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9th August 2024

National Updates

Healthy Age Friendly Homes attend the Tipperary Age Friendly Expo

L-R: Mary Gilsenan – HAFH Admin Team, Tracey Thompson – HAFH Tipperary Coordinator, David Whelan - HAFH Tipperary Coordinator, Karen Fennessy – HAFH Mid-West Regional Progamme Manager, Helen Creed - HAFH Limerick Coordinator, Áine Fitzsimons - HAFH Admin Team.

The Healthy Age Friendly Homes team attended the Tipperary Age Friendly Expo, hosted by the Tipperary Age Friendly Programme and held on the TUS campus in Thurles. There was a good attendance to the Expo with around 800 people in attendance.

Many visited the Healthy Age Friendly Homes stand to talk to the Coordinators who provided them with information about the supports available through the programme.

The Admin Team who also attended, filled out plenty of referral forms with older people who were interested in participating in the programme.

At the event, there were 64 information stands, all of which featured resources for Positive Aging within the County. There were many excellent opportunities for networking with other agencies. The event, which also featured music and dancing, was well attended by organisations and participants alike. It was undoubtedly a huge success and a great day out for all in attendance.
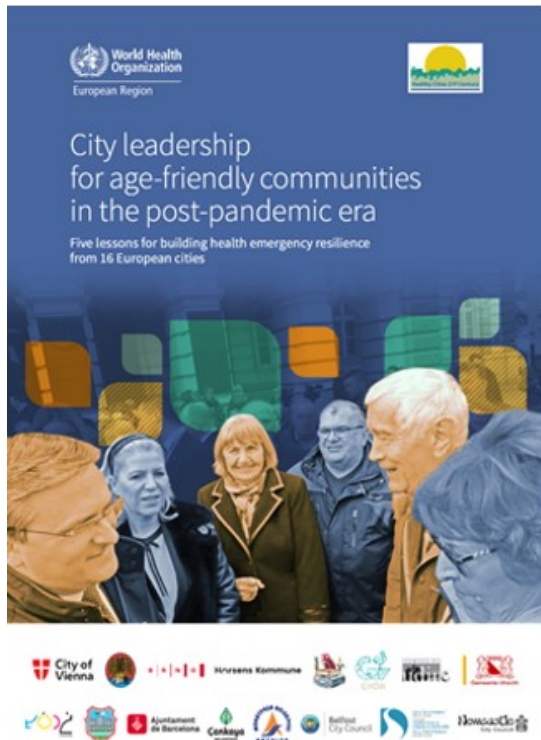

Embracing the Stories of Residents at Nursing Homes Week 2024

Nursing Homes Ireland Launches Nursing Homes Week 2024, Celebrating Nursing Home Residents and Capturing Moments - "Embracing Life's Moments: Celebrating Nursing Homes Week 2024"

Nursing Homes Ireland (NHI) is thrilled to announce the launch of Nursing Homes Week 2024, a cherished annual event taking place from August 19th to August 25th. This week-long celebration is dedicated to acknowledging the significant role of nursing homes in providing exceptional care and support to older adults across the nation.

Find out more ›

Regions Harnessing the Power of Age-Friendly Cities and Communities

WHO Regional Office for Europe publishes new policy brief on age-friendly communities and health emergencies.

Building on the experience of 16 cities from Europe, the WHO Regional Office for Europe has developed a policy brief highlighting how building age-friendly communities can also improve preparedness for health emergencies.

Find out more ›

Local Updates

Library Events / Heritage Week

Heritage Week takes place across the country from **August 17th to August 25th** and libraries throughout the country will host a series of free events.

An initiative of the Heritage Council, National Heritage Week celebrates all things heritage. It brings together communities, families, organisations, cultural institutions, academics and enthusiasts, to build awareness about the value of heritage and support its conservation.

Find out more ›

Private Rightsizing Scheme at Brú na Gruadán, Castletroy, Co. Limerick

Limerick City and County Council, in partnership with Focus Housing Association, is excited to announce the launch of this scheme tailored for homeowners aged 55 and above who find their current homes too large for their needs.
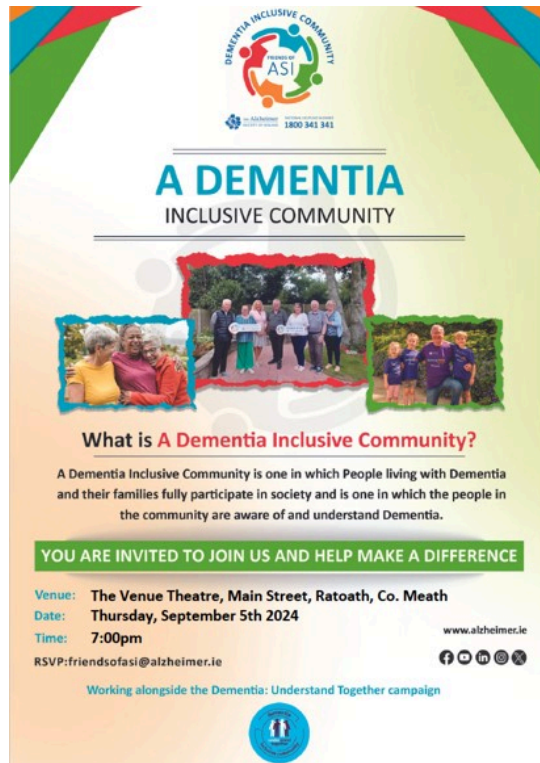
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Fond farewell at Raheny Age Friendly

One of Raheny Age Friendly longest-serving members has decided to retire. Terry has been there since the group's foundation in 2015, where his ability to chat was every bit as important as his prowess in making tea.

Terry will be sorely missed by all within the group, but he's more than deserving to be handed his tea at this stage!

A DEMENTIA INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY

At St Olivers Community Centre CLG (SOCC) which includes Ratoath Community Centre, Happy Days Community Childcare, Ratoath Community Sports Campus and the Venue Theatre, their overall aim is to enhance and enrich the quality of life and overall well-being for all the residents of our village and surrounding communities.

In Ratoath Community Centre the last Friday of every month we have our Alzheimer's Social Club, where individuals impacted and their family members/carers come to chat, sing and play games in a safe welcoming space.

They are partnering with 'The Alzheimer Society of Ireland's Friends of ASI programme in an attempt to do their part by promoting and gathering like-minded individuals to help make Ratoath a dementia inclusive village. The first of its kind in Meath.

International Updates

IFA Global Café | In Conversation with Dr. Emer Coveney

IFA Global Café | In Conversation with Dr. Emer Coveney on "Developing Age-Friendly Communities."
9 August 2024, 07:00 A.M. EDT (US and Canada)

Find out more ›

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