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A publication from the Monroe Community Senior Center

ABOUT MCSC

Senior Center Hours

Monday-Friday 9:00am-3:00pm

Thrift Store Hours

Monday-Friday 10:00am-2:00pm

Location:

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Board meetings are held on the 4th Friday of the month at 8:30am. If you are interested in being on the board or a committee or would like to be included on the agenda, please contact director@mcsc.org mcscboardofdirectors@gmail.com



The Mission of the Monroe Community Senior Center is to promote the physical, emotional, and economic well-being of older adults and to promote their participation in all aspects of community life.

When you become a Supporting Member, you'll enjoy many benefits such as; receiving The Grapevine newsletter in your mailbox, free activities, discounted rates on trips, health services, classes, groups, and facility rentals.

The annual supporting membership rate is:
\$30 per individual or \$50 per family (same residence).
Lifetime Legacy Membership \$300 per individual
or \$500 per family

Your lifetime membership will keep MCSC going strong for years through our endowment fund.



FROM THE DIRECTOR

I can't believe we are into May and June already! Seems this year has flown by so far – wouldn't it be nice if we could just slow time down sometimes? I hope you have something planned this summer that brings you joy. When joy is part of what you are doing – it is easier to slow that time down. We have many things here at MCSC that bring joy – groups that meet and get together with like-minded people to play cards, get crafty, quilt, carve wood, eat a meal, even just chat for a bit. There are new things to try alongside your standbys that you've enjoyed forever. As we age, it is really important to stretch our minds, try new things, volunteer, etc. Staying social is one of the most important aspects to aging gracefully.

Since I mentioned volunteers, let me tell you Monroe Community Senior Center would not function without them. Volunteers are the lifeblood of the Senior Center, the backbone. MCSC has volunteer positions at the Front Desk, Thriff Store, our weekly lunch program, special events and many others. Let us know if you think you might be interested and we can provide you with more information and a Volunteer Application. If you don't see something you are interested in but have ideas on other ways you can help out, please let us know this as well. Many great programs have started by someone's great idea! To our current volunteers, I want to personally thank you for your continued dedication the MCSC. You are AWESOME!!

Cosmic Bingo held April 16th was well attended and a total hit according to participants! Consider attending Rainbow Bingo on July 16th – get your tickets early! These events have been a great addition to the Senior Center programming lineup, allowing the community to support our mission - all while having a great dinner and great time!

Smile-Summer is just around the corner.

-Jacob McGee, Director

360-794-6359 | director@mcsc.org







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TRIPS

Wednesday May 11

Puget Sound Local Yarn Shop Tour

We'll visit The Knifty Knitter in Issaguah, Tolt Yarn in Carnation and then Quintessential Knits in Duvall.

We'll stop for lunch in between shops.

Bus leaves MCSC at 9:30 am.

\$25 MCSC Member/ \$32 Guest

Tuesday May 24

Hibulb Cultural Center in Tulalip

This Center is a place of learning and a source of civic pride for the Tulalip people and our neighboring communities. Come see the exhibits and learn about the remarkable history and culture.

More info at **hibulbculturalcenter.org**

Bus leaves MCSC at 9:30am. Only 5 seats available, reserve now!

\$19 MCSC Member (includes admission)/ \$26 guest

Tuesday June 7

Lunch Bunch to Claim Jumper in Lynnwood

Using only the finest and freshest ingredients, Claim Jumper offers a menu featuring Classic American Cuisine.... baby back pork ribs, rotisserie chicken, fresh fish, pot pie, pizza, rich desserts and so much more! (Meal range \$14-22)

Bus leaves MCSC at 11:30am.

Only 5 seats available, reserve now!





Wednesday June 14

Shopping at Alderwood Mall

Let's shop till we drop at Alderwood Mall in Lynnwood! We'll break for lunch at The Cheesecake Factory, YUM! (Meal range \$12-\$16)

Bus leaves MCSC at 10:00am. Only 5 seats available, reserve now!

\$12 MCSC Member/ \$17 guest

MONROE COMMUNITY SENIOR CENTER TRIP RULES AND CANCELLATION POLICY

~ Trips need to be for paid at the time of reservation to guarantee your seat. Trips can be paid by cash, check, credit/debit card. (Trips are open to all ages.)

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- ~ If a trip gets cancelled by MCSC, you will be refunded.
- ~ Trips will only be cancelled if the minimum number of participants assigned to the trip is not met 2 days before, the bus is out of commission due to repairs or driver illness.
- ~ Refunds will not be given if rider cancels less than 48 hours before departure.
- ~ Assistance will not be available. If you need help with mobility, bring someone to assist you.
- ~ Some trips require advance ticket purchase; those trips cannot be refunded after noted deadline date.





How much walking is involved on trips?

