



Matthew Meyer
County Executive
Div. of Comm. Resources

Absalom Jones Senior Center

310 Kiamensi Rd., Wilmington, DE 19804 995-7636

Open Monday through Friday, 9am to 2pm

Hot lunch and salad bar served daily at 11:30am

**April
2022**

From the Director's Desk

Welcome spring (though the weather the past few days sure hasn't felt like spring)! Did your body adjust to the time change yet? I don't know about you, but I don't like getting up in the dark...but I guess I will get over it.

If you are ready to get out after the Covid-19 shut-in, stop in or give us a call and we will keep you busy. Our schedule offers educational and fun trips. Our exercise program at the center is one of the best. We offer free bus service to and from the senior center. We don't pick up in the city of Newark or city of Wilmington. This is a friendly center with a friendly staff. We go the extra mile for our members.

We have a few Chromebooks if anyone would like one call for details.

Take care, stay healthy, be safe and see you soon. Best regards ~ Joan

New Castle County Senior Center Mission Statement

New Castle County provides recreational, educational and nutrition services for seniors 55+ years of age regardless of race, religion, sex, ethnic origin or handicap. All those attending the Center must be able to take care of their personal needs and make independent decisions as they participate in the activities of the day.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Darlene Ashley	Margaret Henderson	Anne E. Rossetto
Sabra Barnes	Shirley Jenkins	Linda Shamblin
Hester Brown	George Keeman	Charlotte Smith
Ingrid Bostic	Eileen A. McKeown	Kappy Stevens
Mary Citro	Gertrude Merkel	Beverly Shover
Anna Kuhar	Margaret Miller	Richard Sarsfield
Beverly Dodson	Sophie Murray	Terry Szczechowski
Rhoda Domenic	Sheila Mcahon	Alice Taylor
Leah Faber	Melchora Toala	Michael Vermillion
Ruby Govens	Cleo Phillips	Annetta Wallace
Euginia Hall	Angeline Rholetter	

In case of inclement weather, please listen to **WDEL (1150) or WILM (1450) am radio stations** To check for Center closings & transportation cancellations.

Please DO NOT call the Center.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AT THE CENTER

April 5, Speaker from Aetna 11:45-12:15
 April 14, Lunch time Jazz Concert by Harvey Price
 April 18, 46th Anniversary Celebration—info at the center
 April 21, Magic & Wonder Theatre, tickets \$32 3 P.M. Show
 May 9, Grounds for Sculpture, \$15 ticket. Lunch not included.
 May 13, Book Club Breakfast at the Riverfront, leave the center 8 A.M.
 May 19, Mini Bazaar, \$5 Table, Bake Sale, volunteers to help. Thank you
 June 1, Platinum Picnic, theme Sock Hop. Save the date!
 June 6, Rehoboth Beach 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. \$5 per person.
 June 15, Philadelphia—info to be posted.
 June 27, Wind Creek, 8:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m. \$40 per person, slots \$25.
 June 28, Drama Club Play, 12:30 p.m. Evening show June 29 6 p.m.
 August 24, Thunder Over the Board Walk coach \$40 8:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m.
Registration and payment required for above trips.
PAYMENT DUE WHEN YOU SIGN UP. For info 302-995-7636

STAFF

Director
Joan Budrow
Assistant Director
Judy Panchisin
Site Manager
Sheila Kellam
Secretary
Sheila Carlisle
Drivers
Wayne Winters
Don Myers

Thinking of You

Norris Cooper
Blanche Barlow
Marie Catullo
Joan Murphy
Joyce Johnson
Annette Tomasello

James Mc Keller
Sandy Poe
Marlene Coughlin
Clara Snyder
Charles Coover

Welcome New Members

Clarice Burke
Sheila Robertson
Carrie Wright
Laurette Handy
Marti Van Veen
Cindy Richards
Dee Cooper
William Ripley
Elaine Heverin
Genita Vandell
Rebecca Monaco
Katie Little

Kim Smith
Sara & John Barnes
Constance Johnson
Marianne Bullock
Dennis Filliben
George Titus
Sharon Eaton
Marcie Knox
Elizabeth Ritter
Velma Ricks
Denise Butler
Judith Glies



Wednesday, June 1
9 a.m.-1 p.m.
Hockessin PAL
7259 Lancaster Pike, Hockessin

Costumes Encouraged ♦ Door Prizes
Disc Jockey ♦ Entertainment ♦ Dancing

Hot lunch \$5. Registration required.
Call (302) 395-5652 or visit
newcastlede.gov/specialevents.

