

Manzano Mesa Multigenerational Center Newsletter

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December 2022

Farewell Center Manager

I am announcing that I have accepted a position as Community Volunteer Engagement Manager within the Department of Senior Affairs (DSA). In this role I will oversee the volunteer programs. I know many of you are volunteers so I look forward to working with you. I have enjoyed my time as the manager of our wonderful center. Our membership numbers have doubled, we've increased our youth program from 80 to 150 participants, installed new playground equipment and made a number of facility upgrades. We have introduced family and teen nights among other great activities and events. Please be on the lookout for upgrades to the Splash Pad. Thank you to all the staff for making Manzano Mesa an excellent place to work.

Best,

Natasha Montoya Center Manager



We will be closed on
All City of Albuquerque Senior Meal Sites, as
well as Senior, Multigenerational and 50+
Sports and Fitness Centers will be CLOSED
Thursday, December 8, 2022 for a mandatory
department-wide staff training.
and in observance of Christmas Day Monday
December 26th

Center Hours

M-F: 8a-9p Sat: 9a-3p Sun: Closed

Center Staff

Natasha Montoya, Center Manager
David Goode, Center Supervisor
Esperanza Molina, Coordinator
Mailiya Williams,
Office Assistant
Katherine Jimenez &
Julie Mars
Program Assistant
Angie Marentes,
Recreation Assistant
Leroy Chambers, Cook
Maria Dominguez, Kitchen Aid
Brandi Bahe, General Services
Monica Rosales, General Services
Leon Mascarenas, General Services

Special Dates & Announcements

12/1: Holiday Kickoff Dance w/ Paul Pino 12/2: TRIP Old Town Stroll 12/7: SCLO presentation Be a smart shopper 12/8: Center CLOSED for Training 12/14: Covid Booster Clinic & Flu Shots 12/14: TRIP Grn Chili Cheseburger Owl Cafe 112/16: Who-Bilation Family Movie Night 12/26: Center CLOSED for Holiday

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

Annual Holiday Luncheon



Traditions across Cultures

Join us in celebrating and learning about other cultures during the holoidays

Hanukkah, which means "dedication" in Hebrew, begins on the 25th of Kislev on the Hebrew calendar and usually falls in November or December.

Kwanzaa (/ˈkwɑːn.zə/) is an annual celebration of African-American culture from December 26 to January 1, culminating in a communal feast called Karamu, usually on the sixth day.[1] It was created by activist Maulana Karenga, based on African harvest festival traditions from various parts of West and Southeast Africa. Kwanzaa was first celebrated in 1966.

La Posada: The word posada means inn or lodging, and traditionally posadas are a celebration of the Christmas story. They take place on nine nights from December 16 to 24 For many Mexicans, the word posadas evokes chilly nights surrounded by family and friends, singing, enjoying a warm meal, and spreading holiday cheer all around.

NEW Beginning Watercolor Class

Interested in painting. This 6 week course will teach you the basics of water color techniques and styles Space is limited please sign up at the front desk.



Class Begin January 10, 2023 1:00 - 3:00pm

NEW

Learn to Draw with Tal

This drawing class will give you the tools and the knowledge to be able to start drawing. It will start you on a wonderful journey into the field of art. You will begin to see your drawing improve even from the first class.

The class is a 15 week course where we build on drawing concepts each week in order to give a complete overview of how to draw. You will be taken through easy step by step instructions that will give you the tools for understanding drawing and how to implement these tools and concepts.

The class is taught by an artist with over 30 years of teaching art, graphic design and illustration experience

Class Starting in January

Space is limited
Sign up at front desk

Upcoming Trips:

TOWN STREET FRIDAY DECEMBER 2ND



C H E C K I N : 3 : 4 5 P M R E T U R N : 8 : 0 0 P M

Sign up at the front desk

Best Green Chile Cheeseburger



Join us on a delicious hunt for the best green chile cheeseburger in Albuquerque and visit some fun places!

