

# May 2022 Newsletter



## May Program Calendar

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April showers bring May flowers! What a great time of the year to get out and try something new. Join us this month for one of our many creative and social opportunities!

### Memory Cafés

Registration is not required for Memory Cafés unless otherwise indicated. Please see the next pages for information about the date and location of each café.

### Special Events

FVMP hosts special events throughout the month. For more information please visit our website or call (920) 225-1711.



### May 2022 Memory Café Schedule

www.foxvalleymemoryproject.org

Memory Cafés welcome persons experiencing memory loss, along with family and friends who love and care for them. Attendees participate in activities, learning, music, conversation, refreshments, laughter, and fun.

#### **Appleton**

### River Tyme Bistro, 425 W. Water Street, Appleton – Thursday, May 5 – 1:30 – 3:00p

Happy Cinco De Mayo! Join us for a fun afternoon at our Mexican-themed café with music, games, & trivia. We'll have a fiesta, olé!

### River Tyme Bistro, 425 W. Water Street, Appleton – Thursday, May 19 – 1:30 – 3:00p

Flowers for Mother. We all have a mother. Tell us about yours. What's your favorite memory growing up? We will make paper flowers.

#### **Brillion**

### Brillion Public Library, 326 North Main Street, Brillion – Tuesday, May 3 – 1:30 – 2:30p

We will have a Cinco De Mayo Celebration! Join us at the library for a themed party with trivia about Cinco De Mayo.

### <u>Chilton</u>

### Ledge View Nature Center, W2348 Short Road, Chilton – Tuesday, May 10 – 1:30 – 2:30p

Join us for an afternoon of moving our bodies and learning new techniques with Tai Chi and yoga. What a great way to restart and refresh ourselves during this spring season!

#### Greenville

### Fox West YMCA, W6931 School Road, Greenville – Wednesday, May 4 – 1:30 – 3:00p

Stretch your limits. Learn about stretching exercises that be done seated or standing. Do you have a nagging muscle or stiffness? Perhaps the right stretch will do the trick. This class is for all levels of exercisers.

#### Kaukauna

### Kaukauna Public Library, 207 Thilmany Road, Suite 200, Kaukauna – Monday, May 9 – 1:30 – 3:00p

Susan McFadden will lead us in talking about loneliness and connection during the pandemic. We'll create a poem and maybe a song with ukulele accompaniment. We'll also use colors to express these feelings. Our creations will become part of a project at the University of Wisconsin Milwaukee called "Lonely No More."

#### Kimberly

### \*NEW Heart of the Valley YMCA, 225 W Kennedy Avenue, Kimberly - Thursday, May 12 - 1:30 - 3:00p

Join us for our inaugural Memory Café at the Y! It's the perfect time of the year to plant flowers, but first, we need a beautifully decorated flowerpot. We will spend the afternoon painting our own pots to take home to use for our spring planting.

### Kimberly Municipal Complex, 515 W Kimberly Avenue, Kimberly – Wednesday, May 25 – 1:30 – 3:00p

Let's make art! McKenzie Krohn, a Life Enrichment Specialist with an emphasis in Art Therapy, will be helping at our Memory Café today! Join us for an afternoon of creativity as we craft an item that you can take home and display during the spring months! Enjoy an afternoon of fun and laughter, while you work together to create a work of art.

#### Menasha

#### Menasha Public Library, 440 First Street, Menasha – Wednesday, May 18 – 1:30 – 3:00p

Join Menasha Mayor, Don Merkes, for his "Memories of Menasha" presentation and learn about the history, present, and future projects that are on the horizon for the city.

#### Neenah

### Neenah Public Library, 240 E Wisconsin Avenue, Neenah – Monday, May 16 – 1:30 – 3:00p

April Showers bring May Flowers. Today at our Memory Café, we will plant flowers in teacups and discuss the traditions and holidays associated with the month of May.

#### **New London**

### Mosquito Hill Nature Center, N3380 Rogers Road, New London - Wednesday, May 11 - 1:30 - 3:00p

Mother's Day just passed, and our animal kingdom has the same thing going on! Staff Naturalist Jessica Miller follows up her February "love" talk to bring news of baby animals. Join us as we explore our natural world and celebrate families and friends being together.