Easy, minimal walking, flat surfaces



shoes near walking

Moderate, short distances, few stairs



each trip for requirements

Look for these

Walking tours, standing, possible uneven surfaces or stairs





NEW STUFF

Near Death Experience Support Group

1st & 3rd Fridays at 10:00 am

Meet others who've experienced a near-death experience (NDE).

Gather to freely and openly have candid discussions about your experience, concerns and needs, without fear, in a space that's supportive. Together, let's share in the profundity of these life-altering events that change and transform our lives forever.

Individuals interested in NDEs are also welcome.

Village Voices Choir Performance

The MCSC Village Voices Choir will be performing during lunch on Wed. May 25 at Noon.

Stop by and enjoy the music!



Meet George Bornkamp!

How long have you been coming to the Monroe Community Senior Center?

George: "12 years"

Why do you come?

George: "Good people, great facility and the Village Voices

Choir."

What do you at the Center?

George: "I sing in the choir and entertain at lunch on occasional Fridays."

Come see George "the one man band" perform at noon on 2nd & 4th Fridays!

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Rainbow Bingo



Hosted by Sylvia O'Stayformore

Saturday | July 16, 2022

DOORS OPEN 5:00PM

21+ EVENT

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#### **CLASSES**

#### **Opioid Awareness & Recovery Chat**

Friday, June 3, 2022 @ 12:30pm

Eric Britt, Director of the Evergreen
Monroe Recovery Center will be here to
chat with us about opioid awareness,
recovery options, proper medication
storage and disposal and to answer your
question about addiction and recovery.
Join us for the free informational
discussion. RSVP at 360-794-6359

EvergreenHealth Monroe



Snohomish Regional
Fire & Rescue is
offering Aging in Place,
Home Fire Safety &
Disaster Preparedness
classes monthly via
Zoom\* for Seniors!





Learn more at www.srfr.org or call 360-794-7666

\*In person classes coming to MCSC this Fall!!







### **RESOURCES**

| NAME                                    | PHONE        | HOW THEY HELP                                                                                      |
|-----------------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| AARP                                    | 888-687-2277 | Senior advocates and resources, Medicare questions answered                                        |
| Adult Protective Services               | 877-734-6277 | If you suspect a vulnerable adult is being harmed or exploited.                                    |
| Catholic Community Services             | 425-257-2111 | Housing Help, addiction recovery, mental health services                                           |
| Community Transit                       | 425-353-7433 | Transportation via bus system                                                                      |
| Crisis Line                             | 800-584-3578 | 24/7, free and confidential support for people in distress                                         |
| DART (Dial-A-Ride-Transportation)       | 425-347-5912 | Transportation for people whose disability or condition prevents them from using Community Transit |
| Domestic Violence Services SnoCo        | 425-25-ABUSE | Emergency shelter, legal advocacy, support groups and domestic violence education.                 |
| GenPRIDE                                | 206-393-3400 | Empowering LGBTQ+ adults to live with pride and dignity.                                           |
| Helping Hands Donor Closet              | 425-712-1807 | Find medical equipment, incontinence products, etc Everett                                         |
| Homage Senior Services                  | 425-513-1900 | Resources for housing, home repair, services, transportation, etc.                                 |
| Hope Link Transportation                | 855-766-7433 | Non-Emergency Medical Transportation in Snohomish County for medical services covered by Medicaid. |
| Matthew House                           | 360-794-8720 | Assists families of the incarcerated                                                               |
| Meals on Wheels                         | 800-824-2183 | Meals delivered to your home.                                                                      |
| Med-Shed at Snohomish Evangelical       | 425-238-8482 | Find medical equipment, incontinence products, etc Snohomish                                       |
| Monroe Chamber of Commerce              | 360-794-5488 | Monroe Business Connection                                                                         |
| Monroe City Hall                        | 360-794-7400 | City of Monroe Government                                                                          |
| Monroe Community Senior Center          | 360-794-6359 | Lending library, medical equipment by donation, transportation                                     |
| Monroe Police Department                | 360-794-6300 | Non-emergency phone number                                                                         |
| SHIBA                                   | 425-290-1276 | Free, unbiased, confidential assistance w/ Medicare                                                |
| Sky Valley Food Bank                    | 360-794-7959 | Accepts donations of food and distributes food to those in need                                    |
| Take the Next Step                      | 360-794-1022 | Community Resource Center in Monroe                                                                |
| Transportation Assistance Program (TAP) | 425-423-8517 | Transportation for older adults and people with disabilities outside of the DART service area      |
| Volunteers of America                   | 2-1-1        | Rent assistance, support groups, food and shelter                                                  |
| Women's Gospel Mission - Monroe         | 360-863-9003 | Provides homeless women a safe place                                                               |

#### **Individual Counseling at MCSC**

Therapy can be an effective treatment for a host of mental and emotional problems. Simply talking about your thoughts and feelings with a supportive person can often make you feel better. It can be very healing, in and of itself, to voice your worries or talk about something that's weighing on your mind. And it feels good to be listened to—to know that someone else cares about you and wants to help.

