Chi 1 & 2 12:30 Music with Alex 12:30 Canasta - Hand, Knee, Foot Instruction 2:00 Social Dance 2:15 Caregiver Yoga</p> 	<p>7 Beef Stew</p> <p>9:45 Gentle Bends 10:00 Knitting and Crocheting 10:00 Pool Sharks 11:00 Exercise for Energy 11:00 - 1:00 Shed the Meds 1:30 Bingo 1:30 Initial Spousal Loss Support Group 1:30 April Showers Bring May Flowers: Gardening/weather presentation with NEWS 12 Meteorologist, Alex Calamia</p>  
<p>12 Lasagna Rollups</p> <p>10:00 Arthritis Exercise 10:00 Informal Canasta 11:00 Pool Sharks 12:30 Card Playing/ Instructional Chinese Mahjong 1:30 Road Now Traveled Support Grp 2:00-3:30 Guitar lessons with Brent and Kevin: Bring Your Guitar</p> 	<p>13 Roast Pork</p> <p>9:30 Fitness Training 10:00 Pool Sharks 10:45 Tai Chi 3 11:35 Tai Chi 1 & 2 12:30 Music with Janice Buckner 12:30 Canasta - Hand, Knee, Foot Instruction 2:00 Social Dance 2:15 Caregiver Yoga</p> 	<p>14 Sloppy Joes</p> <p>9:30 Board of Director's Meeting 9:45 Gentle Bends 10:00 Knitting and Crocheting 10:00 Pool Sharks 11:00 Exercise for Energy 1:30 Bingo 1:30 Initial Spousal Loss Support Group</p> 
<p>19 Stuffed Cabbage</p> <p>10:00 Arthritis Exercise 10:00 Informal Canasta 11:00 Pool Sharks 12:30 Card Playing/ Instructional Chinese Mahjong 1:30 Next Steps Support Group for those who have lost a spouse 2:00 Zumba 2:00-3:30 Guitar lessons with Brent and Kevin:</p> 	<p>20 Pork Milanese</p> <p>9:30 Fitness Training 10:00 Pool Sharks 10:45 Tai Chi 3 11:35 Tai Chi 1 & 2 12:30 Canasta - Hand, Knee, Foot Instruction 1:30 Financial and Elder Law Planning Services 2:00 Social Dance 2:15 Caregiver Yoga</p>	<p>21 Meat Loaf</p> <p>8:30-1:30 Suffolk County Office for the Aging: Senior Advocate Appointments 9:45 Gentle Bends 10:00 Knitting and Crocheting 10:00 Pool Sharks 1:30 Presentation: Diabetes & You by Excel 1:30 Bingo 1:30 Initial Spousal Loss Support Group</p> 
<p>26 CLOSED</p> 	<p>27 BBQ Roast Pork</p> <p>10:00 Pool Sharks 10:45 Tai Chi 3 11:35 Tai Chi 1 & 2 12:30 Piano Music with Remy 12:30 Canasta - Hand, Knee, Foot Instruction 2:00 Social Dance 2:15 Caregiver Yoga</p> 	<p>28 Swedish Meatballs</p> <p>9:45 Gentle Bends 10:00 Knitting and Crocheting 10:00 Pool Sharks 11:00 Exercise for Energy 1:30 Presentation: Acupuncture & You Dr. Victoria Liotta 1:30 Bingo 1:30 Initial Spousal Loss Support Group</p> 

- The Older Americans Act of 2006, encourages a suggested voluntary anonymous contribution equal to the actual cost of the service for participants with self-declared incomes at or above 185% of the federal poverty level. For 2025, 185% of the federal poverty level is \$28,952.50 for a household of one, and \$39,127.50 for a household of two.
- The Nutrition Center is sponsored by the Town of Huntington with funding provided by the U.S. Administration for Community Living through New York State Office for the Aging and Suffolk County Office for the Aging.

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

Events



1 Roast Turkey

10:00 Fitness Exercise I
 10:00 Instructional Mahjong & Free Play
 11:00 Pool Sharks
 11:05 Fitness Exercise II
 1:00 Duplicate Bridge

2 Shrimp Scampi

10:00 Cardio Drumming
 10:30 Caregiver Support Group
 10:30 Pool Tournament
 11:05 Chair Yoga
 12:30 **May Day Party with DJ Chuck**
 1:00 Intermediate Bridge
 1:30 Poetry Out Loud



May Day Party with DJ Chuck
 Friday, May 2 ▪ 12:30 pm

NEW! **Guitar Lessons with Brent and Kevin**
 Mondays ▪ 2:00-3:30 pm
Must bring your own guitar



8 Chicken Piccata

10:00 Fitness Exercise I
 10:00 Instructional Mahjong & Free Play
 11:00 Pool Sharks
 11:00-1:00 **Blood Pressure Screenings with Janet**
 11:05 Fitness Exercise II
 1:00 Duplicate Bridge



9 Krab Cakes

Mother's Day Special Dessert
 10:00 TheraBand and Balance
 10:30 Pool Tournament
 11:05 Chair Yoga
 12:30 **Music performance by Woodhull School Students**
 1:00 Intermediate Bridge
 1:30 Laugh Out Loud



April Showers Bring May Flowers: Gardening/Weather Presentation with NEWS 12 Meteorologist, Alex Calamia
 Wednesday, May 7 ▪ 1:30 pm



Music Performance by Woodhull School Students
 Friday, May 9 ▪ 12:30-1:30 pm



15 Chicken Parmesan

10:00 Fitness Exercise I
 10:00 Instructional Mahjong & Free Play
 10:30 Veteran's Support Group
 11:00 Pool Sharks
 11:05 Fitness Exercise II
 11:30 **Wonderful Piano Songs of Yesteryear with Angela**
 1:00 Operation Hope • Commodity Supplemental Food Program Distribution
 1:00 Duplicate Bridge
 1:30 Engineer Group



16 Salmon

9:30 - 4:15 **AARP Smart Driving**
 10:00 Cardio Drumming
 10:30 Caregiver Support Group
 10:30 Pool Tournament
 11:05 Chair Yoga
 1:00 Intermediate Bridge
 1:30 Poetry Out Loud



