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WELCOME BACK!

The South Mountain Senior Center renovations are complete. Pay us a visit to see what improvements have been made. Join us on our opening day, Jan. 2 at 9 a.m. Take a walk around the facility and enjoy some refreshments. If you have never been or it has been a while since your last visit, stop on by. We are happy to get you started with a membership or renew your previous membership.











WHO WE ARE: The South Mountain Senior Center is comprised of independent adults looking for opportunities to learn, socialize and engage in fun and rewarding activities.

WHAT WE OFFER:

- South Mountain prides itself on providing a friendly and welcoming environment. Each participant is required to follow a code of conduct. Simply put, everyone is welcome and expected to treat one another with kindness and respect.
- Take part in one of the many FREE classes or workshops we have to offer. This includes Tai Chi, Geri-Fit, Fine Arts, Drama, Falls Prevention, Music-Fitness and ESL. See page 3 for more detail. Keep an eye out for new classes throughout the year.
- Experience fun outings to various locations throughout Phoenix and some surrounding locations. Journey to various cultural locations, lunch/brunch with friends at different restaurants and shopping excursions.
- Enjoy everyday activities such as Prize BINGO, table games, Walking Club, Billiards, Chair Volleyball and FREE coffee.
- Volunteers make up a big part of the South Mountain community. For example, the South
 Mountain Site Council is made up of volunteers who assist with daily operations through
 their suggestions, input and everyday efforts to make our center a better place for everyone.
 This includes assisting with daily lunch distribution, blood pressure checks, special events,
 fundraising and much more. Speak to center staff on how to become a volunteer.
- Celebrate with us each quarter as we party with the best of them. Enjoy refreshments, music, games and giveaways at our quarterly celebrations.





THURSDAY, FEB. 22 9:30 a.m.







South Mountain participants enjoying the Fall Candy Corn Carnival on Oct. 19, 2023.





CLASSES and WORKSHOPS

All classes listed are FREE to paid members of the Human Services Senior Programs. Members are required to check in at the kiosk and sign in for any classes they will be attending that day.

CLASS	INSTRUCTOR	DAY/TIME	START	END	NO CLASS	ATTENDANCE
ESL This course will take Spanish speaking students through steps on learning the English language.	Cookie	Monday 10 to 11 a.m.	Feb. 5	March 25	Feb. 19	Registration starts Jan. 3
TAI CHI 101 Basic understanding of Tai Chi theory and principals. You will develop body awareness skills through exercise drills, balancing/centering, breathing techniques, flexibility and strength training.	Rick	Monday 1 p.m.	Jan. 22	March 25	Feb. 19	Drop-In Sign-Up at Kiosk Upon Arrival
WORKSHOPS: DRAMA Improve your communication skills, empathy, creative thinking and		Tuesday	Jan. 30			Registration starts Jan. 3
confidence through fun games and activities involving your mind, body and spirit. No acting experience is needed.	Bayyinah	10 to 11:30 a.m.	Feb. 13	N/A	N/A	Registration starts Feb. 1
Just bring yourself and be ready for joy.			March 5			Registration starts Feb. 20
GERI-FIT A fun and light workout utilizing a chair, light weights and stretch bands.	Abelina	Wednesday 10 a.m.	Jan. 3	March 27	N/A	Drop-In Sign-Up at Kiosk
Participants will supply stretch bands.		Friday 10 a.m.				Upon Arrival
ART WORKSHOP: Polymer Pendants			Jan. 31			Registration starts Jan. 3
ART WORKSHOP: Watercolor	Tina	Wednesday 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.	Feb. 28	N/A	N/A	Registration starts Feb. 1
ART WORKSHOP: Glass Mosaic			March 27			Registration starts March 1
MOVEMENT WITH MUSIC This movement class is designed for adults to improve their physical and mental well being. It offers opportunities for creativity and expression, while strengthening and stretching the body. Adults will enjoy learning new ways to move to music, in a FUN and welcoming environment!	Michelle	Thursday 10 to 11 a.m.	Jan. 25	March 28	Feb. 22	Drop-In Sign-Up at Kiosk Upon Arrival
is an award-winning program designed to manage falls and increase activity levels for older adults that experience concerns about falling and restrict their activities.	AT Still University	Friday 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.	Jan. 19	March 8	N/A	Registration starts Jan. 3

