 A message from the director, on page 15, regarding Red Wing Area Seniors current status.




Annadee's Closet
RED WING AREA SENIORS

Is still open for business!

Flag Dedication Ceremony
Friday, May 22 at 6 p.m.
Bay Point Park, Red Wing
The flags will be displayed May 22-26 rain or shine, 24 hours a day.

Dedication forms are available at and can be dropped off at Merchants Bank in Red Wing and Annadee's Closet or mailed to Pier 55!

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We are still accepting Family Fare receipts. Please mail them in or drop them off at Annadee's Closet (clear box at the front counter).

When we collect a bundle totaling \$150,000 in receipt we receive a \$1,000 check from Family Fare!





**SORRY, WE'RE
CLOSED**

Pier 55/Red Wing Area Seniors is temporarily closed, until further notice, due to the COVID 19 (corona virus). When it is safe to open we will announce it via local radio, Red Wing Area Chamber Brief, Red Wing Area Seniors Facebook page, and the local newspaper (and of course word of mouth).

At this time, all Pier 55/Red Wing Area Senior programming that was scheduled during the month of April has been cancelled.



CANCELLED

For up-to-to date accurate statewide information go to <https://cdc.gov>

SERVICES YOU CAN ACCESS

Notary Public - Shirley Perkins

Shirley can notarize your important papers including wills and health care directives. Donations for this complimentary service are gratefully accepted for members. There is a \$25 fee for non members. Call Shirley to schedule an appointment. 651-327-2255

Advocacy Services

Nicole Pelzi, licensed Social Worker and Advocate for Older adults and Caregivers with Three Rivers Community Action, can assist those 60 and older and their families with information, referrals, and resources to keep independent. Have a question? Call Nicole at 507-322-4262.

Medical Equipment Lending Program

Pier 55 is proud to offer this service to anyone in the community in need of medical equipment such as walkers, shower chairs, canes, wheel chairs. Equipment is lent at no charge, with an option for you to donate. Call for an appointment. 651-327-2255

State Service for the Blind (SSB)

Charlene Guggisberg
SSU Training Coordinator 651-539-2370

Toenail Troubles?

Home foot care
Julie Tollison, RNC, C
651-380-1069, julietollison@gmail.com

Senior Home Repairs

If you or a senior you know needs assistance with small repairs in the home, call Red Wing Area Seniors. Our volunteers may be able to assist at no labor charge. Talk with Program Coordinator Stef Braun, 651-327-2255.

Transportation

Safe and affordable rides
harT- Miles and Miles of Positive Impact
1-866-623-7505
hart@threeriverscap.org

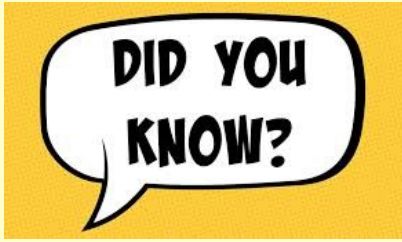
Memory Bears

You can still order memory bears. Call 651-327-2255 to leave a message and someone will get back to you.



Stay tuned.... Pier 55 will be starting a, "Walk With Ease" self-directed program. This is an independent walking program, there are no group sessions. This program is made possible by a grant from the MN Department of Health.

For those of you who are not on Facebook or other forms of social media and may not be aware, the Red



Wing and surrounding communities restaurants and other businesses are still open and offering take out/curbside and/or delivery in many cases. In addition, Family Fare and other stores are allowing seniors and vulnerable individuals to shop the first hour of the day as a courtesy. Call local businesses directly to find out what services are available to assist you.