New London Senior Center, 600 W Washington Street, New London - Monday, May 23 - 1:30 - 3:00p

Today we will be talking about "Our flag, Our freedoms" and remembering our loved ones who served in the military. Also, Jim Yeager, the New London VFW Post Commander will stop by.

#### Oshkosh

### Oshkosh Public Library, 106 Washington Avenue, Oshkosh – Wednesday, May 11 – 1:30 – 3:00p

Flowers, Flowers! Join us as we take a virtual tour through the Paine Gardens. Taste edible flowers while creating a flower-themed craft.

### Oshkosh YMCA, 3303 W 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Oshkosh – Monday, May 23 – 1:30 – 3:00p

Say aloha to summer fun with a colorful luau party! Hawaiian shirts and grass skirts are welcome! There will be tropical snacks, island music, and lots of laughs. Exciting activities will include chair "beach volleyball" and "pass the coconut". We look forward to celebrating sweet summertime together!

### You're Invited



A free service of the Fox Valley Memory Project

# **Open House**

# Wednesday, May 4th 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Fox Valley Memory Project Office -Goodwill Community Campus 1800 Appleton Road, Menasha, WI 54952

Enjoy light refreshments as you meet our two new Resource Navigators. Bring your questions about the dementia journey and learn about working with a Resource Navigator one-on-one for FREE!



To register, call 920.225.1711 or visit our website for more information!

foxvalleymemoryproject.org/MemoryLink



PLEASE JOIN US FOR A

# SPRING CONCERT

For the Young and Young-at-Heart

Featuring the On a Positive Note
Chorus & Flute Students of Carol Smith

Sunday, May 22nd 1:00 PM

St. Margaret Mary Parish Hall 620 Division Street Neenah, Wisconsin



### **New Memory Café Location**

# In-person Memory Café



Join us for our inaugural café!

Thursday, May 12 1:30PM-3:00PM



Heart of the Valley YMCA

## Beaming, Inc. Event

# In-person Memory Café



Join us for a special Equine Experience!

Saturday, May 14 10:30AM



BEAMING Inc., Neenah

### 2692 County Road GG, Neenah, Wisconsin

Join this special equine experience that includes: grooming and bonding with an equine partner, observation/education on equine movement, reminiscing through music, making treats, and feeding the horses!



### **DEMENTIA FRIENDLY "TRIPS" ON SELECT FRIDAYS 1-2:30 PM**

EXPERIENCE WORLD TRAVELS WITH APPLETON PUBLIC LIBRARY AND FOX VALLEY MEMORY PROJECT

Enjoy worldwide travel right in our community using Appleton Public Library's materials and our imaginations. This dementia-friendly event will combine art, music, food, and more to immerse you in a new culture every month!



### **MEXICO - JUNE 17 & 24**

Using music makers & shakers we're exploring sounds and sights of Mexico! Taste the local flavors and travel to this culture-rich country.

### EGYPT - JULY 8 & 22

Explore one of the earliest documented civilizations, Egypt! Known for its deep history and large pyramid structures, Egypt is full of interesting artifacts and stories!

### ARIZONA - AUGUST 12 & 26

Arizona, a southwestern U.S. state, is best known for the Grand Canyon, the mile-deep chasm carved by the Colorado River. Learn about the various plants that make Arizona a unique place to live!



All events held at 1800 Appleton Road Menasha, WI and require advance registration.

Call 920-225-1711 or register at www.FoxValleyMemoryProject.org/TalesAndTravel



# NEW Mindworks Class Coming to Calumet County

Mindworks is a facilitated program designed for people with early symptoms of memory loss. The curriculum promotes overall health and wellness, brain health and social connections through classroom activities, community engagement, service projects, and physical activity.





Mondays & Wednesdays
11:00am - 2:00pm
Lunch will be provided
Cost is \$10 per session
Brillion Public Library
326 N. Main Street, Brillion

Mindworks provides respite care for caregivers while people with memory loss enjoy a fun, social afternoon! Caregivers can also attend TLC Caregiver Support Groups on-site during Mindworks twice a month.



To register, call **920.225.1711** or visit our website for more information! FoxValleyMemoryProject.org/Mindworks



### **Mindworks Class**

Mindworks is a facilitated program designed for people with early symptoms of dementia or memory loss. The curriculum provides opportunities for enhanced social connections, while promoting brain health and overall wellness. Mindworks also provides a respite opportunity for caregivers while their loved ones attend the program.

