

SENIOR NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2014
MUNICIPAL AGENT FOR THE ELDERLY/SENIOR SOCIAL SERVICES
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MONDAY – FRIDAY Hours: 9 AM to 2 PM
OUTREACH PAM HEALY 203 261-0289

Dear Friends,

It's going to be a busy fall everyone so get ready!!! Despite hearing that this winter is not supposed to be *that bad* I like to be prepared. This means changing the batteries in our smoke detectors (always a good idea in the fall when daylight savings occurs 11/2/14), reviewing your Medicare policy and Part D coverage during Open Enrollment (10/15/14 through 12/7/14), and coming to see me about Fuel Assistance. Also, I have a representative from Veteran's Financial coming to talk about the Aid & Attendance benefit which can help offset the cost of long-term care (come see if you qualify). There is a lot going on so sign up, call me or just stop by!

Alison

SAVE THESE DATES!!!

Wednesday 10/22/14 and Tuesday 10/28/14

Veteran's Benefits

On **Wednesday, October 22nd at 10 am** a representative from *Veteran's Financial* will be here giving a presentation on the Aid & Attendance Pension from the Department of Veteran's Affairs. This benefit, if you qualify, can help to defray the cost of care for you, or your spouse, from a home health agency, assisted or independent living community or a nursing home. Don't miss this opportunity to hear all about this benefit from the VA. Look for a postcard in the mail reminding you of this informative presentation. *Light refreshments will be served.*

MEDICARE & OPEN ENROLLMENT

On **October 28th** two CHOICES counselors will be here to help you with Medicare enrollment from 10am – 2pm spaces are filling up quickly so call (203-268-1137) to reserve your 30 minute slot!!!!

Open Enrollment for changing your Medicare health or prescription drug coverage is from **October 15th through December 7th, 2014**. Please start comparing your coverage with other options before October 15th. In most cases, this may be the one chance you have to make a change to your health and prescription drug coverage.

Fuel Assistance

Applications for Fuel Assistance will start on **October 1st**. Please call my office 203-268-1137 to make an appointment.

The Commission for the Aging will meet this month on Monday October 6th at 5 pm.

Please, call Pam Healy to arrange a visit. She is a caring listener, and has valuable information about the social services programs and resources available to you. As your **Easton Outreach Visitor**, Pam is available to you with just a phone call 203-261-0289.