Music with Janice Buckner
 Tuesday, May 13 ▪ 12:30-1:30 pm



Diabetes and You Presentation By Excel
 Wednesday, May 21 ▪ 1:30 pm



22 BBQ Chicken

10:00 Fitness Exercise I
 10:00 Instructional Mahjong & Free Play
 11:00 Pool Sharks
 11:05 Fitness Exercise II
 11:00-2:00 **Memorial Day Recognition Color Guard, Guest Speaker, and DJ Bob**



23 Potato Crusted Cod

10:00 TheraBand and Balance
 10:30 Pool Tournament
 11:00-1:00 **Blood Pressure Screenings with Janet**
 11:05 Chair Yoga
 1:00 Intermediate Bridge
 1:30 **Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month Movie: The Farewell**
 1:30 Laugh Out Loud



Memorial Day Recognition Thursday, May 22 11:00 am-2:00 pm
 Color Guard
 Speaker: **Hon. W. Gerard Asher**
 US Army Captain/Korean War
DJ Bob
 Cakes donated by:
 Brandywine Senior Living



Acupuncture and You Dr. Victoria Liotta

Wednesday, May 28 ▪ 1:30 pm



29 Roast Turkey

10:00 Fitness Exercise I
 10:00 Instructional Mahjong & Free Play
 11:00 Pool Sharks
 11:05 Fitness Exercise II
 1:00 Duplicate Bridge
 1:30 **Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month: Asian Paper Cutting Craft**

30 Shrimp Scampi

10:00 Cardio Drumming
 10:30 Caregiver Support Group
 10:30 Pool Tournament
 11:05 Chair Yoga
 12:30 **Silver Chords Performance**
 1:00 Intermediate Bridge
 1:30 Poetry Out Loud



Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month

Movie: The Farewell
 Friday, May 23 ▪ 1:30 pm
Asian Paper Cutting Craft With Jane and Karen
 Thursday, May 29 ▪ 1:30 pm

Silver Chords Performance
 Friday, May 30 ▪ 12:30 pm



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SENIOR CITIZENS DIVISION
JULIA FRANGIONE, DIRECTOR

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May 2025

Dear Congregate Meal Recipient:

The Town of Huntington is pleased to offer a nutritious meal for Huntington and Suffolk County residents over the age of sixty.

The Nutrition Center is sponsored by the Town of Huntington with funding provided by the U.S. Administration for Community Living through New York State Office for the Aging and Suffolk County Office for the Aging.

State regulations require that all participants be given an opportunity to contribute to the cost of the service. We realize that each person has a unique financial situation. If you can afford to, and would like to contribute, the suggested voluntary and anonymous contribution is \$3.00 per meal. All individuals are encouraged to make voluntary and anonymous contributions towards the cost of the meal. Persons with a self-declared income at or above 185% of the Federal Poverty Level are encouraged to make a contribution equal to the actual cost of the meal which is \$13.86. For 2025, income at 185% of the Federal Poverty Level is \$28,952.50 for a household of one, and \$39,127.50 for a household of two.

Contributions to this service are voluntary and anonymous. Any amount you wish to contribute will be used to expand the program and will be greatly appreciated. Please be assured that no one is required to make a contribution and the service will not be denied to any person who is unable or unwilling to contribute.

I invite your comments as to the quality of service provided or suggestions as to how the service may be improved.

Thank you for supporting the Town of Huntington's Senior Center Nutrition Program. Contributions may be given at the Senior Center by cash or check. Contributions may be mailed to the Senior Citizens Division address below. Please make checks payable to: Town of Huntington and write nutrition in the memo.

Very truly yours,

Geri VanDyke

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Center Manager

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FREE GUITAR LESSONS FOR HUNTINGTON SENIORS

Guitar Lessons with Brent and Kevin

We invite you to join us for these fun guitar lessons!

Mondays: 2:00 - 3:30 pm - beginning May 5

Bring your own guitar!

Did you play guitar when you were in school? Maybe you picked it up later on in life, but work/life balance got in the way. We have an opportunity for you to learn and enjoy guitar lessons tailored specifically for senior citizens.

Learning to play the guitar can be a wonderful and fulfilling experience, offering numerous benefits such as improving cognitive function, enhancing memory, and providing a creative outlet. Whether you are a complete beginner or have some musical experience, our guitar lessons are designed to cater to all skill levels.

The instructors are former performing musicians and will guide you through the basics of guitar playing, including chords, strumming patterns, and simple songs. The lessons are conducted in a relaxed and supportive environment at the Huntington Senior Center.

If you are interested or have any questions, please feel free to contact The Senior Center Front Office (631) 351-3253. We look forward to welcoming you to our guitar lessons and sharing the joy of music with you.

What you need to bring to the lessons:

- A guitar. Acoustic or electric with a small practice amp.
- A guitar tuner, available at any of the local music stores, online or an app on your smart phone.
- A notebook for notes regarding the songs we are learning.
- An e-mail address. We will be displaying the sheet music on a Smartboard in the classroom, but we will send all the students a copy to their e-mail.
- If you need to have the sheet music closer to you when you are learning the song you may need to have a portable music stand to hold the music.

Music has a unique way of bringing joy and enriching our lives. We believe that it is never too late to learn something new and that music can be a source of enjoyment and satisfaction at any age.



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SENIOR CENTER



ISLAND HARVEST
FEEDING AMERICA
Nourishing Long Island's Future

FOOD DISTRIBUTION

3RD THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH

★ SENIOR CENTER REAR PARKING LOT ★

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM



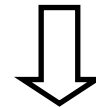
ISLAND HARVEST OPERATION:
HOPE



- AVAILABLE TO SENIOR VETERANS AND VETERAN SPOUSES
- HEALTHY FOOD PROVIDED TO VETERANS AND VETERAN SPOUSES BY VETERANS



Commodity Supplemental Food Program
a Senior Food Assistance Program



- FREE MONTHLY NUTRITIOUS FOOD PACKAGES FOR SENIORS
- 60 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER
- NY STATE RESIDENT
- NON-US CITIZENS WELCOME
- INCOME VERIFICATION -
 - \$1,580 MONTHLY GROSS INCOME PER SENIOR



REPRESENTATIVES FROM ISLAND HARVEST WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE FOR ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE



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SENIOR CENTER SUPPORT SERVICES

Laurie Byrne, LMSW

(631) 351-3253 Ext. 3780 LByrne@HuntingtonNY.gov



Support Services for Caregivers

Funding provided by New York State Office for the Aging and
Suffolk County Office for the Aging.
Caregivers Support Service Project 2024

IF YOU REQUIRE SENIOR SUPPORT SERVICES, PLEASE CALL THE SENIOR CENTER
MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY BETWEEN 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM FOR ASSISTANCE: (631) 351-3253

Pink Membership card is required to participate in any program.

