

# **Department of Senior Affairs**



A Message From Our Center Manager

Hello all,

April showed us some wonderful spring weather days along with some amazing events. Big shout out and thanks to all who helped and participated in our first Annual DSA Easter Day event! We look forward to continuing that tradition in years to come!

With the weather warming up and summer approaching, be sure to stay engaged all month with the upcoming and newer classes, activities and events! Look for details throughout this newsletter.

Kitchen renovations still continue to progress as we get closer and closer over the past 3 months to get to the final result. As always, we will continue to update important information as able and appreciate the continued support during construction.

Wanting to wish a very Happy Mother's Day to all of the mothers and don't miss out on our Mother's Day Social!

Lastly, we would like to honor and mourn all of the U.S. Military Personnel who have passed while serving the U.S. Armed Forces for Memorial Day. Thank you for your dedication, your sacrifice and your service.

Have a wonderful month and see you in summer!

Respectfully,

Tyler Dunn

# **Newsletter May 2023**

#### **BEAR CANYON SENIOR CENTER**

4645 Pitt NE, Albuquerque, NM 87111 Ph: 505-767-5959

#### **Center Hours**

M-W: 8 am - 5 pm Th: 8 am - 9 pm Fr: 8 am - 5 pm Sa: 9 am - 3 pm Su: Closed

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

- May 1 Out to Dinner
- May 5 Teeniors
- May 9 Coffee with Councilor Jones GEHM Clinic
- May 10 Fuddruckers Fundraiser Mother's Day Social
- May 12 Movie Matinee
- May 18 Lunch Bunch
- May 19 Dessert Social Guitar Concert
- May 23 Ojo Caliente Trip Coffee with a Cop
- May 26 Vaccination Clinic 1 4 pm
- May 29 Closed for Memorial Day
- May 31 Senior Health and Fitness Day @ North Domingo Baca MGC



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Our Mission: We are committed to providing resources with care and compassion that help our community thrive while embracing aging.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION & ASSISTANCE**

#### DSA ADVISORY COUNCIL

Meet the Advisory Council Los Duranes Community Center MONDAY, MAY 15

11:30 am - Meet the Advisory Council Noon - Advisory Council Meeting

The meeting is open to the public. Comments, with advance notice given are welcome during the meeting. Please call 505-768-3610 for more information.



Post meetings are held at Bear Canyon the first Thursday of every month at 9:30 am. All Veterans with service in a war, campaign or expedition on foreign soil or in hostile waters are eligible for membership.



#### **VACCINATION CLINIC**

Best Buy will be offering all of the Covid vaccines including the 2nd Omicron booster shot approved for those aged 65 and older as well as younger individuals with an existing health condition.

Flu shots will also be available.

Friday, May 26 1 - 4 pm Multipurpose Room

#### **NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION**

An informative new member orientation and tour takes place every month on the 2nd Friday, 10:30 - 11:30 am. Anyone who would like to attend is welcome.

#### **MEMBERSHIP CARDS**

Membership Cards are required when purchasing meals and attending any activities at the center. Membership fee is \$20 per year and is valid at all Senior (50+) and Multigenerational centers.

## HANDOUTS AVAILABLE AT FRONT DESK

- DSA Activity Catalog
- List of Ongoing Activities at Bear Canyon
- DSA Guide to Senior Services

#### **HELPFUL NUMBERS**

Department of Senior Affairs .......764-6400 City of Albuquerque Information ......311 Non-emergency Police .... 242-COPS (2677) Emergencies .......911

#### Navigating Medicare Assistance First Monday of each month Lobby 10 am – 1 pm

Provided by NM Aging and Long-Term Services SHIP Counselors.

# **Department of Senior Affairs**

PARTICIPANT CODE OF CONDUCT

(Section 2.9: B-C; Revised March 2020)

In order that all users may have a pleasant experience at the center, participants are expected to respect the rights of others and to adhere to the following behaviors:

1. Maintain personal hygiene that is not offensive or unhealthy.

2. Does not harass or bully other participants and/or staff, with racial slurs, verbal abuse, or sexual harassment.

Participants must show consideration for the diversity of staff and other participants.

3. Does not use voice and behavior that will disturb other center participants.

4. Does not use language and behavior that other participants and staff will find obscene, abusive or sexually offensive. This includes, but is not limited to in person, by telephone or email.

5. Show courtesy to other participants and staff; respect decision made by center management and bring issues involving the operations of the center to management's attention for resolution.

