



Newsletter February 2025

BEAR CANYON SENIOR CENTER

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A Message From Our Center Manager

Hello all and Happy February!

As we continue to roll into the new year, we are jam-packed in the shortest month of the year with several upcoming happenings to look forward to.

First, Groundhog Day on February 2 is a fun tradition, as well as a prediction, to see whether winter will continue for 6 more weeks, or maybe the start to leaving the cold weather behind us and seeing an early spring!

Although it is not a holiday per say, many do consider this spectacle a big to do. Super Bowl LIX (59) is on Sunday February 9. We will be hosting a Super Bowl Social on Friday February 7. Show up in your favorite team's gear (whether they are playing or not) and enjoy some of our favorite football watching snacks!

Love is in the air and Valentine's Day is just around the corner. We will be hosting a Sweetheart Dance on Friday, February 14 at 2 pm. Join us for live music and refreshments!

Lastly, tax season with AARP has officially started this month. We are happy to work with a great team of individuals helping the community with tax prep help and questions. Current availability is very limited. Stop by or call our front desk to check on remaining availability or other inquiries.

As always, thank you for the 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

Feb 7	Super Bowl Social
Feb 12	Winter Guitar Concert
Feb 13	Coffee with Constituents
Feb 14	Valentine's Sweetheart Dance
Feb 17	Closed for Presidents' Day
Feb 20	Lunch Bunch
Feb 25	FOBC Restaurant Fundraiser
Feb 28	Painting with Suki

OPEN COMPUTER LAB

Mon - Wed - Fri 9 - 11 am PC, Apple, and Android devices



PRESIDENTS' DAY CLOSURE

Monday, February 17, 2025

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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

Bear Canyon Senior Center 4645 Pitt St NE, 87111 Monday, February 24 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.

• Feb 6 DJ- Jim's Night Train

• Feb 13 Roger Burns

Feb 20 Paul Pino

• Feb 27 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.

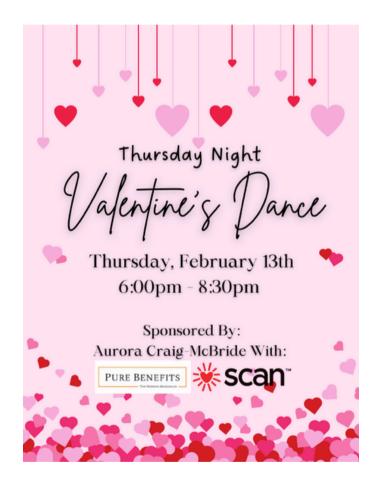
Last month's Sponsors:

Jan 7 Sandia Vista

• Jan 14 Bear Canyon Senior Center

• Jan 21 Enchanted Sky Hospice

• Jan 28 Beehive Homes



FRIENDS OF BEAR CANYON

Holiday Raffle Donations

We wish to offer a special thank you for all of the wonderful donations made to the Friends of Bear Canyon by the fine restaurants, breweries, businesses and individuals who are listed here, as well as those who chose to donate anonymously. Without their generous support, the annual holiday raffle fundraiser would not be possible!



- Susan Beckman
- Bosque Brewing
- Cataline Automotive
- Cheddar's
- Amanda Dominguez (AIM)
- Farino Alto
- La Salita
- Members of Friends of Bear Canyon
- · Mister Car Wash
- Mrs. Clean LLC
- Nothing Bundt Cakes
- Olive Garden
- O'Neill's
- Quarter Celtic Tap Room
- Raising Cane
- Range Café
- Restoration Pizza
- Ruth Chris Steakhouse
- Sunshine Dental
- Trader Joe's

February Restaurant Fundraiser



Tuesday, February 25

11 am - Close 10895 Montgomery Blvd. NE, 87111

We would like to thank:



for being the January Restaurant of the Month!



DEPARTMENT OF SENIOR AFFAIRS

TRANSPORTATION

PROGRAM



Did you know the Department of Senior Affairs offers transportation to seniors, ages 60 and older, who live within a five-mile radius of our senior and multigenerational centers? This free service makes it easier than ever to stay connected, participate in activities, and enjoy all your local center has to offer. Current members can sign up for this service at the front desk or call 764-6400 for more info.

