The BCOA – Area leader in Aging Services

Located in the center of town at 25 Concord Road since 2004, our mission is simple and clear: helping seniors in town live the best lives they can.

We focus on reducing isolation and loneliness, maximizing health and wellness, promoting fun and friendships and building social connections among patrons.

In one place we offer so much!

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation LIMITATIONS negatively affect seniors' access to healthcare resources, their independence, self-confidence and social connectedness.

- Medical trips
- Hair-dresser's
- Dentist
- Physical Therapy
- Hospital
- Groceries
- Pharmacy
- Bank
- Council on Aging
- Town Hall
 - FUN trips

Rides: Monday - Friday 8:00 AM to 3:30 PM Last pick-up at 3 PM

TWO DAY notice needed

COST:

IN TOWN: \$2/one way NEIGHBORING TOWN: \$3 one/ way

FRIENDLY FRONT DESK: 978 671 0916. Staff and Volunteers guide you, 8.30 AM to 4 PM, M-F. Sat: 9-1 PM

SEVERAL SUPPORT

GROUPS help you get over hard periods of loss, chronic illnesses or setbacks by life's transitions.

Caregiver's Support: Wed., Apr. 4 & 18 at 10:00 a.m. Facilitated by Mary Coakley.

NEW Saturday Caregiver's Support: Sat., Apr. 7 & 21 at 10:00 a.m. Facilitated by Bonnie Courtemanche

Men's Group: Thurs., Apr. 5 at 1:00 p.m. Led by Wayne Smith

Living with Loss: Wed., Apr. 11 & & 25 at 11:00 a.m. Facilitated by Susan Bailey, Merrimack Valley Hospice.

Social Group: Mon., Apr. 9, 23 & 30 at 1:00 p.m. and Apr. 2 at 2:00 p.m.

Mr. Fix-It: Dave Moccia

Billerica residents over 60 bring your broken items to the reception desk with your name and telephone number attached. Dave will call with an estimate of repair charges, (parts only). He asks that you donate \$5.00 to the BCOA for each repair.

OUR DEPARTMENTS

MAIN NUMBER: (978) 671-0916

Health and Wellness Programs X 2010

(led by Bonnie Courtemanche, Health & Community Program Coordinator)

Life Quality Activities and Volunteer Management X2020

(led by Jamie Doherty, Volunteer & Activity Coordinator)

Nutritional Programs X2023

(led by Melissa Paolicelli, Nutrition Coordinator)

Outreach X2026

Community Transportation X 2003

(led by Jeanne Teehan, Outreach Supervisor)

Systems and Administration X 2017

(led by Pat Zapert, Operations)

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FREE KIT! Medical personnel quickly access your medical history & medications when every second counts.

Call OUTREACH
TODAY for details

EXERCISE and YOU! It is never too late for seniors to start engaging in a REGULAR exercise routine.

New studies have found that seniors who exercise improve not only their physical fitness but experienced psychological benefits as well. Exercise can help alleviate symptoms of depression and improve the mood in general. The increased mobility that comes from regular, moderate exercise can help a senior maintain his or her independence if it is done on a long-term basis. Consistency is more important than intensity. **The BCOA offers so much!**

Free Classes	Fee Classes	The Fitness ROOM
	Modest\$3/Class	
Walking Wonders		Just added a Latitude™ Lateral
Monday - Friday: 8:45AM	Exercise Class	Stability Trainer equipment.
Chair Aerobics	Monday: 9AM	Helps people of all fitness levels build the right muscles and gain
Monday: 10:15AM	Wednesday: 9AM	the confidence to stay active.
Tai Chi	Tap Dancing	The Billerica COA Fitness
Tuesday: 10:15AM	Tuesday: 9AM	Room is open Monday through
Cardio-Boost	Line Dancing	Friday from 8:30am to 3:30pm
Tuesday: 11:45AM	Tuesday: 1PM	and Saturdays from 9:00am to
Zumba	Friday: 1PM	12:00pm <mark>. Participation is free.</mark> Questions, contact Bonnie
Friday: 11:45AM	Yoga Yoga	Courtemanche at 978-671-0916,
	Wednesday: 10:15AM	ext. 2010.
	Friday: 2:15PM	
Blood Pressure Checks: Tuesdays: 9:30 to 11:30 a m		

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Respite Companion Program Provides Caregivers with a Break

Are you caring for a loved one at home who is not safe if left alone? Do you need a break for a few hours during the week, knowing that your loved one is in trustworthy care?

Our Program can provide peace of mind. Trained, caring Respite Companions are supervised and

CORI screened. Contact

Bonnie Courtemanche at

978-671-0916 X2010.

Enjoy Melissa's Delicious Breakfast on

Fridays. 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.

Just walk in, fill out order form, pay (\$3, \$2, or \$1) and your fresh breakfast is served with a smile!

Please call 978 671 0916 day before. Some Fridays B/fast is off.

Also there are daily meals and a home delivered meal program.

Join Our Choral Group

Thursdays at 1:00 p.m. Led by Joanne Gagliardi. Contact Grace Gullotti at 978-670-1360.

Events GALORE monthly

Bingo
Bandstand
Intergenerational Dance
Movie with a meal
Senior Talent Show
LunchAround
Ice cream Socials
Holiday Bazaar
SEE OUTLOOK newsletter

OUTREACH: loaded with resources and can make many referrals for your welfare or that of your family. Need home care services? Meals delivered? Roofing estimates? Info on food programs in town? Smoke or CO detectors installed? Social Programs info? **Call them today 978 671 0916, X2026 FLIP OVER**