Monroe Community Senior Center is offering FREE, 30 minute, one-on-one, in-person, counseling sessions for Seniors 60+.

Steve Harper, LMFT, CMHS of Monroe Counseling is taking appointments at MCSC. *Call today! 360-794-6359 .These appointments are limited and will book quickly.* 

#### PROFESSIONAL ASSISTANCE

| LEGAL ASSISTANCE  Free to local Seniors over 60. Michele Paratte is a general practitioner including Family Law, Estate Planning, Probate, among other topics.                                          | 2nd and 4th<br>Friday | 9:30am-<br>10:30am | FREE Call for your 30 minute appointment   |
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| STATEWIDE HEALTH INSURANCE BENEFIT ASSISTANCE  Do you have questions or need help with Medicare?  SHIBA is a FREE service that can help answer questions regarding health insurance including Medicare. | 3rd<br>Wednesdays     | 11:00am-<br>1:00pm | FREE<br>Call for<br>appointment            |
| NOTARY SERVICES  Jennine Linn of Dollars & Sense Bookkeeping is available for notary service. Call for appointment.                                                                                     | Wednesday             | 10:00am-<br>2:00pm | FREE<br>Members/<br>\$10 guest<br>donation |
| TECH HELP WITH MARK THE TECH GUY  Do you have questions about your laptop, phone or tablet?  Make an appointment today to meet with Mark and he will help you navigate through the electronic world.    | 2nd<br>Thursday       | 1:00pm-<br>2:00pm  | FREE<br>Call for<br>appointment            |
| MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING  Monroe Community Senior Center is offering FREE 30 minute, one-on-one, in-person, on-site counseling sessions for those 60+.                                                  | 2nd & 4th<br>Fridays  | 10:00am-<br>2:00pm | FREE<br>Call for<br>appointment            |



### **HEALTH AND WELLNESS**

| FITNESS CLASS Same great instructors but with some new content. Always a fun, dynamic cardiovascular exercise, strength, balance and stretching.                                                                                                     | Monday<br>Wednesday<br>Friday | 9:30am-<br>10:30am  | \$3 per class for Members<br>\$5 per class for guests.<br>Punch cards available |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>SENIOR SUPPORT GROUP</b> A peer support group where older adults can come together and share struggles, joys, doubts, fears, etc. and be supported.                                                                                               | 2nd Wed<br>&<br>3rd Fri       | 10:30am-<br>11:30am | FREE to all!                                                                    |
| HAIRCUTS  Make an appointment with Rose and she will fix you up with a new do!                                                                                                                                                                       | Tuesday<br>May 24<br>June 28  | 9:00am-<br>2:40pm   | \$12 MCSC Member<br>\$15 guest price                                            |
| <b>FOOT CARE</b> Our foot care specialists are meticulous, with a great attention to detail and a wealth of knowledge to help you with your foot issues.                                                                                             | 1st & 3rd<br>Tuesday          | 9:00am-<br>3:00pm   | \$40 MCSC Member<br>\$45 guest price<br>Call for appointment.                   |
| <b>TAI CHI</b> 10 years younger and 10 years lighter in 30 minutes! These DVD guided, gentle, scientifically designed stretching exercises will have you feeling fantastic!                                                                          | Tuesday                       | 10:00am-<br>11:00am | FREE MCSC Member<br>\$2 guest donation                                          |
| <b>REIKI</b> Reiki is a form of energy healing that works with the energy fields around the body and involves the transfer of universal energy from the practitioners palms to the client.                                                           | 2nd & 4th<br>Tuesday          | 9:00am-<br>12:00pm  | \$20 MCSC Member/<br>\$25 Guest price<br>20 min session                         |
| ACUPUNCTURE  Acupuncture is an essential part of traditional East Asian medicine with a continuous written history of over 2000 years.  Chris Bosworth-Ursino, L.Ac.                                                                                 | 1st Friday                    | 10:00am-<br>2:00pm  | \$20 MCSC Member/<br>\$25 Guest price<br>30 min session                         |
| HEARING CLINIC  Get a hearing test or your hearing aid serviced. This service is provided by MCSC board president & hearing specialist, Craig Hertz.                                                                                                 | 4th Friday                    | 2:00pm-<br>3:00pm   | FREE MCSC Member<br>\$2 guest donation<br>Call for appointment.                 |
| REFLEXOLOGY Reflexology stimulates the nerve endings which can improve circulation of the feet and legs through better oxygenation. Separate appointments need to be made for hands and feet.                                                        | 3rd Friday                    | 9:00am-<br>3:00pm   | \$35 MCSC Member<br>\$40 guest price<br>for 45 minute session                   |
| TEETH CLEANING with HEALTHY SMILES  Your visit will include full service teeth and denture cleaning, fluoride application, measurement of gum pockets, oral cancer screening, and referral to a local dentist if needed, all for a low cost. For 50+ | 1st Thursday                  | 9:00am-<br>3:00pm   | Call (206) 650-3272 for cost & appointment.                                     |
| TAI CHI FOR 50+  This guided DVD class is perfect for Seniors, those with limited mobility, or anyone looking for some gentle exercise, the workout combines basic tai chi moves and energizing qigong exercises for an easy, whole-body workout.    | Thursday                      | 11:15am-<br>12:00pm | FREE MCSC Member<br>\$2 guest donation                                          |
| WALKING GROUP  Lets get active! We will meet at the Center and stroll through Sky  River Park. Bring a friend or pet. Walking has amazing health benefits!                                                                                           | 2nd & 4th<br>Thursday         | 1:00pm              | Free to all!                                                                    |
| NEAR DEATH EXPERIENCE (NDE) SUPPORT GROUP  Meet others who've experienced a near-death experience (NDE).  Gather freely and have candid discussions about your experience.                                                                           | 1st & 3rd<br>Friday           | 10:00am             | Free to all!                                                                    |