Restaurant Owl Cafe & Atomic Museum Wednesday, December 14th

Check In: 9:30am Return: 2:00pm Sign up at the front desk

SHOT CLINIC

Covid Vaccine and Covid Booster

No appointments necessary. High dose flu shots recommended by the CDC for seniors aged 65+, as well as the regular strength for everyone else

Monday, December 21st 1:00pm- 4:00pm



Senior Law Office Presentations

Be a Smart Shopper

December 7th 10:00 - 11:30am



Sign up at the front desk

Annual Senior Holiday Donation Drive

New & Unused Items only Please



The Annual Senior Holiday Donation Drive is collecting donations of NEW items to share with seniors in need this holiday season.

The donations are delivered through the Senior Affairs Care Coordination program to homebound older adults.

Help spread some holiday cheer with your generous donations.

Drop off locations until December 16:

- Any City of Albuquerque Senior or Multigenerational Centers
- Old Town APD substation (Rio Grande Blvd. & Cenral Ave.)

For more information or drop off location hours and directions, call 505-764-6400.

Monday

Fitness Room 8am - 8:45pm

Billiards 8am - 3pm / 5:30pm - 8:45pm

Table Tennis 8am - 3pm / 5:30pm - 8:45pm

Aerobics 8:15am - 9:15am

Beading 8:30am - 12pm

Computer Lab 9am - 11:15am

Line Dance: 9:15am - 11:15am

Gentle Exercise 9:30am - 10:30am

Friendship Coffee 10:30am - 11:30am (2nd & 4th Tues)

Zumba Gold 10:45am - 11:45am \$

Happy Hookers 1pm - 3pm

Volleyball 5:30pm - 8:30pm

Yoga: Hatha Blend 6pm - 7:15pm \$ Lions Club 6pm - 7:30pm (1st & 3rd)



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Billiards 8am - 3pm / 5:30pm - 8:45pm

Table Tennis 8am - 3pm / 5:30pm - 8:45pm

Computer Lab 9am - 11:15am

Tai Chi 9am - 10am \$5.00

Flex & Tone 8:15am - 9:15am

Pottery 8:30am - 11:30am

Line Dance: Intermediate 9:15am - 11:15am

Pickleball Training 9:30am - 11:30am

Line Dance: Intermediate 1:30pm - 3:30pm

Badminton 5:30pm - 8:50pm

Functional Fitness 6:30pm - 730pm

Celtic Sessions Group 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Personal Defense Club 7:30pm - 8:45pm

Wednesday

Fitness Room 8am - 8:45 pm

Billiards 8am - 1pm / 5:30pm - 8:45pm

Table Tennis 8am - 1pm / 5:30pm - 8:45pm

Woodcarving 8am - 11:30am

Aerobics 8:15am - 9:15am

Computer Lab 9am - 11:15am

Gentle Exercise 9:30am - 10:30am

Meditation Group 10:10am - 11:10am

Zumba Gold 10:45am - 11:45am \$

Open Basketball 11:30am - 12:30pm

Starter Line Dancing 12:15pm - 1:15pm

Sing_A-Long 1:30pm - 2:30pm (2nd Tuesday of Month)

Pinochle 1pm - 4:30pm

Line Dance: Beg/Improver 1:30pm - 4:00pm

Yoga: Beginning 5:30pm - 6:30pm \$ Senior Men's Basketball 6pm - 8:45pm



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Table Tennis 8am - 3pm / 5:30pm - 8:45pm

Flex & Tone 8:15am - 9:15am

Tai Chi 9am - 10am \$5.00

Pottery 9am - 1pm

Pickleball Training 9:30am - 11:30am

Open & Senior Men's Basketball 11:30am - 1:00pm

Artist's Corner 1pm - 4pm

Bingo 2pm - 4:00pm

Pickleball 2pm - 4pm

Badminton 5:30pm - 8:45pm

Speak w/ Distinction Toastmasters 5:30pm -

6:30pm

Belly Dance 6pm - 8pm (Last Thursday)

