

The SCOOP

Charles County's Senior Center News



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Welcome to the Charles County Senior Centers!

The Charles County Senior Center Mission is to connect older adults to an inclusive community that fosters healthy aging through programs that support independence, wellbeing, and self-expression.

Meet the Team!

Director of Community Services, Dina Barclay
Deputy Director of Community Services, Laura Gustafson
Chief of Aging, Lisa Furlow
Centers Administrator, Elizabeth Phipps
Senior Center Supervisor, Rachel Gould
Health Promotion and Physical Fitness Coordinator, Deborah Shanks
Aging & Disability Resource Center Manager, Ruth Anderson-Cole
Aging & Disability Resource Center Coordinator, Desiree Hodgson Williams
Nutritionist, Brittney Bolin

Come Visit!

Richard R. Clark Senior Center

1210 Charles St., La Plata, MD 20646 • 301-934-5423
 Open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., weekdays • Coordinator: Janice Hamby

Indian Head Senior Center

100 Cornwallis Sq., Indian Head MD, 20640 • 301-743-2125
 Open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Mon./Wed./Fri • Open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Tues. & Thurs.
 Coordinator: Cynthia Simmons

Nanjemoy Senior & Community Center

4375 Port Tobacco Rd., Nanjemoy, MD 20662 • 301-246-9612
 Open 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (Senior Room open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. only), weekdays.
 Coordinator:

Waldorf Senior and Recreational Center

90 Post Office Rd., Waldorf, MD 20602 • 240-448-2810, ext. 1
 Open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., weekdays • Coordinator: Ariana Shanks

Senior Center Eligibility Requirements

In accordance with the Older Americans Act, participants must be a resident of Charles County aged 60 or over. Spouses of those aged 60 or over are eligible to participate. Participants must be able to exhibit independence and be self-sufficient in basic needs including: *Restroom use, Eating independently, Move safely and independently throughout the center, Providing and maintaining personal assistive devices and medications without assistance of Senior Center staff.* Each participant must complete an annual center registration form that provides basic information and allows the Aging and Senior Programs Division to document facility usage for funding purposes. Participants must sign in at the Senior Center during each visit and detail the activities they are participating in that day. Disruptive and inappropriate behavior will not be tolerated in the Senior Centers.

Council News for April Sponsored/Hosted Activities & Events

Clark Senior Center	Indian Head Senior Center	Nanjemoy Senior & Community Center	Waldorf Senior & Rec Center
N/A	Shibashi	Evening Bingo 4/19 @ 5 p.m.	Bingo March Line Dance Party

Credit Cards Now Accepted

You've asked and we've listened! You can now pay for programs with a credit or debit card at the Senior Center!

You can now get digital access to the SCOOP by scanning this QR code!

Never scanned a QR code before? Don't worry! Follow these simple steps!

1. Open the camera app on your phone.
2. Point the camera at the QR code.
3. Tap the banner/website that appear on the phone screen.



This will open the SCOOP webpage on your phone!
 The SCOOP is now at your finger tips!

Meals on Wheels Drivers Needed



Charles County Meals on Wheels, Inc. is currently looking for volunteers to deliver hot and frozen meals to home-bound seniors between 10am and 2pm on weekdays throughout Charles County. Training will be provided. If you are interested in helping us with this important service please contact the Charles County Meals on Wheels office at 301-392-6325 or email ccmealstrp@comcast.net for more information.

Did Your Program Get Promoted

Can't find your weekly scheduled class in the SCOOP? It was there last month, and like magic, it vanished from its normal spot on the calendar? Not to worry! Your favorite weekly program got PROMOTED! That's right, you are now top of the calendar safely notated in the weekly program category. Your program isn't gone, it's made it to weekly rotation! Thanks to you and your dedication this program is now flourishing and is expected every week.

SCAM JAM: It's not too late to register!



Don't be a Victim to Scams impacting our community! Be Alert, Be Informed, Be Empowered! Register to attend the annual Scam Jam event to learn about current trends in scamming and how to protect yourself and report abuse. Submit your registration form to your local senior center by **Mon, April 15th.**

Date: Wednesday, April 24, 2024

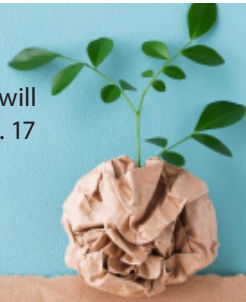
Time: 9:00 am-1:30 pm

Fee: \$5.00 (age 60+)

Location: Richard R. Clark Senior Center

Early Closure

All Charles County Senior Centers will close at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Apr. 17 for an all-staff meeting.



Recipe: Tossed Spring Veggie Pasta



What You'll Need

- 1 pound bow tie pasta
 - 2 tablespoons olive oil or avocado oil
 - 1/2 pound fresh asparagus, trimmed and cut into 2-inch pieces
 - 1 yellow bell pepper, cut into 1-inch pieces
 - 3 cloves garlic, minced
 - 1 cup cherry tomatoes, cut in half
 - 1 cup chicken broth
 - 1 teaspoon onion powder
 - 1 teaspoon salt
 - 1/4 teaspoon black pepper
 - 4 ounces goat cheese, crumbled OR Feta Cheese, crumbled
 - 1 tablespoon sliced fresh basil
1. In a soup pot, cook pasta according to package directions; drain, place in a serving bowl, and cover to keep warm.
 2. Meanwhile, in a large skillet over medium heat, heat oil; cook asparagus, bell pepper, and garlic 5 minutes, or just until tender. Add tomatoes, chicken broth, onion powder, salt, and pepper; cook 5 minutes, or until hot.
 3. Pour vegetable mixture over pasta, toss gently with goat cheese or feta cheese and basil, and serve immediately.

Why is hydration so important?

As we age, our bodies undergo numerous changes, and one aspect that requires steadfast attention is hydration. Staying adequately hydrated becomes even more vital for seniors as dehydration can lead to a range of health issues.

Benefits of Proper Hydration:

- **Cognitive Function:** Adequate hydration is essential for maintaining cognitive function. Dehydration has been linked to a decline in concentration, memory, and overall cognitive performance. Seniors who prioritize hydration may experience improved mental clarity and alertness.
- **Joint and Muscle Health:** Proper hydration is crucial for supporting joint and muscle health. Dehydrated individuals may be more prone to stiffness, cramps, and joint pain. Those who stay hydrated are better equipped to maintain mobility and reduce the risk of falls and injuries.
- **Digestive Health:** Hydration plays a key role in supporting digestive health. Seniors who consume sufficient fluids are less likely to experience constipation, a common issue in older adults. Water helps keep the digestive system functioning smoothly, aiding in nutrient absorption and waste elimination.
- **Temperature Regulation:** Older adults are often more vulnerable to extreme temperatures. Staying hydrated helps regulate body temperature, reducing the risk of heat-related illnesses such as heatstroke or heat exhaustion, especially during hot weather.