### Our Mindworks Program Includes:

- Physical Movement
- Nutrition and Food-Focused Education
- Cognitive Fitness
- Creative and Expressive Activities
- Mindfulness and Relaxation Techniques
- Technology-Based Engagement
- Intergenerational Programs
- Service Projects
- Community Engagement and Outings



We ask that all Mindworks participants follow any COVID-19 policies set forth by FVMP, Goodwill, Fox Valley Technical College, and Oshkosh Public Library.

Classes are scheduled on the following days from 11:00AM - 2:00PM Mondays and Wednesdays at Brillion Public Library in Brillion Tuesdays and Thursdays at Goodwill Community Campus in Menasha Wednesdays at Fox Valley Technical College in Appleton Thursdays at Oshkosh Public Library in Oshkosh

Cost is \$10 per session and includes lunch

To learn more and sign up, email: info@foxvalleymemoryproject.org or call 920-225-1711.

## Caregiver Support Groups

# TLC CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

# Every 2nd & 4th Tuesday at 1:00 PM



TLC is a support group for caregivers and loved ones who care for a person with memory loss or dementia. Registration is required.

1800 Appleton Rd Menasha, WI



The TLC Caregiver Support Group will meet on Tuesday May 10th and May 24th.

Join us in a supportive and safe environment to share, interact, listen, and learn with other caregivers and care partners of those with a memory loss disability. This group is specific to dementia caregivers.

Registration is required. Email harper@foxvalleymemoryproject.org.

# MEN'S CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUPS

### **Cafe Nutrition**

1350 West American Drive, Neenah

Every 3rd Tuesday 10:30am



### **Care Patrol**

3701 E Evergreen Drive #275, Appleton

Every 3rd Thursday 10:00am

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE EMAIL INFO@FOXVALLEYMEMORYPROJECT.ORG

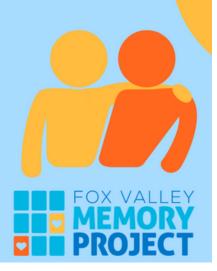
# **Caregiver Meet-Up**

Do you have a loved one in a senior care facility?

2nd Thursday of the month at 1 PM Neenah Public Library

You are a caregiver, even when your loved one lives in a care facility. Join us to talk to other caregivers who have a loved one living in a facility like assisted living, skilled nursing, or memory care.

Offered by Fox Valley Memory Project info@foxvalleymemoryproject.org 920-225-1711



Do you have a loved one living in a long-term care facility? We created a group to support caregivers who have transitioned their loved one to a healthcare community including places like skilled nursing, assisted living, memory care, or another facility.

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, May 12th at 1:00 PM

### **Memory Link**



A free service of the Fox Valley Memory Project

# Do you care for someone with memory loss?

Resource Navigators are here to help you navigate the dementia journey by...

- Listening to your story & hear your challenges
- Offering simple and practical solutions
- Suggesting services in your community
- Connecting regularly as needs change

Call today to enroll in this free program!

920-225-1711 FoxValleyMemoryProject.org





Our Memory Link
Navigator helped us get
through the toughest
times and sorted things
into manageable pieces
that we could handle

This project is supported, in part by grant number 90ADP10068, from the U.S. Administration for Community Living, DHHS, Washington, D.C. 20201.

## **Lunch Bunch Group**



# **Lunch Bunch**



# Leo's Diner - Greenville

May 20 @ 11:00AM

Pre-register online or call 920-225-1711 \$10 per person

Each month on the 3rd Friday at 11:00AM, participants, care partners, and friends meet together at a local restaurant to enjoy lunch together. This "Lunch Bunch" includes a meal and drink for just \$10 per person.

Join us on Friday, May 20th at Leo's Diner 1665 Greenville Drive, Greenville

Register online or by phone in advance to save your seat! To register please call 920-225-1711.

## **Caregiver Resources**

Did you know that Fox Valley Memory Project can help direct you to community resources that can help you? Examples could include helping you connect to respite care funding, providing you with information on managing behavioral symptoms of dementia, or sending you materials to read regarding the caregiver journey.