For more resources call the Senior Linkage Line– 1-800-333-2433

THINGS THAT YOU CAN DO TO PASS THE TIME

- ◆ Play with your pet
- ◆ Call a neighbor/friend
- ◆ Go for a walk
- ◆ Read a book
- ◆ Do a puzzle
- ◆ Try a new recipe
- ◆ Write a letter
- ◆ Start up a new hobby
- ◆ Color
- ◆ Brain games like sudoku
- ◆ Listen to music, play music
- ◆ Take a bath



ANNADEE'S CLOSET VOLUNTEERS ARE ALWAYS NEEDED

Volunteer Positions Include:

- Sorters
- Pricers
- Greeters
- Cashiers

If you are interested contact Jolene King, Store Manager at 388-7031 or stop in the store during business hours (see calendar below).

Also, you can find our volunteer application on-line at www.redwingareaseniors.org or see page 12 of this newsletter for a volunteer application to submit.



All of this free time got you cleaning your house? Hop on in to Annadee's Closet to donate!




To ensure everyone's safety, we now have

a **NO CONTACT DONATION DOOR.** To donate drive up to the donation area and place your items on one of the tables inside. You will not be approach by any staff members. If other donors are in the area please remember to keep a 6ft social distancing.

Until further notice, in keeping with our **NO CONTACT DONATION DOOR** there will be no receipts given out and staff will not be available to assist you.



Annadee's April 2020 Sales Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 Annadee's Closet RED WING AREA SENIORS Annadee's Closet 321 Potter St, Red Wing 651-388-7031 Tuesday 10-5 Wednesday 10-5 Thursday 10-5 Friday 10-5 Saturday 10-2 <u>Donation Hours:</u> Tuesday 10-4:30pm Wednesday 10-4:30pm Thursday 10-4:30pm Friday 10-4:30pm			1 APRIL FOOL'S DAY Draw for Extra Savings	2 Women's Dress Jackets 50% OFF	3 STUDENTS 50% OFF WITH I.D.	4
		7 Kid's Day Clothing & Toys 50% OFF	8 BOOKS 5 for \$1.50	9 LINEN 25% OFF	10 Good Friday CLOSED	11
		14 Women's Summer Hats & Scarves 50% OFF	15 Glass Vases BOBO	16 Dresses & Skirts 50% OFF	17 Wicker Baskets 50% OFF	18
		21 Pillows BOGO	22 Women's Jeans BOGO	23 LINEN 50% OFF	24 PIER 55 MEMBERS 50% OFF	25
		28 BOOKS 5 for \$1.50	29 Picture Frames BOGO	30 Curtains & Sheers 20% OFF		

DO YOU PROVIDE CARE FOR A LOVED ONE?

Call now to sign-up for a **FREE** POWERFUL TOOLS FOR CAREGIVERS workshop. Participants learn practical skills proven to reduce stress, communicate more effectively, improve self-care, make effective decisions and access community resources for caregivers. This FREE workshop sponsored by Active Aging Programs with Catholic Charities of Southern MN and will meet six Thursdays, from 9-10:30 AM beginning May 14th at Pier 55, 240 Harrison Street, Red Wing. Classes are open to the public.

For more information or to register, contact Sue Degallier, Active Aging Program Administrator at 507.450.0287 or sdegallier@ccsommn.org. Class size is limited, so REGISTER TODAY!

Register online at www.ccsommn.org

PRESENTATION on the history of the City of Red Wing's efforts to help our environment by Jay McCleary

**Monday, May
18th
11am to Noon**



Retired from the City of Red Wing after more than 33 years of service to the community. Responsibilities included being the City's purchasing agent, contract administration, and budget oversight for the Public Works Department.
No cost, no registration, open to the community!



Name: _____ Phone: _____ Age: _____

You must be 48 years of age or older to win a prize. THREE grand prizes (each \$50 value) will be awarded. (Any age may enter) Entries are due by **4 p.m. Thursday, May 14.** Pictures will be assigned a number for anonymous voting. Entries will be hung at Pier 55 where voting will take place until May 28th.

Drop off or mail to Pier 55, 240 Harrison St., Suite 2, Red Wing, MN 55066.

(For office use only: Entry # _____)

The annual spring coloring contest will NOT be cancelled!! Submit entries by mail.

