

Department of Senior Affairs

Newsletter April 2025

BEAR CANYON SENIOR CENTER

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A Message From Our Center Manager

Hello all!

Hope everyone is enjoying the spring season in full bloom. We are excited for a jam-packed month, with engaging events and activities both here at our wonderful center and at others around Albuquerque!

Be sure not to fall for any tricks on April 1st aka. April Fool's Day! Looking for some spring music? April 2 we will be host to the Enchanters Choral Music Group for a spring time concert!

April 10 is the DSA Centennial Birthday Celebration at Santa Barbara Martineztown Center. If there are any members that are close to 100, turning 100, or over 100 this year, please come celebrate with us!

Another one of the departments annual events is the Technology Fair on April 11 at North Domingo Baca Multigenerational Center. Go by for various presentations, help with your devices, win prizes and more!

Bear Canyon is looking forward to hosting our 3rd annual Department of Senior Affairs Easter Event! This will take place on April 16 from 2-4p. There will be goodies, prizes, refreshments, games and more. We hope to see all of you there!

Lastly, we will celebrate Earth Day on April 22 with some fun, hands on educational demonstrations for indoor plants, a plant swap, along with refreshments. More details to come in this newsletter or sign up at our front desk.

As always, thank you for your continued support and have a wonderful month!

Best regards,

Tyler Dunn

Center Hours

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

Fr: 8 am - 5 pm

DATES TO REMEMBER

Apr 2 The Enchanters Choral Concert

Apr 9 Santa Fe National Cemetery

Apr 11 Movie Matinee

Apr 16 Senior Easter Party

Apr 17 Lunch Bunch

Apr 18 Pie Social

Apr 22 Earth Day Celebration

FOBC Restaurant Fundraiser

OPEN COMPUTER LAB

Mon - Wed - Fri 9 - 11 am

PC, Apple, and Android devices



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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



POST 10763

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.

There is a VFW Information table in the lobby during breakfast and a Veteran's Outreach table from 9:30 am to 1 pm to further assist veterans.



DEPT. OF SENIOR AFFAIRS ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

North Domingo Baca Mult-Gen Center 7521 Carmel Ave NE, 87113 Monday, April 21 12 - 1:30 pm

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.



1st Saturday of the month 9:30 am - 1:30 pm or

3rd Thursday of the month 12 - 4 pm

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

Navigating Medicare Assistance First Monday of the Month Lobby 10 am – 2 pm

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

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

HELPFUL NUMBERS

Department of Senior Aff	airs764-6400
City of Albuquerque Infor	mation311
Non-emergency Police	. 242-COPS (2677)
Emergencies	911

GENERAL INFORMATION & ASSISTANCE



FIRST FRIDAY OF MONTH 3 to 5 pm

Our department contracts with Teeniors to provide our members assistance with their phones, computers, or tablets.

You must schedule an appointment at the front desk. On the day of your appointment you will be assigned a teenior to assist you during your scheduled time.

Teeniors are tech-savvy teens and young adults who help seniors learn technology through one-on-one, personalized coaching.

If you need additional assistance you can make arrangements to receive further coaching. To learn more visit the website at www.teeniors.com or call 505-600-1297.

COMPUTER LAB OPPORTUNITIES

PC COMPUTER WORKSHOP



Third Wednesday of the month 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm Contact person: Harold Gottlieb Email: hbgottl2@g.com

A roundtable discussion and sharing of knowledge on topics of interest.



APPLE MAC WORKSHOP

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

A presentation will be followed by an open question and answer period.

HERE'S TO YOUR GOOD 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 who provide weekly screening to assist you in monitoring and maintaining good health. We provide you with a card to keep a paper record of your readings. If you are a retired RN and would like to join us contact Lupe at 505-401-2558.

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

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.

• Apr 3 DJ- Jim's Night Train

Apr 10 Roger BurnsApr 17 Paul Pino

• Apr 24 Recorded Music w/Josie



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:

• Mar 4 Abode Hospice

Mar 11 Sandia Vista Senior Living

Mar 18 Village Caregiving

Mar 25 Beehive Homes

Pie Social

Friday, April 18 1:30 - 2:30 pm

Social Hall

Stop by for free pie and ice cream! Enjoy Fun, Fellowship and Friends.

