

VIC GEARY CENTER

The Vic Geary Center serves as a senior center for seven towns: Atkinson, Danville, Hampstead, Kingston, East Kingston, Newton, Newton Junction, Plaistow and Sandown. The following information will provide some insight into the diverse activities and services offered to the senior citizens of your community.

The Rockingham Nutrition & Meals on Wheels Program operates from the Center, at no cost to them, 5 days per week providing a hot noon meal in the dining room and Meals on Wheels to homebound clients in the nine towns. Frozen weekend and holiday meals are provided and meals comprised of shelf-stable items are provided for bad weather when delivery is impossible. Special meal celebrations for Mother's Day, Father's Day, Easter, Halloween, Thanksgiving Christmas, summer picnic, lobster specials and other holidays are well attended by approximately 120-150 persons from the 9 towns on each occasion.

Several area senior organizations regularly meet free of charge at the Vic Geary. A wide variety of day bus trips were offered and enjoyed by many area seniors this past year. Monthly teas, some sponsored by area Recreation Departments such as Atkinson, Danville, Plaistow and Sandown, including refreshments and raffles. Entertainers such as the Salem Senior Singers and Boot Scootin Boomers also entertain the seniors throughout the year. A van and driver provides daily transportation for those seniors wishing to attend clinics, meals and special events at the Center.

Throughout the year, monthly blood pressure and twice a month foot care clinics are held at the center by Rockingham Visiting Nurses. Other clinics such as hearing and sight, safe driver and

home safety are conducted regularly by area physicians and safety personnel. AARP tax preparation is offered on a yearly basis. Informative guest speakers on subjects of interest such as financial planning, prescription programs, diet and other topics are invited throughout the year. Fitness classes, bingo, card and board games, knitting group and arts and crafts are daily recreational activities offered at the Center. The WIC program now distributes surplus food monthly from the Vic Geary to income eligible area seniors and other area residents.

The building is rented to private individuals and groups. Several non-profit organizations hold their meetings at the Vic Geary, including the Knights of Pythians and the Plaistow Lions. Rental income is used for improvements to the building as well as contributing to the recent increases for fuel and electricity.

Wal-Mart, Home Depot, the Plaistow Lions and various caring individuals all deserve a big round of thanks for the support and donations of time and materials that they give to the Vic Geary Senior Center and its seniors.

Organization Purpose

The purpose of the Vic Geary Center is to provide a pleasant, comfortable, safe gathering place for all senior citizens to congregate, share a nutritious noon meal, participate in recreational and social activities, to provide necessary services such as blood pressure, foot & flu clinics, and distribute surplus food stuffs.

The Vic Geary Center is a non-profit organization, operating under the auspices of a Volunteer Board of Directors. Board Members include:

Jack McSheehy - President, Plaistow
Bob Choolijian - Vice President, Plaistow Lions
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The Vic Geary Board of Directors sincerely appreciates Newton's assistance to help us maintain this valuable senior resource enjoyed by many of our area seniors every day.
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Respectfully submitted,
Jack McSheehy, President
Vic Geary Board of Directors