SUPPORT GROUPS	MAY DATES	PLACE	TIME
Initial Spousal Loss Intake required	<i>12-week series:</i> Wednesday: 7, 14, 21, 28	Room 106	1:30 - 3:00 PM
Next Steps Group for those who have lost a spouse Intake required	<i>12-week series:</i> Monday: 5, 19	Room 106	1:30 - 2:30 PM
The Road Now Traveled Intake required	Monday: 12	Room 106	1:30 - 2:30 PM
Caregiver Support Group	Friday: 2, 16, 30	Room 106	10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Caregiver Yoga with Sally	Tuesday: 6, 13, 20, 27	Room 106	2:15 - 3:15 PM
Veterans Support Group w/ Ron	Thursday: 15	Library	10:30 - 11:45 AM

INITIAL SPOUSAL LOSS: Those who have recently experienced the death of a spouse can work through grief, examine feelings and discover inner strengths - all within a caring and supportive setting. Group size limited. For information, and required intake and registration paperwork contact: Laurie Byrne, LMSW (631) 351-3253 x-3780 or LByrne@HuntingtonNY.gov.

NEXT STEPS GROUP FOR THOSE WHO HAVE LOST A SPOUSE: Many participants choose to continue in a group setting. This support group, in collaboration with Suffolk YJCC, encourages individuals to take steps towards new routines and activities, even as they continue to grieve. Group size limited. For information and required intake, please contact: Laurie Byrne, LMSW (631) 351-3253 x-3780 or LByrne@HuntingtonNY.gov.

THE ROAD NOW TRAVELED: is a group for those further along the bereavement journey and are ready to explore discussions related to new roles, routines, and activities. Intake by Laurie Byrne required.

CAREGIVER RESPITE PROGRAM: While caregivers attend the **Caregiver Support Groups and/or Calling All Caregiver Events**, respite care is available for your loved one in our Adult Day Care Program. Please call **two days** in advance for a respite care appointment at (631) 351-3293.

VETERANS SUPPORT GROUP: An intimate group setting whereby participants bond, share and grow. For information contact: Ronald Worrell (631) 351-3253 Ext. 3752 or RWorrell@HuntingtonNY.gov.

SUFFOLK COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE AGING: SENIOR ADVOCATE

Wednesday, May 21 from 8:30 am - 1:30 pm

A Senior Advocate from Suffolk County will be available to educate eligible seniors in the Town of Huntington/Suffolk County area, to apply for programs/benefits they may qualify for. Programs that foster economic independence such as: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Medicare Savings Program (MSP) and HEAP. **Must call (631) 351-3253 to schedule an appointment.**



HUNTINGTON PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION



Local public transportation is available Monday through Saturday. The Town of Huntington's HART system (631) 427-8287 and Suffolk County Transit (631) 852-5200 operate a network of regularly scheduled bus routes that serve many of the places seniors might want to travel, including the Senior Center. Buses are handicap accessible. Senior citizens, individuals with disabilities, and Medicare cardholders are eligible to pay reduced fares.

Minibus service is also provided, at somewhat higher fares to persons who are prevented from using the regular buses because of a disability. This paratransit service is operated on a shared-ride, advance-request, curb-to-curb basis by HART (for rides entirely within the Town of Huntington at a cost of \$4.00 one way and Suffolk County's SCAT program (for rides within Suffolk but not entirely within the Town). Both agencies require prior enrollment by application. Personal travel assistance is limited. HART also extends paratransit service, with reduced priority, to non-disabled senior citizen residents who do not drive and do not have access to regular buses. Paratransit is not offered as a more convenient alternative to regularly scheduled buses. For information, call HART at (631) 427-8287 (TTY: 800-662-1220) and SCAT at (631) 738-1150 (TTY: (631) 981-0104) cost of \$4.00 each way. Bus schedules are available at the Senior Center.



TOWN OF HUNTINGTON ADULT DAY CARE CENTER

423 PARK AVENUE, HUNTINGTON, NY 11743 (631) 351-3293
HuntingtonNY.gov/ADC

Welcome ... to a caring and friendly place serving frail seniors with special needs.

*Caregiver respite
Low cost
Medicaid accepted
Transportation available*



**OPEN ENROLLMENT
STOP IN FOR A TOUR TODAY!**



Baking Club, Brain Gym, Creative Arts,
Games, Gentle Exercise/Yoga,
Hot Lunch & Snacks
Intergenerational Activities, Language Arts
Large and Small Group Activities
Music/Pitch Pipe Program
Parties/Entertainment
Themed Presentations
Trips to Centerport Beach House
... and so much more!



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TOWN OF HUNTINGTON SENIOR CITIZENS BEACH HOUSE AT CENTERPORT BEACH

239 Little Neck Road, Centerport
Beach House: (631) 261-9186 Cottage: (631) 261-1058
Game Room and Snack Bar open!

COME SOCIALIZE AND ENJOY THE BEAUTIFUL VIEW OF CENTERPORT BAY!
Sunday: Noon - 4:45 pm Monday through Thursday 10:00 am - 3:45 pm
CLOSED: Monday, May 26 in observance of Memorial Day

**Book Your 2025 Rentals
Senior Beach House Pavilion**
Please Contact: Zaida Mannetta
(631) 446-3709
Zmannetta@HuntingtonNY.gov



*Complimentary
Mother's Day Treat*
Sunday, May 11 ▪ 12:30 - 3:30 pm

MAY ACTIVITIES AT THE BEACH HOUSE

ALL ACTIVITIES REQUIRE A TOWN OF HUNTINGTON SENIOR MEMBERSHIP CARD
MEMBERSHIP CARDS FOR PROGRAM AND ACTIVITIES ARE AVAILABLE AT
THE SENIOR BEACH HOUSE OR JOHN J. FLANAGAN SENIOR CENTER