Sponsored by: Michael Herst with Sun Tours





Wednesday, April 2nd
2 pm
Bear Canyon
Senior Center

We have been performing in New Mexico for over 50 years. Our Musical programs are customized for entertainment at various retirement living centers.



"This Performance is supported in part by New Mexico Arts, a division of the Department of Cultural Affairs, and by the National Endowment for the Arts."

FRIENDS OF BEAR CANYON









CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES AND OFF-SITE OPPORTUNITIES



LUNCH BUNCH

Thursday, April 17



Tula's Kitchen 8100 Wyoming Blvd NE, Ste G 505-872-8600

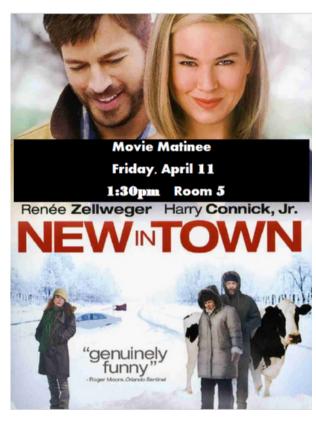
Please sign up at the front desk.

OUT TO DINNER

Coming the first Monday in May





















CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES



Tuesday, April 22nd

Happy Earth Day

10:00am - 11:00am
In the Multipurpose Room
Join host Josie Tennent, our gardening and houseplant expert, and learn how to plant and care for seedlings that you will get to take home. Also, you can participate in a plant exchange. Bring a potted plant to exchange for someone else's potted plant. Light refreshments, seedlings, and supplies for planting will be provided.



CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

Upcoming Trips

Trip sign ups are using a lottery process now. See trip flyer for all the details.

Sanctuario de Chimayo

Thursday, April 17

Check in: 8 am Return: 4 pm
Lunch: At own expense
Lottery sign up ends at close of day Thu, Apr 9

Lunch at Harry's Roadhouse in Santa Fe Thursday, April 24

Check in: 10 am Return: 4 pm
Lunch: At own expense
Lottery sign up ends at close of day Mon, Apr 14

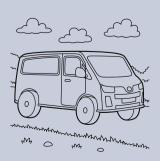
Tarde de Oro: City of Abq sponsored musical Thursday, May 8

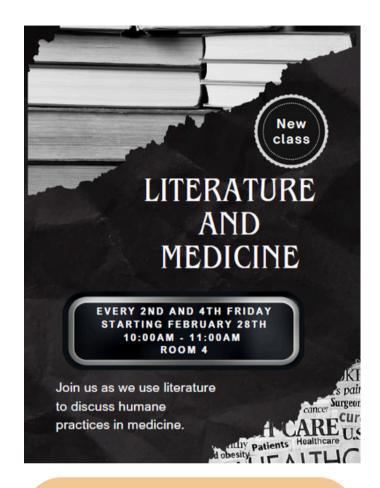
Check in: 11:45 am Return: 4 pm
Lunch: At own expense
Lottery sign up ends at close of day Mon, Apr 14

Watch the bulletin board and front desk display for

"Pop Up Trips."

These trips are confirmed after the newsletter is published and will be advertised as soon as they are available.







To check at the front desk for misplaced items; membership cards, water bottles, jackets, keys, phones, earrings, etc.

Items are frequently turned in at the front desk. All items will be put out the 2nd Wednesday of each month and then donated to a thrift shop if unclaimed.

CENTER HIGHLIGHTS

MARCH BIRTHDAY PARTY

Wednesday, March 12 marked the return of our monthly birthday party. This tradition is being brought back as a way to celebrate all of the birthdays for each month. Thank you to the Friends of Bear Canyon for making this event possible!











Thanks to a lovely lepreuchaun, anyone who forgot their green was adorned with green beads. Music was provided by the Jug O'Punch band and we served just shy of 140 meals, including 92 of the corned beef and cabbage.