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

The Movie Matinee

and

Friday Table Tennis

are canceled

Friday, Feb 14

due to the

Valentine's Sweetheart
Dance







CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES



LUNCH BUNCH



Thursday, February 20 at Olive Garden Italian Restaurant

601 Juan Tabo Blvd. NE 505-275-9948

Check in: 10:45 am Return: 3 pm

Please sign up at the front desk.

COFFEE WITH CONSTITUENTS

Thursday, February 13 9:30 am - 10:30 am

Bear Canyon Senior Center will be hosting Department of Senior Affairs Administrators for this event.



Bear Canyon Senior Center



Painting with Suki Friday, Feb 28 2 - 4 pm Room 5

Lottery drawing will be on Thursday, Feb 20 and the class will be limited to 12 students. Members **DO NOT** need to be present for the raffle. Staff will draw names and call members that are drawn.

Sign up at the front desk.



CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES & OFF-SITE TOURNAMENT

Upcoming Trips

Trip sign ups are using a lottery process now.

See trip flyer for all the details.

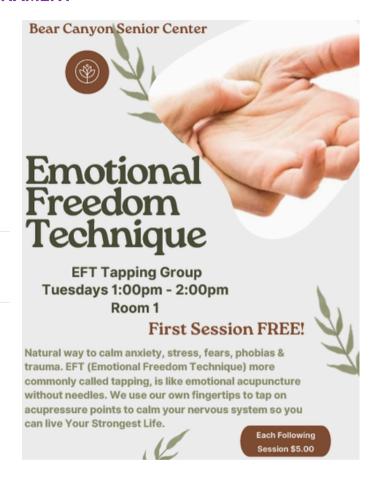
UFO Museum in Roswell, NM THU, FEBRUARY 13

Check in: 8 am Return: 6 pm
Cost: \$5+ Lunch: At own expense
Lottery sign up ends at close of day, Thu, Feb 6
POP UP

Iguana Cafe at Buffalo Thunder- SFE WED, FEBRUARY 26

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

Lottery sign up ends at close of day, Wed, Feb 19







CENTER HIGHLIGHTS

Christmas Eve Friendship Coffee Dec 24, 2024

Thank you to the Kindness Project for providing gifts for each of the attendees. Thank you, also to Christine for joining us as a first-time sponsor from Sam's Club.







Accordion Concert Jan 22, 2025







TNT Ugly Christmas Sweater Day Dec 18, 2024



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
<u>Drinks</u> 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)5	0
Bowl of Soup (daily selection varies)5	0



February 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 all participants may have a pleasant and safe experience.

Participants shall:

- 1. Maintain personal hygiene that is not offensive or unhealthy.
- 2. Show consideration for the diversity of staff and other participants.
- 3. Treat Center materials, equipment, furniture, grounds, and the facility with respect.
- 4. Use the Senior Center and Fitness Center equipment in a safe and appropriate manner.
- 5. Keep the Senior Center building and grounds neat, clean, and litter free.
- 6. Show courtesy to other participants and staff and respect decisions made by center management.
- 7. Bring issues involving the operations of the Center to management's attention for resolution.

Participants are prohibited from:

- 1. Harassing or bullying other participants or staff, and shall refrain from sexually harassing other participants or staff.
- 2. Using of racial slurs or abusive language.
- 3. Using voice or behavior that will disturb other Center participants.
- 4. Using language or behavior that other participants and staff will find obscene, abusive, or sexually offensive including through social media, in person, by phone, or other electronic device.
- 5. Bringing any unlawful weapons into the centers. Unlawful weapons are prohibited in certain City facilities. (See Administrative Instruction AI 5-19 and NMSA 1978 §30-7-2.1).
- 6. Fighting with other participants or staff.
- 7. Bringing bicycles into the facility.
- 8. Smoking in City facilities or on City premises.
- 9. Consuming or possessing alcoholic beverages in City facilities or on City premises.
- 10. Any type of gambling in all City of Albuquerque Senior Centers, Fitness Centers, and Multigenerational Centers.
- 11. Selling, soliciting, or panhandling in Centers.
- 12. Eating in any pool room or computer lab.
- 13. Removing food from the meal site area when participating in the congregate meal.
- 14. Vandalizing or damaging Center facilities, equipment or materials.

Failure to observe the Participant Code of Conduct and rules prescribed by Albuquerque Department of Senior Affairs may result in disciplinary action being taken against me, up to and including, suspension from the program.

CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE



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