ACTIVITY	DAY	PLACE	TIME
Bridge	Sunday	BH/Large Card Room	12:30 am - 4:15 pm
Pool Sharks (Informal)	Sunday	Cottage	12:30 am - 4:15 pm
Ping Pong	Mon./Tues./Wed.	Cottage	10:00 am - 3:00 pm
Mahjong (Informal)	Monday	BH/Large Card Room	10:30 am - 12:30 pm
Just Jammin' (Informal Music Group)	Monday Wednesday	Cottage/Bayview BH/Cottage	Noon - 3:00 pm 10:00 am - 1:00 pm
Laurel Senior Club	Wednesday	Bayview Room	10:30 am - 1:30 pm
Harbormasters Art Group	Thursday	BH/Bayview	10:00 am - 1:30 pm
Advanced Art *REGISTRATION REQUIRED*	Thursday	Cottage	10:00 am - Noon
Beginner/Intermediate Art *REGISTRATION REQUIRED*	Thursday	Cottage	1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Harmonizers	Thursday	Large Card Room	1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Schedule subject to change - Seniors must provide their own art, card and/or game supplies



TOWN OF HUNTINGTON CLUB INSTALLATIONS APRIL 2025

CONGRATULATIONS!



Whitman Village Club



Greenlawn Club



Melville Club



Melville Club



Nathan Hale Club



Laurel Club



Larkfield Club



Hills Club



TOWN OF HUNTINGTON APRIL SHOWERS PARTY & SPRING BONNET PARADE APRIL 10, 2025





TOWN OF HUNTINGTON

SENIOR CLUBS - WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

MAY 2025 SCHEDULE



TUESDAY CLUBS	WEDNESDAY CLUBS	THURSDAY CLUBS	FRIDAY CLUBS
Greenlawn Paumanack Village I & II 650 Paumanack Village Dr., Greenlawn 10:30 am - 1:30 pm 06: Blank Slate 13: Speaker: Mary D'Agostino 20: Walking 27: Speaker: Brian Bernier, Arrowheads	Laurel Senior Beach House 239 Little Neck Road, Centerport 10:30 am - 1:30 pm 07: Exec. Board Meeting, Bingo 14: Mother's Day Tea 21: Spring Crafts 28: What's Good Today	Harborfields Paumanack Village III & IV 150 Duncan Elder Drive, Greenlawn 10:30 am - 1:00 pm 01: Cinco de Mayo 08: Mother's Day Program 15: Ron's Road Show 22: Family Feud 29: Bingo and Bagels	Larkfield Union United Methodist Church 1018 Pulaski Road, East Northport 10:30 am - 1:30 pm 02: Exec. Board Mtg, Bingo 09: Mother's Day Celebration 16: Games 23: V.N.S. Speaker 30: Father's Day Ice Cream
Nathan Hale Harborfields Library 31 Broadway, Greenlawn 10:00 am - 1:30 pm 06: Cinco de Mayo Luncheon 13: Exec. Board Meeting, Bingo and Birthdays 20: Blind Auction 27: Red White and Blue Day Memorial Crafts	Melville Presbyterian Church of Sweet Hollow 95 Old Country Road, Melville 10:00 am - 1:30 pm 07: Exec. Board Meeting, Bingo, Birthdays 14: Mother's and Father's Day In House Luncheon 21: Bake Sale 28: Kathy Santucci with Balance Tips	Hills Presbyterian Church of Sweet Hollow 95 Old Country Road, Melville 10:30 am - 1:30 pm 01: Exec. Board Meeting, Bingo 08: Social Hour 15: Mother's Day Tea 22: Left, Right, Center Game 29: Steal Bingo	Wolf Hill Presbyterian Church of Sweet Hollow 95 Old Country Road, Melville 10:00 am - 1:30 pm 02: Exec. Board Meeting, Bingo, Birthdays 09: Coney Island Celebration 16: Left, Right, Center Game 23: Blind Auction 30: Pot Luck Luncheon



Whitman Village 160 Lowndes Ave. A, Hunt. Station 10:30 am - 1:30 pm 01: Excel Program, Family Feud with lunch 08: Mother's Day Italian Luncheon 15: Horse Racing Game 22: Bingo and Birthdays 29: Biographies
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING: WEDNESDAY, MAY 14 • 9:30 - 11:00 AM • SENIOR CENTER

FOR ADDITIONAL CLUB INFORMATION, CONTACT: MARIA SOSKEL, CLUB COORDINATOR • MSOSKEL@HUNTINGTONNY.GOV

You may visit any club twice before deciding on the club you wish to join! Perhaps you want to socialize, learn about current issues and resources, or take a trip with others. Maybe you just want to have fun. Look no more!



TOWN OF HUNTINGTON SENIOR CENTER



CLUB TRIPS - OPEN TO ALL SENIORS

Please see huntingtonny.gov/Senior-Club-Trips
for further details on some of the trips below.

FOR ALL TRIPS: Cancellation/No Show/Deposit monies are not refundable unless you find a person who can take your place. Completed Trip Release Form is required to go on any trip.

HILLS CLUB: Contact Bill billverd2275@yahoo.com or (631) 335-0996 (Mon.-Fri. 10 am - 5 pm)

Checks Payable to: Huntington Senior Citizens Association Hills Unit
In envelope, along with check, include your telephone number and choice of pick up location:
1018 Pulaski Road, East Northport - or - 95 Old Country Road, Melville
Mail to: Bill Verdolino, 34 Ross Avenue, Melville, NY 11747

Wind Creek Casino

Wednesday, June 18, 2025

\$55

Transportation & all tips. \$30 slot cash from the casino (subject to change). You must bring identification (ID). Pay in full on sign up. You can shop the Outlets (Coach, Tommy Hilfiger and more!)