Practical Tips for Staying Hydrated:

- **Set a Schedule:** Establish a routine for drinking water throughout the day, even if you don't feel thirsty. This helps ensure a consistent intake of fluids.
- **Choose Hydrating Foods:** Include water-rich foods in the diet, such as fruits (watermelon, oranges) and vegetables (cucumbers, celery). These not only contribute to hydration but also provide essential nutrients.
- **Monitor Fluid Intake:** You should be mindful of their fluid intake, especially if you are on medications that may impact hydration levels. Consulting with healthcare professionals for personalized advice is crucial.
- **Opt. for Hydration Aids:** Consider using tools like water bottles with measurements to track daily water intake. Flavoring water with a splash of citrus or using herbal teas can also make hydration more enjoyable.





Distracted Driving Awareness Month

April is Distracted Driving Awareness Month. Check out these avoid distracted driving tips from AARP:

Secure Your Cargo

Be sure to put all cargo in a secure place in your car. Reaching for loose belongings is dangerous; it takes your hands off the wheel and often takes your eyes off the road. Make sure all belongings are firmly held in place.

Restrain Your Pet

Restrain your pet while driving. It's important to restrict your pet's movement to protect it from a crash or inflating airbags.

- For dogs, consider investing in a pet seat belt, which is easy to use and works in conjunction with a normal seat belt. Keep in mind that attaching a restraining device to your dog's collar can end up choking the pup; instead, use a harness that wraps around your dog's chest.
- Cats should be contained in a crate, cage or pet car seat that is secured with a seat belt. Look for a sturdy carrier with enough ventilation and plenty of room for your cat to turn around and stretch out. Also make sure you secure the carrier so that it stays safely in place in case of a collision or sudden stops.

Cellphones and Other Distractions

Driving is a demanding activity that requires your full attention to many things at the same time. Do not be distracted by things not directly related to the driving task. Eliminate distractions inside the vehicle and minimize activities that require you to take your eyes off the road, especially in heavy traffic.

Here are a few rules of the road for cell phone use:

- DO NOT send or read text messages while driving.
- Make outgoing calls only when you are at your destination or parked.
- Use your voicemail for incoming calls or let a passenger talk for you.
- Put your cellphone on "silent" so that you are not tempted to answer it while driving.
- Remember, research shows that even talking on a hands-free cellphone involves concentrating on the conversation at hand, often at the expense of the driving task.

Distracted driving laws, especially when it comes to cell phone use, vary by state. See the distracted driving laws in your state.

To reduce other distractions

- Pre-set your favorite radio stations.
- Load your favorite CD before you start driving.
- Refrain from eating, drinking, and smoking.
- Know your route before starting out, so that you do not need to consult a map or directions during the trip.
- Set up your GPS-based navigation device and adjust the volume control.
- Manage passenger conversation to keep it from being distracting.

Distractions play a major role in many accidents on the roadway today, and modern technology is a major source of distraction while driving. Do your part in helping keep your roads safe by keeping your whole mind on the road and avoiding distractions!



Earth Day Produce Hack: Grow vegetables from kitchen scraps.

Did you know you can grow vegetables from kitchen scraps? It's true!

Leafy vegetables: Cut off the plant's uneaten base, about 1 inch tall. Place it cut side up in a shallow saucer, and then add 1/2 inch of water. Refresh the water regularly.

Bulb vegetables: For green onions, leeks, fennel and lemongrass, cut off the end with the tiny roots about 1 inch tall. Place it root end down in water 1/2 inch deep. Water should cover the roots, but not the top. Keep water fresh.

For mature bulb onions, plant directly into soil instead of water. Cut your root base about 1 inch thick, and then plant it in a soil-filled container or into your outdoor garden. As with leafy vegetable scraps, cover the roots and base with soil, but keep the top exposed.

Root vegetables: For carrots, turnips, and beets, cut off the top, but leave 1/2 inch of the beet or turnip attached. Place the scrap in shallow water, cut side down and leaf end up, and fresh greens will soon appear.

Happy Birthday & Welcome to Medicare

It is a milestone to celebrate as you turn 65! This means you may be eligible for Medicare Parts A, B, C, D and/or Supplemental Insurance (Medigap). You may also qualify for Medicare Savings Programs to help with Medicare costs. Are you confused with the telephone calls, television ads and excessive mailings? Do not worry, if you need help through this process, or need more accurate information, please contact the State Health Insurance Program (SHIP) office at 301-609-5712 (La Plata) or 240-448-2816 (Waldorf) for FREE and unbiased Medicare education and counseling. This is one of many benefits available to you as you turn 65.



Ask SHIP:

How can I prevent, detect, and report Medicare fraud related to a SNF stay?

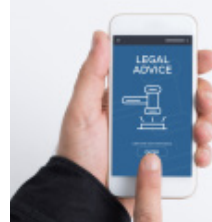
Medicare fraud can occur when a provider or facility bills for services you did not receive or were not medically necessary. Examples of potential skilled nursing facility (SNF) fraud could include:

- Learning that your Medicare was charged for 1) Services that your doctor did not deem medically necessary. 2) Services that you never received. 3) More expensive services than what you received. 4) A greater quantity of services than what you received. 5) SNF services for dates after you were released from the SNF
- Being forced to stay in a SNF until your benefits have expired, even though your condition has improved, and you wish to transition to home health care services.

You can stop SNF fraud by:

- Reading your Medicare statements to compare the services you received with the services Medicare was charged by your providers.
- Reporting any charges on your Medicare statements that are not accurate to your local Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP).
- Working with your doctor to enroll in SNF services.
- Not accepting gifts or money in return for choosing a SNF.
- Signing forms only once you have understood them.

Contact your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) at 301-609-5712 (La Plata area residents) or 240-448-2816 (Waldorf area residents) if you have more questions.



Legal Aid

Apr 2nd and May 7th

By appointment **only** at the Richard Clark Senior Center, contact **301-609-5712** to schedule.

End of Tax Season

Tax season is coming to an end. Once again, the Senior Information and Assistance Office is partnering with AARP Tax-Aide to provide free income tax preparation.

To schedule a Tax Preparation Appointment:

Call 301-246-2271 and leave a message.

Or send an email to 21052181@aarpfoundation.org

A tax volunteer will call you back to schedule your appointment. **After scheduling your appointment**, please remember to pick up a Tax-Aide Intake/Interview packet, at your local senior center. The documents must be completed before a tax preparer can see you.



Get a Property/Renters Tax Break

Did you know that the state of Maryland provides a tax credit for homeowners based on gross household income that is \$60,000 or less? Application for Renter's rebate is also available to persons with a valid lease and who meet certain eligibility criteria. Many seniors qualify for these tax credit programs, so don't miss the opportunity to apply. Online and paper applications are available.

1. A direct credit on their July property tax bill **if the application is completed and received before April 15, 2024**, or a later credit for applications received on or before October 1, 2024.
2. A direct check that is paid to the qualified renter applicant.
3. A written letter of denial stating the reason for ineligibility.

Applications are accepted and processed from February through September. Individuals can obtain an application by contacting the Department of Community Services, Information & Assistance Offices at 301-609-5712 (La Plata) or 240-448-2816 (Waldorf). Appointments are highly encouraged.

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Program Highlights

Blue Crabs Baseball Silver Sluggers Program Presentation

This presentation will provide participants with information about our local stadium, and the Silver Sluggers Program. This Stadium is located right here in Charles County and is the home of the Blue Crabs!

Thursday, Apr. 11, 10 a.m. Fee: FREE

Scam Jam

See Page 2 for details.

