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LA VOZ

A newsletter for Haverhill residents from 60-106

10 Welcome Street Haverhill, MA 01830

Monday—Friday 8am-4pm

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April 2025



"The earth laughs in flowers"

Welcome April! As April rolls in, it gives us new hope for longer days, blooming flowers and new opportunities to arise. I can't believe we are already this far in into this new year. Time rolls by so fast and we hope we can take the moment to enjoy the little things. Let's make April a month for planning, making progress and to fill it with joy.



We begin April with an Estate Planning presentation with Veronica Wythe. Come for lunch with Comcast's presentation on cybersecurity. Enjoy singer-guitarist Howie Newman performing songs from yesteryear. Followed by another presentation on vein disease. Alan Ames will be performing "Alan Ames Thinks he's Funny", to bring in some laughs. The Senior Medicare Patrol will inform you on how you can protect yourself from Medicare Fraud. We will end the month with an AARP presentation on Disrupting Aging. Don't forget our monthly movie day and Chit Chat group as well as Therapy Gardens. Look for all details inside as well as the information for our upcoming Spring Fling. Make sure you reserve your spots for events and help spread the word.

If you are interested to become a member please come in or give us a call. Look for important numbers inside.



**Center will be closed
April 21, 2025**

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI
<u>9am</u> - Knitting Group Rm45		<u>9am</u> - Chair Yoga <u>9am</u> - Comedy Masque	<u>9am</u> - TAI-CHI <u>9am</u> - Teddy Bear Workshop 	
<u>10AM</u> - LINE DANCING (Basement)	<u>9:30 AM</u> - ZUMBA <u>9:30AM</u> - MAHJONG	<u>10:00AM</u> - WORLD AFFAIR DISCUSSION	<u>9:30AM</u> - ZUMBA (Basement)	MORNING COFFEE DAILY 9-11AM 
<u>11AM</u> - 3B's (Rm 45)	<u>11:00 AM</u> - OPEN ART STUDIO <u>11:00 AM</u> - SENIOR FITNESS	<u>11:00AM</u> - SENIOR FITNESS (Basement)	<u>11AM</u> SENIOR BALANCE (Basement)	<u>11:30AM</u> - 3B'S (Rm 45)
<u>11AM</u> - SENIOR FITNESS (Basement)		<u>12:30PM</u> - BRIDGE (Rm 2)	MAXIMUM CLASS SIZE IS 20 PEOPLE	<u>12:30PM</u> - BRIDGE (Rm 2)
<u>12PM</u> - BINGO (Dining Hall)	<u>1PM</u> - YOGA (Rm 45)	<u>12:30PM</u> - 45'S TOURNAMENT <u>1PM</u> 3 B's		<u>12:30PM</u> - 45'S TOURNAMENT (Basement)

PLEASE PRE REGISTER FOR ACTIVITIES, SPACE IS LIMITED.

MAKE SURE TO USE YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD TO SCAN IN ON THE COMPUTER

POOL TABLE AND FITNESS ROOM ARE OPEN DAILY 8-3pm

FOR INFORMATION OR TO BECOME A MEMBER YOU

CAN CALL 978-374-2390 EXT 3916

COMMUNITY NIGHT MEALS

MONDAY NIGHTS



SERVING STARTS AT 4:30pm

OPEN UNTIL 5:30pm

OPEN TO ALL IN THE HAVERHILL
COMMUNITY

CONGREGATE LUNCHES

AgeSpan will be serving lunches in the
dining room

STARTING AT 10:30 to 11:00

\$2 suggested donation



BINGO

MONDAYS

Haverhill Citizen Center

Cards sold at 12pm

Game begins at 1pm



Must be a member with the COA

COMEDY MASQUE

WEDNESDAYS

The Council on Aging Comedy Masque is
looking for interested senior citizen
singers to join their group. The group
performs at local nursing homes
throughout the year.

Feel free to contact Dolores at

978-556-9391

Or Paula at

978-374-2390 ext 3916

H GOLD CARD

Haverhill residents who are 62 and older are
eligible for a free HPS "Gold Card", which is good
for admission to all regular season home athletic
events, musicals and other district events.

