

March 7, 2023

To: Jay Grande, Town Administrator

c.c Elena Defoe, Roy Cutrer, John Cahill, Abbe Burt

From: Joyce Stiles-Tucker, Director

Re: Monthly Report – March 2023

I am writing an update on what has been going on at the senior center. Our activities are ongoing . A support group for Stroke victim as started a couple of weeks ago. It is run by the Martha's Vineyard Center for Living, who also runs the Supportive Day Program. Leslie Clapp, Executive Director and Nancy Langerman are facilitating the group. There are 6 people in the group.

Stanley Access has been awarded the bid for installing the auto doors leading into the function room. They are the company that installed the doors leading into the reception area and year and a half ago. I was glad they got as they know us and we know them. Marie at DPW will keep me posted as to when they will start the project. We had gotten a grant from the Massachusetts Office on Disabilities to do the project. They gave us a grant to install the first set of doors.

A computer has been set up at our reception desk and waiting for it to be programmed so we can start to use it.

We will be delivering Easter dinners on April 9 Easter Sunday. We will be recruiting volunteers to deliver dinners.

We had 30 people who took advantage of tax preparation program through AARP. There are trained volunteers who do tax preparations for Older Adults.

We hopefully will also be starting the lunches again after not having them for past 3 years due to the pandemic. We are looking to start in April having lunch one day a week. If this goes well, we will look at having lunch 2, maybe 3 days a week.

We have upcoming programs which will be in the 55 plus newsletter. Will keep you updated.