Whatever it may be, we are here to make sure that you are supported.

Call 920-225-1711 to speak about caregiver resources today!

### On a Positive Note Chorus

On a Positive Note will practice again every Tuesday at St. Margaret Mary in Neenah.

We start at 3:00 PM but recommend that people arrive at 2:45 PM to get there before the school lets out.

We encourage people to join us!



Want to join On a Positive Note? Call Susan at 920-739-8695.

## Aging & IDD Program



A partnership between:





# Aging and Intellectual & Developmental Disability Program

Helping people with IDD and their caregivers to navigate the dementia journey

### Program offerings will include:

- Specialized Memory Café starting April 2022
- Educational opportunities to help you manage behavioral symptoms of dementia in the context of an IDD diagnosis
- Training on the use of the Early Detection Screen for Dementia (EDSD) tool developed specifically for the IDD population
- More!

Call 920-225-1711 to learn more!

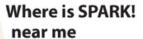
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### **Community Resources**

#### What is SPARK!

SPARK! is a cultural program for people with early to mid-stage memory loss and their care partners. Programs are designed to keep participants actively engaged in their communities by providing experiences that stimulate conversations, provide peer support and inspire creativity through engaging in museum experiences, workshops and programs.

- SPARK! programs are FREE for families to attend together.
- All SPARK! facilitators are trained by the Alzheimer's Association or the local Aging & Resource Disability Centers
- SPARK! programs typically last 60-90 minutes. Group sizes are limited, and so please pre-register for the programs you plan to attend.



Within Brown,
Outagamie, and
Winnebago
Counties, there are
five sites currently
offering programs.

Each venue's program is unique and includes topics such as cooking, art-making, drama/dance, music/song, poetry and storytelling. SPARK! programs are designed to be offered on various days and times to encourage attendance at multiple locations.



1410 Algoma Blvd Oshkosh, WI 54901 (920) 235-6903 thepaine.org

### **SPARK! Program Schedule**

1-2:30 pm, on last Wednesdays of the month Participants gather in the Studio, located in the lower level of the mansion, before enjoying activities related to art, gardens and current events or exhibitions happening at The Paine.

Please RSVP one week in advance, by calling 920-235-6903.



210 Museum Place Green Bay, WI 54303 (920) 448-4460 nevilllepublicmuseum.org

### SPARK! Program Schedule

10:00 am on third Tuesdays of the month SPARK! programs are designed to give participants an experience they wouldn't normally have at the museum. Every program is different.



100 W College Ave Appleton, WI 54911 (920) 734-3226 buildingforkids.org

### SPARK! Program Schedule

Currently on hold. Please check https://www.buildingforkids.org/spark/ for updates



111 W College Ave Appleton, WI 54911 (920) 733-4089 troutmuseum.org

### SPARK! Program Schedule

1– 2:30 pm, second Monday of the month Located in the heart of downtown Appleton, TMA's mission is to connect and empower people through creativity and the visual arts. Register at troutmuseum.org/education/ spark/, call (920) 733-4089, or email info@ troutmuseum.org.



165 N Park Ave Neenah, WI 54956 (920) 751-4658 bmmglass.com

#### **SPARK! Program Schedule**

10:30 am on second Tuesdays of the month

At a museum located on the shores of Lake Winnebago, sculpture created with the mysterious medium of glass will captivate your imagination and inspire your inner artist. Please RSVP by calling 920-751-4658.

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# **CAREGIVER CHATS**







The **CAREGIVER CHATS** series is designed to provide a place to openly share and discuss what's happening in your life as a caregiver.



To us, it's personal

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**OUTAGAMIE COUNTY** 

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Join us for insightful conversations around caregiving challenges, plus discover helpful resources and gain encouragement from professionals and your peers.

Striking a Balance Loss, Grief & Changing Relationships Increasing Social Connectedness Jan 26 Feb 23

Apr 27 May 25 Tech-ED for Adults & Phone Pals

Final-Journey Companions

RSVP at: https://bit.ly/3jakBi2 All chats are 4:00-5:00 p.m. Online only (via Zoom).

>> See reverse side for more event details.



### JANUARY 26 Striking a Balance

All chats are 4:00-5:00 p.m.

with Karen Dickrell. Extension Outagamie County

Discover how to find more balance in your life, with all the stresses and demands on you and your family.