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1 Sourd We're CLOSED New Year's Day	Welcome Back Reception	3 • Geri Fit-10 a.m. • JAN. TRIP SIGN-UP	4 • Fast BINGO-12:30 p.m.	5 • Geri Fit-10 a.m.
8 • Chair Volleyball-9:30 a.m.	• Walking Club-9:15 a.m. • Fun BINGO-10 a.m.	10 • Geri Fit-10 a.m.	11 ● Fast BINGO-12:30 p.m.	12 • Geri Fit-10 a.m.
M.L.K. Holiday CENTER CLOSED	16 • FEB. TRIP SIGN-UP	17 • Geri Fit-10 a.m.	• Fast BINGO-12:30 p.m. TRIP: Out to Lunch Venezia's Pizza 10:30 a.m.	• Food Box-9 a.m. • Geri Fit-10 a.m. • M.O.B12:30 p.m.
• Chair Volleyball-9:30 a.m. • Tai Chi-1 p.m.	• Walking Club-9:15 a.m. • Fun BINGO-10 a.m. TRIP: Shopping at Town & Country 9:30 a.m.	• Geri Fit-10 a.m. • Presentation: Stress-12:30 p.m.	Move to Music-10 a.m. Presentation: Phoenix Art Museum-12:30 p.m.	26 • Geri Fit-10 a.m. • M.O.B12:30 p.m.
• Chair Volleyball-9:30 a.m. • Tai Chi-1 p.m.	 Walking Club-9:15 a.m. Drama Workshop-10 a.m. Presentation: ASU Alzheimer's-12:30 p.m. 	31Geri Fit-10 a.m.Art Workshop-12:30 p.m.	SOUTH	2 E. Alta Vista Road, Phoenix, AZ 85042 602-262-4093 penix.gov/seniorcenter

FEBRUARY

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			Move to Music-10 a.m. Fast BINGO-12:30 p.m.	• Geri Fit-10 a.m. • M.O.B12:30 p.m.
 Chair Volleyball-9:30 a.m. ESL-10 a.m. Tai Chi-1 p.m. 	• Walking Club-9:15 a.m. • Fun BINGO-10 a.m. TRIP: Herberger Theater 11:15 a.m.	• Geri Fit-10 a.m.	Move to Music-10 a.m.Fast BINGO-12:30 p.m.	Site Council-9:15 a.m.Geri Fit-10 a.m.M.O.B12:30 p.m.
• Chair Volleyball-9:30 a.m. • ESL-10 a.m. • Tai Chi-1 p.m.	• Walking Club-9:15 a.m. • Drama Workshop-10 a.m.	• Geri Fit-10 a.m. • Presentation: Stress (SPA)-12:30 p.m.	• Move to Music-10 a.m. • Fast BINGO-12:30 p.m. TRIP: Out to Brunch Butters Pancakes 9:30	16
President's Day CENTER CLOSED	• Walking Club-9:15 a.m. MARCH TRIP SIGN-UP	• Geri Fit-10 a.m. TRIP: Tempe Marketplace 9:30 a.m.	DISC &	23 • Geri Fit-10 a.m. • M.O.B12:30 p.m.
26 • Chair Volleyball-9:30 a.m. • ESL-10 a.m. • Tai Chi-1 p.m.	 Walking Club-9:15 a.m. Fun BINGO-10 a.m. Presentation: ASU Alzheimer's-12:30 p.m. 	28 • Geri Fit-10 a.m. • Art Workshop-12:30 p.m.	 Move to Music-10 a.m. Presentation: Phoenix Art Museum-12:30 p.m. TRIP: Devonshire Senior Center 9:15 a.m. 	