Special thanks to our donor
AARP

New Castle County | DE
Parks & Recreation
Live Healthy New Castle County

Check with Sheila for your reservation!

FUNNY STUFF

A man down the street says that his wife is such a poor driver that the police gave her a season ticket!

The latest appliance on the market is a combination record player and air condition—designed for people who like to play it coooooo!

Senior of the Month: Nancy Kaper

Nancy Kaper was born on December 31 in Lancaster, PA. She now lives in Wilmington. Nancy received her AA Degree from Goldey Beacon. She has two children: a boy and a girl. She also has two grandchildren, you guessed it—one boy and one girl.

Nancy's favorite TV show is Common Knowledge. Her favorite food is seafood and favorite vacation spot is Maine. Nancy's hobbies are reading and shopping. If she could have lunch with any one famous, it would be her mother because she was always just a special person.

Thanks for sharing some of your life with your friends at the center.

We are awarding a monthly gift to a lucky birthday person. Every time the birthday person for that month comes to the Center for a meal or trip, we will enter their name in a drawing for a gift to be awarded at our birthday party. So the more times you get your name in the basket, the better chance you will have to win!

Daily Activities

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Game Room and Fitness Center Open	Game Room and Fitness Center Open	Game Room and Fitness Center Open	Game Room and Fitness Center Open	Game Room and Fitness Center Open
Bank & Post Office (1st Monday)	Tax Aide	Tai Chi	Sitting Tai Chi	Trip Day
Computer Class	Bingo	Armchair Exercise	Pinochle Club	Tai Chi
Zumba Gold	Sitting Tai Chi	Open Art Studio (2nd & 4th Wednesdays)	Personal Trainer	Line Dancing
Sewing/Quilting	Sewing/Quilting		Drama Club Practice	Bid Whist
Wii Team Bowling	Personal Trainer		Progressive Line Dancing	
Cardio	Drama Club Practice		Basic Beginners Line Dancing	
	Advisory Board Meeting (3rd Tuesday)		Wii Bowling	
	Arthritis Wellness Class		ShopRite	
				<i>On occasion there may be other trip days. Check your newsletter or call the Center. Times for all programs can be found on page 4.</i>

Activities & Services Offered Throughout the Year

- GAMES:** Bingo, pinochle, billiards, shuffleboard, pickle ball, Wii.
Game room is open daily from 9am-2pm.
- HEALTH:** Blood pressure screening, Delaware Assistance Prescription Program, Vial of Life, Medicare information, Speakers
- FITNESS:** Dance classes, water aerobics, tai chi, group exercise, walk the gym, cardio
- SERVICES:** Elderinfo, Legal Aid, Tax assistance by AARP, defensive driving, computer classes, caregiver information, book and video lending library, Delaware Energy Assistance Program
- GROUPS:** Advisory Council, Red Hat Society "Sassy Ladies", Chess Club, Drama Club, Shuffleboard Club, Wii Bowling, Book Club
- ARTS & CRAFTS:** Watercolor class, paper flower making, candy making

Look for dates and times in the newsletter or ask the Senior Center staff!