### MAY 2022

| Mon   |                       | Tue                 | Wed                      | Thu                    | Fri                    |
|-------|-----------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| 2     |                       | 3                   | 4                        | 5                      | 6                      |
| 9:00  | Knit & Crochet        | 9:00 Foot Care      | 9:00 Foot Care           | 9:00 Healthy Smiles    | 9:00 Acupuncture       |
| 9:30  | Fitness Class         | 10:00 Tai Chi       | 9:30 Fitness Class       | 9:00 Transportation    | 9:30 Fitness Class     |
|       | Lunch                 | 11:00 Coloring      | 9:30 Quilting            | 9:00 Woodcarving       | 10:00 NDE Support Grp  |
|       | Yarn Spinning         | 12:00 Lunch         | 10:00 Notary             | 10:00 Guitar Lessons   | 12:00 Lunch            |
|       | Canasta               | 12:00 Party Bridge  | 10:00 Creative Crafting  | 11:15 Tai Chi for 50+  | 12:00 Duplicate Bridge |
|       |                       |                     | 10:40 Village Voices     | 12:00 Lunch            | 12:30 Canasta          |
|       |                       |                     | 12:00 Lunch              | 12:30 Needle Arts      | 12:30 Pinochle         |
|       |                       |                     | 12:00 Lions Club         | 1:00 Wizards           |                        |
|       |                       |                     |                          | 1:00 Poker             |                        |
| 9     |                       | 10                  | 11                       | 12                     | 13                     |
| 9:00  | Knit & Crochet        | 9:00 Reiki          | 9:30 Fitness Class       | 9:00 Transportation    | 9:30 Fitness Class     |
| 9:30  | Fitness Class         | 10:00 Tai Chi       | 9:30 Quilting            | 9:00 Woodcarving       | 9:30 Legal Assistance  |
| 12:00 | Lunch                 | 11:00 Coloring      | 9:30 YLS Yarn Trip       | 10:00 Guitar Lessons   | 10:00 Counseling       |
| 12:30 | Yarn Spinning         | 12:00 Lunch         | 10:00 Notary             | 11:15 Tai Chi for 50+  | 12:00 Lunch            |
| 12:30 | Canasta               | 12:00 Party Bridge  | 10:00 Creative Crafting  | 12:00 Lunch            | 12:00 Duplicate Bridge |
| 1:00  | <b>Garden Club</b>    | 1:00 Cards of       | 10:30 Support Group      | 12:30 Needle Arts      | 12:30 Pinochle         |
|       | Meeting               | Encouragement       | 10:40 Village Voices     | 1:00 Tech Help         | 12:30 Canasta          |
|       |                       |                     | 12:00 Lunch              | 1:00 Bingo             |                        |
|       |                       |                     |                          | 1:00 Walking Group     |                        |
| 16    |                       | 17                  | 18                       | 19                     | 20                     |
| 9:00  | Knit & Crochet        | 9:00 Foot Care      | 9:30 Fitness Class       | 9:00 Transportation    | 9:00 Reflexology       |
| 9:30  | Fitness Class         | 10:00 Tai Chi       | 9:30 Quilting            | 9:00 Woodcarving       | 9:30 Fitness Class     |
| 12:00 | Lunch                 | 10:30 Book Club     | 10:00 Notary             | 10:00 Guitar Lessons   | 10:00 NDE Support Grp  |
| 12:30 | Yarn Spinning         | 11:00 Coloring      | 10:00 Creative Crafting  | 11:15 Tai Chi for 50+  | 10:30 Support Group    |
| 12:30 | Canasta               | 12:00 Lunch         | 10:40 Village Voices     | 12:00 Lunch            | 12:00 Lunch            |
| 1:00  | <b>Brain Training</b> | 12:00 Party Bridge  | 11:00 SHIBA              | 12:30 Needle Arts      | 12:00 Duplicate Bridge |
|       |                       | 1:00 Learn Spanish  | 12:00 Lunch              | 1:00 Poker             | 12:30 Pinochle         |
|       |                       |                     |                          | 1:00 Sky Valley Artist | 12:30 Canasta          |
|       |                       |                     |                          | Guild                  |                        |
| 23    |                       | 24                  | 25                       | 26                     | 27                     |
| 9:00  | Knit & Crochet        | 9:00 Reiki          | 9:30 Fitness Class       | 9:00 Transportation    | 8:30 Board Meeting     |
| 9:30  | <b>Fitness Class</b>  | 9:00 Haircuts       | 9:30 Quilting            | 9:00 Woodcarving       | 9:30 Legal Assistance  |
| 12:00 | Lunch                 | 9:30 Trip to Hibulb | 10:00 Notary             | 10:00 Guitar Lessons   | 9:30 Fitness Class     |
| 12:30 | Yarn Spinning         | 10:00 Tai Chi       | 10:00 Creative Crafting  | 11:15 Tai Chi for 50+  | 10:00 Counseling       |
| 12:30 | Canasta               | 11:00 Coloring      | 12:00 Village Voices     | 12:00 Lunch            | 12:00 Lunch            |
|       |                       | 12:00 Lunch         | <b>Lunch Performance</b> | 12:30 Needle Arts      | 12:00 Duplicate Bridge |
|       | <u> </u>              | 12:00 Party Bridge  | 12:00 Lunch              | 1:00 Bingo             | 12:30 Pinochle         |
|       |                       | 1:00 Cards of       |                          | 1:00 Walking Group     | 12:30 Canasta          |
|       | -                     | Encouragement       |                          |                        | 2:00 Hearing Clinic    |
|       |                       | 1:00 Learn Spanish  |                          |                        |                        |
| 30    |                       | 31                  |                          | May calendar of events | Main Hall              |
|       | CLOSED                | 10:00 Tai Chi       | Saturday, May 7          | brought to you by:     | Pilchuck Room          |
| M     | MEMORIAL DAY          | 11:00 Coloring      | 9:00-2:00                |                        | Glacier Peak Room      |
|       | ***                   | 12:00 Lunch         |                          | Chain Lake             |                        |
| •     |                       | 12:00 Party Bridge  | Spring Bazaar            |                        | Sky River Room         |
| •     |                       | 1:00 Learn Spanish  |                          |                        | Cascade Room           |