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Programs for Acti Chair Volleyball-9:30 a.m. ESL-10 a.m. Tai Chi-1 p.m.	5	6 • Geri Fit-10 a.m.	 Move to Music-10 a.m. Fast BINGO-12:30 p.m. TRIP: Lunch at Middle Eastern Deli 10:30 a.m. 	 Site Council-9:15 a.m. Geri Fit-10 a.m. M.O.B12:30 p.m.
• Chair Volleyball-9:30 a.m. • ESL-10 a.m. • Tai Chi-1 p.m.	• Walking Club-9:15 a.m. • Fun BINGO-10 a.m. TRIP: Desert Botanical Gardens 9:30 a.m.	13 • Geri Fit-10 a.m.	• Move to Music-10 a.m. • Fast BINGO-12:30 p.m.	15 • Food Box-9 a.m. • Geri Fit-10 a.m.
• Chair Volleyball-9:30 a.m. • ESL-10 a.m. • Tai Chi-1 p.m. • APRIL TRIP SIGN-UP	• Walking Club-9:15 a.m. • Fun BINGO-10 a.m. TRIP: Phoenix Premium Outlets 9:30 a.m.	• Geri Fit-10 a.m. • Presentation: Grief Processing -12:30 p.m.	• Move to Music-10 a.m. • Fast BINGO-12:30 p.m.	22 • Geri Fit-10 a.m.
25 • Chair Volleyball-9:30 a.m. • ESL-10 a.m. • Tai Chi-1 p.m.	 Walking Club-9:15 a.m Birthday BINGO-10 a.m Presentation: ASU Alzheimer's 12:30 p.m 	• Geri Fit-10 a.m. • Art Workshop-12:30 p.m.	Move to Music-10 a.m. Presentation: Phoenix Art Museum-12:30 p.m.	29 • Geri Fit-10 a.m.

ONGOING DAILY OPPORTUNITIES

ACTIVITY	DAYS	TIME	ROOM	ATTENDANCE	
COFFEE and CONVERSATION	MONDAY to FRIDAY	9 a.m. to 4 p.m.	Century		
LAPTOP LAB	MONDAY to FRIDAY	9 a.m. to 4 p.m.	Lobby		
BILLIARDS	MONDAY to FRIDAY	9 a.m. to 4 p.m.	Game Room		
TABLE GAMES	MONDAY to FRIDAY	9 a.m. to 4 p.m.	Lobby		
CHAIR VOLLEYBALL	MONDAY	9:30 to 10 a.m.	Century	Drop-In Sign-Up at Kiosk Upon Arrival	
WALKING GROUP	TUESDAY	9:15 to 10 a.m.	Park		
FUN BINGO	TUESDAY- Excludes some days, see calendar for details.	10 to 11 a.m.	Century		
BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK	WEDNESDAY	9 a.m. to 10 a.m.	Lobby		
FUN FAST BINGO	THURSDAY- Excludes some days, see calendar for details.	12:30 to 1 p.m.	Century		



CENTER TRIPS

DAY/DATE	LOCATION	DEPARTS FROM CENTER	DEPARTS FROM TRIP	COST	REGISTRATION AVAILABLE	REGISTRATION CLOSES
THUR JAN.18	OUT TO LUNCH: Venezia's Pizza	10:30 a.m.	1 p.m.	\$2 BUS	Jan. 3	Jan. 12
TUE JAN. 23	SHOPPING: Town and Country Mall	9:30 a.m.	1:30 p.m.	\$2 BUS	Jan. 3	Jan. 19
TUE FEB. 6	CULTURAL: Herberger Theater T.A. Burrows	11:15 a.m.	1:30 p.m.	\$2 BUS \$10 TICKET	Jan. 16	Feb. 2
THUR FEB. 15	OUT TO BRUNCH: Butters Pancakes & Cafe	9:30 a.m.	noon	\$2 BUS	Jan. 16	Feb. 9
WED FEB. 21	SHOPPING: Tempe Market Place	9:30 a.m.	1:30 p.m.	\$2 BUS	Jan. 16	Feb. 16
THUR FEB. 29	SENIOR CENTER TRIP Devonshire Senior Center Leap Year Party	9:15 a.m.	noon	\$2 BUS	Jan 16	Feb. 23
THUR MARCH 7	OUT TO LUNCH: Middle Eastern Bakery/Deli	10:30 a.m.	12:30 p.m.	\$2 BUS	Feb. 20	March 1
TUE MARCH 12	CULTURAL: Desert Botanical Gardens	9:30 a.m.	1:30 p.m.	\$2 BUS FREE DAY	Feb. 20	March 8
TUE MARCH 19	SHOPPING: Phoenix Premium Outlets	9:30 a.m.	1:30 p.m.	\$2 BUS	Feb. 20	March 15