Brotherhood Winery Tour Lunch at 1839 Restaurant

Wednesday, August 13, 2025

\$159

Transportation, tour, 5 tastings and lunch at **1839 Restaurant** with beer, wine & soda. Only room for 50. Pay in full on sign up. Menu: Tossed garden salad with fresh baked breads. Choice of: Chicken Piccata or Roasted Salmon. Entrée served with fresh market vegetable and roasted potato. Dessert: fresh baked cookie platters, coffee & tea. **Only 20 seats open!**

Christmas Sights & Sounds of Lancaster Featuring Deck the Halls & Noah

Wednesday-Friday, November 12-14, 2025

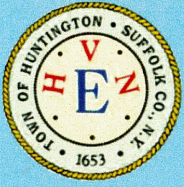
\$622 per person double occupancy

\$761 per person single occupancy

\$100 Deposit with your telephone number to hold spot. Final payment by September 2. Transportation/2 nights lodging/2 breakfasts/2 dinners: Smorgasbord dinner and Amish Homestead/Noah at Sight & Sound Theatre/Deck the Halls Christmas Show at American Music Theatre/Stone Gables Estate: National Christmas Center & Holiday Express Train Ride/Kitchen Kettle Village/Bird-in-Hand Farmers Market/Souvenir Gift/taxes & all gratuities. Cancellation insurance available & highly recommended. Departure will be from St. Elizabeth of Hungary Church. (Park in rear far right) 175 Wolf Hills Road, Melville, NY.

LARKFIELD CLUB: Contact Kathy G. (631) 560-2490 or kandrg@msn.com

***Pindar Vineyards Tour and Wine Tasting* Tuesday, September 16, 2025 \$135 per person**
Price includes: transportation, lunch, 5 wine tastings, tour, entertainment and all tips.
Pay in full on sign-up. **Last call is Monday, June 30.**



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TOWN OF HUNTINGTON

INVITES YOU TO JOIN WITH OUR VETERANS AT THE

MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY

SUNDAY, MAY 25, 2025

10:00 A.M.

HUNTINGTON TOWN HALL

VETERANS' PLAZA

100 Main Street

Front Lawn of Town Hall

(park in parking lot and walk through lobby to plaza)

For your convenience seating for all
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Performance by
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Department of Human Services
Kevin Thorbourne, Director

Veterans Affairs Division
Carol Rocco, Director

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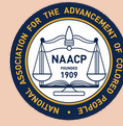


Human Services Institute Inc.

In Support of Town of Huntington Senior Center

HEALTH FAIR

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NAACP



Wednesday, June 4th, 2025

10:00 am - 3:00 pm

John J. Flanagan Senior Center

423 Park Avenue Huntington, NY 11743

(Entrance at the Red Awning)



Hearing Test
by Island Better Hearing

Blood Pressure, Cholesterol, Glucose Check
by Northwell Huntington Hospital

"Every Breath You Take"
Lung and Breathing Lecture
10:30am

"Your Gut and You"
Gastro Lecture
1:00pm

- Acupuncture
- Alzheimer's Education
- Assisted Living
- "Cancer Risk Factors and Prevention"
- Caregiver Services
- Chiropractor
- Dentistry
- Dermatology
- Diabetes Awareness and Education
- Disability Education
- Elder Law
- Fall Prevention

- Fitness
- Health Agencies
- Health Care Facility
- Home Care
- Imaging
- Massage Therapy
- Mental Health Education
- OB/GYN
- Orthopedic
- Palliative Care
- Pharmacy
- Physical Therapy

- Podiatry
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- Senior Living
- Senior Services
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- Stop the Bleed
- Stroke Awareness
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- Vision Services
- Women's Health/Katz Center

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For more information: 631-351-3253

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Hands on Huntington NNORC

Hands on Huntington, a Neighborhood Naturally Occurring Retirement Community program, is a program provided at no cost to seniors age 60 years and older.

If you reside in their catchment area, including parts of Greenlawn, East Northport or Huntington, this program can assist you with at home access to a social worker for case management, a nurse for health assessments and educational programs. Services are geared to keeping seniors in their homes and community, living as independently as possible.



Beth, Joyce, Bunny

For information, please call: (631) 351-6610

<https://huntingtonny.gov/hands-on-huntington>

Director: Beth Del Giudice, LMSW

Social Worker: Joyce Little, LMSW

Nurse: Bunny Karalitzky, RN MS

ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

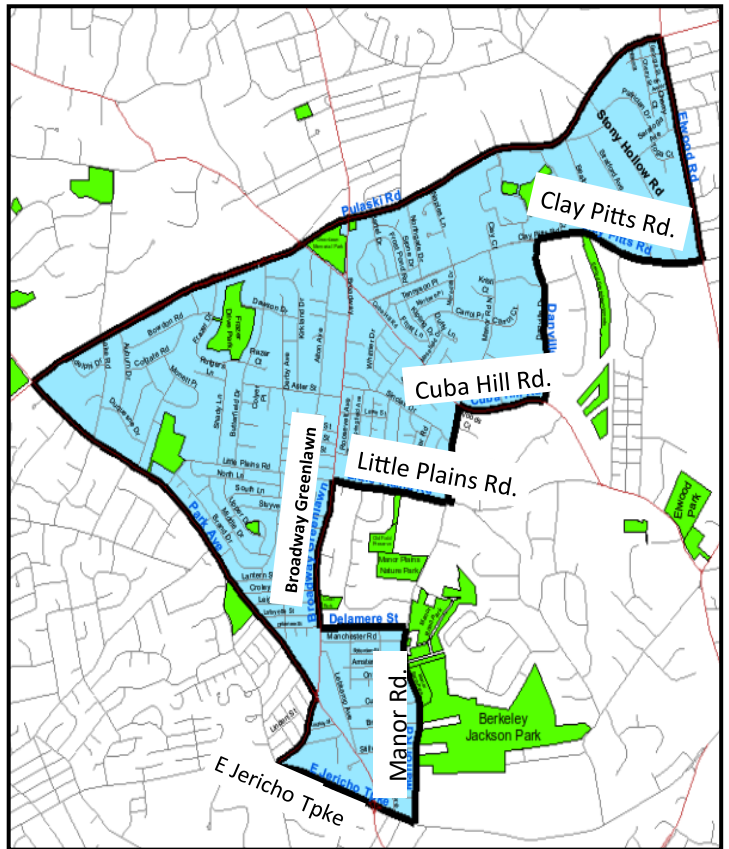
Paumanack Village I & II Community Center
650 Paumanack Village Dr., Greenlawn, NY 11740

Thursday, May 29, 2025
11:00 am

ADVISORY MEETING: Join us for a discussion about what you would like to see in your neighborhood for seniors and what Hands on Huntington is currently offering. A Health Chat with Bunny Karalitzky, RN, MS will follow the discussion. Meet your neighbors and get involved.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

For additional information on these great events please contact HOH at (631) 351-6610



You are eligible to participate in this program if you live anywhere in the area shaded in blue.