SUGAR LOAF CASINO TRIPS**DIAMOND JO - NORTHWOOD, IA**

Wednesday, May 6th
 \$25 per person
 Includes Transportation \$20 Free Play
 Leave Red Wing 7:30 am
 Final Registration Due by April 22nd

JACKPOT JUNCTION – MORTON, MN

Tuesday, May 19th & Wednesday, May 20th
 \$80 Double Occupancy, \$95 Single
 Includes Transportation, Room, and \$50 Free Play
 Leave Red Wing 7:30 am
 Final Registration Due by May 4th

WINNAVEGAS CASINO - SLOAN, IA

Wednesday – Friday, June 10th, 11th & 12th
 \$125 per person Double Occupancy
 \$140 Single Room
 Includes Transportation, Room, \$25 Free Play per day
 Two \$5.00 food vouchers each day
 Leave Red Wing 7:30 am
 Final Registration Due by May 26th

**DIAMOND JO - NORTHWOOD, IA**

Wednesday, July 1st
 \$25 per person
 Includes Transportation \$20 Free Play
 Leave Red Wing 7:30 am
 Final Registration Due by June 22nd

DIAMOND JO - NORTHWOOD, IA

Wednesday, August 5th
 \$25 per person
 Includes Transportation \$20 Free Play
 Leave Red Wing 7:30 am
 Final Registration Due by July 27th

At this point, we are still accepting registrations for ALL trips that are scheduled for May or a later date. You can register by calling and leaving a message or via the mail. 651-327-2255. If by chance these trips need to be postponed or cancelled you will be notified ASAP.

TRAVEL SHOW

Thursday, May 7th 9:30am to 10:30am

NIAGARA FALLS AND HERITAGE HIGHLIGHTS
 TRIP IN OCTOBER 2020

WILLKOMMEN

Iowa Overnight
 July 13th-July 14th, 2020

Depart: 6:00am Monday, July 13th Return: 5:00pm
 Tuesday, July 14th

Your Itinerary:

Members Single \$336 Double \$256

NON Members Single \$378 Double \$298

Trip Includes: All attraction entrance tickets, Hilton Hotel stay & all meals, *EXCEPT* for two rest stop stops; one stop on the way down & one on the way back. **Questions? Contact your guide, Rose Propst @ 651.301.0700 prp22134@yahoo.com.**

Field of Dreams and Ertl National Farm Toy Museum
 in Dyersville, IA

Soup & Salad buffet
 lunch

Herbert Hoover Museum & Library
 Amana Colonies
 Family Style German
 Dinner



Hilton Hotel in Coralville, IA

Breakfast, depart for Kalona

Tour Amish Stores & Mennonite Museum and Historical Village

Box lunches on the bus ride home

AMANA COLONIES

REGISTER BY MAIL

Include:

Name of the Trip
 Payment for the Trip
 Full Name of Traveler (s)
 Address
 Phone Number
 Email Address (if applicable)

Pier 55

240 Harrison Street, Suite 2
 Red Wing, MN 55066

**REGISTER BY PHONE**

Include:

Name of the Trip
 Full Name of Traveler (s)
 Address
 Phone Number
 Stated payment method
 (mailing, or credit card) If
 credit card we will call
 you back for the info.
 651-327-2255



PETER, PAUL AND MARY TRIBUTE



by
 Danville Folk

Tuesday, June 16, 2020

Cost: \$65 members, \$80 non member

Pay by:

Leave: 9am Pier 55, Return: TBD

Register deadline: June 1st

Location Chippewa Falls, WI

Cash bar starting 11:30am, Lunch 12:00pm.

M E N U

Fat Boys Catering will provide a meal including baked chicken, creamy mashed potatoes, green beans, a fresh garden salad and a dinner roll with assorted dessert bars, water, milk, coffee and tea are included with the meal. A full cash bar with local beer, wine and mixed drinks will be available.