There will be no Cards, Games, Gospel Choir, Billiards, coloring, or Sewing Room activities on this date. Lunch will only be available for those participating in Scam Jam.

Wednesday, Apr. 24, 9 a.m. Fee: \$5/pp

Healthy Relationships

This presentation is designed to help ensure you are in a healthy relationship. Please Sign Up!

Thursday, Apr. 25, 1 p.m. Fee: FREE

Ongoing Programs

Beginners Jewelry Class

Mary Hemmingway will help you create beautiful pieces of beaded jewelry. No experience necessary. Class size limited, please sign up!

Wednesday, Apr. 3 & 17, 10 a.m. Fee: FREE

Book Club

Led by Nancy Marquardt, Charles County Public Library. The Wager: A Tale of Shipwreck, Mutiny, and Murder by David Grann

Thursday, Apr. 4, 1 p.m. Fee: FREE

Widow to Widow Support Group

Women's group focusing on grief. Facilitated by Fran Bryner.

Monday, Apr. 8, 11 a.m. Fee: FREE

Charles County Mobile Library

Visit the Charles County Mobile Library, located within our center.

Tuesday, Apr. 9 & 30, 10 a.m.- 12 p.m.

Fee: FREE

Free Lunchtime Music with Will!

Join us at lunchtime to listen to the acoustic guitar tunes provided by Will Yeckley!

Wednesday, Apr. 10, 11:30 a.m. Fee: FREE

Acrylic Art Class

Join Brent Bovell to create a beautiful piece of artwork using acrylic paints. All supplies will be provided. Please sign up and pay in the program office.

Wednesday, Apr. 10, 17 & 24, 10 a.m. to Noon.

Fee: \$5 per person per class.

Grocery Bag Distribution

New Hope Community Outreach Organization, and Area Council on Aging will provide a bag of groceries to those who sign up. One bag per household. Limited supply, sign up early by calling the Clark Center.

Thursday, Apr. 11, 11:30 a.m. Fee: FREE

Free Karaoke Day

Tune up those vocal cords and join us for some karaoke fun with DJ Psyborg from Mosquito Cove Digital Magic Entertainment.

Tuesday, Apr. 16, 10:30 a.m. Fee: FREE

Easy Listening with Frank

Bring a snack and join us for some relaxing easy listening music provided by DJ Psyborg from Mosquito Cove Digital Magic Entertainment.

Tuesday, Apr. 23, 10:30 a.m. Fee: FREE

Learn to Quilt

Quilting is a great way to unwind. Join Gale Cavella to learn new quilting techniques. Must provide your own supplies.

Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m. Fee: FREE

Knit & Crochet Group

This is an open session for you to come together and work on your own projects. If you are new, we can teach you.

Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m. Fee: FREE

Project Linus

Karen Huffman & Gail Cavella, along with a group of volunteer members, come together to create and collect blankets to provide to children in their time of need.

Fridays, 9:30 a.m. Fee: FREE

 get motivated 

FITNESS

Health & Fitness

Clark Center Fitness Room Orientation

Mandatory before first use of fitness room. Sign up and payment required in the program office. Limited to 6.

Wednesday, Apr. 3 & 17, 10 a.m. Fee: \$5

Earth Day Meditation

See page 14 for details.

Monday, Apr. 22, 10 a.m. Fee: FREE

Therapeutic Yoga

Mondays, 11 a.m. Fee: Fitness Card

Total Body Conditioning

A Cardiovascular System workout to target all muscle groups, using bands, weights, and stretching for a well-rounded workout.

Mondays, 9 a.m. Fee: Fitness Card

Fridays, 10:15 a.m. Fee: Fitness Card

Flex & Stretch

Walk away feeling amazing with gentle movement, stretching, and specific exercises. This class can be done in a chair or on the mat. All exercise levels welcome.

Tuesdays, 10 a.m. Fee: Fitness Card

Thursdays, 1 p.m. Fee: Fitness Card

Tai Chi

See page 14 for details.

Tuesdays, 2 p.m. Fee: Fitness Card

Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program (AFEP)

This class focuses on range of motion and gentle exercise for all types of arthritis. Seated and standing exercises done with the use of light weights and Thera bands.

Wednesdays, 1 p.m. Fee: FREE

Fridays, 11:30 a.m. Fee: FREE



What's in a Name?

Do you ever wonder how place names came about? Why do people name their land or homes? Join Debi Scoggins for a trip back in time to decipher the significance of place names with an emphasis on Charles County.

**Thursday, Apr. 18, 10:30 a.m.
Fee: FREE**

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Hours: 9 a.m.–4 p.m., Monday–Friday

Luncheon at Noon–Reservation/Registration Required
Reserve lunch by 10 a.m. the preceding day.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Billiards.....9:30 Sewing Room OPEN.....9:30 Coloring & Puzzles.....9:30 2N1 Social Club.....10:00 Duplicate Bridge.....10:00 Fitness Total Body Conditioning.....9:00 Walking at Laurel Springs.....9:00 Pilates.....10:00 Therapeutic Yoga.....11:00 African Dance.....12:00 Drums Alive.....1:00	Billiards.....9:30 Quilting Class.....9:30 Coloring & Puzzles.....9:30 Guitar.....10:00 Cards & Games.....10:00 Stained Glass.....12:00 Lunch.....12:00 Spiritual Enrichment.....1:00 Fitness Strength Training.....9:00 Flex & Stretch.....10:00 Zumba.....11:30 Line Dance.....1:00 Tai Chi.....2:00	Billiards.....9:30 Sewing Room OPEN.....9:30 Crochet/Knitting.....9:30 Coloring & Puzzles.....9:30 Mah Jong.....10:00 Cards & Games.....10:00 Pokeno.....11:00 Lunch.....12:00 Powder Puff Billiards.....1:00 Gospel Choir.....2:00 Fitness Basic Fitness Training.....9:00 Yoga.....10:30 Chair Yoga.....11:30 AFEP.....1:00 Cornhole.....2:00	Billiards.....9:30 Sewing Room OPEN.....9:30 Coloring & Puzzles.....9:30 Lunch.....12:00 Reflections.....1:00 Fitness Strength Training.....9:00 Step Plus.....10:00 Zumba.....11:30 Flex & Stretch.....1:00	Billiards.....9:30 Project Linus.....9:30 Coloring & Puzzles.....9:30 Open Paint Session.....10:00 Guitar.....10:00 Lunch.....12:00 Fitness Core & More.....9:15 Total Body Conditioning.....10:15 AFEP.....11:30 Gentle Stretch.....12:00 Circuit Training.....1:00 Line Dance.....2:00
1 Therapeutic Yoga.....11:00	2 Zumba.....11:30	3 Beginners Jewelry.....10:00 Fitness Orientation.....10:00	4 Book Club.....1:00 Liturgical Dance.....2:00	5 Hand & Foot Canasta.....10:00
8 Widow to Widow.....11:00	9 Hand & Foot Canasta.....10:00 Mobile Library.....10:00	10 Acrylic Paint Class.....10:00 Lunchtime Music with Will...11:30 Council Meeting.....1:00	11 Blue Crabs Silver Sluggers Presentation.....10:00 Grocery Distribution.....11:30 Hand Dance.....2:00	12 Total Body Conditioning.....10:15
15 Walking at Laurel Springs.....9:00	16 Free Karaoke Day.....10:30	17 Acrylic Paint Class.....10:00 Beginners Jewelry.....10:00 Fitness Orientation.....10:00 CLOSING AT 2:00	18 What's in a Name.....10:30 Liturgical Dance.....2:00	19 Project Linus Meeting...9:30
22 Earth Day Meditation...10:00 No Pilates Today	23 Free Easy Listening.....10:30	24 Scam Jam.....9:00 Acrylic Paint Class.....10:00 Caregivers Support Group...2:00	25 Healthy Relationship...1:00 Hand Dance.....2:00	26 Hand & Foot Canasta.....10:00
29 Drums Alive.....1:00	30 Mobile Library.....10:00			