Friday

Fitness Room 8am - 8:45pm

Billiards 8am - 3pm / 5:30pm - 8:45pm

Table Tennis 8am - 3pm / 5:30pm - 8:45pm

Aerobics 8:15am - 9:15am

Computer Lab 9am - 11:15am

Gentle Exercise 9:30am - 10:30am

TOPS 10:00am - 11:30pm

Open & Seniors Men's Basketball 11am - 1:00pm

Badminton 1:00pm - 4:00pm

Manzano Mesa Cloggers 5:00pm - 6:30pm

Volleyball 5:30pm - 7pm

Basketball 7pm - 8:45pm

Saturday

Fitness Room 9am - 2:45pm

Billards 9am - 2:45pm

Table Tennis 9am - 2:45pm

Pickleball 9am - 12pm

Project Linus 9am 12pm (2nd Saturday)

Laughter Yoga 9am - 10am

Celtic Sessions Group 12:00pm - 2:00pm (2nd & 4th

Saturday

Cherokees of NM 12pm - 2:45pm (3rd Saturday) Family Basketball 1pm - 2:45pm (15 & under

accompanied by parent/guardian)





December 2022

The Department of Senior Affairs Senior Meal Program is proud to be part of the **New Mexico Grown** state initiative to provide locally sourced fruits, vegetables, beans, and



<u>Monday</u>	Tuesday	Wednesday	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
5	6	7	8	9
 Salisbury Steak/Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy Sliced Carrots Diced Beets Apricots 1% Milk 	 Macaroni & Cheese w/ Steamed Broccoli Seasonal Vegetable Stewed Tomatoes Greek Yogurt 1% Milk 	 Green Chile Chicken Tamales Pinto Beans Calabacitas Fresh Seasonal Fruit 1% Milk 	CLOSED	 Sesame Beef w/Pepper & Onions Chow Mein Noodles Stir Fry Vegetables Fortune Cookie 1% Milk
◆ Seasoned Baked Salmon/Rice Pilaf ◆ Succotash ◆ Seasonal Vegetable ◆ Fresh Seasonal Fruit ◆ 1% Milk	• Cajun Chicken & Sausage Jambalaya w/ Peppers & Onion • Brown Rice • Okra w/Diced Tomatoes • Orange • 1% Milk	 ◆ Beef Tips w/Gravy/ Bowtie Pasta ◆ Garlic Brussel Sprouts ◆ Peach Crisp ◆ Croissant/Margarine ◆ 1% Milk 	◆ Seasoned Pork Loin w/ Gravy/Mashed Sweet Potatoes ◆ Seasonal Vegetable ◆ Warmed Sliced Apples ◆ Dinner Roll w/Margarine ◆ 1% Milk	Baked Ziti Steamed Broccoli Garlic Breadstick Pear 1% Milk
Breaded Cod/Tartar Sauce Crinkle Cut Fries Steamed Spinach Mixed Fruit Whole Grain Dinner Roll w/Margarine 1% Milk	Chicken Pot Pie Ancient Rice Steamed Broccoli Peaches 1% Milk	Pasta Primavera Green Beans Garlic Breadstick Greek Yogurt 1% Milk	• Red Chile Pork Tamales • Calabacitas • Pinto Beans • Pineapple • 1% Milk	• Roast Beef w/Gravy • Mashed Potatoes • Peas w/Carrots • Strawberries w/ Pound Cake • Dinner Roll w/ Margarine • 1% Milk
Closed for Christmas	Cheese Omelet W/ Roasted Potatoes Stewed Tomatoes Whole Grain Biscuit Mandarin Oranges 1% Milk	Breaded Cod over Brown Rice Green Beans Caluliflower w/ Red Peppers Fresh Seasonal Fruit 1% Milk		Sliced Ham w/ Pineapple Glaze / Sweet Mashed Potatoes Collard Greens and Black eyed Peas Cornbread Grapes and a Fortune Cookie
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