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# St Patricks Day Word Find

Lecture Series: Thursday, March 28, 2019 at 3:00 PM in the Theater John Scheelk from the River East Neighborhood Association and Court Tower resident Gary Ruedinger will discuss Gary's collection of photos !showing Oshkosh during the 1880-1910 era and what is there now. Please plan to join us for this interesting talk!

# Tower Times



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# **Court Tower Resident Meeting** Monday, March 11, 2019 3:00 PM in the Theater



Julie Smith and Amanda Naimon from the Oshkosh Downtown YMCA will be here to talk about the many programs that our neighborhood 'Y' has to offer.

Attending resident meetings is a great way to learn about what is happening at Court Tower Apartments and in the community at large.

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

# Spring Forward! Daylight Savings Begins

## **Daylight Saving Time**

Daylight Savings Time will start at 2:00 AM on Sunday, March 10, 2019. Don't forget to set your clocks ahead on Saturday night March 9!

**Newsletter Submissions** 

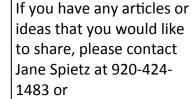
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Submissions to the newsletter should be received by the 20th of the month.



# Nurses Notes



## **Medication Safety**

As we experience illnesses we tend to be on more and more medications. One of the most important factors with medications is safety.

We will start with safety for yourself.



- **1. Participate.** Safe medication use is a shared responsibility between you, your doctor, the pharmacist, and other healthcare providers. Know your medications and ask questions if you're not sure how, when, or why to take any drug.
- **2. Follow directions.** Always follow your doctor's directions about taking medications. There are often important reasons to take a medication at a specific dose and time.
- **3. Keep a list.** A current list of your medications, including the times and reasons you take each one, will help your providers adjust your medications and identify potential interactions. Don't leave out over-the-counter drugs, herbal medications, and supplements.
- **4. Be honest if you miss taking your medications**. If you don't tell them, your doctor will think the dose is not enough and raise it, or will prescribe additional medications. Your doctor can help you problem solve if you have difficulties such as remembering, affording or obtaining your medications.
- **5. Read prescriptions and labels.** Read new prescriptions before leaving the doctor's office and ask questions if the instructions are unclear. Do the same with labels when you receive the medication and make sure it matches the doctors' orders.
- 6. Know what side-effects to report.
- 7. Know what foods/drink may interact with your medication.
- **8. When in doubt, ask.** Your doctor and pharmacist are valuable resources for drug information. The Housing Authority Nurses are here for YOU!

## **Recipe: Boxty (Irish Potato Cakes)**

#### **Ingredients:**

1 \* 2 cups (9 oz.) all-purpose flour

\* 1 1/2 cups (8 oz.) grated, raw potato

\* 1 tsp. baking powder

\* 1 cup buttermilk (or more if needed)

\* 1 tsp. Kosher or sea salt

\* Butter for the pan

\* 1 cup (8 oz.) mashed potatoes, boiled in salted water (I prefer Idaho potatoes)

#### Instructions:

- 11. In a small bowl, place the flour, baking powder and salt; set aside.
- 2. In a large mixing bowl, combine the mashed potatoes with the grated raw potato, then add the flour and mix well.
- 3. Slowly add the buttermilk and stir gently (do not over mix). The mixture should be like a very firm, thick batter; almost like a dough, so add more buttermilk if needed.
- 14. Heat a nonstick frying pan over medium-high heat, and add a pat of butter, just before scooping out some of the boxy batter onto the pan.
- 5. Flatten and shape into a nice, round pancake shape and fry until golden brown on the bottom.
- 6. Turn and continue to cook until golden brown on top too, turning the heat down if they are browning too quickly.
- $^{1}_{1}$ 7. Continue to add a little butter and fry the boxty until all the batter is finished. I Serve hot.

Recipe from Christina Conte.