INDIAN HEAD SENIOR CENTER

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Location for Outside Activities

***Outdoor programs will be canceled due to inclement weather or the feel like temperature is 40 degrees or lower.**

**Indian Head Village Green -
100 Walter Thomas Rd, Indian Head, MD**

Program Highlights

ACA Town Hall Meeting

Opportunity to ask questions to members of the Area Council of Aging.

Thursday, Apr. 11, 10:15 a.m. Fee FREE

Meditation with Debi

See Page 14 for details.

Wednesday, Apr. 17, 11:15 a.m. Fee: FREE

Stroke Awareness

April is Stress Awareness month, join Shellee Stine, RN, Stroke Coordinator for Charles Regional Medical Center as she shares how stress correlates with our health.

Thursday, Apr. 18, 10 a.m. Fee: FREE

Earth Day

Recycling helps save the earth. Join Michelle Smith as she shares how focusing on litter and recycling can help. Please sign up with Staff, a head count is needed.

Monday, Apr. 22, 11:30 a.m. Fee: FREE

Bring Your Daughters & Sons to the Center (Work)

Share your day with your children.

Thursday, Apr. 25, 9:30 a.m. Fee: FREE

Beat the Blues Jean Party

Join DJ Swagg for some fun music and dancing as we welcome Spring and shake away the Winter blues. Blue Jeans welcome.

Tuesday, Apr. 30, 10:45 a.m. Fee: Donation

Ongoing Programs

Bingo

Mondays, Apr. 1, 15 & 29, 9:30 a.m.

Fee: 5¢ per card

Singing Group

Whether you sing gospel or just sing, this is the group for you.

Mondays, Apr. 1, 15 & 29, 1 p.m. Fee: FREE

Senior Tech

Friday, Apr. 5, 11 a.m. Fee: FREE

Project Linus/Sewing 101

Make a difference in a child's life. No sewing experience is necessary.

Mondays, Apr. 8 & 22, 9:30 a.m. Fee: FREE

Widow & Widower Support Group

Peer to peer support group facilitated by Brenda Dubose.

Wednesdays, Apr. 10 & 24, 10 a.m. Fee: FREE

Information & Assistance w/Julie

Meet privately with Aging & Disability Resource Specialist, Julie Hammonds. Make an appointment by calling 301 934-6737.

Tuesday, Apr. 23, 9:30 a.m. Fee: FREE

Health & Fitness Programs

You Matter – Affirmations

Thursday, Apr. 4, 10:30 a.m. Fee: FREE

Diabetes Prevention Program (DPP)

Facilitators, Palon Moon and Spencer Barry. Sponsored by CCHD and CRMC.

Friday, Apr. 12, 9:30 a.m. Fee: FREE

Eat Well/Move Well

My Plate.

Tuesday, Apr. 16, 1:30 p.m. Fee: FREE

Shibashi

Join Randi McWilliams for a class of Tai Chi and Qigong. Sponsored by IHSCC.

Tuesday, Apr. 23, 3 p.m. Fee: Donation

Tai Chi for Arthritis II

Outside class for students who practice the 41 movements.

Mondays & Wednesdays, 9 a.m. Fee: FREE

Dance Fit w/Shah Meca

Dance your way into weight loss, strong bones, better posture, and balance.

Mondays, 10:30 a.m. Fee: Fitness Card

Tai Chi for Arthritis Beginner's Class

Tai Chi for Arthritis using Sun style Tai Chi, focusing on muscle control, stability, balance, and flexibility.

Mondays & Wednesdays, 1 p.m. Fee: FREE

Mobility & Balance w/Nieda

Join Nieda incorporates functional movement for every-body!

Tuesdays, 9:15 a.m. Fee: Fitness Card

AFEP (Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program)

A low-impact exercise program focuses on range of motion while reducing stiffness.

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 11:15 a.m. Fee: FREE

Fitness Surprise

Exercises to promote strength.

Wednesdays, 10:15 a.m. Fee: Fitness Card

Fitness Orientation

Required to before using fitness equipment.

Wednesdays, 2 p.m. Fee: \$5

Fitness Surprise

Thursdays, 9:30 a.m. Fee: Fitness Card

Fitness w/Lamont

Cardio, circuit, and strength training.

Thursdays, 1 p.m. Fee: Fitness Card

Kettlebell Training

Challenging but geared for seniors, this class is all about staying strong and agile.

Thursdays, 2:15 p.m. Fee: Fitness Card

Chair Yoga

Fridays, 9 a.m. Fee: Fitness Card

Community Programs

STEAM Festival

Hands-on STEAM activities for the family at the Velocity Center.

Saturday, Apr. 20, 10 a.m. Fee: FREE

Mobile Market

Wednesday, Apr. 24, 11:30 a.m. Fee: FREE

How Foods Affect You Workshop

Join Dr. Evelyn Crayton and Registered Dietician June Thompson, members of the National Organization of Blacks in Dietetics and Nutrition for this 2-hour workshop to learn more about the foods you eat and how the foods affect you. Sponsored by Ivy and Pearls of So. MD Community Charities, Inc. Must sign up by Apr. 12.

Friday, Apr. 19, 10:30 a.m.

Fee: FREE



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8 Project Linus/Sewing 101 ...9:30	9 Paper Dolls.....10:00 Pastor Chris1:00	10 Widow & Widower Support Group.....10:00	11 ACA Town Hall Meeting10:15 No AFEP	12 Diabetes Prevention Program .9:30
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22 Project Linus/Sewing 101 ...9:30 Earth Day11:30	23 Information & Assistance with Julie9:30 Tea Club1:00 Shibashi3:00	24 SCAM Jam (Clark)9:30 Widow & Widower Support..10:00 Mobile Market.....11:30 Book Club.....1:00	25 Bring Your Daughters & Sons to the Center (Work)9:30	26 Green Thumb Club10:30
29 Bingo9:30 Singing Group1:00	30 Beat the Blues Jean Party10:45 No Fitness Classes			

Painting Workshop with Olga Herrera

Take this opportunity to learn how to paint or improve your painting from a gentle patient Instructor. Local artist, author, sculptor, illustrator, and mom Olga Herrera has been teaching all levels of painters while developing her portfolio, illustrating and writing children's books. All supplies will be provided; however, space is limited. See Staff to sign up and pay before April 11.

