

Hello Everyone,

I am pleased to announce our October 1, 2022, Fall Fundraiser was a great success! This is our biggest event of the year. We hosted 108 guests and many volunteers. Gross income was \$36,792.00; Net income was \$26,479.62. Double the funds brought in last year! Monies are allocated towards our Nikiski senior high school scholarship program, activities and services for Nikiski seniors, and senior housing expansion.

We are preparing for Nikiski Board of Director 2023 elections. If you are interested in running, please contact our administrative team for more information. Board Members meet once a month and intermittently for committee meetings. It is a great way to be a part of positive change in our senior community. Be involved! Please vote!

Annual membership dues are up and coming for 2023. Membership includes discounts at local businesses such as M&M Market, Nikiski Hardware & Supply, Olde Goat Café, Treehouse, and Rudy's Café. You also receive a number of amenities at the center. Support NSC by becoming a member.

Are you, a friend, or family member looking for a non-profit to support this holiday season? Please remember we are working to expand our senior housing. We need to raise 1.6 million to complete the project. Help us make positive change in our community. Support our senior housing expansion! Please call the center for instructions on how you are able to donate.

Sasha Fallon





Center Hours:
Monday through
Thursday
8 am to 4 pm
Friday 8 am to 2 pm
907.776.7654



www.NikiskiSeniorCenter.org



All current events are posted on our Facebook page.



Senior Center Board Meetings

@ 1:00 pm

December 21, 2022 January 18, 2023 February 15, 2023 March 15, 2023 April 19, 2023 May 17, 2023 June 21, 2023

Absentee Ballot Voting Available

- You must be a member
- You must request a ballot by phone
- Ballots must be turned in one day before election meeting



Nikiski Senior Center Board 2022



Wayne Ogle President



Sue Kanour Secretary



Myrna Dyer Board Member



Elaine Bakk Vice President



Mike Newcomb Board Member



Jean Taylor Board Member



Jeff Laube Treasurer



Genita Thirlwell Board Member



Joe Ross Board Member

-ANNUAL MEMBERS-

It's time to renew your membership for 2023!

Annual Membership - \$15 Lifetime Membership - \$100 Lifetime Couple Membership - \$175

Membership Benefits Include:

- Voting Rights at NSC meetings
- Entitles to run for office on the NSC Board of Directors
- FREE faxing, copies, wifi use, notary services, monthly newsletter, birthday lunch, advertising in newsletter for personal items, small room rental (1 rental/year/member)
- Discounts @ participating local businesses

Call 907.776.7654 for more details or stop by for a membership application

Seat A—Myrna Dyer

I moved to Alaska from California in 1967. I lived in Kenai with my husband and daughter and owned my own business. I moved to Nikiski about 10 years ago and love the community. I volunteer at the Nikiski Senior Center and currently serve on the NSC board.





Seat B—Denise Tank

I have lived in Nikiski for 9 years. I love this community, and definitely love the Nikiski Senior Center! I enjoy participating regularly in programs offered by the center, such as exercise, craft and cooking classes as well as activities and field trips. I have served on numerous boards of non-profit organizations for more than 25 years. I find it rewarding to be able to actively give back to an organization that is a big part of my life. I am willing and able to work with others as a board member to serve the membership of this center and strive to improve the lives of all seniors in our community.

Seat C—Mike Newcomb

Moved to Alaska in 1969. Enjoys puppies, fishing, 4-wheeling, and running equipment. "I have been other places and Alaska is the place where you can do what you need to do. I have spent the last 45 years working away from home. Continuing to serve on the board is my way of giving back to my community. Most of our members are people I went to school with or have met over the years".





Seat D—Susan Kanour

I fished for salmon and halibut in Cook Inlet starting in 1975. I had my own boat and permit and continued to fish each summer until about 1998. I sold the business and went to work for the State of Hawaii as Administrative Officer for the federally funded WIC program. My education is business and accounting. My experience is grants management, budget and accounting. My husband Bill and I retired and moved to Nikiski to be close to my daughter and help with our two grandkids.

Seat E—Jean Taylor

Permanently moved to Alaska in 2009 but have been visiting since 1988. Enjoys beading, Swedish weaving blankets, playing cards, and BINGO. "Alaska's beautiful scenery and animals are my favorite thing about Alaska. I want to continue as a board member because I am a people person and I feel I need to give my time to help others".





WELCOME our newest board member— Genita Thirlwell!

I have lived on the Kenai since 1958. After marrying a lifelong "North Roader" I moved to Nikiski in 1983 where we were very involved in the Nikiski community. After all 5 children graduated, we lived "outside" for a few years but came Home, for good, during the winter of 2017-18. My husband, Joe and I are Life Members of NSC and try to volunteer/participate whenever we can. I love crafty and artistic activities and have many hobbies in the creative arts.