AUGUST SHOPPING TRIP Eagan Outlet Mall

Thursday, August 6th

10:00 am to 4:00 pm

\$27 members, \$35 non members,
 \$10 kids 18 and under

**PRIZES & SHOW AND TELL
 ON THE RIDE HOME!**

A representative from the mall will be giving us coupon books/savings passes upon arrival. This mall is open to the outdoors with lots of great seating throughout the mall and bathrooms that are easily accessible. Register at front desk or call 651-327-2255. This is an unguided trip, cost includes ride up and back. Those 18 and under must be accompanied by an adult.



SAINTS GAME TRIP

Wednesday, June 17th (1:05pm game time)

Leave 11:30am and return time based on game length

Cost: \$38 senior member, \$49 non member

Pay by:

Cost includes coach bus ride and entrance to the game.

Stop and Smell the Tulips

Join us for breathtaking views as you stroll through the Landscape Arboretum viewing some 5,000 plant species and (hopefully) the blooming of the Spring tulips! Once you have worked up an appetite, we will head to Eden Prairie for a late lunch at Tavern 4&5; a pasta lunch buffet that is sure to please!

Monday, May 18th, 2020

Depart: 7:30am Return: Appx 5:30pm

Cost : Members \$53, Non members \$65

Pay by:

Call or stop in to register. 651.327.2255



Minnesota Landscape Arboretum

Voted Best Botanical Garden in 2019



Pasta Lunch Buffet: Caesar Salad, Macaroni Noodles with Garlic Cream Sauce and Grilled Chicken, Assorted Vegetable Toppings (sautéed mushrooms, artichoke hearts, asparagus) Garlic Bread, Monster Cookies & Coffee, Tea or Fountain Sodas.

IN APPRECIATION OF THE ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT AT PIER 55

On behalf of the Pier 55 staff and myself, I want to thank our members for your continued support and demonstrated appreciation for the many very gifted musicians, vocalists, and writers who entertained and shared their talents with us over the past four years. I enjoyed coordinating these events in collaboration with the Anderson Center, the Sheldon Theatre, and others; and I am looking forward to more visits by the individuals listed below as well as others who will be visiting us for the first time.

Doug Blakesley, Talent Acquisition Volunteer

Date	Artist	Talent(s)	Residence	Shared	Collaboration
2016 Apr 25	Mary Sharratt	Writer	Manchester, Eng.	Readings	
2016 Aug 25	Glendaliz Camacho	Writer	New York City	Writer's Workshop	Anderson Center
2016 Sept 21	Michael Tsaika Angelica Escobar	Pianist/Soprano	Sweden	Performance	Anderson Center
2017 May 10	Kate St. Vincent Vogl	Writer	TC Metro, MN	Readings	Anderson Center
2017 Aug 10	Christine Kandic Torres	Writer	Queens, NY	Readings	Anderson Center
2017 Aug 29	Amanda Krupman	Writer	Brooklyn, NY	Writer's Workshop	Anderson Center
2018 Jan 17	Paul Schaefer	Writer	Hager City, WI	Readings	
2018 Apr 20	Mary Sharratt	Writer	Manchester, Eng.	Writer's Workshop	
2019 Apr 2	"We Are The Willow" Peter Miller et. Al	Orchestral Indie Rock Band	South Minneapolis	Performance & Sharing	Sheldon Theatre
2019 May 9	Jeremy Messersmith	Indie Pop Musician	Minneapolis, MN	Musical Workshop	Sheldon Theatre
2019 Jun 13	Sara J. Grossman	Poet / Professor	Bryn Mawr College, PA	Poetry Workshop	Anderson Center
2020 Feb 26	Aby Wolf & Ensemble	Vocalists/Musicians	TC Metro, MN	Performance & Sharing	Sheldon Theatre

Thank you to all of the advertisers that make this newsletter possible!! We appreciate you!!