TRIP RULES

- Trips are first come, first served.
- The \$2 cost for transportation and any trip costs are required at the time of registration.
- Participants are responsible for their own funding on all trips.
- Participants are limited to registering themselves only.
- CASH/EXACT CHANGE only please, checks will not be accepted.
- The number of registered participants is determined on bus availability.
- Registration closes at least 3 business days prior to trip date, when registration reaches capacity or when otherwise noted.
- Participants are responsible for being independent on all trips with the exception for a personal registered caregiver.
- All participants are required to adhere to all rules during trips as stated in the Senior Programs Handbook.

REFUND

 Cancellation refunds will only be given to participants who notify center staff five business days before the trip date unless otherwise noted.

WAITLIST

- When a trip has reached capacity, participants will be placed on a limited waitlist.
- If a cancellation occurs, participants will be notified in the order they were placed on the waitlist.
- The participant must make arrangements with staff to come in and make their payment in a timely manner when called from the waitlist.
- If staff does not hear from the participant in the time allotted, the next participant on the waitlist will be contacted.

PRESENTATIONS

DATE	TOPIC	TIME	ATTENDANCE
WEDNESDAY JAN. 24	Stress Management	12:30 p.m.	Drop-In Sign-Up at Kiosk Upon Arrival
THURSDAY JAN. 25	Phoenix Art Museum A different museum Docent will provide a new topic each month. Check with center staff for updates on each presentation topic.	12:30 p.m.	Drop-In Sign-Up at Kiosk Upon Arrival
TUESDAY JAN. 30	Introduction to Alzheimer's and Risk Factors This presentation covers general information about Alzheimer's, how it progresses, how it is diagnosed, what it is, etc. Then, we will discuss the risk factors associated with Alzheimer's and discuss the strategies to reduce these risk factors to reduce the risk of developing Alzheimer's.	12:30 p.m.	Drop-In Sign-Up at Kiosk Upon Arrival
WEDNESDAY FEB. 14	Stress Management (SPANISH ONLY)	12:30 p.m.	Drop-In Sign-Up at Kiosk Upon Arrival
TUESDAY FEB. 27	Exercise and Alzheimer's This topic will cover the different types of exercise and how each type will impact disease progression. We will go over the evidence-based strategies on how to implement exercise into a daily routine.	12:30 p.m.	Drop-In Sign-Up at Kiosk Upon Arrival
THURSDAY FEB. 29	Phoenix Art Museum A different museum Docent will provide a new topic each month. Check with center staff for updates on each presentation topic.	12:30 p.m.	Drop-In Sign-Up at Kiosk Upon Arrival
WEDNESDAY MARCH 20	Processing Grief Grief is a complex emotional response to loss, typically associated with the death of a loved one, but it can also result from various other life changes, such as the end of a relationship or a significant loss of any kind. It encompasses a range of feelings, including sadness, anger, guilt, and even physical symptoms like fatigue and loss of appetite. Grief is a highly individual experience, and there is no one-size-fits-all approach to coping with it.	12:30 p.m.	Drop-In Sign-Up at Kiosk Upon Arrival
TUESDAY MARCH 26	Cognitive Training and Alzheimer's This presentation covers what cognitive training is and how it differs from mental leisure activities. It will discuss the evidence on how this type of brain activity will impact cognitive impairments. There is some interaction built into the presentation so that your residents can see how to do this type of activity.	12:30 p.m.	Drop-In Sign-Up at Kiosk Upon Arrival
THURSDAY MARCH 28	Phoenix Art Museum A different museum Docent will provide a new topic each month. Check with center staff for updates on each presentation topic.	12:30 p.m.	Drop-In Sign-Up at Kiosk Upon Arrival

BOOK DONATIONS

The South Mountain Senior Center's latest addition is the lending library located in the lobby. We are seeking new or gently used paperback and hardcover books to add to our collection. To donate, please call 602-262-4093.