ABSALOM JONES SENIOR CENTER

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
APRIL 2022	"46" Anniversary Party April 18, 2022 Information at ABJ	FYI Debbie will be off from April 1-21. Mary Ellen will be off April 12 & April 14	April 14, 11:30-12:30. Mark your calendar. We are having a JAZZ CONCERT! Thank you Mr. Price	I 9:30 Trip Sign Up 9:30: Tai Chi 10:30: Soul Line Dancing 11:30: Bid Whist Card Club 12:30: Ice Cream @ Dairy Queen
4 9:30: Zumba Gold Scrabble, Upwords & Puzzles 10-12: Sewing / Quilting 12:30: Cardio Class & Computer Instructor	5 TAXAIDE 9: Bingo, 9:30: Sitting Tai Chi 10-12: Sewing/Quilting 10:30: Arthritis Wellness Class 11:30: Speaker: Aetna 12: Sassy Ladies MT 12:30: Group Exercise 2: Drama Club Practice	6 Trip 9-2 Wegman's Grocery Store 9:30: Tai Chi 10: TV Armchair Exercise Scrabble, Upwords Puzzles	7 9: Shoprite 9:30: Wii Four Dames, Sitting Tai Chi 10:20: Progressive LD 11:15: Basic Beginners LD 11:15: Pinochle Club 12:30: Group Exercise	8 Trip 9-2 9:30: Tai Chi 10:30: Soul Line Dancing 12: Bid Whist Club
11 9:30: Zumba Gold Scrabble, Upwords, Puzzles 12:30: Cardio Class & Computer Instructor	12 Last Day for Taxes 9: Bingo 9:30: Sitting Tai Chi 10:30: Arthritis Wellness Class (no class today) 12:30: Group Exercise 2: Drama Club Practice	13 Trip 10:45-2 Mystery Ride Luncheon \$20 9:30: Tai Chi Scrabble, Upwords, Puzzles 10: Open Art Studio 10: TV Armchair Exercise	14 9: Shoprite 9:30: Wii Four Dames, Sitting Tai Chi 10:20: Progressive LD 11:15: Basic Beginners LD 11:30: Pinochle Club 12:30: Group Exercise 2: Drama Club Practice	15 Good Friday Center is Close
18 9:30: Zumba Gold Scrabble/Upwords & Puzzles 12:30: Cardio Class & Computer Instructor Anniversary Party 3-8 P.M. info at the center	19 9: Bingo 9:30: Sitting Tai Chi 10: Book Club 10:30: Arthritis Wellness Class 12: Advisory Board MT 12:30: Group Exercise 12:30: SPCA Pet Visit 2: Drama Club Practice	20 Trip 10- 2 Cream Valley Cus- tard 9:30: Tai Chi 10: TV Armchair Exercise	21 9: Shoprite 9:30: Wii Four Dames, Sitting Tai Chi 10:20: Progressive LD 11:15: Basic Beginners LD 11:15: Pinochle Club 12:30: Group Exercise 2: Drama Club Practice	22 Trip 10-2 Town Center 9:30: Tai Chi 10:30: Soul Line Dancing 12: Bid Whist Club
25 9:30: Zumba Gold Scrabble / Upwords & Puzzles 12:30: Cardio Class & Computer Instructor	26 9: Bingo 9:30: Sitting Tai Chi 10:30: Arthritis Wellness Class 12:30: Group Exercise 2: Drama Club Practice	27 Trip 12-7 Sight & Sound Show "David" 9:30: Tai Chi 10: Open Art Studio 10: TV Armchair Exer- cise,	28 9: Shoprite 9:30: Wii Four Dames, Sitting Tai Chi 10:20: Progressive LD 11:15: Basic Beginners LD 11:15: Pinochle Club 12:30: Group Exercise 2: Drama Club Practice	29 Trip 10-2 RT 13 Farmers Market 9:30: Tai Chi 10:30: Soul Line Dancing 12: Bid Whist Club

**Absalom Jones Senior Center
Advisory Board**

President: John DuVernay
Vice-President: William Kaper
Secretary: Castella LaCompte
Assist. Secretary: Joan Gay
Goodwill Ambassador:

Staff

Director: Joan Budrow
Assistant Director: Judy Panchisin
Site Manager: Sheila Kellam
Secretary: Sheila Carlisle
Drivers: Wayne Winters, Dawn Myers

**Advisory Board Meeting
 April 19, 12 p.m.**

Legacy

You joined the ABJ Center because you found a place to call home. The Center offers trips, activities, educational offerings, and resources that help you live a more fulfilling life. You have made friends that you accompanied on many trips. Some of you have made life-time friends. By remembering the ABJ Senior Center in your will or even a donation, you can help preserve a place for others to come for many years. For more information and assistance, contact the Center Director.

Friendly Reminder

For your health and safety, **please** do not take items from the lunch trays and store them in your bag or purse. It is risky to have food items sit at room temperature. Please consume all food items at the Center. Thank you for your cooperation.

Book Buddy Program

This is a program to provide reading material to homebound seniors who are unable to visit their County library. To find out more or to sign up for this free service call **395-5656**.

Greeting Cards

Check out the rack of cards in the game room. They are \$.25 each and the money benefits the Center.

Emergency Food Assistance

New Castle County Department of Community Services/Division of Community Resources, in partnership with the Division of State Service Centers is pleased to offer emergency food assistance for seniors. If you are in need of food, call Absalom Jones Senior Center at (302) 995-7636 or the State Service Center at (302) 892-5972.



PINOCHLE CORNER

FEBRUARY

6 GAMES

Dell Swann	341
Sue DeCola	324
Joanne Tweed	324
Cele Kruger	298
Maggie King	298
Snookie Kennedy	258
Eleanor Stone	251
Libby Ward	173
Francis Adams	162