JUNE 2022

| Mon                 | Tue                                            | Wed                     | Thu                    | Fri                    |
|---------------------|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
|                     |                                                | 1                       | 2                      | 3                      |
| Main Hall           | June calendar of events                        | 9:30 Fitness Class      | 9:00 Healthy Smiles    | 9:00 Acupuncture       |
| Pilchuck Room       | brought to you by:                             | 9:30 Quilting           | 9:00 Transportation    | 9:30 Fitness Class     |
|                     |                                                | 10:00 Notary            | 9:00 Woodcarving       | 10:00 NDE Support Grp  |
| Glacier Peak Room   |                                                | 10:00 Creative Crafting | 10:00 Guitar Lessons   | 12:00 Lunch            |
| Sky River Room      |                                                | 10:40 Village Voices    | 11:15 Tai Chi for 50+  | 12:00 Duplicate Bridge |
| <b>Cascade Room</b> | STORAGE<br>COURT                               | 12:00 Lunch             | 12:00 Lunch            | 12:30 Pinochle         |
|                     | COURT                                          | 12:00 Lions Club        | 12:30 Wizards          | 12:30 Canasta          |
|                     |                                                |                         | 12:30 Needle Arts      | 12:30 Opioid Awareness |
|                     |                                                |                         | 1:00 Poker             |                        |
| 6                   | 7                                              | 8                       | 9                      | 10                     |
| 9:00 Knit & Crochet | 9:00 Foot Care                                 | 9:30 Fitness Class      | 9:00 Transportation    | 9:30 Legal Assistance  |
| 9:30 Fitness Class  | 10:00 Tai Chi                                  | 9:30 Quilting           | 9:00 Woodcarving       | 9:30 Fitness Class     |
| 12:00 Lunch         | 11:00 Coloring                                 | 10:00 Notary            | 10:00 Guitar Lessons   | 10:00 Counseling       |
| 12:30 Yarn Spinning | 11:30 Trip to Claim                            | 10:00 Creative Crafting | 11:15 Tai Chi for 50+  | 12:00 Lunch            |
| 12:30 Canasta       | Jumper                                         | 10:30 Support Group     | 12:00 Lunch            | 12:00 Duplicate Bridge |
| -11                 | 12:00 Lunch                                    | 10:40 Village Voices    | 12:30 Needle Arts      | 12:30 Pinochle         |
|                     | 12:00 Party Bridge                             | 12:00 Lunch             | 1:00 Bingo             | 12:30 Canasta          |
|                     | 1:00 Learn Spanish                             |                         | 1:00 Tech Help         |                        |
| - Pro-              |                                                |                         | 1:00 Walking group     |                        |
| 13                  | 14                                             | 15                      | 16                     | 17                     |
| 9:00 Knit & Crochet | 9:00 Reiki                                     | 9:30 Fitness Class      | 9:00 Transportation    | 9:00 Reflexology       |
| 9:30 Fitness Class  | 10:00 Mall Trip                                | 9:30 Quilting           | 9:00 Woodcarving       | 9:30 Fitness Class     |
| 12:00 Lunch         | 10:00 Tai Chi                                  | 10:00 Notary            | 10:00 Guitar Lessons   | 10:00 NDE Support Grp  |
| 12:30 Yarn Spinning | 11:00 Coloring                                 | 10:00 Creative Crafting | 11:15 Tai Chi for 50+  | 10:30 Support Group    |