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- Bay View Nursing & Rehabilitation Center
- Tom Heffernan Ford
- Aliveo Military Museum
- Vintage Home Care
- Clear Wave Hearing

Grateful



APRIL 19-25th National Volunteer Appreciation Week

Pier 55 enjoys hosting and celebrating our volunteers in different ways every year. April 2020 brings us into uncharted territory, with no way to show our appreciation in person. So, we would like to take this opportunity to thank each and everyone of you that have helped us in ANY way at Pier 55 or Annadee's Closet.

For us thankful is... phones answered, light bulbs being changed, landscaping that is completed, clothes hung, donations accepted, floors swept, trip registrations, trips guided, handcrafted items received and displayed, fleece blankets made to donate, numerous groups being facilitated, questions being answered, events planned and hosted, delicious baked goods, opening/closing for events, decorated trees, book and puzzles exchanged, furniture picked up, home repairs finished, cabinets decorated, flags dedicated, resources offered, smiles shared and a listening ear offered!

THANK YOU ALL BERRY MUCH!!!





www.redwingareaseniors.org 651.327.2255

Volunteer Application

PLEASE RETURN TO:

rwasdirector@gmail.com

240 Harrison Street Suite 2

Red Wing, MN 55066

Contact Information

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

Cell Phone _____ Do you text? Yes ___ No ___

Other phone _____

Email _____

Interests

I would like to volunteer at Pier 55/Red Wing Area Seniors _____

Annadee's Closet _____

Availability

I am available Mon. ___ Tues. ___ Wed. ___ Thurs. ___ Fri. ___ Sat. ___

Hours Available _____

I am interested in:

(PIER 55) reception, desk special events, sewing/crafting, baking, senior homework, teaching classes, building care, **(ANNADEE'S)** cash register, sorting, stocking, displaying other

Other interests or important info: _____





Even with Pier 55 closed we are still able to operate our essential medical equipment lending program.

Quotes from individuals accessing the program this week.

"Thank you so much, I didn't have anywhere else to go for the medical equipment I needed to borrow."

- Lucille

"My Mother was just recently discharged from the hospital and I was told that you might be open. Thank goodness you were!"

- Janice

BOARD AND STAFF

Directors

President. Tom Walsh
 Vice-President. Jeff Marcus
 Secretary
 Treasurer Rose Burke
 Dennis Koenig Char Rogness
 Marm Nihart Doug Blakesley

Staff

Kim Wojcik Executive Director
 Stef Braun..... Program Coordinator
 Shirley Perkins..... Administrative Asst.
 Jolene King..... Annadee's Manager
 Mary Machnik... Volunteer Gift Shop Manager
 Doug Blakesly.....Talent Acquisition Volun.

Email addresses

Kim Wojcik.....RWASdirector@gmail.com
 Stef Braun.....RWASprogram@gmail.com
 Shirley Perkins.... RWASassistant@gmail.com
 Jolene KingRWASstore@gmail.com

LET US KNOW.....

- If you are moving to a different address, PLEASE notify us. Bulk mail cannot be forwarded.
- If you would rather receive the newsletter via email.

Contact: Shirley Perkins
 rwasassistant@gmail.com 651-327-2255

**Thank you
 to the following for renewing their
 memberships:**

Marilyn Claussen	Dean Dahling
Barbara Goggin	Gloria Gustafson
Dick & Nancy Houghton	Judy Hunstad
Lawrence & DiAnn Johnson	Mike Pfeffer
Nita Schuenke	Ada Seeker
Sarah Singer	Bonnie Stang
Norma Swingdorf	James Lyons
Arlene Aadalen	Barb Betcher
Ann Braun	Joan Carlson
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Linda Chester	Linda Chester
Pat Kernan	James Isensee
Susan Prescher	Wanda Ottoson
Dee Wilson	Ardith Strain
	Jeff & Roseanne Grosso

**Welcome to the following
new members of
 Red Wing Area Seniors, Inc.**

Judy Anderson	Clare Larkin
Warner & Laurie Andrews	Barry Weghorn

MISSION

**Empowering active living
 and lifelong learning**

ABOUT US

**Red Wing Area Seniors at Pier 55 is open to all.
 The facility is handicapped accessible. No one shall
 be refused access to programs because of race,
 religion, sex, age, color, economic status or
 disability.**

Pier 55 Membership!