SITE COUNCIL

The South Mountain Senior Center's Site Council Elections will be held through the month of January 2024. Being on the council is a two year commitment and is a very rewarding way to give back to our community. If you are interested in joining the council, see Supervisor Phillip Moreno for more details.





The South Mountain Senior Center is located within the South Mountain Community Center in the heart of South Phoenix. A variety of programs, classes, presentations, trips and various activities are made available Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for active adults. Take advantage of one of our FREE classes, presentations or special events. Join us for one of our trips and enjoy lunch with friends, shopping and cultural opportunities. Lunch is served daily for members 60 and over at a recommended contribution of only \$2.50. Reservations are required for a guaranteed meal. Stop by for a visit. We are happy to show you around and answer any questions you may have. We look forward to seeing you.

MEMBERSHIP: The annual membership fee is \$20 for Phoenix residents and \$40 for non-residents. Your membership gives you access to any of the 15 senior centers the City of Phoenix has to offer.

Membership is open to adults ages 18 and older who are independent in the following areas: toileting, eating and mobility. City of Phoenix senior centers and staff are not licensed to provide one-on-one care. Senior Center staff reserve the right to assess participant's health and behavior for appropriateness in participation in programs, activities and trips. Individuals needing assistance with self-care due to a cognitive impairment may be eligible to attend senior center programs and activities with the aid of a one-on-one personal care attendant. The personal care attendant must remain with the member for the duration of their visit to the senior center.

TRANSPORTATION: MV Transportation provides flexible taxi services to and from your local senior center for eligible members. Please contact center staff to register and obtain more detailed information.

LUNCH: Lunch is served daily at 11:30 a.m. Members may give a recommended contribution of \$2.50 per meal. The cost of a meal for all others under 60 is \$5. Reservations and cancellations must be made at least three business days in advance. Members without a lunch reservation may have a "standby" meal based on availability. Reservations must be made in person. Over the phone orders are not permitted.

T.E.F.A.P.: Food boxes are distributed on the third Friday of the month and are first come, first served.

CASEWORKER: Services are available to current members. A Caseworker will be on site the first Thursday of each month from 9 a.m. to noon. Caseworker services are open to current senior center members. See senior center staff to schedule an appointment.

Central Phoenix

Chinese

734 W. Elm Street Phoenix, AZ 85013 602-262-6411

Marcos de Niza

305 W. Pima Street Phoenix, AZ 85003 602-262-7249

Senior Opportunities West

1220 S. 7th Avenue Phoenix, AZ 85007 602-262-6610

Central-East Phoenix

Devonshire

2802 E. Devonshire Avenue Phoenix, AZ 85016 602-262-7807

McDowell Place

1845 E. McDowell Road Phoenix, AZ 85006 602-262-1842

South Phoenix

Pecos

17010 S. 48th Street Phoenix, AZ 85048 602-534-5366



West Phoenix

Adam Diaz

4115 W. Thomas Road Phoenix, AZ 85019 602-262-1609

Desert West

6501 W. Virginia Avenue Phoenix, AZ 85035 602-495-3711

Northwest Phoenix

Deer Valley

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Goelet Beuf

3435 W. Pinnacle Peak Road Phoenix, AZ 85027 602-534-9743

Helen Drake

7600 N. 27th Avenue Phoenix, AZ 85051 602-262-4949

Northeast Phoenix

Paradise Valley

17402 N. 40th Street Phoenix, AZ 85032 602-495-3785

Shadow Mountain

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