6. No unlawful weapons are allowed in City facilities.

7. Fighting between participants or with a staff person is prohibited.

8. Smoking is prohibited in City facilities or on City premises.

9. Alcohol consumption or possession of alcoholic beverages is prohibited in City facilities.

10. Treat Center materials, equipment, furniture, grounds, and facility with respect.

11. Use the Senior Center and Senior Center equipment in a safe and appropriate manner.

12. Keep the Senior Center building and grounds neat, clean, and litter free.

Failure to observe rules of conduct may result in disciplinary action being taken against participants, up to and including suspension from the program.

## CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE



Mayor Timothy M. Keller



Department of Senior Affairs Anna M. Sanchez, Director

**Department of Senior Affairs** 

Chris Sanchez, Deputy Director

# **Bear Canyon Staff**

Tyler Dunn, Center Manager Ya Vette Bailey, Program Coordinator Brenda Carroll, Office Assistant Isaiah Barton, Program Assistant Irene Gomez, Program Assistant Ryan Espinda, Cook Casey Blaisdell, Kitchen Aid Kelly Trujillo, General Services Isaiah Poole, General Services

## **GENERAL INFORMATION & ASSISTANCE**

#### SUGGESTION BOX



Please feel free to give us your helpful ideas to make Bear Canyon a more enjoyable activity center. Place your written comments in the suggestion box located at the front desk. We ask that more personal matters be brought directly to the management's attention.

 I sneeze and allergies get worse in room 4 when the air comes on.
 Please think about getting the air vents cleaned.

We are sorry to hear about your allergies and can understand how this time of the season along with dusty, dirty air vents contribute to that. Air filters in the venting system are changed out/cleaned by facility maintenance a few times a year. However, it doesn't hurt to also clean out the vents. We will ask our maintenance crew to clean those out as well.

#### Movie – "80 for Brady"

Great suggestion for a newer movie! We definitely plan on showing this once it's available for the public.

#### AARP DRIVER SAFETY CLASSES

#### 1st Saturday of the month, 9:30 am - 1:30 pm 3rd Thursday of the month, 12 - 4 pm

Cost: AARP members \$20; non-members \$25 Call (505) 767-5959 to register.

The AARP Smart DriverTM online course is still an option, and you can register at: https://www.aarpdriversafety.org



Teeniors\* are tech-savvy teens and young adults who help seniors learn technology through oneon-one personal coaching. Whether you have questions about your phone, computer or anything online, their goal is to empower you to connect with your loved ones, engage with your community, and the world through technology, while providing paid, meaningful jobs for youth in N.M.

> 1st Friday of the Month 3 - 5 pm

Space is limited, please sign up at the front desk.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION & ASSISTANCE**



#### **OPEN COMPUTER LAB**

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 9 - 11 am iMac, PC, and iPAD available



# APPLE MAC WORKSHOP

Fourth Saturday of the month 9:30 am - 12:30 pm Rooms 3 & 4 Activity Leader: Bo Keith Email: bnkeith@comcast.net

Anyone with an iMac, iPhone or iPad is welcome to attend. A presentation will be followed by an open question and answer period.

Volunteers with website experience, please contact Bo Keith.

## **APPLE USERS**

Drop In Assistance Mondays 9 - 11 am Contact person: Jean Maka Email: huntgen@gmail.com

#### HEALTH

GERIATRIC EDUCATION AND HEALTH MAINTENANCE (GEHM)



Second Tuesday of the month 8:30 am - 12 pm In the Lobby

GEHM provides a wide variety of health services to help seniors achieve and maintain a high level of health and independence. UNM nursing and pharmacy students provide the services.



BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING Wednesdays 9 - 11 am Room 2

We are retired registered nurses with varied professional experiences ranging from emergency room, surgical, case management, oncology, public health including infectious diseases and overall health promotion and disease prevention. To join us call Lupe at 505-401-2558.



#### FRIENDS OF BEAR CANYON NEWS

#### **FOBC Spotlight**

In the Spotlight for the month of May is Friends' member Bob Fass. He was born in Marysville, CA, home of Camp Beale Army Post. Raised in Dillon, SC, his first job was as a soda jerk at a drug store then as a runner at a mechanic shop. He also worked at a hotel/amusement park and at a juke box repair and delivery business. Bob's last job before joining the Air Force was for a beer company. He would offload cases of beer from a train spur onto a truck then into a warehouse. He also delivered beer to a NASCAR racetrack.

Bob began his military career in 1964 in the personnel department. The first computer he was required to learn was made by Singer sewing machine and used IBM cards and magnetic tapes. During his last ten years of service, he was selected for special duty assignments with the Air Weather Service and a Red Horse Squadron in England. He served on a Staff Assistance Visits team whose purpose was to prepare for higher headquarters inspections. He retired from the military in February 1987 with 22 years and 6 months service. His official retirement came in 2009 from Bob Turner Ford where he helped set up an internet sales team.

