DEMENTIA CAREGIVER RESOURCES, INC.

THE DEMENTIA DETAILS DISPATCH JULY 2022

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SUPPORT GROUPS

If you would like to attend support groups, (for current caregivers) please make sure to RSVP to the community the day before to let them know you are attending.

• Grand Villa Largo

Tuesday JULY 12th – 1:30PM

750 Starkey Rd. - Largo, FL 33771 RSVP: (727) 586-0108

• The INN at FREEDOM SQUARE

Wednesday JULY 13th 1:30PM

10801 Johnson Blvd. Seminole 33772 RSVP: Marsha Thompson (727)398-0324 thompsonmarsha@freedomsquarefl.com

• ARAVILLA Clearwater Memory Care

Thursday JULY 14th 10:15AM

3055 Union St. Clearwater (727) 260-2826 RSVP: Traci: <u>t.dacey@aravillaclearwater.com</u>

• Grand Villa of Clearwater

Tuesday JULY 19th 5:30PM

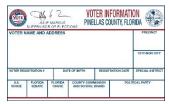
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PROGRESSIVE SUPRANUCLEAR PALSY (PSP) is a less well-known neurodegenerative brain condition which is sometimes misdiagnosed as Parkinson's disease (PD) or Alzheimer's disease (or other forms of dementia). Because of the similarity to some PD symptoms in the early stages of the disease, PSP is included in a group of diseases called Parkinson's Plus Syndrome or Atypical Parkinsonism. PSP progresses much faster, causes more severe symptoms, responds very poorly to Parkinson's medication, and has a significantly reduced life expectancy.



Sean is offering **Free Medicaid Seminars** over the summer at the following locations Tuesday **JULY 5th** – Palm Harbor Library 2-4PM Monday **AUGUST 1st** - Seminole Library 2-4PM The law office specializes in Crisis and Advanced Medicaid Planning. Virtual office everywhere! *For a free consult, call*: (727)**539-0181** http://www.virtuallawoffice.com/



DID YOU RECEIVE YOUR NEW VOTER CARD? Make sure you are registered to vote for the upcoming elections. Also, if you want to vote by mail, you will need to call or go on the website of your county elections office. To receive your ballots in the mail, you must update your information and if you are requesting a mail ballot for another person. Contact Your COUNTY Supervisor of Elections: https://dos.elections.myflorida.com/superv isors/



The HELP ME UP HANDLE DEVICE

This is a very simple yet clever device that is designed to assist a person who has fallen or cannot get up from the couch, car, chair, or floor without assistance. The weight capacity supports up to 400# and these are available on Amazon and other sources for about \$25-35.

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In the June 2022 issue of the AARP Bulletin on P. 4 there is an article called:

"MEDICAL CARE WRONGLY DENIED"

The Fed report targets Medicare Advantage Plans for wrongly denied tests and treatments. The inspector general called on the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) to more tightly regulate these plans to make sure they are following Medicare's rules for what should be covered. Medicare Advantage Plans (MA) receive a flat monthly fee for every Medicare beneficiary they cover. This often creates a potential incentive for insurers to deny access to services in an attempt to increase profits. Medicare Advantage plans deny millions of requests for medical care each year and tens of thousands of those denials are for tests and treatments that should have been approved and paid for...please make sure you are making an appeal for any tests you or your Loved One may require for your health and safety. We have heard many horror stories about the MA policies. These **REPLACE ORIGINAL MEDICARE. They are** NOT SUPPLEMENTAL Policies and can be VERY expensive if you get sick and now have uncovered Co-Pays and out of pocket expenses that would be covered under ORIGINAL MEDICARE and a Medigap policy. Additionally, a MA plan usually offers only a limited network of doctors and medical settings, which often interferes with a patient's choice.

https://www.aarp.org/health/medicareinsurance/info-2022/advantage-claimsdenied.html

***** CHARGE YOUR BATTERIES

When a flashlight grows dim or quits working, you don't throw it away, you change the batteries. When a person messes up and finds themselves in a dark place, do you cast them aside? Of course not! You help them charge their batteries. Some need AA's: Attention & Affection Some need AAA's: Attention, Affection, and Acceptance Some need C's: Compassion Some need D's: Direction

And if they still don't shine...sit with them quietly and share your light.

This is what a SUPPORT GROUP is all about. We help each other to re-charge our batteries and find new "Light for the Journey" This is a difficult path, and we will need some AA's, AAA's, C's, and D's, along the way!

Anniversary

We are celebrating our 25th year

of assisting caregivers ♥ DEMENTIA CAREGIVER RESOURCES, INC. P.O. Box 7677 - Seminole, Florida 33775



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