SENIOR NEWSLETTER MARCH 2016 MUNICIPAL AGENT FOR THE AGING/ SOCIAL SERVICES EASTON SENIOR CENTER ALISON WITHERBEE 203-268-1137 awitherbee@eastonct.gov

MONDAY - FRIDAY Hours: 9 AM to 2 PM OUTREACH PAM HEALY 203 261-0289

Dear Friends,

Hopefully, the luck of the Irish will remain with us through March as it has not been too terrible a winter snow and temperature wise! This also the month when Daylight Savings happens so the days will begin to be a little longer and that means that spring is around the corner. So stay warm these last few weeks of winter!!!

PHONE SCAMS CONTINUE TO BE A THREAT

Phone calls by criminals impersonating IRS agents continue to be a threat to taxpayers for the 2016 filing season. This is a reminder to everyone to guard against all sorts of con jobs and phone scams during tax filing time. Here are five things the scammer will do but the IRS will not do 1) Call to demand immediate payment for taxes 2) Demand that you pay taxes without giving you the opportunity to question or appeal the amount they say you owe 3)Require you to use a specific payment method for your taxes such as a prepaid debit card 4) Ask for credit or debit card numbers over the phone and 5) Threaten to bring in the police into the matter or threaten to have you arrested for not paying. Here's what you need to do: DON'T GIVE OUT ANY INFORMATION & HANG UP IMMEDIATELY and CALL THE EASTON POLICE 203-268-4111 or MYSELF TO REPORT IT!!!!

Fuel Assistance & Fuel Tips

PLEASE, do not let your oil tank get too low!!! If you can't check the level ask a family member or neighbor to check it for you! When a tank runs very low sediment builds and then when you fill it with lines can get clogged resulting in the furnace shutting down!!!! Be mindful of when you get deliveries and mark on your calendar to check the tank 2-3 weeks after a delivery so that you can monitor the level. Fuel Assistance applications can continue to be submitted and please call my office **203-268-1137** with any questions you may have or, to make an appointment to fill out an application.

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.

Happy St. Patrick's Day Happy Easter