Currently, Bob is president of Oso Grande Neighborhood Association, as well as vicepresident of District 8 Coalition of Neighborhoods. He is also an active member of the Friends of Bear Canyon. He and his wife Linda have been married 57 years and have 4 sons. Two of the sons have followed in his footsteps pursuing a military career. They have four grandsons and a granddaughter "the princess." Bob is a dog lover. He and Bandit walk 2-3 miles a day. He collects music and considers himself a pretty good BBQ pit boss.

#### ==== MAY FUNDRAISING ====



Wednesday, May 10 11 am - 8 pm 6600 Menaul NE (East end of Coronado Mall) 505-883-8337 Tickets will be available at the front desk.

Many thanks to for being the April Restaurant of the Month!



**CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES** 

# **Upcoming Trips**

Space is limited. Sign up at the front desk.

Tuesday, May 23 - Ojo Caliente Check in: 8 am Return: 4 pm Cost: \$45 at the door Lunch: At own expense

#### Thursday, June 1 - Belen Walking Tour

Check in: 9:45 am Return: 4 pm Lunch: At own expense

Presentations continued...

#### **Scam and Identity Theft**

Tuesday, June 20 9:15 - 10:30 am

# Room 5

# Latest classes

See class flyers for additional information.

#### A Journey in Creating with

#### Literature, Music and Movement

Starting Tuesday, May 9 3 - 4 pm Room 5

#### Yoga and Fitness for Seniors

Friday 10 - 11 am Multipurpose Room

#### **Chair Yoga**

Monday 2:30 - 3:30 pm Multipurpose Room \$5 per session

#### **Deep Stretch Yoga with Bettina**

Thursday 11:30 am - 12:30 pm Room 3 \$5 per session

# Presentations

Sign up at the front desk.

#### **Retirement Income Preservation**

Tuesday, May 9 9 - 10 am Room 5

#### What's and Why's Funeral Planning

Tuesday, May 16

9:30 - 10:30 am Room 5

# **Power of Attorney Workshop**

Tuesday, May 23 9:15 - 11:30 am Room 5

# **BE BRAVE: with HEART Fall Recovery Class**

Tuesday, June 13 9:30 - 11 am Room 5

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### THURSDAY NIGHT DANCE

6 - 8:30 pm



Come on Thursdays for a whirl around the dance floor. Your current membership card and \$3 will get you in for an exciting evening of music and dancing.

- May 4 Long Drink of Water
- May 11 Roger Burns
- May 18 Paul Pino
- May 25 Desert Springs



Our monthly Dessert Social is Back!!!

Friday, May 19 -- 1:15 - 2:15 p.m. Social Hall

Stop by for free dessert. Enjoy Fun, Fellowship and Friends.

Sponsored by The Lynn Johnson Group



DESSERT AND REAL ESTATE!



# FRIENDSHIP COFFEE

#### Every Tuesday, 9:30 - 10:30 am

Friendship Coffee is a great opportunity to gather with old friends and make new ones while enjoying a cup of coffee and a morning treat. The event is free, thanks to the generosity of these sponsors and supporters.

#### Last month's Sponsors:

- Apr 4 Sandia Vista
- Apr 11 Comparion Insurance Agency
- Apr 18 Sun Tours
- Apr 25 Nuclear Care Partners

Hi, I'm Venessa Johnson your Senior Real Estate Specialist. I'm the person that brings the goodies for the Bear Canyon Dessert Socials.

As a Senior Real Estate Specialist, I offer a free Comparative Analysis on homes. If you or someone you know is thinking about selling and want to know what the home is worth in today's market, give me a call and I will be more than happy to sit down with you and review your home value.

Venessa Johnson The Lynn Johnson Group Keller Williams 505-220-5099 vj@lynnjohnson.com





## **CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES**



Guitar Concert Friday, May 19 2 - 4 PM Multipurpose Room See Event Flyer for more details





# Tuesday, May 9 During Friendship Coffee

9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Multipurpose Room



#### **OUT TO DINNER**

Monday, May 1 at Farina Alto Pizzeria & Wine Bar 10721 Montgomery Blvd NE 505-298-0035

Check in: 4:45 am Return: 8:30 pm



## LUNCH BUNCH

**Thursday, May 18 at Tomasita's** 4949 Pan American Fwy NE 505-344-1204

Check in: 10:45 am Return: 3 pm

Please sign up at the front desk.

# **CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES & CENTER HIGHLIGHTS**

#### Do you like to fish?

Do you want to fish with a group of fishermen & women, find new fishing spots, learn new tips & tricks, make new friends and have a great time?

Join us at our fishing club meeting on Monday afternoon at 1 pm. That's when we plan our next fishing trip.