| 12:30 Canasta       | 12:00 Lunch                                    | 10:40 Village Voices    | 12:00 Lunch            | 12:00 Lunch            |
| 1:00 Garden Club    | 12:00 Party Bridge                             | 11:00 SHIBA             | 12:30 Needle Arts      | 12:00 Duplicate Bridge |
| Meeting             | 1:00 Cards of                                  | 12:00 Lunch             | 1:00 Poker             | 12:30 Pinochle         |
|                     | Encouragement                                  |                         | 1:00 Sky Valley Artist | 12:30 Canasta          |
|                     | 1:00 Learn Spanish                             |                         | Guild                  |                        |
| 20                  | 21                                             | 22                      | 23                     | 24                     |
|                     | 9:00 Foot Care                                 | 9:30 Fitness Class      | 9:00 Transportation    | 8:30 Board Meeting     |
|                     | 10:00 Tai Chi                                  | 9:30 Quilting           | 9:00 Woodcarving       | 9:30 Legal Assistance  |
| CLOSED for          | 10:30 Book Club                                | 10:00 Notary            | 10:00 Guitar Lessons   | 9:30 Fitness Class     |
|                     | 11:00 Coloring                                 | 10:00 Creative Crafting | 11:15 Tai Chi for 50+  | 10:00 Counseling       |
| Juneteenth          | 12:00 Lunch                                    | 10:40 Village Voices    | 12:00 Lunch            | 12:00 Lunch            |
|                     | 12:00 Party Bridge                             | 12:00 Lunch             | 12:30 Needle Arts      | 12:00 Duplicate Bridge |
|                     | 1:00 Learn Spanish                             |                         | 1:00 Bingo             | 12:30 Pinochle         |
|                     |                                                |                         | 1:00 Walking group     | 12:30 Canasta          |
|                     |                                                |                         |                        | 2:00 Hearing Clinic    |
| 27                  | 28                                             | 29                      | 30                     |                        |
| 9:00 Knit & Crochet | 9:00 Reiki                                     | 9:30 Fitness Class      | 9:00 Transportation    |                        |
| 9:30 Fitness Class  | 10:00 Tai Chi                                  | 9:30 Quilting           | 9:00 Woodcarving       | Saturday July 16       |
| 12:00 Lunch         | 11:00 Coloring                                 | 10:00 Notary            | 10:00 Guitar Lessons   | 5:00pm                 |
| 12:30 Yarn Spinning | 12:00 Lunch                                    | 10:00 Creative Crafting | 11:15 Tai Chi for 50+  | Rainbow Bingo          |
| 12:30 Canasta       | 12:00 Party Bridge                             | 10:40 Village Voices    | 12:00 Lunch            | Tambon bingo           |
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#### FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

FINALLY!!!! Most of the rain is behind us and summer is on the horizon. It's been a wait but our patience has paid off.

The days are longer and there's more of that to come.

A question to ask yourself..... What would you like to do with this part of the year? We've been used to spending a lot of time at home and maybe that's exactly what you prefer. If you're looking for more, we have plenty going on at the Senior Center. We're taking short trips and having outside focused activities. We also have good, fun things to do inside for those days the temperature is higher outside than you're comfortable with.

Take a look at our activity calendar. Most of our groups are meeting to do crafts and woodworking. We're playing cards and sharing meals or just sitting together enjoying each other's company.