These cards can be picked up at the Council On
Aging located at the Haverhill Citizens Center
(10 Welcome Street). Proof of residence and age
is required to obtain a card. Residents will not be
permitted to show proof of age at the events.

BRIDGE

LOOKING FOR NEW PLAYERS

WEDNESDAYS & FRIDAYS

12:30-3:30pm

Rm 2



Health updates

WELLNESS CLINIC

WEDNESDAYS 9-11

WITH NURSE MARY CONNOLLY



FOOT CARE IS BACK!!

Certified Foot Care Specialist,
Marie Anderson, NP, will be available
the

3rd Friday of each month at 11am.

You must have an appointment to be
seen.

Appointments may be made by
calling nurse

Mary

at 978-374-2390 X 3915.

There is a \$45 fee for the service,
payable with cash or check. At your
first appointment a complete foot
evaluation will be done.

AT HOME HEARING HEALTHCARE



ALEX THOMAS

HEARING INSTRUMENT SPECIALIST

- COMPLEMENTARY HEARING SCREENING
- COMPLEMENTARY HEARING AID
CLEANING
- COMPLEMENTARY VIDEO EAR EXAM

2ND FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

REGISTER WITH MARY CONNOLLY AT

978-374-2390 EXT 3915

Next date: 4/11/25

VETERINARY CARE PROGRAM

AgeSpan is fortunate that, through the
generosity of Meals On Wheels America and
PetSmart, we can offer people 65 and over
help with these bills through our Veterinary
Care Program.

Who can apply?

People currently receiving AgeSpan
services , such as Meals on Wheels, home
care or those living in community housing.

People 65 and over, not using our services

People who reside in one of the 28 cities/
towns we service.

For more information you can contact
AgeSpan at **800-892-0890** if you receive
our services

If you are not receiving our services, you can
contact Sandy Jennings at

978-946-1222

Ruth's House Client Referral Program

Please call or drop by to make an appointment



We offer FREE Clothing to families and individuals 4 times a year.

Eligibility Requirements: Government Assistance such as: HIP, SNAP, WIC, SSI, SSDI, Medicare, Rental or Fuel Assistance.

Ruth's House 111 Lafayette Square Haverhill, MA 01832

Phone# 978-478-6644 email: referrals@ruthshouse.org www.ruthshouse.org

Come for Lunch Stay Connected

Comcast's Community Impact Team will share cybersecurity information, lunch, and help 15 registrants set up a new free computer.



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Join us to learn more

Date: April 10, 2025

Time: 11 AM to 1 PM

Location: Haverhill Council on Aging

10 Welcome Street, Haverhill, MA

Sign Up Today!

Contact Mary Connolly

Phone:
(978) 374-2390 X 3915

Email:
mconnolly@haverhillma.gov

Xfinity representatives will also be available onsite to help you sign up for Internet Essentials and NOW.

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MUSIC FOR SENIORS
Haverhill Citizens Center

10 Welcome St.
Haverhill
978-374-2390

Thursday, April 10, 11 a.m.

FREE CONCERT
All area seniors are welcome



Reservations required
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This performance is supported in part by a grant from the Haverhill Cultural Council, a local agency supported by the Mass. Cultural Council, a state agency.

HAVERHILL COA

ALAN AMES
THINKS HE'S FUNNY



WEDNESDAY APRIL 23, 2025
11AM
DINING HALL
CALL TO RESERVE 978-374-2390
ext 3916
10 WELCOME STREET

**ATTORNEY
VERONICA WYTHER**

Will present on avoiding probate,
differences between will and trusts, power
of attorney and healthcare proxies and
pitfalls of Medicaid on

Friday April 4, 2025

1pm

Rm 45

Please register at
978-374-2390 extension 3916



YOU ARE
INVITED

MEDICAL
EDUCATION

GET A LEG UP ON VEIN DISEASE

Presented by: Carly Goolbis, PA-C, Physician Assistant at Atlantic Vein Institute

When: Thursday, April 17th, 2025

Time: 11 AM (Refreshments will be served)

Where: Haverhill Citizen Center - RM 45

10 Welcome Street

Haverhill, MA 01830

Program Objectives:

- Educate the community on Vein Disease
- Identify if you have symptoms of possible Vein Disease
- Learn about the various treatment options

Target Audience: Men & Women of all ages



ATLANTIC VEIN INSTITUTE
7 GRAF ROAD, SUITE 1B
NEWMURPHYPORT, MA 01950
T: 978-462-8006

Medtronic

COFFEE HOUR



LET'S CATCH UP AND HAVE
A LITTLE CHIT CHAT!