Please join us for a free Christmas Dinner at the Nikiski Senior Center Wednesday, 12/14/22 from 11:30 am – 1 pm

We have the stockings, but need the stuffers!
The Nikiski Senior Center will be handing out stockings to seniors in our community and need your help filling them! Items such as: chapstick, lotion, shampoo/conditioner, wrapped candy, comb/hairbrush, toothbrush/toothpaste, pens/notepad, and any other items you think would make good stocking stuffers! Donations can be dropped off until 12/16/22. Thank You!



The Nikiski Senior Center is collecting mittens, hats & other winter accessories for the "Nikiski Neighbors" to give to children in the community.

Donations can be dropped off until 12/1622. Thak You!

The Nikiski Senior Center will be closed
December 23-26, 2022
and
January 2, 2023

MERRY Christ Mass

AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

NKISKI 2023 New Years Eve

WHAT: NEW YEARS EVE BINGO

WHERE: NIKISKI SENIOR CENTER

WHEN: SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2022

3-6 PM (DOORS OPEN AT 2 PM)

COST: \$30 PP - INCLUDES 1 EA BINGO

PACKET, APPETIZERS &

BEVERAGES (NON-ALCOHOLIC)

RSVP APPRECIATED

Have questions?? Call 907.776.7654

DECEMBER WEDNESDAY CRAFTS

1) 12/7/22 - ORNAMENT MEMORY STICK 2) 12/28/22 - TILE COASTERS

(NO CRAFTS 12/14/22 & 12/21/22)



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FRIDAY



AT THE NIKISKI SENIOR CENTER DECEMBER 16. 2022 FROM 4-7 PM









THE NIKISKI SENIOR CENTER
IS OFFERING TRANSPORTATION
FROM NIKISKI TO WALMART
ON TUESDAYS OR THURSDAYS.

\$10 PP

MUST CALL 24 HOURS IN ADVANCE
LIMITED SEATING AVAILABLE

PLEASE CALL 907.776.7654 TO RESERVE A SEAT

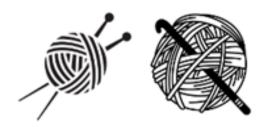
VEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Silver & Fit with Teri

Chair exercises modified to your level.

Monday 10-11 am Thursday 1-2 pm





Sewing Class Tuesday 12:30-3 pm Knitting & Crocheting Class

Monday 12:30-2:30 pm (Please bring your own knitting needles & crochet hooks—we will have some available for beginners who do not own any)





Yoga with Katrina (via zoom) Wednesday 9:30-10:30 am Modified for all levels of yoga

Coloring & Crafts Wednesday 12:30-3 pm Coloring Club and Crafting downstairs.





Bible Study

Enjoy lunch with friends and then a friendly bible study upstairs from 1-2 pm on Thursday. For more information please call John Heft 776-2109.

Pinochle

Thursday 12:30-4 pm pinochle players enjoy snacks and cards with great company.







CRAFTING



TAMALE MAKING CREW







KNITTING & CROCHETING





THANKSGIVING DINNER





Thank you to all the volunteers who helped at our Thanksgiving Community Meal. We couldn't do it without you!

Pantry Hours: Mon-Fri 9 am to 2 pm





Senior Benefits Program

Alaska residents age 65 and older may qualify for a monthly payment from the Senior Benefits Program. Monthly payments are \$76, \$175, or \$250 depending on your annual income. Applications are available for mail out or pick up from the center.

Meals on Wheels

We are now providing Meals on Wheels to our community in the age range of 18 and older receiving Medicaid Waiver Services. This will allow us to care for our community members in need and seniors.

Nikiski Senior Center or Service Area Boards

We are always recruiting for caring individuals that truly want to play a vested roll in their senior community. Once a month or quarterly meetings are required. Join us today and make a difference.

Silver Squad

Provide companionship, a warm heart, and a friendly conversation to help support our seniors as they isolate at home. These calls or visits provide emotional support, safety check-ins, and a connection to our senior community.

Helping Hands

Looking for men and women with basic home repair skills to help seniors and the disabled to live in the comfort and safety of their own home.

NSC Catering—Book Your Party Today!

Nikiski Senior Center can help with your catering needs. Call (907)776-7654 for details and pricing.

Find out how you can pay it forward and become a volunteer!

776.7654

* All volunteers must be able to pass a background check.



NIKISKI SENIOR CENTER IS NOW OFFERING ACCOMMODATIONS FOR ZOOM APPOINTMENTS

STATE ASSESSMENTS FOR WAIVER SERVICES VISIT WITH A FAMILY OR FRIEND DOCTOR APPOINTMENTS (NOT INCLUDING ILLNESSES WITH COLD OR COVID SYMPTOMS)

CALL NSC TO SCHEDULE AT 776.7654







Chicken Bowtie Pasta Salad

1 lb cooked bowtie pasta 2-4 cups cooked chicken, cubed I cup chopped celery I cup chopped mixed bell peppers 1/4 cup diced red onion 2 cups halved red globe grapes 1 cup mandarin oranges canned; drained 12 ounces coleslaw dressing

> Top with: 2 TB chopped green onion 3/4 cup craisins 1/4 cup chopped pecans



Enjoy coffee or juice & a treat **Bring a friend!**

Monday-Friday **During Regular Business Hours**

(Donations Appreciated)



WEDNESDAY BREAD DAY

We are looking for volunteers to pick up our bread Wednesday mornings that Kenai Safeway generously donates! Please call 907.776.7654 for details if this is something you could do on a rotating schedule!

