Manzano Mesa Multigenerational Center Newsletter 501 Elizabeth, Albuquerque NM

Message from Director Sanchez

Dear Friends,

What an incredible year it has been! As we launch ahead into another holiday season, it is important to take a moment to reflect on all the good things that made 2023 special, while also looking ahead toward 2024 with excitement for all the good that is yet to come.

Our senior, multigenerational and sports & fitness centers continue to serve as community hubs for friends, families, and neighbors to access services and programs, fitness and exercise services, receive support, and gather to share meals, exchange knowledge, and create new memories together. We are incredibly grateful for all of our center members, volunteers, and staff who help to fill our centers with life, joy, and camaraderie.

Coming up in 2024, we hope to build on our existing services and programs to enhance the lives of youth and older adults in our community by remaining focused on our Strategic Plan. This work will incorporate publicized community forums, as we review everything from operational efficiencies to targeted facility improvements. We will also be hosting a series of focus groups throughout the year for our members to share their thoughts and learn how to help us advocate for the needs of our growing older adult population and youth in our community.

Of course, City General Obligations Bonds are another key part of ensuring the Department of Senior Affairs remain operational, so we would like to take this opportunity to say thank you for your strong show of support in last month's election as well as in future elections. Funding will support particular projects, including Highland Senior Center, Manzano Mesa Multigenerational Center, and general renovations and repairs needed at all of our centers!

From all of us at the Department of Senior Affairs, we hope that you have a Happy Holidays and wonderful New Year!



Warmest regards, Anna Sanchez, Director





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December 2023 Center Hours

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

Brittani Torres, Center Manager Vacant, Center Supervisor Esperanza Molina, Coordinator Josephine Griego, Coordinator Vacant, Office Assistant Katherine Jimenez, & Alexia Watson-Gallegos Program Assistants Angie Marentes, Recreation Assistant Leroy Chambers, Cook Maria Dominguez, Kitchen Aid Monica Rosales, General Services Leon Mascarenas, General Services

Special Dates රි Announcements

12/1: TRIP - Holiday Stroll 12/1: Tree Trimming/Luminaria Making 12/7: TRIP Santa Fe Alpaca Farm 12/7: Traditions: Hanukkah 12/12: Holiday Dance 12/13: TRIP Olive Garden 12/14: Traditions: Las Posadas 12/15: Holiday Family Movie Night 12/19:GEHM Clinic 12/18-12/22-Holiday Spirit Week 12/20: TRIP Cutbow Coffee 12/21: Traditions: Kwanza 12/21: TEENIORS 12/25: CLOSED - Christmas 12/28: BINGO CANCELED 01/01: CLOSED - New Year

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

Manzano Mesa Events and Happenings



Manzano Mesa will be closed the following days this Holiday Season: Christmas Day: <u>Monday, December 25, 2023</u> New Year's Day: <u>Monday, January 01, 2023</u>

GEHM CLINIC

Students from the College of Nursing and Pharmacy provide clinic services: may include blood pressure check, pulse, oxygen saturation, height, weight, blood glucose check and referrals if indicated.



Fitness Equipment Orientation Spring into Fitness

Need help learning to use the fitness equipment properly? Call 505-275-8731 to schedule your appointment with Angie!



Congratulations David!!

We are very excited to announce that David Goode has accepted the Manager position at Palo Duro Senior Center. David was the Supervisor at Manzano Mesa for the past 2.5 years. We will all miss David and wish him the best of luck on a well deserved promotion!

Game Room and Gym hours will vary December 26- January 5, signage will be posted.

BINGO CANCELLED DECEMBER 28, 2023





Teeniors^{*} are tech-savvy teens and young adults who help seniors learn technology though one-on-one personal coaching. Whether you have questions about your phone, computer or anything online, our 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.!

Join Us!