Thursday April 17, 2025

9-10am
Dining Hall

Enjoy a warm cup of coffee
or tea while engaging in
casual chats with friends.
It's a chance to catch up,
simply unwind or make
new friends.



THURSDAY APRIL 24, 2025

11AM

RM 45

Protect Yourself from Medicare Fraud!

Did you know that over 60 billion of our taxpayer dollars are lost to Medicare fraud annually?

Join a representative of the Massachusetts Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Program and participate in a discussion on how Medicare beneficiaries are instrumental in preventing, detecting, and reporting Medicare Fraud.

We all can have an active role in protecting Medicare for ourselves and future generations.

This **free** informational workshop will provide you with the tools to become a more informed and engaged health care consumer, and more vigilant about protecting yourself from becoming a victim of deceptive marketing and medical identity theft. Additionally, this information session will provide you with other important information to assist you in navigating the increasingly complex healthcare delivery system.

If you cannot attend this workshop but have questions about your healthcare bills, Medicare Summary Notices, Explanation of Benefits, or other billing statements, please call the MA SMP Program office at 800-892-0890. If you would like to order a free MA SMP Personal Healthcare Journal, "My Health Care Tracker," to keep track of your healthcare encounters, call 800-892-0890 or click on [Request My Health Care Tracker](#).

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HAVERHILL COA

MOVIE DAY



WEDNESDAY APRIL 16, 2025

11AM RM 45

Briggs and his companion Lulu, a Belgian Malinois, travel down the Pacific Coast in time to catch their best friend's and handler's funeral. One of them has a week to live; the other lives like every day is his last.

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Disrupt Aging In Your Community



JOIN
STEVE KENNEY
MA AARP Speakers Bureau Volunteer
TUESDAY APRIL 29, 2025
11AM
RM 45

"Disrupt Aging is for anyone who insists on living a life of connection, engagement, expansion, and possibility—at any age."
-Jo Ann Jenkins, CEO of AARP






Haverhill Council on Aging Wins Again!!!

As participants in the Active Agers Program through Massachusetts Council on Aging 2 participants from our fitness programs have won a \$25.00 Visa card. Winners in the January submission are:

Susan Mood 3 B's Friday Session
 Dolores Bourque Comedy Masque review

Congratulations !! Please see Nurse Mary to receive your prize.


HAVERHILL COA

Spring Fling



Friday May 16, 2025

12-2pm

\$12

lunch and entertainment

Tickets will be available starting May 1st

Call Paula at 978-374-2390 ext 3916

Entertainer Dan Kirouac



This performance is supported in part by a grant from the Haverhill Cultural Council, a local agency supported by the Mass Council, a state agency

Let's welcome all new beginnings



FREE HEALTH AND WELLNESS SERIES

Delicious Diabetic Desserts

Presented by Therapy Gardens

Citizens Center, 10 Welcome Street, Room 45, Haverhill, MA.

Monday, April 14th at 1pm



Delicious Diabetic Desserts teaches how to bake using less sugar. Learn to create delectable desserts using natural sweeteners, whole grains, and nutrient-rich ingredients. Our expert instructors guide you through recipes for sugar-free chocolate cake, almond-flour cookies, and more. Walk away with new skills and a collection of recipes that prove you don't have to sacrifice taste for health. Ideal for diabetics, their loved ones, and anyone interested in mindful eating.