Tuesday, Apr. 16, 10:30 a.m. • Fee: \$10



NANJEMOY SENIOR/COMMUNITY CENTER

4375 Port Tobacco Rd • Nanjemoy, MD 20662 • 301-246-9612

Get your Latest SCOOP online!

Program Highlights

NEW FITNESS CLASS Tai Chi

Welcome to Randy Schoh as brings his expertise to Nanjemoy leading our new Tai Chi class.

Tuesdays, 10 a.m. Fee: Fitness Pass

Introduction to Herbalism

Learn about the benefits of plants and herbs.
Monday, Apr. 15, 1 p.m. Fee: FREE

Dept. of Social Services

Walk-ins accommodated.
Wednesday, Apr. 17, 10 a.m. Fee: FREE

CarFit

Thirty-minute appointments available to have your car settings modified to best fit your ergonomic and mobility needs. Appointment required. Call 301-246-9612 to schedule.

Wednesday, Apr. 17, 10 a.m. Fee: FREE

Earth Day Meditation

Connecting to mother earth is a great way to let go, breathe, and realign to yourself and purpose. Outdoors preferred. Led by Debi Shanks.

Thursday, Apr. 18, 10:30 a.m. Fee: FREE

Seated Massage for Seniors

Enjoy a 10-minute seated massage by a licensed massage therapist by appointment only.

Monday, Apr. 29, 11 a.m. Fee: FREE

Mother's Day Tea

Join us for freshly prepared food, live entertainment, money raffle, and more. This event is hosted by the Nanjemoy Senior Center Council. Event tickets are on sale now and can be purchased through council members.

Wednesday, May 8, 11 a.m.

Fee: \$12 paid to the Nanjemoy Senior Center Council

Ongoing Programs

Artistic Aesthetics

Weekly project to express your creativity. Fee due at registration. Prior signup is required. Limited space available.

Mondays, 1:00 p.m.,
Casual Crafting, Apr. 1, Fee: \$5
Upcycle an Old Painting, Apr. 8, Fee: FREE
Casual Crafting, Apr. 15, Fee: \$5
Mini Photo Journals, Apr. 22, Fee: FREE
Hat Centerpieces for Mother's Day, Apr. 29, Fee: \$4

I&A Services

Meet privately with Aging & Disability Resource Specialist, Julie Hammonds, for additional assistance, by making an appointment. See Staff or call 301-934-6737 for an appointment.

Thursday, Apr. 18, 9:30 a.m. Fee: FREE

Nickel Bingo

Join us for bingo every week!

Thursdays, 12:45 p.m. Fee: 5¢ per card.

Health & Fitness Programs

Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program (AFEP)

Evidence-based exercise program. Gentle stretching with cardio and strength training exercises. Designed to get a full body workout with consideration given to those with mobility impairments. Video may be used as needed.

Mondays & Wednesdays, 11 a.m. Fee: FREE

Flex & Stretch

Body movement, balance, stretching and mobility.

Tuesdays, 10 a.m. Fee: FREE

Core Fitness

Core work, muscle work, and flexibility.

Tuesdays, 11:15 a.m. Fee: Fitness Pass

Total Body Conditioning

Whole-body workout, standing and sitting, using free weights.

Thursdays, 11 a.m. Fee: FREE

Community Programs

Age restrictions for drop-in use of Community Rooms are 13-17 with adults 18+ independent use. Like us on Facebook!!

Mobile Library

Borrow books, movies, tech every three weeks.

Tuesday, Apr. 2 & 23, 10:30 a.m. Fee: FREE

WIC Services

Fridays, Apr. 12 & 26, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Fee: FREE

Mobile Food Market

Maryland Food Bank distribution. Fresh and shelf-stable pantry items.

Wednesday, Apr. 17, 12 p.m. Fee: FREE

While supplies last

New Hope Food Distribution

Shelf-stable pantry items provided.

Thursday, Apr. 25, 11:30 a.m. Fee: FREE

While supplies last

Billiard/Game Room

Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Fee: FREE

Computer Lab

Print, copy, fax services available.

Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Fee: 10¢ per side.

Fitness Room

Open to those who have already completed the Fitness Room Orientation.

Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Fee: FREE

Narcotics Anonymous

Tuesdays, 3-4 p.m.

Shop the Rack - Community Closet

New and gently use clothing items for free.

Tuesdays, 1-4:30 p.m. &

Fridays, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Fee: FREE

Recreation Programs

Register for Recreation Programming online at: <https://charlescountymd.myrec.com/info/facilities/details.aspx?FacilityID=14733>

Exploding Volcanoes

Ages 3-5 first session and ages 6-9 second session.

Wednesday, Apr. 10, 2-2:45 p.m. & 3-3:45 p.m.

Fee: \$15

Toddler & Future Chef

Ages 2-6 first session and ages 7-12 second session.

Tuesday, Apr. 16, 6-6:45 p.m. & 7-7:45 p.m.

Fee: \$12

Move & Groove

Ages 2-5.

Friday, Apr. 26, 10-10:45 a.m. Fee: FREE

Storytime

Ages 2-5.

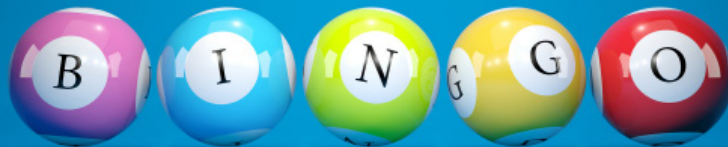
Friday, Apr. 26, 11-11:45 a.m. Fee: FREE

Senior Council Bingo Fundraiser

Join us for an evening of nickel bingo with the Nanjemoy Senior Center Council. Food sales at the event to benefit the senior council on behalf of the Nanjemoy Senior and Community Center.

Friday, Apr. 19, 5-7 p.m. Fee: 5¢ per card

Food prices are determined by the council.



NANJEMOY SENIOR/COMMUNITY CENTER

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Senior Center Hours: 9 a.m.–3 p.m., Mon–Friday
Luncheon at Noon–Reservation/Registration Required

Reserve lunch by 10 a.m. the preceding day.

Community Center Hours:
8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m., Mon–Friday

