

Walpole Seniors - 2009

Calling all seniors 50 and older – Come join our group of friends, acquaintances and neighbors for a friendly gathering every 3rd Monday of the month at the Congregational Church at noon. There is sure to be someone there that you know. If not, it is a great way to meet people, enjoy a potluck lunch and hear about local activities, as well as learn a variety of information from our interesting programs. After visiting three meetings, you become a member and earn your name badge. The dues are \$2.00 per meeting that you attend and we ask that you bring a potluck dish to share, be it a casserole, salad or dessert. The food is always delicious! We are looking to increase our membership and improve the attendance so we may continue to have a viable organization supported by the town. One aspect of being a member of the Seniors Club is your eligibility to receive reduced rates for trips planned for the group. When there is room for other Walpole Senior residents to participate, they are required to pay the full fare.

Presiding Officers, Board Members, and Committees for 2009 were as follows: President – Curt Congdon, Vice President – Marcia Galloway, Secretary – Phyllis Pickering, Treasurer – Marie Paoletta; Board of Directors: Curt Congdon, Ray Houghton, Carole Hill, Barbara Plumley, Stuart Bailey, David Maysilles, Marilyn Blake and Mary Vittum; Historian: Virginia Putnam; Auditors: Marilyn Blake and Virginia Putnam. Appointed to serve on the nominating committee for 2010: Gwen Yardley, Jan Martin, and Shirley Byczkowski.

The Walpole Seniors make annual contributions to Kurn Hattin Homes, The Walpole Christmas Fund and the First Congregational Church.

Memorial contributions were made this year in the name of Evelyn Piper and Frank Mack.

Interesting and informational programs included such topics as: the proposed Fall Mountain High School renovations, the art of spinning and it's history, local archeological research, Parks Place – an area family resource center, “The Way Things Were” in Walpole from our long time resident members, slides from a Baltic sea Cruise, “Going Green” and its effect on business at The Inn at Valley Farms, making and distributing hard cider with samples of the apples, as well as our annual summer picnic at Timber Pines in Drewsville. Rounding out our year, we enjoyed a Christmas dinner and festivities at the Steak Out restaurant in Brattleboro.

We look forward to 2010 being a prosperous and enjoyable year for our organization – Come join us to make it possible!

Respectfully submitted,

Phyllis Pickering, Secretary