Light refreshments will be served

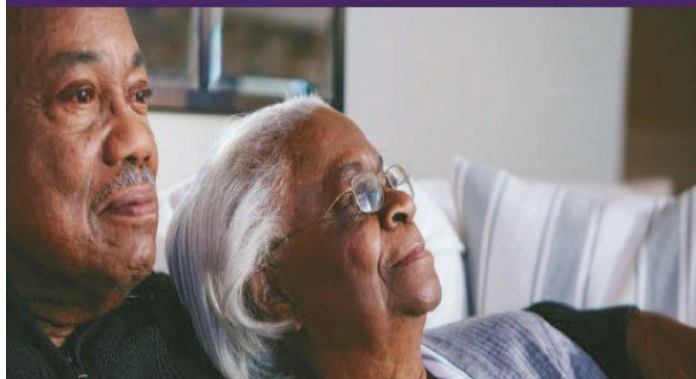
REGISTRATION PERIOD from April 7th through the 11th
Call Mary Ryan to register at (978) 374-2390 x 3900

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- » Alzheimer's disease stages and risk factors.
- » Tips for communicating with people living with dementia.
- » Alzheimer's Association resources.

Tuesday, May 6
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Haverhill Council on Aging
10 Welcome St
Haverhill, MA 01830

Lunch will be served. RSVP to
Mary Connolly at 978.374.2390

Visit alz.org/CRF to explore additional education programs online and in your area.



ALZHEIMER'S
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Massachusetts /
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Tax Season is Back!

Through AARP, we will have two days
with our experts for senior residents
of Haverhill and surrounding areas,
starting from February 13 until early
April.

For more information, please contact
Indhira by calling the Citizen Center
at 978-374-2390 extension
3919.



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Connect to Caring

Meet with a Customer
Advocate at Haverhill
Citizen Center



Our Customer Advocates will be available
to meet one-on-one on the 3rd Thursday
of the month to discuss options to manage
your energy bill and help you find assistance,
including:

- Discount Rate
- Payment Plans
- Budget Billing
- Arrears Management Program (AMP)

No appointment is needed, but please
bring the following when you visit:

If you receive SNAP, MassHealth, SSI or WIC,
please bring your benefit card and/or program
acceptance letter to enroll in our Discount
Rate Program.

If you are looking for assistance,
we're here to help.

For more information, please visit
ngrid.com/heretohelp

Life can be hard but finding
assistance shouldn't be.

Haverhill Citizen Center —
10 Welcome Street
Haverhill, MA 01830



the 3rd Thursday
of the month
10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