Your membership will provide you with:

- ◆ Discounts on trips and programs
- ◆ Discounts at Annadee's Closet
- ◆ Monthly newsletter *Senior News*
- ◆ Educational & recreational opportunities
- ◆ No cost shredding
- ◆ No cost bike borrowing

Name(s) _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone _____

Would you like to receive your newsletter by
 Mail _____ Email _____

Email Address _____

Birthday(s) _____

New Member _____ Renewal _____

_____ **Individual Membership: \$37**

_____ **Household Membership: \$62**

(2 people to a Household)

Additional donations greatly appreciated.

Red Wing Area Seniors, Inc.

240 Harrison St, Suite 2, Red Wing, MN 55066

Gratitude

**What is our Legacy Giving Campaign? Call or
 email - Executive Director Kim Wojcik to learn
 more about including us in your planned giving.
 651-327-2255 • rwasdirector@gmail.com**

CONTACT US

Phone: 651-327-2255
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 Website: www.redwingareaseniors.org
 Facebook: "Like" us on Facebook!

Hi All,

As you can see from the April edition of the newsletter, much has changed and will continue to change. This letter is an opportunity to touch base with all of you on a few things that you likely have questions about, also to highlight the things you can still access, that have been added and ways people can help.

Pier 55 is closed until further notice. When we are able to open it will be all over local media to ensure everyone gets that update. Medical equipment lending can still take place by appointment, the coloring contest will go on, May and later activities/trips are still on at this time, Annadee's Closet is open for shopping and donations. Annadee's Closet is an essential service so it will remain open as long as possible.

The voice mail and mailbox at Pier 55 will be checked daily so you can still register for trips and other activities, as well as, leave voice messages for concerns or questions.
651-327-2255

If you are in need of WIFI service, you can park in front of Pier 55 and use our WIFI at no cost and there is no password. Thanks to a grant from the MN Department of Health we are going to be adding a new program called Walking with Ease which will be an independent program that can be done at home, more to come on this in the May newsletter.

There are many ways that you can help support Red Wing Area Seniors. One is to maintain your membership. Your continued membership allows us to operating services such as medical equipment lending and keep the organization running, to be ready to open at full strength when the time comes. We recently had a member donate the amount of the exercise punch card she would usually purchase in April, even though we do not have the class available. Donations have been coming in to support our mission and for those we are so grateful! Advertisers that support the newsletter and make it possible are listed on page pg. 10, please thank and patronize them when possible. Continue to designate Field of Honor flags. Continue dropping off or mailing your Family Fare receipts. We can process a lot of these receipts and receive \$1,000 for every bundle totaling \$150,000 that we turn in. In April, we recognize the national Volunteer Appreciation Week. There is an application included in this month's newsletter. We have lots of opportunities for you to help and can talk with you on the phone about how you might fit.

It is our hope to continue sending this newsletter out via USPS. In the event that the newsletter needs to go completely online, it would be great to have a lot of your emails. If you would like to be added to our online newsletter list, please email rwasassistant@gmail.com. (Shirls Perkins).

Finally, I know how stubborn you all can be and during this difficult time that can be a huge asset, if you also make sure to reach out when you do need help. None of us should face these challenges alone and there is no shame in getting help from a neighbor, food delivered from the store, or needing to talk on the phone just to hear a human voice. You are the group most equipped to deal with this challenge by relying on things you already know, use the phone, mail system, baking, repairing items, cleaning strategies, etc. You may be listed as the most vulnerable on all the news channels, however, I know you are the smartest, toughest and most likely to lead us all out of this mess. So, stay safe, stay sharp, and when we are all back together, we are gonna have one heck of good time! :)

Love,
Kim



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