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Billiards.....8:30 Computer Lab8:30 Fitness Room8:30 Senior Tech Appts8:30 Lunch12:00 Dominos.....1:00 Games/Puzzles1:00 Fitness AFEP10:00	Billiards.....8:30 Causal Crafting8:30 Computer Lab8:30 Fitness Room8:30 Senior Tech Appts8:30 Lunch12:00 Dominos.....1:00 Games/Puzzles1:00 Shop the Rack1:00 Narcotics Anonymous.....3:00 Fitness Flex & Stretch.....10:00 Core Fitness11:15	Billiards.....8:30 Causal Crafting8:30 Computer Lab8:30 Fitness Room8:30 Senior Tech Appts8:30 Lunch12:00 Dominos.....1:00 Games/Puzzles1:00 Fitness AFEP10:00 Walking Club11:00	Billiards.....8:30 Causal Crafting8:30 Computer Lab8:30 Fitness Room8:30 Senior Tech Appts8:30 Lunch12:00 Nickel Bingo.....12:45 Dominos.....1:00 Games/Puzzles1:00 Fitness Tai Chi10:00 Total Body Conditioning.....11:00	Billiards.....8:30 Causal Crafting8:30 Computer Lab8:30 Fitness Room8:30 Shop the Rack8:30 Senior Tech Appts8:30 Lunch12:00 Dominos.....1:00 Games/Puzzles1:00 Fitness Walking Club1:00
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15 <u>Introduction to Herbalism</u>1:00 Artistic Aesthetics: <i>Casual Crafting</i>1:00	16 <u>Recreation Program</u> Toddler Chef6:00 Future Chef7:00	17 CarFit10:00 <u>Community Programs</u> Dept. of Social Services .10:00 Mobile Food Market12:00 CLOSING AT 2:00	18 I&A Services.....9:30 Earth Day Meditation...10:30	19 Senior Council Bingo Fundraiser5:00
22 Artistic Aesthetics: <i>Mini Photo Journals</i>1:00	23 <u>Community Program</u> Mobile Library10:30	24 Scam Jam at Richard R. Clark.....9:00	25 New Hope Grocery Distribution11:30	26 <u>Community Program</u> WIC Services9:00 <u>Recreation Program</u> Move & Groove10:00 Storytime.....11:00
29 Seated Massage for Seniors11:00 Artistic Aesthetics: <i>Hat Centerpieces for Mother's Day</i>1:00	30 Flex & Stretch.....10:00			

WALDORF SENIOR & RECREATIONAL CENTER

90 Post Office Road • Waldorf, MD 20602 • 240-448-2810

Get your Latest SCOOP online!

Program Highlights

Effective Communication Strategies

Does communicating with your loved one frustrate you? Is there a better way to reach a person with neuro-cognitive difficulties? This program will give you real-life tools you can use as you navigate the difficulties of being a care partner. Brought to us by the Alzheimer's Association.

Wednesday, Apr. 3, 10 a.m. Fee: FREE

Lettuce Celebrate

In honor of Earth Day, join the Charles County Master Gardeners for this fun and informative event! You will learn all about lettuce and be taught how to build a lettuce box at home. Everyone will walk away with a lettuce plant donated by Wintergreen Nursery.

Monday, Apr. 22, 11 a.m. Fee: FREE

Keeping Physically Healthy – Virtual

A 30-minute exploration of the importance of keeping physically healthy and how it fits in with the concept of Total Wellness.

Wednesday, Apr. 24, 11:30 a.m. Fee: FREE

Earth Day Meditation

See pg. 14 for more details.

Wednesday, Apr. 25, 10:30 a.m. Fee: FREE

Estates Planning

Please join Attorney, Heather Cherry, as she discusses everything about Estates Planning. She is very knowledgeable and will open the floor for questions at the end.

Friday, Apr. 26, 10 a.m. Fee: FREE

Ongoing Programs

Prayer Group

We are praying at the Center! All are invited to join our new Prayer Group. We will be praying for our families, friends, loved ones, the sick, and our nation. We will be meeting every first and second Tuesday of the month.

Tuesday, Apr. 2 & 9, 10 a.m. Fee: FREE

Poetry Club

Join the Poetry Club at the Waldorf Senior Center! Local poets come together to share their beautiful pieces of work with others. Don't have poetry to read? That's ok! Come to listen to their powerful words.

Friday, Apr. 5, 11 a.m. Fee: FREE

Widow & Widower Support Group

Facilitated by Brenda Dubose.

Monday, Apr. 8 & 29, 9:30 a.m. Fee: FREE

Bible Study

Facilitated by Minister Yvonne' Wilson. All are welcome!

Tuesday, Apr. 16, 11 a.m. Fee: FREE

Jewelry Club

You will make beautiful pieces of jewelry in this class. All supplies will be provided. Sign up and payment required at front desk.

Wednesday, Apr. 17, 10 a.m. Fee: \$3/pp

Book Club

This month's book is "Around the World in 80 Days," by Jules Verne. Please come prepared with your thoughts on this book and join in the discussions.

Friday, Apr. 19, 1 p.m. Fee: FREE

Basic Sewing

Join instructor, Melon Spriggs, and learn basic sewing techniques. Please bring your own sewing supplies (fabrics, thread, etc.)

Mondays & Wednesdays, 1 p.m. Fee: FREE

Guitar Club

Do you own a guitar and are looking for a fun place to jam out with friends? If yes, then you will find the perfect club! Bring your guitar to the center and play some tunes while learning new skills from peers.

Mondays, 10 a.m. & Thursdays, 1 p.m.

Fee: FREE

Leather Crafting

Leather crafting is a fun and exciting hobby. You can create custom handmade keychains, purses, credit card wallets and more. If this grabs your interest, then this class is for you! Please bring your own materials, including a piece of leather suitable for your project and some general leather crafting tools. Any materials needed moving forward will be discussed during your first class.

Tuesdays, 10 a.m. Fee: FREE

Crafter's Corner

Come join fellow paper crafters and create your own special pieces of art. This is a self-run time slot for paper crafters alike. Please bring your own crafting supplies.

Tuesdays & Fridays, 1 p.m. Fee: FREE

Crochet Club

Join Vicki Eichhorn and learn about basic crochet techniques while working on projects.

Fridays, 11 a.m. Fee: FREE

BINGO

How it Works:

Players must purchase sheets the day of and can only be used on date of purchase. There are 25 games to play, winnings are determined by number of purchased players. Bingo card sales run from 9:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. **Bingo cards will not be sold after 10:15 a.m.** Bills used to purchase bingo cards must be \$10 or less. Bingo play begins at 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays unless otherwise noted in the SCOOP.

Thursdays, 10:30 a.m. Fee: Your Purchase

Health & Fitness

Fitness Room Orientation

Mandatory before first use of fitness room. Registration required.

Wednesday, Apr. 10 & 24, 1 p.m.

Tuesday, Apr. 16 & 30, 10:30 a.m.

Fee: \$5

Chair Dance Aerobics

Now offered three times a week! This class is great for all fitness levels and includes cardio and dancing while seated.

Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, 9:30 a.m.

Fee: Fitness Card

Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program (AFEP)

Use of gentle movements to help increase joint flexibility, range of motion, and muscle strength.

Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m. and

Fridays, 11:30 a.m. Fee: FREE

Chair One Plus

This dance-based workout comes unique with extra exercises that ant level can do.

Fridays, 12:30 p.m. Fee: Fitness Card



Mother's Day Bruch

This event is hosted by the Waldorf Senior Center Council. Join the celebration! Entertainment, food, and more! Ticket sales will take place on Thursday, Apr. 4 from 9:30-10:45 a.m. and Thursday, Apr. 11 from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Wednesday, May 8, 10:30 a.m.