April Regular Menu 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 5oz Turkey A la King with mushrooms ½ cup Mashed Potatoes ½ cup Corn 1pc Biscuit ½ c Pineapple	2 1pc Grilled Chicken 2oz Citrus & Fennel Sauce ½ cup Parmesan Risotto ½ cup Broccoli Congregate: Cream of broccoli soup to replace broccoli 1pc Cookie 1pc Oat Bread	3 1pc Grilled Chicken 2oz Citrus & Fennel Sauce ½ cup Parmesan Risotto ½ cup Broccoli Congregate: Cream of broccoli soup to replace broccoli 1pc Cookie 1pc Oat Bread	4 1pc Grilled Chicken 2oz Citrus & Fennel Sauce ½ cup Parmesan Risotto ½ cup Broccoli Congregate: Cream of broccoli soup to replace broccoli 1pc Cookie 1pc Oat Bread	5 1pc Grilled Chicken 2oz Citrus & Fennel Sauce ½ cup Parmesan Risotto ½ cup Broccoli Congregate: Cream of broccoli soup to replace broccoli 1pc Cookie 1pc Oat Bread
7 1pc Grilled Chicken 2oz Citrus & Fennel Sauce ½ cup Parmesan Risotto ½ cup Broccoli Congregate: Cream of broccoli soup to replace broccoli 1pc Cookie 1pc Oat Bread	8 4oz Potato Crunch Fish ½ cup Corn ½ cup Brussels Sprouts 1pc Burger Bun ½ cup Canned Fruit 1pc tartar sauce No Margarine	9 No Meals AgeSpan Volunteer Appreciation	10 Special: 3oz Baked Ham 2oz Pineapple Glaze 4oz Potatoes Au Gratin or 4oz Cheesy Mashed Potatoes (cheddar) 4oz Apple Crisp 4oz Caesar Salad 1pc Caesar Dressing 1pc Croutons 1pc Onion Roll (Congregate) 1pc LS Wheat Bread (HDM)	11 1pc Grilled Chicken 2oz Citrus & Fennel Sauce ½ cup Parmesan Risotto ½ cup Broccoli Congregate: Cream of broccoli soup to replace broccoli 1pc Cookie 1pc Oat Bread
14 3 oz Sliced Turkey 2 oz gravy ½ cup Mashed potato ½ cup Carrots 1 pc LS Wheat Bread ½ cup applesauce	15 1pc Grilled Chicken 2oz Citrus & Fennel Sauce ½ cup Parmesan Risotto ½ cup Broccoli Congregate: Cream of broccoli soup to replace broccoli 1pc Cookie 1pc Oat Bread	16 Cold: 3oz Egg Salad ½ cup Quinoa Salad ½ cup Marinated Beets 1/2 cup Gelatin ½ pc Pita Bread No Margarine	17 3oz Stuffed Chicken (Broccoli & Cheese) 2oz Supreme Sauce 4oz Roasted Sweet Potatoes 4oz Berry Crisp 4oz Garden Salad 1pc Menu Magic Dressing 1pc Oat Bread	18 4oz Cod 2oz Mediterranean Sauce ½ cup Rice Pilaf ½ cup Creamed Spinach 1pc WW Dinner Roll 1pc Fresh Fruit
21 Holiday No Meals Served	22 6oz Broccoli Egg Bake ½ cup Roasted Potatoes ½ cup Carrots Congregate: Tomato soup to replace carrots 1pc Fruit Loaf 1pc Yogurt 1pc Juice (no milk) 1pc Ketchup	23 1pc Hot dog (LS Beef/pork) ½ cup baked beans ½ warm Cinnamon Apples ½ cup Latin Slav 1pc Hot dog roll 1pc Mustard 1pc Relish No Margarine	24 Birthday 1pc Meatloaf (1.5oz beef & 1.5oz turkey) 2 oz Gravy ½ cup Mashed Potatoes ½ cup Garlic Green Beans 1pc MG Bread 1pc Birthday Cake	25 1pc Grilled Chicken 2oz Citrus & Fennel Sauce ½ cup Parmesan Risotto ½ cup Broccoli Congregate: Cream of broccoli soup to replace broccoli 1pc Cookie 1pc Oat Bread
28 1pc Grilled Chicken 2oz Citrus & Fennel Sauce ½ cup Parmesan Risotto ½ cup Broccoli Congregate: Cream of broccoli soup to replace broccoli 1pc Cookie 1pc Oat Bread	29 3oz Grilled Chicken 2oz Balsamic Sauce ½ cup Mashed Butternut ½ cup Sautéed Garlic Kale 1pc WW Dinner Roll ½ cup canned fruit	30 Cold: 2 oz Turkey 1 oz Swiss Cheese ½ cup Spinach Salad ½ cup Three Bean Salad Congregate: Minestrone soup to replace three bean salad 2 slices LS WW Bread 1 pkt mustard 1pc Salad Dressing 1pc Fresh Fruit NO Margarine		

RESOURCES



Adults, at least 60 years of age or qualified adults with disability who are determined to be “Homebound” are eligible for home delivered meals at no cost. Call Elder Services of the Merrimack Valley at 1800-892-0890

COULD YOU USE EXTRA MONEY FOR FOOD?

SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)

For info: Christa Mayfield 617-598-5022/ snap@gbfb.org

Contact Mercedes Reynoso for assistance with filling out SNAP application. 978-374-2390 X3930

AgeSpan & Greater Boston Food Bank has established the Elder Mobile Market program. Eligible Haverhill elders can pick up a free bag of groceries on the 1st Tuesday of every month (depending on your address) You must fill out application. Must be 60 or older and low income.