This project is grant funded by the New York State Office of the Aging (NYSOFA) and supported by the Suffolk Y Jewish Community Center and the Town of Huntington.



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Free Rail Road Station Parking for Town of Huntington Seniors at designated locations



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- ⇒ Current Town of Huntington (TOH) Senior Membership card (pink) must be displayed face down on the car dashboard.
- ⇒ TOH Senior Membership cards available:
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Our wonderful neighbor, Cinema Arts Centre has graciously extended an invitation to Seniors with a Town of Huntington **Pink Senior ID card** to attend *any matinée first showing* movie, Monday through Friday for a special fee of \$5.00. Most movies will be shown with open captions.

Thank you Cinema Arts for supporting our seniors!

Huntington Residents: Do you need a Helping Hand?

Local youth, ages 14-18, are available for:

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Project Excel (631) 271-5499

* Homeowner is responsible to pay youth for services rendered. *



Project Excel is a part of the Huntington Youth Bureau Youth Development Research Institute, which is a 501 c (3), Not for Profit organization funded through the Town of Huntington, New York State Office of Children and Family Services, The Suffolk County Youth Bureau, The Townwide Fund, BAE Systems, various fundraisers and private donations.

Easy Steps to Prevent Food Waste

Everyone is shopping smarter these days. It is important for the environment to keep food waste out of landfills where it produces methane, a powerful greenhouse gas.

Use these tips to save on groceries and help the environment.

1. Plan ahead



Before you go to the grocery store or order online, make a list so you don't buy more than you need.

2. Serve smart



Portion control is good for your waistline, and good for reducing plate waste.

3. Love your leftovers



Pack leftovers in small portions in shallow containers, mark the contents and date, refrigerate and use within 3 to 4 days or freeze immediately.

4. Compost, don't trash



Food scraps can be recycled into compost, an organic material that can be added to soil to help plants grow. Set up a home compost bin or drop your food waste at a local compost center.

Learn more about food loss and waste prevention at www.usda.gov/foodlossandwaste.

FDA FACT SHEET

WHAT YOU CAN DO

Tips to Reduce Food Waste

We can all play a part in reaching the national food waste reduction goal – to reduce food waste by 50% by the year 2030. Start using these tips today to reduce food waste, save money, and protect the environment.

At the grocery store or when eating out

- Preplan and write your shopping list before going to the grocery store. As you write your list, think about what meals you will be preparing the following week, and check your fridge to see what items you already have.
- When at the store, buy only what you need and stick to your shopping list. Be careful when buying in bulk, especially with items that have a limited shelf life.
- If available, purchase “ugly” fruits or vegetables that often get left behind at the grocery store but are safe to eat. “Ugly” produce has physical imperfections but are not damaged or rotten. “Ugly” fruits and vegetables are safe and nutritious and can sometimes be found at discounted prices.
- When eating out, ask for smaller portions to prevent plate waste and keep you from overeating. You can also request a take-away box to take leftovers home instead of leaving food on your plate.



In the kitchen – storage and prep

- Check the temperature setting of your fridge. Keep the temperature at 40° F or below to keep foods safe. The temperature of your freezer should be 0° F.
- Use the FoodKeeper App (<https://www.foodsafety.gov/keep/foodkeeperapp/>) for information on how to safely store different foods to maintain freshness and quality.
- Refrigerate peeled or cut veggies for freshness and to keep them from going bad.
- Use your freezer! Freezing is a great way to store most foods to keep them from going bad until you are ready to eat them. Check the FoodKeeper App (<https://www.foodsafety.gov/keep/foodkeeperapp/>) for information on how long different items can be stored in the freezer.
- Create a designated space in your fridge for foods that you think will be going bad within a few days.
- Check your fridge often to keep track of what you have and what needs to be used. Eat or freeze items before you need to throw them away.
- If you have more food on hand than you can use or you need, consider donating your extra supply of packaged foods to a local food pantry or a food drive.
- Learn about food product dating – Many consumers misunderstand the purpose and meaning of the date labels that often appear on packaged foods. Confusion over date labeling accounts for an estimated 20 percent of consumer food waste.
 - Except for infant formula, manufacturers are not required by Federal law or regulation to place quality-based date labels on packaged food.

- There are no uniform or universally accepted descriptions used on food labels for open dating (calendar dates) in the United States. As a result, there are a wide variety of phrases used for product dating.
- FDA supports efforts by the food industry to make “**Best if Used By**” the standard phrase to indicate the date when a product will be at its best flavor and quality. Consumers should examine foods for signs of spoilage that are past their “Best if used by” date. If the products have changed noticeably in color, consistency or texture, consumers may want to avoid eating them. If you have questions or concerns about the quality, safety and labeling of the packaged foods you buy, you are encouraged to reach out to the company that produced the product. Many packaged foods provide the company’s contact information on the package.
- Manufacturers apply date labels at their own discretion and for a variety of reasons. The most common is to inform consumers and retailers of the date to which they can expect the food to retain its desired quality and flavor.
- Industry is moving toward more uniform practices for date labeling of packaged foods. But, for now, consumers may see different phrases used for product dating, such as Sell By, Best By, Expires on, etc.

At home – cooking, serving, and enjoying food with family and friends

- Use “ugly” fruits or vegetables to whip up healthy smoothies and soups for your friends or family. No one will notice the difference!
- Be creative and have fun! Create new dishes and snacks with leftovers or items you think will go bad if not eaten soon. Have a cook off to find out who can come up with the best dish.
- Follow the 2-Hour Rule. For safety reasons, don’t leave perishables out at room temperature for more than two hours, unless you’re keeping it hot or cold. If the temperature is above 90° F, food shouldn’t be left out for more than one hour. Also, remember to refrigerate leftovers within two hours.
- Use serving size information on the Nutrition Facts label to help you portion meals or snacks. You can always add more to your plate after finishing off the first helping.
- Prepared too much food for a party at your home? Pack extras in containers for guests to take home or take some over to a neighbor as a nice gesture.
- Have a friendly competition with your friends or family members to see who can go the longest without any food waste.



