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From the Mayor's Desk



Dear Salem resident,

Thank you for reading the latest issue of the FYI Salem newsletter!

In this issue you can read about some changes to payment options for contractors, licensees, and others who need permits or licenses from the City. These changes are part of our on-going effort to improve service delivery to make it more convenient and streamlined for constituents and businesses in our community.

We've also provided a link to a transportation-related survey that the Boston Metropolitan

Planning Organization is conducting as part of a broader study on customer access and transit choices in our region. If you own or manage a local business, please take a minute to fill out the MPO's survey.

There are details in this issue of the newsletter about three upcoming events that you may find to be of interest. The first, our quarterly electronic waste recycling event, takes place on March 30th at Salem High School. On March 12th the Salem for All Ages initiative, in partnership with North Shore Physicians' Group, will offer the second installment in their on-going speakers' series on healthy aging. This free event will focus on heart health and heart disease.

Finally, on March 13th head over to the Saltonstall School for the next Salem Meet & Eat, our free monthly community meal. Not only will we have again have a delicious dinner prepared by

the folks at Root, the culinary training program, this month's meeting will also include a presentation on the latest conceptual plans for the new Forest River Park pool and community space.

Tune in to the latest FYI Salem podcast for my conversation with City Assessor Deb Jackson about property tax relief programs available to seniors here in Salem. You can find the podcast at <https://www.salem.com/mayors-office/pages/fyi-salem-podcast> or search for it on iTunes, Stitcher, or TuneIn.

Thank you again for taking the time to read the FYI Salem newsletter! If you have a friend or neighbor who might be interested in this newsletter, please feel free to forward it along or encourage them to subscribe themselves by visiting www.salem.com/subscribe.

Kim Driscoll
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Pay by Card

The City of Salem's Electrical, Health, Building, Licensing, and Fire departments are now accepting credit card payments for the various permits and licenses they issue for in-person customers visiting the departments' office locations. Those visiting the department in person will be able to pay for their permit via MasterCard, Visa, American Express, or Discover card. Online payment by electronic

check will still be possible and in-person customers will also be able to continue paying by check if they wish.

Transportation Survey

The Boston Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is examining how changing travel behavior is affecting customer access and demands in central business districts. If you own a business in Salem, the MPO seeks your input for this study, which will help inform planners and municipal officials as they consider changes to provide better access to customers using various transportation modes. A report with the study findings will be available on the MPO's website once the study is complete. Business owners interested in providing their input to the MPO should complete the study survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CHQM55N> by Friday, March 22.



E-Waste Recycling Day

The next quarterly electronic waste recycling event will take place on Saturday, March 30, 2019 from 8:00 a.m. to noon at Salem High School on Willson Street. Salem residents and property owners (with ID or a tax bill) can bring anything with a plug to be dropped off for recycling.

- * \$20 for each TV or monitor and for each Freon appliance (refrigerator, air conditioner, freezer, dehumidifier), pay by cash or check payable to vendor
- * All other electronics can be recycled for free: computer tower, laptop, tablet, cell phone, small appliance, household electronics, printer, fax, VCR, CD player, etc.

Electronic items containing mercury, along with CFL bulbs, can be brought to the Salem Department of Public Services, 5 Jefferson Avenue, during regular City business hours.



A LIVING WELL PRESENTATION

HIS and HERS: How heart disease differs by gender

March 12, 2019 • 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Jean A. Levesque Community Life Center
401 Bridge Street, Salem, MA



Heart disease is the most common cause of death for both women and men in the United States, but it doesn't affect women and men alike. Join NSMC cardiologist Lola Ojitalayo, M.D., to learn the symptoms and risk factors for heart disease and how they vary by gender.



**NORTH SHORE
MEDICAL CENTER**



**NORTH SHORE
Physicians Group**

Presented by the Salem for All Ages Task Force and North Shore Medical Center

Forest River Pool Presentation

Wednesday March 13, 2019 at 5:30 pm
at Salem Meet & Eat Free Community Meal
Saltonstall School
211 Lafayette St, Salem



Join us at the Salem Meet & Eat Dinner to learn about the proposed future plans for the Forest River Pool complex, provide feedback to the designers, and enjoy a meal!



For more information, or if you are interested in being notified about this project in the future, please contact Jenna Ide, Salem's Director of Capital Projects and Municipal Operations at jide@salem.com or (978) 619-5699.