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## April Newsletter – From the Desk of Chris

Well, it's now April and the weather is starting to change—*Spring is in the air!* With Spring comes spring cleaning, the perfect time to go through your things and ask yourself: *Do I really need this? Have I used it in the past few months or even a year?* If not, it may be time to let it go.

I can't believe it's already April. We had a great time in March with all of our activities—the parade in town, our trip to the Asbury Park Culinary School, our St. Patrick's Day lunch with our chorus singing. It was a fun and busy month, and it was just the beginning of the fun.

As we move into April, I want to wish safe travels to those attending the cruise with Highlands Senior Center at the end of the month—this is a hint ... it's time to start packing!

We also have a trip planned to the Princeton Art Museum. Be sure to check page 7 of this newsletter for updated trip pricing and details, and sign up for any trips you're interested in.

With the nicer weather, we are seeing more people visiting the center. Please remember there are only two handicap parking spaces next to the bus. If you are not parked within lined spaces, you may receive a ticket, and any damage to your vehicle may be your responsibility.

To all celebrating Easter and Passover, we extend our warmest wishes for a joyful holiday season filled with peace, renewal, and happiness.

Looking forward to another great month!

—Chris

# Birthdays of the Month



Lester Brown, Meili Liu, Sherri, Catullo, Elaine Greene,  
Lynne Wilson, Camille Moss, Carol Stack,  
John Montgomery, Isaiah Cooper, Melissa Nieves,  
Donald Gashi, Kathleen Manzo, Carmen Quinones,  
Joan Berry, Peter Henning, Agnes Georges, Mark Horvath,  
Diane Hardin, Donna Jones, Donna Robichaud,  
Barbara Stahley, John Smith, Doris Sullivan,  
Donald Cameron, Bobbie Carey, Maxine Harris,  
Victoria Mariocca, Lila Wayte, Lynn Kostura,  
William Hudson, Joyce McCarthy, Vincent Riggio,  
David Kennedy, Mary Schwedock

wish list



**We Thank you for your  
generous donations!**

- Dinner Plates
- Cold & Hot Cups 7-9oz

Welcome  
to our  
**New Members**

See a new face? Welcome them! Show them around the Center and get them involved with all the Center has to offer! Who knows... you might just make a new friend!

We are very happy to see our members returning as well as seeing new faces around the Center– Hope everyone enjoys this wonderful center this year!



**KEYPORT SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
SUPPORTS THE PROGRAMS OF THE SENIOR CENTER

**President:** Laurie Parnaby    **Vice-President:** Bob Thompsen

**Treasurer:** Darlene Burgess    **Secretary:** Barbara Gianguzzi

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Mary Lou Faitoute	Julia Hudson	Patti Mascolino
Elba Moreno	Louis Natarcola	Gail Paris
Susan Pike	Virginia Smith	Dawn Staniforth
Barbara Repp		

**April**

**By Darlene Burgess:**

We all look forward to warmer weather and sunny skies with the arrival of spring in April. But we still need those April showers to help everything grow.

The month of April comes from the Latin word *aperire*, meaning “to open,” likely referring to new beginnings—flowers blooming, fresh grass growing, birds migrating from their winter homes, and many animals coming out of hibernation.

**Here are some fun facts about the month of April:**

- April in the Northern Hemisphere is equivalent to October in the Southern Hemisphere.
- It wasn’t always the fourth month. Originally, it was the second month in the Roman calendar. In the 1500s, France changed from the Julian calendar to the Gregorian calendar, making January the first month instead of March.
- Those who did not accept the calendar change were often mocked and became the target of pranks and jokes. This is believed to be how April Fools’ Day began.
- Amateur astronomers can often see meteor showers between April 16 and April 26. The first full moon of the month is called the “Pink Moon,” although it is not actually pink—its name comes from a type of spring flower.
- If you are born in April, your zodiac sign is Aries (March 21–April 19), represented by the ram, or Taurus (April 20–May 20), represented by the bull.

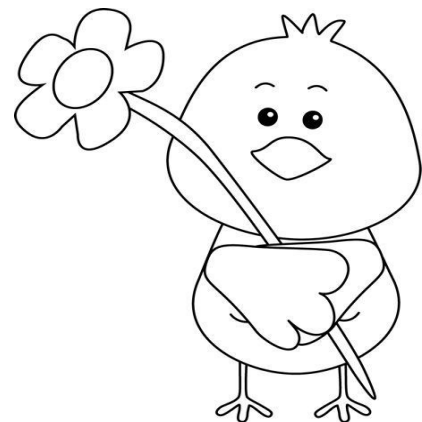
**April Birthstones and Flowers:**

**Diamond** – symbolizes strength and everlasting love

**Daisy** – represents purity and new beginnings

**Sweet Pea** – symbolizes kindness and friendship

**To all of our members born in April—Happy Birthday!**



Did you realize that our name page is a fun way of donating to our Center? Below is a list of all the members who contribute to the good work of our center. It’s only \$10.00/year! Please stop in the front office to be a part of the center’s support.