For more information:

- [Food Waste Food Facts](#)

The FDA, an agency within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, protects the public health by assuring the safety, effectiveness, and security of human and veterinary drugs, vaccines and other biological products for human use, and medical devices. The agency also is responsible for the safety and security of our nation’s food supply, cosmetics, dietary supplements, and products that give off electronic radiation, and for regulating tobacco products.

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U.S. Food and Drug Administration
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www.fda.gov



Your Prescription Medicine: Tips for Safe Storage and Disposal

Where do you keep your prescription medicine?

How and where you keep your medication can make a big difference when it comes to medication safety. Every year, two million people end up in the hospital due to drug-related injuries. This might include medication errors, adverse drug reactions, allergic reactions, or overdoses.¹

Safe and secure storage of your prescription medicine can help avoid accidental injuries.

How can I store my prescription medicine safely?

- **First, get organized.** Check to see if any of your prescription medicines are expired, since taking expired medication may no longer be safe or effective. Make sure your prescription medicine is stored in the original packaging, with the safety lock tightened and secured.
- **Second, secure your medicine.** Safe storage of these controlled medications is especially important, as they can be dangerous if taken when not prescribed.

How can I dispose of my prescription medicine safely?

You should dispose of any unused or expired prescription medicine as soon as possible. Timely disposal of prescription medicine can reduce the risk of others taking the medication accidentally or misusing the medication intentionally.

The best and most environmentally-friendly way to dispose of your prescription medicine is through a drug take-back program. The U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) periodically provides drug disposal sites in communities across the nation. The DEA also has permanent drug disposal sites in certain pharmacies or hospitals.

Get more information about drug disposal and a disposal site locator at takebackday.dea.gov.

What if there are no drug disposal sites in my area?

If there are no disposal sites in your area, there are ways to safely dispose of your medication at home.

- **First, read the packaging label on your medication.** Controlled substances and other medicines can be harmful if ingested by others, so the label might have special disposal instructions that you should follow.
- **If there are no special disposal instructions,** you can safely dispose of your medication in your household trash by following these four steps:
 - 1) Mix your medicine with an inedible substance like dirt, cat litter, or used coffee grounds.
 - 2) Put the mixture in a container, such as a sealed plastic bag.
 - 3) Throw the container in your household trash.
 - 4) Scratch out all the personal information on the prescription label of your empty medication bottle to make it unreadable. Then dispose or recycle the empty medication bottle.

1 See Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (ODPHP) Adverse Drug Events at <https://health.gov/hcq/ade.asp>

2 See Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Disposal of Unused Medications: What You Should Know at <https://www.fda.gov/Drugs/ResourcesForYou/Consumers/BuyingUsingMedicineSafely/EnsuringSafeUseofMedicine/SafeDisposalofMedicines/ucm186187.htm>

Spring Clean Your Way to a Safer Kitchen

When you're shaking off the winter with spring cleaning, it's a great time to target harmful bacteria that can lurk on kitchen surfaces and even in your refrigerator. *Salmonella*, *Staphylococcus*, *E. coli* and *Listeria* are just some of the bacteria that may be hanging out in your kitchen. While you can't see or smell BAC! (foodborne bacteria) they are everywhere, and they especially like moist environments. A clean and dry kitchen helps Fight BAC!® and protect you and your family from foodborne illness.

Clean vs. Sanitize: Know the Difference

It's important to know the difference between **cleaning** and **sanitizing**. They aren't the same thing. Both are important to help prevent the spread of harmful germs.

- **Cleaning** removes germs, dirt, and impurities from surfaces or objects. Cleaning works by using soap (or detergent) and water to physically remove germs from surfaces. This process does not necessarily kill germs, but by removing them, it lowers their numbers and the risk of spreading infection.
- **Sanitizing** lowers the number of germs on surfaces or objects. This process works by disinfecting surfaces or objects using a diluted liquid chlorine bleach solution (combine 1 tablespoon liquid chlorine bleach with 1 gallon of water in a clean bucket).

When To Clean & When to Sanitize

When You Should Clean

- To remove dried food and spills from countertops
- To remove food from a stove top
- Wipe down interior refrigerator surfaces with hot water and soap

When You Should Sanitize

- Someone sneezed all over your countertop
- Someone sick touched your refrigerator door handle or faucet
- Raw meat juice spilled on countertop, stove, sink, floor or in refrigerator
- Raw meat touched a countertop, stove top, sink, utensil or cutting board or shelf in your refrigerator

Some cleaning tips you should practice year-round to make your kitchen and your meals safer include:

- Your counters may look clean, but BAC! may be hiding all over your kitchen. Always clean surfaces thoroughly with hot water and soap. After thoroughly washing surfaces with hot water and soap, you can sanitize them with a diluted chlorine bleach solution or a disinfectant kitchen cleaner. Let the solution stand on the surface for several minutes, then rinse with cold water and air dry or pat dry with fresh paper towels. Bleach solutions can lose their effectiveness over time, so discard unused portions after one week.
- Kitchen towels and sponges provide a moist environment for bacteria to grow. Consider using paper towels to clean up kitchen surfaces. When done, throw away the towel. If you use cloth towels, wash them often in the hot cycle of your washing machine. If you use kitchen sponges, replace them frequently.
- Rid your fridge of spills, bacteria, mold and mildew. Clean your refrigerator weekly to kill germs that could contaminate foods. To tackle bacteria, mold and mildew, clean interior refrigerator surfaces with hot water and soap. Rinse with a damp cloth; dry with a clean cloth. Manufacturers recommend against using chlorine bleach, solvent cleaning solutions, or abrasives as they can damage seals, gaskets and linings.
- Food particles get trapped in the drain and disposal, creating the perfect environment for bacterial growth. Clean your kitchen sink, drain and disposal once or twice a week with warm water and soap. Disinfect your drain and disposal by pouring in a solution of 3/4 teaspoon chlorine bleach per quart of water.
- Microwaves often get overlooked in day-to-day cleaning, but you can get your microwave clean with just a few steps. Heat a microwave-safe bowl filled with water on high for approximately 4 minutes. Remove bowl and use hot water and dish soap to wipe down the microwave interior. Dry with a fresh paper towel.