Breakfast and Lunch Menu

Oso Canyon Café

Breakfast Menu		
Served 8:00 to 9:00 am		
Monday through Friday		
Full Breakfast		
A-la-Carte Egg .25 2 Pieces of bacon or sausage .50 Pancake .25 French Toast .25 Egg Muffin Sandwich 1.00 Toast or Tortilla .20 Hash Browns .30 Hot Cereal w/milk .70 Side of Chile .25		
Waffle Wednesday: Plain		
Drinks Milk		

Lunch A-la-Carte

Lunch is served from 11:30 am to 1 pm NO reservation is required for A-la-Carte

Salad

Small Garden Salad	1.00
Large Chef's Salad	2.00

Sandwiches

Grilled Cheese	1.25
½ Cold Turkey	75
Cold Turkey	1.50
Sandwich of the day	1.50
Turkev Melt	.1.50

Drinks

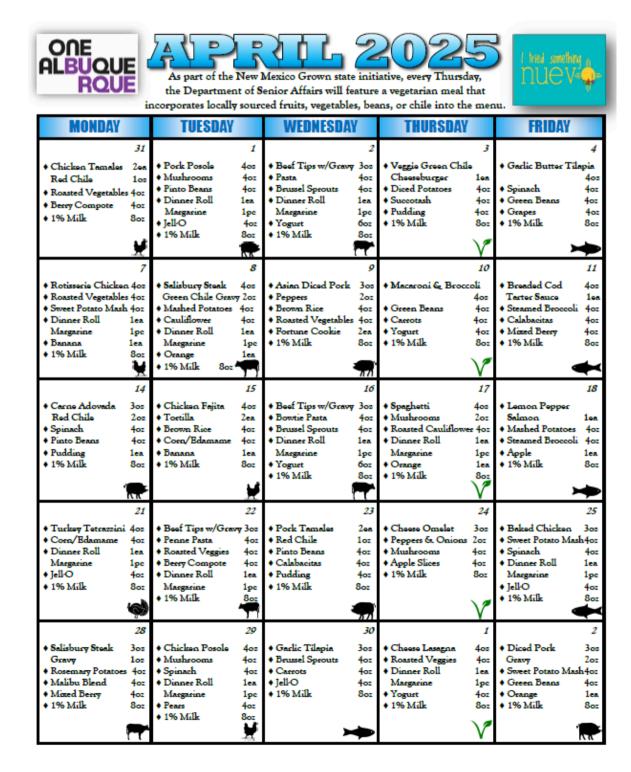
Milk	.25
Juice	.25
Теа	30

Slice of Pie (daily selection varies)...... .50 Bowl of Soup (daily selection varies)... .50



April Lunch Menu

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. Please arrive by 12:30 p.m. for reserved meal.



Department of Senior Affairs

Participant Code of Conduct

Participants are expected to respect the rights of others and to adhere to the following code of conduct so that all may have a pleasant and safe experience. This includes all City programs and activities and their locations.

- 1. Maintain personal hygiene that is not offensive or unhealthy.
- 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 electronic device.
- 5. Show courtesy to other participants and staff; respect decisions made by staff and bring issues involving the operations of a facility to the management's attention for resolution.
- No unlawful weapons are allowed in City facilities. (See Administrative Instruction AI 5-19, NMSA 1978 Section 30-7-2.1)
- 7. Fighting between participants or with a staff person is prohibited.
- 8. Bringing bicycles into the facility is prohibited.
- 9. Smoking is prohibited in facilities or on premises.
- 10. Alcohol consumption or possession of alcoholic beverages is prohibited,
- 11. Any type of gambling is strictly prohibited in all facilities.
- 12. Selling, soliciting or panhandling is prohibited.
- 13. Eating is prohibited in billiards rooms and computer labs.
- 14. Vandalizing or damaging facilities, grounds, equipment or materials or from any City sponsored program is prohibited.
- 15. Treat City materials, equipment, furniture, grounds, and facility with respect.
- 16. Use City equipment in a safe and appropriate manner.
- 17. Keep the 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 facility, program or service.

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