Whatever interaction you like, we can accommodate you. If you'd like to introduce a new activity or group, please let the staff know. That's where some of our best ideas have come from.

This is YOUR center and we're here to make sure your experiences at MCSC are what you want them to be so please join, suggest and participate with your friends and neighbors at the Monroe Community Senior Center.

To Summer, Craig Hertz , MCSC Board President



# SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS!









## **Membership Form**

#### PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

| Annual Supporting Member- Individual \$30 Family \$50                                        |
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| Annual membership includes: •receive newsletter in mail                                      |
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| Legacy Lifetime Member- Individual \$300 Family \$500                                        |
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| wall. Your lifetime membership will keep MCSC going strong for years                         |
| through our endowment fund.                                                                  |
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#### SPANISH FOR BEGINNERS

Facilitated by Liana Carbón, PhD

"Learning another language is not only learning different words for the same things but learning another way to think about things." ~ Flora Lewis

Who is ready to learn Spanish, the #4 in top 5 languages spoken worldwide? Have you been on the fence about learning a new language or brushing up on your skills? Now is a great time to jump in... a new 8-week session begins Tuesday May 17<sup>th</sup>.

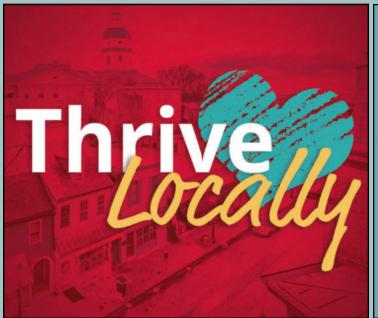
This introductory conversational Spanish class is designed for beginners with little or no Spanish background. Students will learn to understand and use every day expressions. By the end of this course, students should be able to have basic conversations, to introduce themselves and others, ask for and give important basic information, and relate to others and the world around them in an elementary way. While communication is the primary focus, we will help you improve your reading, writing and listening skills as well. Our focus is on context-driven communication and grammar basics. No prior knowledge required!! Come join in the fun!

**About Dr Liana:** I am native speaker from Cuba, and a retired university professor who ran the Spanish programs at Penn State, University of Michigan and University of Arizona. I received a BSLL in Languages and Linguistics from Georgetown, an MA in Foreign Language Education, and a PhD in Spanish and one in Second Language Acquisition. I also tutor students privately via Zoom.

WHEN: Eight Tuesdays, starting May 17th - June 5th TIME: 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

COST: \$25/per class members; \$30/per class guests. Class materials will be provided by instructor







### **ACTIVITIES**

| KNIT & CROCHET  Join this weekly group & meet other yarn enthusiasts. Work on current projects or start a new one. Many pieces are donated to local charities.                                                                                  | Mon               | 9:00am  | Free to MCSC<br>Members<br>\$2 guest donation    |
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| NEEDLE ARTS  Bring your knitting, crocheting, needle point, embroidery or other needle projects to this weekly group.                                                                                                                           | Thurs             | 12:30pm | Free to MCSC<br>Members<br>\$2 guest donation    |
| CARDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT  Get together to make cards to spread some cheer for those Seniors in nursing homes. Susan Zador of "Visiting the Lonely Ones" will bring her expertise in working with isolated Seniors and coordinate card deliveries. | 2nd & 4th<br>Tues | 1:00pm  | Free to MCSC<br>Members<br>\$2 guest donation    |
| BOOK CLUB  Join this book discussion group where fellow readers come talk about the book of the month and the reading experience.                                                                                                               | 3rd<br>Tues       | 10:30am | Free to MCSC<br>Members<br>\$2 guest donation    |
| <b>HAND SPINNING YARN</b> Bring your wheel, drop spindle and fiber and join us for a relaxing afternoon of spinning your own yarn.                                                                                                              | Mon               | 12:30   | Free to MCSC<br>Members<br>\$2 guest donation    |
| CREATIVE CRAFTING  Check out the coffee bar display case for current class offerings. There is always something new and exciting to learn.                                                                                                      | Wed               | 10:00am | \$7 MCSC Member<br>\$12 guest price<br>per class |
| <b>COLORING</b> Supplies provided or bring your personal special 'tools'. Sit, relax and visit while creating your own beautiful COLORFUL designs.                                                                                              | Tues              | 11:00am | Free to MCSC<br>Members<br>\$2 guest donation    |
| LEARN TO PLAY GUITAR  Whether you're young or old, there's no better feeling than learning to play an instrument. Call for appointment.                                                                                                         | Thurs             | 10:00am | \$10 MCSC<br>Member<br>\$15 guest per lesson     |
| QUILTING with the QUEEN BEE QUILTERS  Join us as we sew quilts and other items for the Senior Center and other local charities. If you don't know how to quilt, we can guide you.  Many pieces are donated to local charities.                  | Wed               | 9:30am  | Free to MCSC<br>Members<br>\$2 guest donation    |
| WOODCARVING Visit while you carve, craft & learn new styles. Bring your woodworking project and tools.                                                                                                                                          | Thurs             | 9:00am  | Free to MCSC<br>Members<br>\$2 guest donation    |
| <b>SKY VALLEY ARTIST GUILD</b> This group of artists meet monthly & discuss various topics, work on projects and critique paintings.                                                                                                            | 3rd<br>Thurs      | 1:00pm  | Free to MCSC<br>Members<br>\$2 guest donation    |
| VILLAGE VOICES CHOIR  Join this group of fantastic people and reap the benefits that music has.  Singing has been known to reduce stress and anxiety levels and contribute to a positive mental state.                                          | Wed               | 10:40am | Free to MCSC<br>Members<br>\$2 guest donation    |
| Exercise your brain to improve aspects of cognition like memory, attention, focus and brain speed. Brain training is like taking your brain to the gym. Come and exercise the power of the mind!                                                | 3rd<br>Monday     | 10:00am | Free to MCSC<br>Members<br>\$2 guest donation    |