Info: Ruth Ortiz 978-946-1279/ Rortiz@AgeSpan.org

Applications from Maria or Paola at HAV COA

PROJECT BREAD’S FOODSOURCE HOTLINE(1800)-645-8333) is able to provide SNAP application assistance over the phone and help identify all of the allowable expenses such as housing and medical costs to ensure you receive full amount of benefits that you are entitled to. **Hotline is open Monday through Friday from 8am to 7pm and Saturdays 10am-2pm.** They can assist in 180 languages. TTY line also available at 1800-377-1292. Or through Live Chat on www.gettingsnap.org

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

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AGESPAN

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COMMUNITY ACTION

978-373-1971

SOCIAL SECURITY

866-964-4324



Are You Eligible for a Medicare Change?

SHINE (Serving Health Insurance Needs of Everyone...on or eligible for Medicare) can help!

You may have a Special Enrollment Period (SEP) to make changes to your Medicare plan for a limited time. Most SEPs are limited to specific situations. If you are currently enrolled in a Medicare Advantage Plan (HMO, HMO-POS, PPO) you can change to Original Medicare with a Medigap and a Drug Plan or change to a different Medicare Advantage Plan through the end of March. Also, if your 2024 plan is no longer available in 2025, or if you are eligible for a Medicare Savings Program, you may have a SEP to make a change. Timelines vary for these SEPs so be sure to reach out to SHINE to learn of your options. A SHINE counselor will review your coverage and will help determine if you are qualified to make a change at this time of year.

Certified SHINE counselors offer free, unbiased, confidential counseling on all aspects of health insurance to anyone on or eligible for Medicare. SHINE counselors will also assist to help you understand Medicare and your options.

**To schedule a SHINE appointment, call
Indhira 978-374-2390 ext 3919**

Sección de Español

CLASES DE CIUDADANIA PARA SENIORS

DISPONIBLE EN INGLES LUNES 9-10:30 AM

DISPONIBLE EN ESPANOL VIERNES 9-10:30 AM



CLASES DE INGLES PARA SENIORS

DISPONIBLES JUEVES DE 9-10AM

CONTACTAR A MARIA YAGUAL AL 978-374-2390 EXTENSION 3912 PARA MAS INFORMACION

NOTICIAS PARA LA COMUNIDAD LATINA

¿Necesita ayuda con sus cuentas de calefacción?

Llame a Community Action Inc. 978-373-1971/ 978-374-7660

Cupones de Alimentos (SNAP): Si necesita ayuda para aplicar para el programa de SNAP, haga cita con nuestra trabajadora social

Mercedes Reynoso o llame al 978-374-2390 X3930 para una cita

AgeSpan y Greater Boston Food Bank a establecido el programa del **Mercado Movil**. Si tiene bajos ingresos, tiene 60 años o más y vive en Haverhill puede ser elegible a recibir una funda de alimentos gratis el primer martes del mes (dependiendo donde vive). Para información contacte a Ruth Ortiz 978-946-1279/ Rortiz@AgeSpan.org

Pida aplicación a Maria o Paola aquí en el centro.

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Conéctate con la asistencia

Reúnete con un defensor del cliente en el **Centro de Atención Ciudadana de Haverhill**

Nuestros defensores del cliente estarán disponibles para reunirse personalmente el **tercer Jueves del mes** con el fin de analizar las opciones para gestionar tu factura de energía y ayudarte a encontrar asistencia; entre estas opciones se incluyen:

- Tarifa con descuento
- Planes de pago
- Facturación de presupuesto
- Programa de gestión de atrasos (AMP)

No necesitas cita, pero trae lo siguiente cuando nos visites:

Si recibes SNAP, MassHealth, SSI o WIC, trae tu tarjeta de beneficios o carta de aceptación del programa para inscribirte en nuestro Programa de Tarifas con Descuento.

Si buscas asistencia, estamos aquí para ayudarte.

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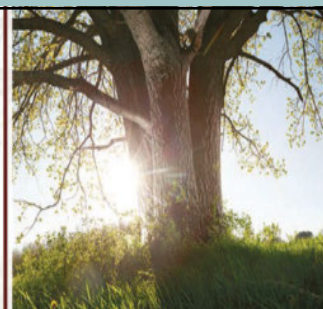
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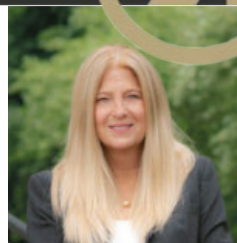
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