#### **BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING**

WITH EDWINA AND LUPE March 22, 2023









# APRIL 6, 2023















#### **CENTER HIGHLIGHTS**









GOLF SENIOR OLYMPIAN BELINDA BEYERLEIN April 19, 2023







FISHING CLUB ALTO LAKE, RUIDOSO TRIP March 27 -29, 2023

EARTH DAY CELEBRATION

April 21, 2023



Eight club members went on the trip and caught 270 trout. All but 10 were released back into the water. Pictured above: Bernie Urbassik caught this 21 inch, 6 lb large mouth bass.

If you also medaled and would like to be included in the next newsletter please speak to Brenda at the front desk.

# RSVP VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION AT BARELAS SENIOR CENTER

CARL & KATHLEEN VALCOURT April 20, 2023





Oso Canyon Café - Seniors Age 60+ \$2.00 suggested donation; Age 50-59 \$3.25 Reservations for daily specials must be made by 1 p.m. the previous day - Call 505-767-5959 Lunch is served from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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Monday	<u>Tuesday</u>	Wednesday	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
1 • Bake Ziti w/ Spinach • Green Beans • Garlic Breadstick	2 • Salmon w/Garlic But- ter Sauce • Steamed Carrots • Seasoned Orzo	3 • Beef/Broccoli/Pepper/ Onions • Stir Fry Vegetable • Brown Rice	4 • Chicken Salad • Baked Potato Chips • Coleslaw • Sliced Wheat Bread	5 • Carne Adovada: Diced Pork/Red Chile • Roasted Street Corn • Pinto Beans The The Street
• Diced Peaches • 1% Milk	• Banana • 1% Milk	Seasonal Fruit     1% Milk	• Grapes • 1% Milk	• Flour Tortilla • Tapioca Pudding • 1% Milk
8 • Baked Lemon Pepper Chicken • Brown Rice • Seasoned Beets • Cantaloupe • 1% Milk	9 • Diced Beef/Green Chile • Calabacitas • Pinto Beans • Flout Tortilla • Pear • 1% Milk	10 • Sweet and Sour Pork • Noodles • Oriental Blend • Orange • 1% Milk 17	11 • Tilapia w/Cajun But- tered Sauce • Seasonal Potatoes • Roasted Brussels Sprouts • Seasonal Fruit • 1% Milk	12 • Sliced Turkey w/Gravy • Cranberry Combread Stuffing • Seasonal Vegetable • Pumpkin Pudding • 1% Milk
<ul> <li>Baked Cod w/Tarter Sauce</li> <li>Ancient Grains</li> <li>Stearned Green Peas</li> <li>Dioed Peaches</li> <li>1% Milk</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Green Chile Chicken Alfredo w/Pasta</li> <li>Normandy Blend</li> <li>Whole Grain Dinner Roll w/Margarine</li> <li>Seasonal Fruit</li> <li>1% Milk</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Salisbury Steak w/Gravy</li> <li>Mashed Potatoes</li> <li>Seasonal Vegetables</li> <li>Fresh Seasonal Fruit</li> <li>1% Milk</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Eggs Salad Sandwich</li> <li>Carrot Raisin Salad</li> <li>Watermelon</li> <li>Sliced Wheat Bread</li> <li>1% Milk</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>BBQ Pulled Pork</li> <li>Macaroni and Cheese</li> <li>Spinach w/Dioed Tomatoes &amp; Onions</li> <li>Grapes</li> <li>1% Milk</li> </ul>
22 • Swedish Meatballs w/Gravy • Brown Rice • Garlic Brussel Sprout • Blueberries • 1% Milk	23 • Baked Garlic Tilapia • Mashed Sweet Potatoes • Seasoned Vegetables • Yogurt • 1% Milk	24 • Bean/Cheese Burrito • Diced Potatoes w/ Onions • Spinach • Applesauce • 1% Milk	25 • Chicken Tetrazzini • Green Peas • Garlic Breadstick • Mized Fruit • 1% Milk	26 • Roast Beef/Sliced Cheese/Hoagie • Lettuce/Tomatoes • Potato Salad • Watermelon • 1% Milk
• CLOSED	30 • Baked Potato Broccoli/ Cheese/Sour Cream • Fajita Blend Vegetables • Garlic Mushrooms • Granola Bar • 1% Milk	31 • Soft Tacos-Beef/ Cheese • Pinto Beans/Green Chile/Onion • Warm Sliced Apples • Lettuce/Tomatoes • Flour Tortilla/Salas • 1% Milk	1 • Cheese Omelet • Hash Browns • Spinach • Pineapple • 1% Milk	2 • Greek Pasta Salad: Diced Ham • Creamy Cucumber/ Red Onion Salad • Wheat Crackers • Strawberries • 1% Milk