December 21, 2023 Call 505-275-8731 to schedule your appointment Manzano Mesa Events and Happenings

Holiday Stroll

December 1st

Check in: 2:45pm Depart: 3:00 pm Return: 8:00pm



Dinner at own expense Sign up at the front desk

Santa Fe Alpaca



Check in: 9:00 am

Depart: 9:15am

Return: 3:00pm

lunch at own expense Sign up at the front desk

Cutbow Coffee Roastology

December 20th



Check in: 9:30am Depart: 9:45am Return: 11:30am

Sign up at the front desk



PLEASE JOIN US FOR A Holiday LUNCHEON

December 25th | 11am-1pm

HOSTED BY BARELAS SENIOR CENTER

Tickets are \$4 per person. Space is limited, please reserve your ticket in person at Barelas Senior Center beginning Monday, December 4, 2023

Join Us For our Holiday Traditions Series Thursdays in the Lobby at 10:30am

> December 7th- Hanukkah December 14th - Las Posadas December 21- Kwanzaa

Monday

Fitness Room 8:00am - 8:45pm Billiards 8am - 12:30pm / 5:30pm - 8:45pm Table Tennis 8:00am - 12:30pm / 5:30pm - 8:45pm Aerobics 8:15am - 9:15am Computer Lab 8:00am - 8:45pm Line Dance: 9:15am - 11:15am Gentle Exercise 9:30am - 10:30am Zumba Gold 10:45am - 11:45am \$ Mah Jong 11:00am - 2:30pm Happy Hookers 1:00pm - 3:00pm Volleyball 5:30pm - 8:30pm Line Dance 6:00pm - 8:00pm Yoga: Hatha Blend 6:00pm - 7:15pm \$



Tuesday

Fitness Room 8:00am - 8:45pm Billiards 8am - 12:30pm / 5:30pm - 8:45pm Table Tennis 8am - 12:30pm / 5:30pm - 8:45pm Computer Lab 8:00am - 8:45pm Tai Chi 9:00am - 10:00am Flex & Tone 8:15am - 9:15am Pottery 8:30am - 12:00am Line Dance: Intermediate 9:15am - 11:15am Pickleball Training 9:30am - 11:30am Friendship Coffee 10:30am - 11:30am (2nd & 4th Tues) Shuffle Board 1:00pm - 4:00pm Sing-a-Long 1:30pm - 2:30pm Badminton 5:30pm - 8:45pm Functional Fitness 6:30pm - 730pm Celtic Sessions Group 6:30pm - 8:30pm Personal Defense Club 7:30pm - 8:45pm

Wednesday

Fitness Room 8:00am - 8:45 pm Billiards 8am - 12:30pm / 5:30pm - 8:45pm Table Tennis 8:00am - 12:30pm / 5:30pm - 8:45pm Woodcarving 8:00am - 11:30am Aerobics 8:15am - 9:15am Computer Lab 8:00am - 8:45pm Gentle Exercise 9:30am - 10:30am Meditation Group 10:00am - 11:00am Zumba Gold 10:45am - 11:45am \$ Open Basketball 11:30am - 12:30pm Starter Line Dancing 9:30am - 10:30am Pinochle 1:00pm - 4:30pm Line Dance: Beg/Improver 1:30pm - 3:30pm Yoga: Beginning 6:00pm - 7:00pm \$ Senior Men's Basketball 6:00pm - 8:45pm Albuquerque Astronomical Society 7:00pm - 8:45pm (1st & 3rd Wednesday)

Thursday

Fitness Room 8:00am - 8:45pm Billiards 8am - 12:30pm / 5:30pm - 8:45pm Table Tennis 8:00am - 12:30pm / 5:30pm - 8:45pm Computer Lab 8:00am - 8:45pm Flex & Tone 8:15am - 9:15am Tai Chi 9:00am - 10:00am Pottery 8:30am - 12:00pm Quilting 9:00am - 1:00pm (Last Thursday of Month) Mental Health Support Group 9:00am - 10:30am Pickleball Training 9:30am - 11:30am Open & Senior Men's Basketball 11:30am - 12:30pm Artist's Corner 1:00pm - 4:00pm Bingo 2:00pm - 4:00pm Pickleball 1:00pm - 4:00pm Badminton 5:30pm - 8:45pm Speak w/ Distinction Toastmasters 5:30pm - 6:30pm Belly Dance 6:00pm - 8:00pm

Friday

Fitness Room 8:00am - 8:45pm Billiards 8:00am - 3:00pm / 5:30pm - 8:45pm Table Tennis 8:00am - 3:00pm / 5:30pm - 8:45pm Aerobics 8:15am - 9:15am Computer Lab 8:00am 0 8:45pm Gentle Exercise 9:30am - 10:30am TOPS 10:00am - 11:30am Open & Seniors Men's Basketball 11:00am - 12:00pm Badminton 1:00pm - 4:00pm Clogging: Starter to Intermediate 6:00pm - 8:30pm Volleyball 5:30pm - 7:00pm Basketball 7:15pm - 8:45pm

