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SEPTEMBER 2023

A Message from Grace:

Welcome, fall! And welcome to our new Director of Development, Stephanie Campbell, who joined us on July 31st. She is settling in nicely and we hope you'll enjoy learning more about her in this issue. Be sure to stop by to say hello and meet her if you haven't already. We're happy she's here!

Speaking of staff, our team will be celebrating our fabulous instructors this month, and always appreciate their incredible contributions to Founders Hall!

Thank you to Moe Ahmadi for the great work around the bocce courts. Players are enjoying a more level walking surface. Moe has also been hard at work in the garden area keeping Founders Hall looking good!

Our Fall Semester begins Monday, September 11th. We look forward to seeing you soon!

HIGHLIGHTS

- SEPT 4 CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY
- SEPT 8 FOUNDERS FRIDAY: FASHION SHOW
SPONSORED BY RVNAHEALTH
- SEPT 13 ON THE ROAD: PETER PARLEY SCHOOLHOUSE
- SEPT 22 SEMINAR: 85 AND ALIVE WITH DARLA SHAW AND MARTHA TALBURT
- SEPT 22 EAT TOGETHER LUNCH
- SEPT 27 FALL HAPPY HOUR
SPONSORED BY WATERMARK AT EAST HILL
- SEPT 29 SEMINAR: HANDS ON HISTORY WITH RIDGEFIELD HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Town of Ridgefield, in partnership with many organizations in the community including Founders Hall, will be distributing an online and print survey to all the 55+ residents in early September. The Ridgefield Senior Survey (RSS '23) is designed to help us better understand your needs and how we can provide the collective resources to meet those needs. More information to follow!

SEMINARS

SEMINAR: 85 AND ALIVE Friday, September 22nd 1:00-2:30pm

Do not miss Martha Talburt's and Darla Shaw's reflections and lessons learned from a life well-lived as we remember that every day is a gift.

Cake will be served following the seminar!



SEMINAR: HANDS ON HISTORY Friday, September 29th 1:00-2:30pm

Join Director of Education Melissa Houston for an introduction to Keeler Tavern Museum & History Center's #HandsOnHistory: Living Off the Land exhibition, pairing participatory, interactive exhibitions in the carriage barn with fascinating demonstrations. This year, they're exploring farming, food, and climate in the 18th and 19th centuries.



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Monday-Friday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

EVENTS

FOUNDERS FRIDAY: FASHION SHOW

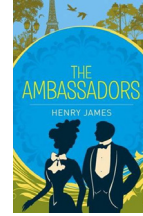
Friday, September 8th 2:00-3:30pm

Join us for a very fashionable Founders Friday with outfits from Audrey Road and Hutton's Fine Men's Wear modelled by our very own members! Plus, enjoy tea and cookies.

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BOOK DISCUSSION



THE AMBASSADORS BY HENRY JAMES
Thursday, September 14th 3:00-4:30pm

Please join us for this discussion facilitated by staff members of the Ridgefield Library.

Eat Together **Lunch**



Fourth Friday of the Month!
Friday, September 22nd at 12:15pm

Bring your own lunch from home and enjoy it with your fellow members. Sweets provided!

FALL HAPPY HOUR
Wednesday, September 27th 4:00-5:30pm

You're invited to gather with friends at Founders Hall to enjoy a drink and snack to celebrate the season!

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Welcome!

New Members

(as of August 13)

Marilyn Arkins
Frank Cobelli
Jack Keane
Kitty Keane
Anne Kupferschmid
Dorothy Leocadi
Lynette Mathias
Carla Pehowski
Kathryn Rothfeld

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Ronnie Thompson
Elaine Tobin
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Diane Tunney
Joan Weiler
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Please join us in welcoming our new Director of Development, Stephanie Campbell!

Stephanie joined us on July 31st and is thrilled to be a part of the Founders Hall team. Before coming to our organization, she served as Director of Development and Donor Relations for The Kennedy Collective. Prior to that position, she was Director of Maggie Daly Arts Cooperative (MDAC) in downtown Bridgeport.

Stephanie co-founded Trinity in Motion, where she led fundraising efforts to support Holy Trinity School in Haiti.

She is a Kripalu Certified Yoga Instructor, Reiki Master, and loves traveling, hiking and curating found items.

She holds a BS from Northeastern University.

"I'm really looking forward to my first Founders Hall fundraiser, the Wine, Cheese & Accessories event on October 5th. Hope to see you there!"

Email Stephanie : stephanie@founders-hall.org



Friends • Food • Fun • Shopping
Thursday, Oct. 5, 6pm - 9pm
\$40 to benefit Founders Hall



Keystone Place
at Wooster Heights
a Life Foundation Community

John and Lori
Berisford

Liz and Steven
Goldstone



September at the Movies

Selections may change based on availability.



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The Dig

2:00pm

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An archaeologist embarks on the historically important excavation of Sutton Hoo in 1938.

2021 Carey Mulligan, Ralph Fiennes and Lily James
PG-13 1hr 52mins

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Steel Magnolias

2:00pm

15

A young beautician, newly arrived in a small Louisiana town, finds work at the local salon, where a small group of women share a close bond of friendship, and welcome her into the fold.

1989 Sally Field, Dolly Parton, Shirley MacLaine
PG 1hr 58mins

fri

True Spirit

2:30pm

22

The story of Australian teenager, Jessica Watson, the youngest person ever to sail solo, non-stop around the world.

2023 Ayla Browne, Teagan Croft, Cliff Curtis
PG-13 1hr 49mins

fri

The Age of Adeline

2:30pm

29

After 29-year-old Adaline recovers from a nearly lethal accident, she inexplicably stops growing older. As the years stretch on and on, Adaline keeps her secret to herself -- till she meets a man who changes her life.

2015 Ellen Burstyn, Harrison Ford, Blake Lively
PG-13 1hr 52min

Best wishes to all who celebrate!



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