### **CARDS & GAMES**

| WIZARDS CARD GAME: The Wizard deck is similar to a regular deck of playing cards with the addition of Wizards and Jesters. Players try to win the exact number of tricks they bid. Jesters always lose and Wizards always win. The rules are easy to learn! | 1st<br>Thursday       | 1:00  | Free to MCSC Members<br>\$2 guest donation                         |
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| CANASTA: Beginners and experienced players welcome.                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Monday &<br>Friday    | 12:30 | Free to MCSC Members<br>\$2 guest donation                         |
| PARTY BRIDGE: Beginners and experienced players welcome.                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Tuesday               | 12:00 | Free to MCSC Members<br>\$2 guest donation                         |
| BINGO: Come play and you just might win some cash!                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2nd & 4th<br>Thursday | 1:00  | \$2.50 per packet<br>\$1 Power Ball<br>Packet sales begin at 12:30 |
| DUPLICATE BRIDGE: All skill levels welcome.                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Friday                | 12:00 | Free to MCSC Members<br>\$2 guest donation                         |
| PINOCHLE: A classic game, for any and all, new-comers welcome.                                                                                                                                                                                              | Friday                | 12:30 | Free to MCSC Members<br>\$2 guest donation                         |
| POKER: 5 card stud/draw, 7 card high/low and Texas Hold'em Quarters, Dimes, Nickels                                                                                                                                                                         | 1st & 3rd<br>Thursday | 1:00  | Free to MCSC Members<br>\$2 guest donation                         |



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|   | Judy        | Chambard   | 05/01 | Steve    | Arnold         | 05/22 |
|   | Matthew     | Ashment    | 05/02 | Ted      | Both           | 05/22 |
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|   | Harriet     | Fugier     | 05/03 | Rose     | ,<br>Whitfield | 05/23 |
|   | Jill        | Voss       | 05/04 | Perry    | Spires         | 05/23 |
|   | Carrie      | Cave       | 05/04 | Suzanne  | Campbell       | 05/23 |
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|   | Francie     | Skalsky    | 05/06 | Cheryl   | Jamtaas        | 05/24 |
|   | Michelle    | Foster     | 05/07 | James    | Knisley        | 05/25 |
|   | Sally       | West       | 05/12 | Bob      | Ferrel         | 05/26 |
|   | ,<br>Dandon | Campbell   | 05/12 | Marjorie | Ferrel         | 05/26 |
|   | Wayne       | McCaulley  | 05/13 | Carolyn  | Davisson       | 05/26 |
|   | Elizabeth   | Lowery     | 05/13 | Mark     | Rainey         | 05/26 |
|   | Rob         | Scharf     | •     | Wayne    | Graden         | 05/27 |
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|   | Don         | Wiens      | 05/15 | Jim      | Bloss          | 05/28 |
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|   | Johanna     | Keen       | 05/17 | Shirel   | Smith          | 05/29 |
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#### What to do if they fall

- 1. Stay calm and do not panic
- 2. Assess the situation & check for any injuries
- 3. If they wish to get up, help them get off the floor slowly
- 4. If at any point they are in pain or gets stuck, STOP
- 5. If they are unable to get up, call an ambulance

#### Main Causes

- Foot problems
- Environmental hazards
- · Lack of exercise
- Side effects of medication
- Poor vision or hearing



#### **Prevention Tips**

- Keep moving and stay active
- Keep your bones strong
- Go for regular eye checkups
- Always stand up slowly
- Wear proper non-slip footwear
- Light up your living space
- Install assistive devices



For more info on fall prevention - visit www.mcsc.org/connections