Saturday

Month)



Fitness Room 9:00am - 2:45pm Billiards 9:00am - 2:45pm Table Tennis 9:00am - 2:45pm Pickleball 9:00am - 12:00pm Libros 9:00am - 12:00pm (1ST SATURDAY) Project Linus 9:00am 12:00pm (2nd Saturday) Laughter Yoga 9:00am - 10:00am Celtic Sessions Group 12:00pm - 2:00pm (2nd & 4th Saturday) Cherokees of NM 12:00pm - 2:45pm (1st Saturday) Magic Club 12:00pm - 3:00pm (3rd Saturday) Family Basketball 1:00pm - 2:45pm (15 & under accompanied by parent/guardian) Belly Dance 10:00am - 12:00pm (1st Saturday of the



December 2023

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 chile, ensuring our seniors a healthy meal.



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
27	28	29	30	1
 Rotisserie chicken Rosemary potatoes Corn w/ red peppers Dinner roll w/ margarine Grapes 1% milk 	 Carne adovada/red chile Flour tortilla Pinto beans Spanish rice Pineapple 1% milk 	 Beef tip w/elbow macaroni Roasted carrots Sliced beets Vanilla pudding 1% milk 	 Pasta primavera w/ alfredo sauce Northwest blend vege- tables Breadstick Peaches 1% milk 	 Breaded cod fish w/ tartar sauce Steamed red potatoes Peas Orange 1% milk
4	5	6	7	8
 Salisbury steak w/green chile gravy Corn Mashed potatoes Dinner roll w/ margarine Yogurt 1% milk 	 Turkey tetrazzini Brussel sprouts Peach cobbler Breadstick 1% milk 	 Baked tilapia w/lemon and tartar sauce Rice pilaf Green beans Vanilla pudding 1% milk 	 Chicken parmesan w/ mozzarella Carrots Breadstick Pineapple 1% milk 	 Diced pork w/gravy Sweet potatoes Oriental blend vegetables Dinner roll w/margarine Jell-O 1% milk
11	12	13	14	15
 Pork egg rolls Butter noodle Brussel sprouts Fortune cookies Sweet & Sour sauce 1% milk 	 Cheese omelet w/ pepper, onions, spinach Stewed tomatoes Hash browns Pineapple 1% milk 	 Chicken tamales w/ green chile Pinto beans Calabacitas Chocolate pudding 1% milk 	 Spaghetti w/meat sauce Green beans Breadstick Apple sauce 1% milk 	 Baked salmon w/lemon sauce White rice Sliced beets Dinner roll w/margarine Orange 1% milk
18	19	20	21	2.
 Breaded pollock Brown rice Corn w/red peppers Vanilla pudding 1% milk 	 Turkey and brown rice w/gravy Green beans Cauliflower Orange 1% milk 	 Baked chicken Mashed potato Broccoli Mixed fruit 1% milk 	 Sloppy joe, hamburger bun Roasted green and red bell peppers Rosemary potato Peaches 1% milk 	 Ham w/pineapple glaze Mashed potato Mixed vegetables Cherry cobbler Dinner roll w/ margarine 1% milk
25	26	27	28	29
CLOSED Happy Holidays	 Cheeseburger Baked beans Normandy blend vegetables Chocolate chip cookie 1% milk 	 Green chile chicken tamale Pinto beans Calabacitas Yogurt 1% milk 	 Macaroni w/ham & broccoli Spinach Peach cobbler Dinner roll w/ margarine 1% milk 	 Baked cod fish w/tartar sauce Rice pilaf Carrots Jell-O 1% milk

Dine in lunch is served 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Monday - Friday. Please call 505-275-8731 to make your reservation by 1:00pm the day prior.

Manzano Mesa Events and Happenings

Spirit Week

Monday 12/18-Merry Monday Dress up in appropriate Holiday Pajamas

Tuesday 12/19-Tacky Sock Tuesday

Wednesday 12/20-Holiday Helpers Dress up like elves, Santa, reindeer, snowman etc.

Thursday 12/21-Ugly Sweater Day

Friday 12/22- Festive Red or Green Christmas day



Monday 12/18- How the Grinch Stole Christmas

Tuesday 12/19-Elf

Wednesday 12/20-A Christmas Carol



Join us for music from Paul Pino and The Tone Daddy's and dancing !

December 12, 2023 1:30pm-3:30pm sign up at front desk or call (505)275-8731