If you have more questions or concerns about food safety, contact:

- The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Meat and Poultry Hotline at 1-888-MPHotline (1-888-674-6854). TTY 1-800-256-7072.
- The Fight BAC!® Web site at fightbac.org
- Gateway to Government Food Safety Information at www.foodsafety.gov

The Partnership for Food Safety Education is a non-profit organization and creator and steward of the Fight BAC!® consumer education program. The Partnership is dedicated to providing the public with science-based, actionable recommendations for the prevention of foodborne illness.

SPRING CLEANING FOR FOOD SAFETY

Spring is the time of year when most people start fresh – clearing out the old and bringing in the new. Make these guidelines a yearly ritual and get your season off to a good start with these helpful fridge and freezer tips for protecting your family.

Check & Chuck – Look at the labels of everything in the fridge and throw out any unlabeled items or those that have expired. To prevent unnecessary waste, keep a permanent marker by the fridge and label everything before storing it. Remember: Don't keep any leftovers longer than 5 days.

Wipe Out – Remove all food and drinks from your refrigerator while you clean and disinfect it. Using warm soapy water, clean the sides, doors, door seals, ceiling and back removing all grime (and traces of soap). Then, using a fresh cloth, wipe down all surfaces of the refrigerator with disinfectant.

The Door – The door is the warmest part of the fridge and not designed for easily perishable foods including eggs and milk. Make sure all non-condiment items are in the innermost part of the fridge.

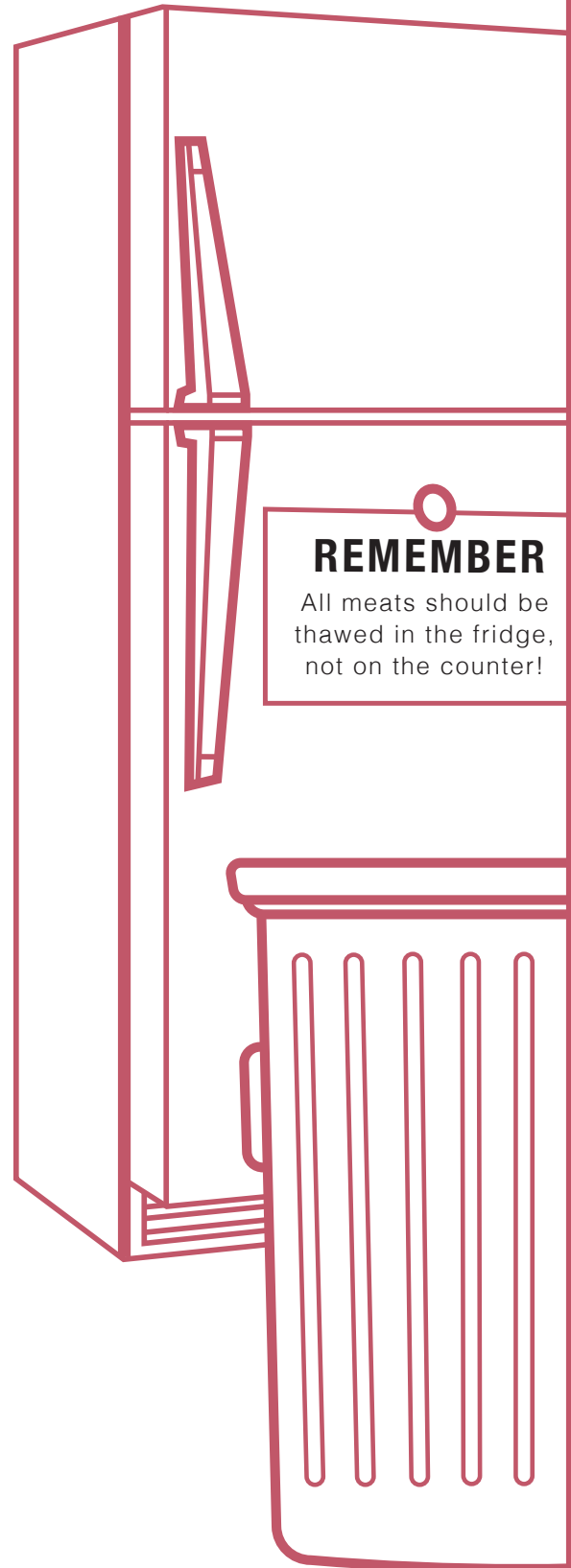
The Bottom Shelf – Move meats to the lowest shelf. This way, if they ever leak, the juices won't drip on other fresh items.

Cool It – Use a thermometer to make sure your fridge is at least 40°F and your freezer is at least 0°F. In warmer months, the internal temperature of your fridge may increase, so check it annually.

Be Energy Efficient – Food stays fresher longer when the fridge can breathe. Ensure all items in the fridge have adequate air flow around them. While it is convenient to bulk shop, packing your fridge to the gills means that some foods will become too cold, while others aren't kept cold enough. Incidentally, the freezer is most efficient when it is as full as possible.

Freezer Burn – While freezer burnt items may not be pretty, they're still safe to eat. To maintain food quality, remove as much air from the package as possible, and freeze quickly.

Keep Cool – Bananas, onions, whole tomatoes, avocados, potatoes, and coffee – ground or beans should be kept in a cool, dry place, but not in the fridge.



All unrefrigerated food items should be kept far from cleaning supplies.

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Community Market	108 Depot Road	Huntington Sta.	631-423-0648	10% Off Wednesday Only
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Country Bagels	361 Route 25A	Northport	631-261-7821	1/2 Off 6 Bagels/Limit 6
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Filletto's Pizza	297 Clay Pitts Road	East Northport	631-266-3700	5% In House Dining Only
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Jones Drug Store	100 Main Street	Northport	631-261-7070	10% Off (Limitations Apply)
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