Fee: \$15 paid to Waldorf Senior Center Council

WALDORF SENIOR & RECREATIONAL CENTER

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Hours: 9 a.m.–4 p.m., Monday–Friday
Luncheon at Noon–Reservation/Registration Required
Reserve lunch by 10 a.m. the preceding day.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Fitness Room9:00 Racquetball9:00 Guitar Club10:00 Cards & Games10:30 Pinochle11:00 Lunch12:00 Basic Sewing1:00 Cornhole1:00 Table Tennis2:30 Fitness Chair Dance Aerobics9:30 Chair Yoga10:30 Yoga11:30 Kettlebell Fitness12:30 Enhanced Fitness1:30	Fitness Room9:00 Racquetball9:00 Leather Crafting10:00 Tech Time10:30 Cards & Games10:30 Pokeno10:30 Basketball11:00 Lunch12:00 Crafter's Corner1:00 Fitness Total Body Conditioning9:30 Gentle Stretching10:30 Line Dancing11:30 Beginner Pickleball2:30	Fitness Room9:00 Racquetball9:00 Basketball10:00 Bridge Club10:00 Cards & Games10:30 Lunch12:00 Basic Sewing1:00 Fitness Chair Dance Aerobics9:30 AFEP10:30 Basic Fitness Training11:30 Chair One Plus2:00 Enhanced Fitness1:00	Fitness Room9:00 Racquetball9:00 Gospel Choir9:30 Cards & Games10:30 Watercolors10:30 Basketball11:00 Pinochle11:00 Lunch12:00 Guitar Club1:00 Fitness Total Body Conditioning9:30 Line Dancing11:30	Fitness Room9:00 Racquetball9:00 Cards & Games10:30 Crochet Club11:00 Lunch12:00 Crafter's Corner1:00 Cornhole1:00 Fitness Chair Dance Aerobics9:30 Core & More10:30 AFEP11:30 Chair One Plus12:30
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8 Widow & Widower Support Group9:30	9 Homeowner's & Renter's Tax Credit10:00 Prayer Group10:00 Walk with Ease1:00	10 Fitness Orientation1:00	11 Bingo10:30 Walk with Ease1:00 Intro to Pickleball2:30	12 Diabetes Prevention10:00
15 WSC Council Meeting ...9:30	16 Mobile Library9:00 Fitness Orientation10:30 Bible Study11:00 Walk with Ease1:00	17 Jewelry Club10:00 Closing at 2:00	18 Bingo10:30 Walk with Ease1:00 Beginner Pickleball2:30	19 Book Club1:00
22 Lettuce Celebrate11:00	23 Stronger Memory Intro .11:00 Walk with Ease1:00	24 Keeping Physically Healthy11:30 Fitness Orientation1:00	25 Bingo10:30 Earth Day Meditation...10:30 Walk with Ease1:00 Intro to Pickleball2:30	26 Estates Planning10:00 Chair One Plus12:30
29 Widow & Widower Support Group9:30	30 Fitness Orientation10:30 Walk with Ease1:00			



Therapeutic Yoga

Join Nieda as she dives deeper into yoga for body work and healing.

Yoga Therapy can help people manage stress and pain levels, and have better outcomes from many treatments, including pain management. Yoga therapists teach movement, meditation, breathing techniques, relaxation and lifestyle changes that are evidence-supported. Yoga practice includes tools to support self-regulation and resilience. Yoga Therapy respects individual differences, and tailors the practices to support an individual's goals. The "Therapeutic Yoga" class will be a chair/mat class aimed at improving strength, posture, balance, and freedom of movement. It will include breathing practices and other techniques for supporting regulation and resilience in the body and mind.

Richard R. Clark Senior Center, Mondays, 11 a.m.
Fee: Fitness Card

Indian Head Senior Center, Fridays, 9 a.m.
Fee: Fitness Card

Bike to Work Day

Bike to Work Day will be on Friday, May 17 at the Indian Head Village Green starting at 10 a.m. Event features mini class sessions, vendors, giveaways, lunch, and culminating with a bike ride on the Indian Head Rail Trail at 1 p.m. Register online at www.biketoworkmetrodc.org for the Indian Head pit stop (MD Charles Co. Indian Head at Village Green Pavilion) to get a free t-shirt. Signup at your local senior center by May 3rd to order lunch. Lunch donation is made on the day of the event.

Friday, May 17, 10 a.m. • Fee: FREE with lunch donation day of event.

Tai Chi coming to Clark & Nanjemoy

Welcome Randy Schoch! Randy brings a vast knowledge and experience level to this exceptional form of exercise.

Richard R. Clark Senior Center, Tuesdays, 2 p.m.
Fee: Fitness Card

Nanjemoy Senior Center, Thursdays, 10 a.m.
Fee: Fitness Card



Thank you for your continued dedication to improving your health and fitness.

Debi & Nate



Earth Day Meditation

Connecting to mother earth is a great way to let go, breathe, and realign to yourself and purpose. Hope to see you at one of our locations. Weather permitting, these meditations will take place outside. **Facilitator: Debi Shanks**

Indian Head Senior Center, Apr. 17, 11:15 a.m. • Fee: FREE
 Nanjemoy Senior Center, Apr. 18, 10:30 a.m. • Fee: FREE
 Richard R. Clark Senior Center, Apr. 22, 10 a.m. • Fee: FREE
 Waldorf Senior & Rec Center, Apr. 25, 10:30 a.m. • Fee: FREE

Chair One Plus

This dance-based workout comes unique with extra exercises that any level can do. **Instructor: Trishna Kresslein.**

Waldorf Senior & Rec Center, Fridays, 12:30 p.m. • Fee: Fitness Card

Biking

Weather permitting, meet at Indian Head Rail Trail (parking area) in White Plains. Biking is canceled for inclement weather or if "Feels like temp is 40 degrees or below."

Fridays, Apr. 12 & 26, 1 p.m. • Fee: FREE

Walking Group

Weather permitting, we will be back to group walks at Laurel Spring Park. (Meet in the large parking lot on right upon entering park.) Walk is canceled for inclement weather or if "feels like temp" is 40 degrees or below.

Mondays, 9 a.m. (Instructor led) • Fee: FREE

Fridays, 9 a.m. (on your own with group) • Fee: FREE

Save the Dates:

May 17th
Bike Day (Bike to Work Day)
at the Indian Head Pavilion.

May 24th
Charles County Senior Health Fair,
Richard R Clark Senior Center.



Hand Dancing

No partner needed to learn the basics in this fun social class.


