Senior Expo Set for Nov. 8 in Jonesboro
by UAMS Center on Aging-Northeast, Schmieding Program

LITTLE ROCK — The University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS) Center on Aging-Northeast and the UAMS Schmieding Home Caregiver Training program will offer a free Senior Expo on Nov. 8 at Nettleton Baptist Church in Jonesboro.

From 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the church, 7001 E. Johnson Ave., seniors, their families and caregivers can learn from vendors and presentations about the resources available to them in the region. The event is being held during National Family Caregiver Month and a special presentation will held at 10:45 to recognize the “Caregiver of the Year.”

Flu shots will be available at no charge as well as free health screenings, dental screenings, demonstrations and breakout information sessions. A catfish lunch and bingo games will be provided.

Dozens of vendors with booths will present information about a range of services and organizations from Alzheimer’s programs, banking services and chiropractic care to estate and trust planning, financial and legal planning, senior housing and Medicare planning. A St. Bernards mobile mammography unit will be onsite.

“Our local community has so many valuable resources available to our aging population and we wanted to showcase them all under one roof,” said Senior Expo co-chair, Valerie Fielder, administrative coordinator at UAMS Center on Aging-Northeast. “Whether it’s learning more about advanced-care planning, long-term care or even home care, representatives will be available. Many seniors want to make sure they are prepared for this time of their life.”

Several community partners are co-sponsors of the event including St. Bernards Senior Services, Chad Oldham Law Firm, AllWell and Kindred at Home.

“At the Center on Aging-Northeast, we strive every day to help our senior adults live healthier lives, and this expo has proven to be an excellent way that we can reach our senior population,” said Samantha Hollis, Center on Aging program manager. “We all have grandparents, parents, friends and/or others in our lives who could benefit from the resources we will showcase all in one day.”
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