### **FEBRUARY 23**

**Loss, Grief & Changing Relationships** 

with Susan Kazik. MSW. CAPSW Caregiver Coach. RCI REACH. Mosaic Family Health

Discussion will include changing roles as care needs increase, concepts of grief, secondary loss, as well as formal and informal support systems.

### MARCH 23

**Increasing Social Connectedness for Older Adults** 

with Jan Sommerfeld. RSVP Director. Volunteer Fox Cities

Learn more about TeleMatch, Cycling Without Age, and Retired & Senior Volunteer programs that include transportation, meals and housing.

### **APRIL 27**

**Advance Care Decisions** 

with Becky Deuel. Fox Valley Advance Care Planning Partnership

Hear updates on Durable power for health care. "It's always too soon until it's too late."

### **MAY 25**

**Tech-ED for Adults & Phone Pals** 

with Chelsea Vosters. Older Adult Program Coordinator

Learn more about Tech-ED for Adults & Phone Pals program, offered through the Volunteer Fox Cities program.

### **JUNE 22**

Final-Journey Companions

with Mellissa Hanson. Final Journey Death Doula

Get details on the Final Journey Death Doula programs as well as resources to help prepare for the end-of-life journey.

### JULY 27

Unicorns & Joy

with Karen Dickrell. Extension Outagamie County

What do unicorns have to do with joy? It's all in the way we look at our lives through a creative lens! Sometimes, all we see are difficulties, when there may be opportunities if we take a different perspective.

# **Memory Care Respite Partners**

# Respite for you and care for your loved one



4th Tuesday of each month
1:30 to 3:30 pm
Our Savior's Lutheran Church
1861 Wisconsin Street, Oshkosh

While you're away, we will provide:

- · Organized arts, crafts, and music
- Staffing by professional caregivers and volunteers
- · Snacks and refreshments
- This is a free community program!

Enjoy a few hours of personal time each month!

**Register toda**y! Call 920-727-5555 ext. 2217

**Collaborating Partners:** 

Winnebago County ADRC, Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Valley VNA Senior Care, Oshkosh Senior Center



Grocery shopping, food pantry and prescription pick-ups, and other personalized errands for Outagamie County residents, ages 60 years and older.

- One trip weekly per participant
- Up to two locations per trip (maximum of 2 hours, including travel)
- Outagamie County residents only

To schedule Shopping & Errand Service, call Home Instead® at 920.997.0118. Participant donations are welcomed but not required. A donation envelope will be provided with each visit. Participant donations are confidential and will ensure service continuation.

Shopping & Errand Service receives federal Older Americans Act funding from Outagamie County.

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Each Home Instead franchise office is independently owned and operated.

# **Have You Fallen** In Your Home?



# We can help keep you in your home

## Rebuilding Together Fox Valley can install:

- **Grab Bars**
- **Bathtub Transfer Benches**
- Anti-Slip Adhesives In Bathtubs
- **Toilet Seat Risers**
- **Night Lights**

# To Qualify:

- Must reside in the cities of Oshkosh, Neenah, Menasha, or Appleton
- Must own and live in the home (we cannot serve apartments, duplexes, or mobile homes)



This initiative is free to homeowners thanks to generous funding provided by the Oshkosh Area **Community Foundation and the Community** Foundation for the Fox Valley Region



**Get Help Now** 



# TECH-ED FOR ADULTS

Join Volunteer Fox Cities by participating in Tech-ED for older adults to answer your technology questions and learn tips and tricks of using your technology devices.

- Take advantage of a flexible, one-on-one appointment with one of our compassionate technology instructors!
- Couples or friends are welcome!
- Bring your own device(s) or try one of our iPads!
- Suggested session length is a minimum of 3 times and will last approximately 60 minutes. Sessions for couples may last up to 90 minutes.
- Learn how to resolve issues and/or concerns as well as how to use
   Zoom/Facetime, safety features, popular apps, and so much more!
- Funding provided by Older Americans Act from Outagamie County. Services provided on a donation basis.

### Express your interest or enroll by contacting:

Chelsea Vosters chelsea@volunteerfoxcities.org (920) 832-9360 Volunteer Fox Cities 2616 S. Oneida St Appleton, WI 54915