



# Discovering What's Next reITALizing retirement

## June/July Update

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Dear Friend of Discovering What's Next,

Welcome to summer! Just wanted everyone to know that a lot is still happening around Discovering What's Next so stay tuned and stay involved. We are actively planning the opening of our dedicated center for Discovering What's Next ("the Hub") at the Newton Free Library this fall. This is really a first of a kind place in Massachusetts and we have a tremendous opportunity to be a model for the state and beyond.

Please read on and share this information with your friends and colleagues.

Looking forward to hearing from you soon,

Carol Greenfield

### • Film and Discussion Club

#### Your Film Suggestions Welcome

#### Call for Films of Interest

Under the wonderful guidance of our Film Club Chairperson, Marian Knapp, we have had a very enjoyable second season of the Discovering What's Next Film and Discussion Club. Thanks to Boylston Place for providing us with a beautiful theatre for viewing and discussion. We are planning next year's program and welcome your suggestions of films that are both interesting to view and can lead to meaningful discussions on aging related issues.

This film club is FREE to DWN participants and their friends. Films selected for their focus on issues related to aging are screened bi-monthly and followed by lively discussion.

We are most appreciative of the work that Marian Knapp has done both in facilitating this film and discussion club and in preparing a thoughtful guidebook to organizing and enjoying film clubs on aging. This guidebook will be available at the Newton Free Library this fall. For more information, email [mlknapp@ix.netcom.com](mailto:mlknapp@ix.netcom.com)

## • An Opportunity for You!

### Transition Navigator Positions

#### Now Recruiting for Transition Navigator Positions

Be part of a pioneering project that helps adults age 50 and over explore life options. Discovering What's Next: Revitalizing Retirement needs volunteers to staff a resource and connection center due to open in November, 2005 at the Newton Free Library.

As a trained "Navigator", you will assist visitors to the center to identify and access library and community and in this way will help individuals experience this life stage as a journey of exciting opportunities to learn, give and grow. Candidates should be positive about this period of life, interested in people, computer literate, and available at least 6 to 8 hours each month. This is an opportunity to join a team of dynamic individuals who are working together to help others "discover what's next".

For more information or to apply for the volunteer Navigator position, please call: Jan Latorre-Stiller at SOAR at (617) 969-5906 x120 or email at: [Jlatorre-stiller@ncscweb.org](mailto:Jlatorre-stiller@ncscweb.org)

## • Save the Date - November 1

### Fall Library Forum

#### Fall Library Forum

Please mark your calendars and reserve Tuesday, November 1, 7-9 pm for a special Fall Library Forum. More details to follow later this summer.

This forum will coincide with the launch of DWN's new Hub at the Newton Free Library. It will be a special event for all of you who have been involved in planning as well as attending our programs and of course for our community.

## • Transition Talks continue

### Transition Talks

Newton Free Library  
330 Homer Street  
Newton Centre  
July 26 7 - 8:30 pm

#### Afternoon and Evening Transition Talks

TRANSITION TALKS are free, hosted, informal, interactive, small group, drop-in discussions in public places among people with a common interest in talking to others about a variety of topics related to transition issues in midlife and beyond.

- Afternoon Transition Talk: Date TBA, from 2:30 - 4 pm
- Evening Transition Talk: Tuesday, July 26, 2005 from 7 - 8:30 pm
- Newton Free Library, 330 Homer Street
- Meeting Room A
- All Welcome
- For more info or to confirm your attendance, email [dwnext@comcast.net](mailto:dwnext@comcast.net)

## • New England Pension Assistance Project

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### New England Pension Assistance

Do you need assistance in finding a lost pension? Have you been denied retirement benefits or believe your benefit has been miscalculated? Do you have general questions about your retirement benefit or survivor benefit? The New England Pension Assistance Project at the Gerontology Institute at UMass Boston may be able to help. We are a non-profit organization funded by the U.S. Administration on Aging to provide pension counseling and advocacy to individuals throughout New England. Over the past 12 years, we have assisted over 3,500 individuals and recovered over \$15 million in benefits for our clients.

The New England Pension Assistance Project - . Offers you counseling and assistance · Recovers pension benefits to which you are entitled · Explains your pension plan provisions · Addresses your eligibility problems · Helps locate your pension benefits · Provides speakers on pension issues · Supplies referrals to attorneys · Supplies a listing of financial advisors  
These services are provided to residents of the six New England states at no charge. For assistance please contact us at (888) 425- 6067.

### Discovering What's Next

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***Discovering What's Next: ReVitalizing Retirement (DWN) is a community collaboration engaging mid-life and older adults in creative exploration of their next life stage. DWN provides connection and direction and opportunities for learning and community involvement.***