Richard R. Clark Senior Center, Thursdays, Apr. 11 & 25, 2 p.m.
 Fee: FREE

SENIOR CENTER MENU

1% or skim Milk is offered with all meals
All Juice is 100% Juice

Lunch Cancellation Policy

If you have a lunch reservation and cannot dine at the Center, please call the Senior Center PRIOR to the reservation day to cancel your meal. If the meal is not cancelled, the County must still pay for the meal.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1 Easter Monday  No Meal Services	2 Chophouse Burger w/ Lettuce & Tomato Whole Wheat Bun Orange Glazed Carrots Party Harty Beans Mangos, Apple Juice COLD: Ham and Swiss on Whole Wheat, Coleslaw, Diced Mangos, Fruit Punch Juice	3 Curry Chicken Brown Rice Carrots and Green Beans Naan Flatbread Tangy Cherry Salad Pineapple Juice	4 Beef and Rice Roasted Broccoli Carrot Raisin Salad Biscuit Fresh Apple Slices Fruit Punch Juice	5 Jerk Catfish w/Mango Salsa Roasted Baby Carrots Mashed Potatoes Cornbread Citrus Salad Grape Juice
8 Chicken Salad Sandwich on Brioche Bun Carrot Raisin Salad 3 Bean Salad Diced Mangos Apple Juice	9 Liver and Onions Brown Rice, Stewed Tomatoes Cornbread Mandarin Oranges Grape Juice COLD: Seafood Salad Sandwich on Whole Wheat, Coleslaw, Pasta Salad, Mandarin Oranges Grape Juice	10 Asian Tuna Burger w/ Lettuce and tomato Whole Wheat Bun Roasted Sweet Potatoes Green Beans Mandarin oranges Orange Juice	11 Balsamic Chicken White Rice California Blend Vegetables Biscuit Fruit Cocktail Fruit Punch Juice	12 Pork Chop Au Gratin Potatoes Collard Greens Whole Wheat Roll Pineapple Chunks Pineapple Juice
15 Ginger Lime Chicken Mashed Sweet Potato Broccoli Whole Wheat Roll Mandarin Oranges Apple Juice	16 Chicken Marsala Parsley Potatoes, Roasted Carrots, Cornbread Apricots, Orange Juice COLD: Turkey & Cheese on Whole Wheat, Broccoli Salad, Apricots, Orange Juice	17 Lemon Pepper Tilapia Lemon Parsley Rice Green Beans w/ Roasted Tomatoes Whole Wheat Roll Peaches Fruit Punch Juice	18 Ground Turkey Meat sauce Whole Wheat Spaghetti & Mozzarella Cali. Blend Vegetables Biscuit Applesauce Grape Juice	19 Baked Tuna Cuban Black Beans White Rice, Tomato Salad Whole Wheat Roll Raisins Pineapple Juice
22 Tuna Noodle Casserole Stewed Tomatoes Cornbread Apricots Apple Juice	23 ¼ Herb Roasted Chicken Parsley Mashed Potatoes Roasted Carrots Biscuit, Diced Mangos Fruit Punch Juice COLD: Ham and Swiss on Whole Wheat, Coleslaw, Diced Mangos, Fruit Punch Juice	24 Oven Fried Chicken Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy Broccoli Cornbread Fruit Salad Pineapple Juice	25 Sweet and Sour Pork Brown Rice Roasted Tomatoes Whole Wheat Roll Black Bean Mango Salad Peaches Fruit Punch Juice	26 BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich Whole Wheat Bun Coleslaw Roasted Sweet Potatoes Grapes Grape Juice
29 Egg Salad Sandwich on Whole Wheat (2) Cucumber & Onion Salad Roasted Tomato Salad 3 Bean Salad Apple Slices Apple Juice	30 Blackened Catfish Roasted Sweet Potatoes Collard Greens Cornbread Pineapple Chunks Pineapple Juice COLD: Chicken Salad Sandwich on Whole Wheat, Coleslaw, Pasta Salad, Pineapple Chunks Pineapple Juice			

Charles County Luncheon Program

Available at Noon • Days Vary By Center

Open to any Charles County resident, age 60 or older, for a donation. The suggested meal donation is \$3, actual cost is \$5.75 per person. All donations are used to provide meals for Charles County seniors. Guests (anyone age 59 or younger, or a non-county resident) may order lunch, but must pay the full price of \$5.75. Lunch reservations must be made by 10 a.m. the preceding day. We appreciate your assistance in keeping costs down. Party & special event meal prices may vary.

Clark Senior Center.....Tuesday–Friday
Indian Head Senior Center.....Monday–Friday

Nanjemoy Senior Center Monday–Friday
Waldorf Senior Center Monday–Friday

For those days where potatoes, corn, beans, and/or peas are used for the starch component of the meal, an additional starch such as bread, crackers, or muffins will be available for those participating in the CACFP program.

The SCOOP

The information contained in this monthly publication has been brought to you as a public service by the Charles County Department of Community Services. For more information about news for Charles County senior citizens, please contact the Richard R. Clark Senior Center at 301-934-5423.



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About Charles County Government

The mission of Charles County Government is to provide our citizens the highest quality service possible in a timely, efficient and courteous manner. To achieve this goal, our government must be operated in an open and accessible atmosphere, be based on comprehensive long- and short-term planning and have an appropriate managerial organization tempered by fiscal responsibility. We support and encourage efforts to grow a diverse workplace. Charles County is a place where all people thrive and businesses grow and prosper; where the preservation of our heritage and environment is paramount; where government services to its citizens are provided at the highest level of excellence; and where the quality of life is the best in the nation.

It is the policy of Charles County to provide equal employment opportunity to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, age, national origin, religious or political affiliation or opinion, disability, marital status, sexual orientation, genetic information, gender identity or expression, or any other status protected by law.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES – The Department of Community Services welcomes the participation of individuals with disabilities. As with all County Government, we comply fully with the Americans With Disabilities Act in making reasonable accommodations to encourage involvement. If you require special assistance and would like to participate in our programs, please contact the Department of Community Services.

Publication Changes & Cancellations

Programs and activities have been confirmed at the time this publication goes to press. However, changes or cancellations can occur. For information, check with the Senior Center that has scheduled the program.

Senior Center Inclement Weather Policy

When Charles County Public Schools are closed due to inclement weather, Charles County's Senior Centers will also be closed. Senior Centers do not necessarily open late or close early as with Charles County Public Schools. Please tune your radio to 1560AM or 98.3FM for closing announcements. Community Services will also provide closing information as soon as possible through the Inclement Weather Hotline and Charles County Senior Center Facebook Page. Call 301-934-9305 or 301-870-3388 and immediately press extension 5197 for delays and cancellation listings.

Travel Bucket List!

Trips sponsored by Action Travel Tours 301-645-1770

** 2N1 Sponsored Trips

Overnight Trips

****May 19-24, 2024: Sedona's Red Rocks and the Grand Canyon.** This 6-day, 8 meal trip features two historic rail journeys among some of the most beautiful landscapes. Experience the breathtaking beauty of the southwest, take a ride on two of Arizona's scenic railways, take in the awe-inspiring Grand Canyon, visit old mining towns, and explore Montezuma Castle National Monument.

May 23-24, 2024: Spring has Sprung in Historic and Beautiful Buck's County, PA. New Hope PA offers scenic countryside, history, the arts, downtown charm, and miles of vineyards. We plan to visit some of all of that while there. We will visit the beautiful Paxson Hall Farm and Gardens, the Parry Mansion, some small-town shopping, an antique stop or two and a play at the famous New Hope Playhouse plus more.

June 10-14, 2024: The 37th Annual Mystery Trip. Call to reserve your spot to destinations and experiences unknown. For our 36th annual trip in 2023, we spent 5 amazing days exploring south-east Maine. Did I mention eating wonderful lobster? Join the fun and experience the "Original Mystery Trip" for yourself.

****September 21 – October 1, 2024: Splendor of the Seine River Cruise.** Your journey begins in Paris and includes a two-night hotel stay and touring. Embark the Scenic Gem for a butlered seven-night cruise along the Seine River from Paris to Honfleur/Normandy Beaches and back to Paris.

****October 3 – 12, 2024: Royal Caribbean Cruises Vision of the Seas from Baltimore.** Sail from the convenience of your backyard at peak Fall foliage through spectacular New England and Canada. Port stops include Boston, Portland, Saint John Bay of Fundy, and Halifax. Passport is required. Prices from \$911 per person. Prices and availability are subject to change.