Free Tax Preparation - Tax Assistance Appointments
Oshkosh Seniors Center South Building,
200 North Campbell Road, Oshkosh WI 54902

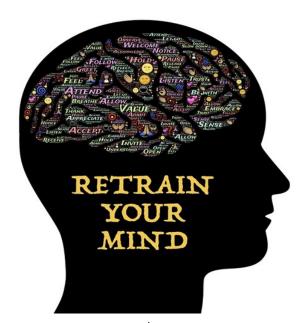
Through April 12, 2019 on Thursdays & Fridays, 8:00 AM - 3:30 PM

Appointments are required. You may call 920-426-0150 to set up your appointment. Appointments cannot be made by the Seniors Center.

The Tax Assistance program provides help to low and middle income taxpayers over 60. Volunteer counselors assist individuals with preparation of their tax returns in accordance with the guidelines established between the IRS, AARP, and VITA. Please allow adequate time for your appointment. Delays may occur.

## Join Us For a Mindfulness Session!

# Hosted by Occupational Therapy Assistant Students of Fox Valley Technical College



When: Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 – 2:00 PM

Where: Court Tower Theater Room

Hi everyone! We are from the Fox Valley Technical College Occupational Therapy Assistant Program. We are excited to be facilitating a group that will help you learn skills to deal with stress. Stress can come from many areas of your life including family, healthcare, and jobs.

We will be introducing various mindfulness skills such as: yoga, breathing, and meditation.

There is a sign-up sheet in the Café.

Everyone is welcome!

- **9. Avoid others' medications.** Taking other people's drugs may cause adverse reactions or interactions. Never take prescription medications your doctor has not prescribed for you. Stealing medications is a felony.
- **10. Do not share your medications.** They were prescribed for you. They could cause serious life-threatening problems for others. Sharing medication equals delivery of drugs in the eyes of the law. Also, if a person overdoses and dies, you could be charged with reckless homicide.
- 11. Store medications properly. Most should be stored in a dry place at room temperature, away from direct sunlight, and out of children's reach; others may require refrigeration. Never leave medication out even if you intend to use it again in a few hours.

**12.** Throw away expired medications, which may be ineffective or even **toxic.** Medications you use can be disposed of at your local drug drop box. In Oshkosh, it is at the Oshkosh Police Department or ask your Housing Authority Nurse for more information.

Submitted by Teresa Paulus, RN and Lori Duclon, RN, your Housing Authority nurses.

# **Court Tower Walking Group**

The Court Tower Walking Group will be meeting in the lobby at noon on Monday, March 11 to discuss the goals and expectations of this year's group.

The group will then head into the great outdoors for a walk that day, weather permitting. If conditions are not good, the group will use the 12th floor Fitness Room or walk in the hallways.

All are is welcome to join in!

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**After Hours Emergency Service:** 966-4235

#### **Court Tower Office Hours**

OPEN: Monday-Thursday 8:00am - 10:00am,

2:00pm - 4:30pm

Friday 8:00am - 12:00pm

Please build your needs around these times. Note: These times are not bound to emergencies. Always report emergencies. Staff is willing to schedule appointments anytime during the business day.

# Nurse Open Hour at Court Tower in Room 405

Tuesdays: 1:00 - 2:00 PM Lori

# **Court Tower Mealsite**

920-420-1994

### **Court Tower Room Directory**

Room 205 - Den

Room 405 - Nurses' Office, Salon

Room 805 - Community Room

Room 1205 - Fitness Room

# Court Tower March 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Court Tower Walk for Health Group: The group meets in the 1st Floor Lobby on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at noon.						2
3	4	5	6 MOVIE NIGHT 6:00 PM	7	8	9 SET YOUR CLOCKS AHEAD!  CHANGE YOUR CLOCKS
10 Daylight Savings Time Begins it's DAYLIGHT SAVINGS Time!	11 FIRE ALARM TESTING 1:00-2:00 PM RESIDENT MEETING 3:00 PM	BUG DAY 2ND FLOOR 9:00 AM - NOON	13 MOVIE NIGHT 6:00 PM	14	15	16
17 St. Patrick's  Day  Hoppy Soint  Potrick's  Doy	18 5TH FLOOR INSPECTION 1:00 - 4:00 PM	19	20 Spring Begins  MOVIE NIGHT 6:00 PM	21	22	23
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