> **LIMIT** OF **ONE** BREAD AND ONE SWEET PER HOUSEHOLD







Thank you PCHS for visiting the NSC November 16, 2022!





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12/1	Trish Roderick	12/10	Hoa Le	12/18	Richard Heath
12/2	Tommey Garber	12/11	Steve Geertz	12/19	Dorey Harman
12/3	Barbara Dahl	12/11	Eula Miller	12/19	Diana Wray
12/3	Bruce Aitken	12/12	Joan Kirkham	12/20	Janice Jones
12/3	Greg Fisher	12/12	Art Jackman	12/21	Lora Stuart
12/5	Sharon Fisher	12/12	Judy Johnson	12/23	Pat Moye
12/5	Tams Wilson	12/13	King Titera	12/25	James Arness
12/5	Paul Felton	12/14	La Donna Ross	12/25	Robert Carew
12/6	Becky Baker	12/16	Jeff Jones	12/26	Rebecca Bakk
12/7	Roxana Martinez	12/16	Diana Damitz	12/27	Mike Nappier
12/7	Penny Smith	12/17	Mary Jackson	12/31	Marie McCarthy
12/7	Amy Whinston	12/18	Ria Fandel	12/31	Jimmie Secrest

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NIKISKI SENIOR CENTER Lunch Menu

NEW LUNCH PRICES

ENTREE OR SALAD \$6 ENTRÉE & SALAD \$9

Decem	ber	2022

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	
NEW!	FRIED CHICKEN WILL BE EVERY OTHER WEDNESDAY!		Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce Garlic Bread Veggies & Dessert	Hot Pastrami on Rye Green Salad Ice Cream w/ Toppings	
5	6	7	8	9	
Pork Chops Scallop Potatoes Veggies & Dessert	Beef Tacos Beans & Rice Dessert	Creamy Mushroom Chicken Roasted Potatoes Veggies & Dessert	Fish-n-Chips Veggies & Dessert	Chicken Bacon Ranch Pita Tater Tots Rootbeer Float	
12	13	14	15	16	
Beef Stew Corn Bread Dessert	Kielbasa w/ Cheese Tortellini Bread Sticks Veggies & Dessert	Christmas Lunch (FREE) Ham & Potatoes Veggies & Dessert	Chinese Pepper Steak Rice & Eggrolls Dessert	Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Ice Cream	
19	20	21	22	23	
Breakfast Eggs & Bacon Hashbrowns Fruit & Salad Bar Dessert	Taco Tuesday	Baked Chicken Roasted Potatoes Veggies & Dessert	French Dip French Fries Dessert	CLOSED	
26	27	28	29	30	
CLOSED	Meatloaf Red Potatoes Veggies & Dessert	Fried Chicken Mashed Potatoes Veggies & Dessert	Sweet & Sour Meatballs Rice Pineapple Slaw Dessert	Cheeseburgers French Fries Milkshakes	

No "to go" containers will be provided for those dining in—you will need to bring your own container (BYOC) for leftovers on your plate.

ALL AGES CAN EAT AT THE NIKISKI SENIOR CENTER!

Please call 776-7654 by 10 am to order a lunch for pick-up Pick-up time 11:30 am

Salad Bar opens at 11:30 am & Entrée is served at 12 pm

No Salad Bar on Friday

Menu Subject to Change

Activity Highlights

- Silver & Fit: **Mondays** 10-11 am AND **Thursdays** 1-2 pm
- Crocheting/Knitting Class: **Mondays** 12:30-2:30 pm
- Sewing Class: Tuesdays 12:30-3pm
- Yoga (via zoom): **Wednesdays** 9:30-10:30 am
- Crafts & Coloring Club: **Wednesdays** 12:30-3 pm
- Pinochle: **Thursdays** 12:30-4 pm
- Bible Study: **Thursdays** 1-2 pm
- North Peninsula Recreation Center "Christmas Comes to Nikiski": Saturday
 12/3/22—Nikiski Senior Center will be serving concessions from 10am-4 pm
- Christmas Community Dinner (FREE): Wednesday 12/14/22 from 11:30 am-1 pm
- Movie Night: **Friday** 12/16/22 from 4-7 pm
- NSC Board Meeting: **Wednesday** 12/21/22 @ 1 pm
- KPFCSP Caregiver Support Meeting: **Wednesday** 12/28/22 from 1-2 pm
- New Years Bingo: Saturday 12/31/22, 3-6 pm (doors open at 2 pm)
- CLOSED 12/23-26/22 FOR CHRISTMAS
- CLOSED 1/2/23 FOR NEW YEARS



PLEASE PLACE STAMP HERE

To: