

Senator Valesky to Hold Free Senior Fair Oct. 16

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SYRACUSE – State Senator David J. Valesky (D-Oneida) is hosting a SeniorInformation Fair on Wednesday, October 16, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Kallet Civic Center in Oneida. Experts from local businesses, nonprofits and government agencies will provide important information on health care, STAR registration, housing, avoiding scams, local services, and more. All senior citizens in Sen. Valesky's district are invited to attend this free event.

Kinney Drugs will offer flu shots (with insurance card and co-payment), along with blood pressure checks and other health screenings. Tim Horton's will provide refreshments.

"This Information Fair gives senior citizens the opportunity to speak one-on-one with representatives from organizations and agencies that can directly benefit them," Sen. Valesky said. "I encourage seniors to attend the fair, where they can ask questions and get information on issues of importance to them."

The full list of exhibitors includes:

Alzheimer's Association

American Heart Association

American Red Cross

Better Hearing of Madison County, LLC

BRiDGES Council on Alcoholism

Central Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired

Community Action Partnership

Community Memorial Hospital

Cornell Cooperative Extension

Costello Eye Physicians

Crouse Community Center

Greater Oneida Chamber of Commerce

Gremlin Medical Supply

Harding Nursing Home

Hazel L. Carpenter Home

Hospice of Central New York

Kinney Drugs

Madison County Office for the Aging

Madison County Public Health Dept.

Madison County Sheriff's Office

Madison County Social Services Dept.

Mid York Library System

National Grid

New York State Office of the Attorney General

New York State EPIC Program New York State Division of Veterans Affairs New York State Troopers Oneida Community Mansion House Oneida Family YMCA Oneida Health Support & Lifeline Oneida Healthcare Extended Care Facility City of Oneida Housing Authority Oneida Police Dept. Oneida Public Library Oneida Savings Bank Parkway Senior Center Senior Choice Advantage Stoneleigh Housing Take Shape for Life - Argentine Health Partners Tim Hortons Time Warner Cable

Several exhibitors are offering new products and services:

- Gremlin Medical Supply durable medical equipment
- Hazel L. Carpenter Home daily rate on respite care
- BRiDGES Council on Alcoholism suicide prevention and education
- NYS Division of Veterans Affairs benefits for veterans
- Oneida Wealth financial planning and investment services
- Senior Choice Advantage 2014 United Healthcare Medicare Advantage Program
- Take Shape for Life health coaching programs for seniors and for persons with diabetes

For more information about the fair, call Senator Valesky's office at 315-478-8745 or email valesky@nysenate.gov.