**Adele Gries, Alfred Grabau, Ann Albano, Barbara Repp, Barry Gutterman, Bridget Broderick, Carole Grabowski, Cookie Pizzi, Dan Rosato, Diana Rasmussen, Donna Robichaud, Dottie Deilippo, Eileen Decicco, Elizabeth Holmes-Cater, Emily Mularchuk, Fred Pizzi, Gail Paris, Helen Dahlgren, Jessica McGee-Callandrilo, Joan Devino, June Dougherty, Laurie Parnaby, Lenora Eddy, Lou Natarcola, Lynn Case, Mary Ellen Murach, Mary Pazos, Mattie Anderson, Nancy Brandine, Nancy Deodato, Phoebe Mazzucco, Regina O’Reilly, Sue Miller, Terri Magistro, Tony Callandrillo, Verona King-Mottley, Virginia Smith, Wendy Esannason, Yolanda Gordillo**

# SOCIAL WORKER ANN INFORMATION

Wonderful news that our Keyport Skipper Bus is back in service! The Skipper Bus provides essential transportation to older adults in Keyport.

Check the Keyport Senior Center Newsletter or call the Keyport Senior Center at 732-264-4916 for more information.

I think it is important to note that Monmouth County in cooperation with Monmouth County Office on Aging also offer transportation services throughout the county that help older adults access essential services and maintain their independence.

## Ride in Monmouth

Ride in Monmouth, formerly SCAT, is a shared-ride service that provides curb to curb transportation for county residents ages 60 and older to medical appointments, grocery stores, pharmacies, senior centers and other community destinations. Vehicles are wheelchair accessible.

There is a \$2.00 fee per ride for non-medical locations.

Rides are scheduled in advance by calling 732-431-6480. Preregistration is required

Veteran outpatient clinic transportation is available for free. Call for a schedule.

## Healthy Hop

Healthy Hop is a free transportation service coordinated by Caregiver Volunteers of Central New Jersey in cooperation with the Monmouth County Office on Aging. Rides for medical appointments are arranged through UBER and Lyft.

Call 732-505-2273 for more information.

Think about using the Skipper Bus and your other transportation resources before you have a transportation emergency. Call for information! Ask Questions!

When appropriate, use the service so you have experience and understand the guidelines.

Stay tuned in May for more transportation options.

# Municipal Alliance Committee

## Jeopardy

Thursday April 23

1PM





# SAVE THE DATE Thursday May 28 SENIOR PROM



## **MOVIE IN April** Movies starting at 11AM.

Snacks and drinks are not provided at all movies, you're welcome to bring snack and drinks.

- **April 2- Newsies-** A musical based on the New York City newsboy strike of 1899. When young newspaper sellers are exploited beyond reason by their bosses they set out to enact change and are met by the ruthlessness of big business.
- **April 9- the Intern-**Seventy-year-old widower Ben Whittaker has discovered that retirement isn't all it's cracked up to be. Seizing an opportunity to get back in the game, he becomes a senior intern at an online fashion site, founded and run by Jules Ostin.
- **April 16-Ticket to Paradise-** A divorced couple teams up and travels to Bali to stop their daughter from making the same mistake they think they made 25 years ago.
- **April 23- Before the Flood-** A look at how climate change affects our environment and what society can do to prevent the demise of endangered species, ecosystems and native communities across the planet.
- **April 30- The Sandlot-** In the summer of 1962, a new kid in town is taken under the wing of a young baseball prodigy and his rowdy team, resulting in many adventures.



## To Kick off Monmouth 250, Join us April 17 History & Lunch Chicken Potpie & Apple Pie \$12



**Do you have Jewelry  
that you don't want?  
We are looking for  
Jewelry donations,  
Please bring to Chris**

## Jewelry Boutique

## Tues May 5 to Thurs May 7





Monday's Senior Fitness and Wednesday's Exercise with Cara classes are filled to capacity,

Please remember that fire and safety regulations limit the number of participants.

If you are not able to attend one of these classes, Please check out our other exercise classes such as Chair Yoga with Kim on Tuesdays at 1pm; Zumba with Sandy on Tuesdays at 2:15pm; Gentle Fitness w Oscar on Thursdays at 10am; Tai Chi with Bruce on Thursdays at 1pm; and Latin Groove with Oscar at 10am on Fridays.

All the classes are wonderful exercise activities that address senior wellness needs.

We are lucky to have such wonderful exercise instructors. Give them all a try!

And don't forget that singing w our Chorus on Tuesday at 12 with David is good exercise, too!



# CRUISE INFO



If you are planning to join Keyport and Highlands on our upcoming cruise trip, please arrive at Keyport Borough Hall (70 West Front St.) no later than **10:45 AM** on the morning of departure. The bus will depart Keyport at **11:00 AM sharp** for the ship.

If you will be parking your car, you must fill out a parking form with Chris and return it no later than **Tuesday, April 21**. All vehicles parking in the football field lot for the cruise must have a parking pass issued by Chris. Passes will be distributed on **Thursday, April 23**.

### **Mandatory Meeting:**

All participants must attend the meeting on **Thursday, April 23** (the Thursday before departure).

### **Shuttle Information:**

A bus shuttle from the parking lot to Borough Hall will begin running at **10:00 AM**. Please be on time—do not be late.

### **Return Information:**

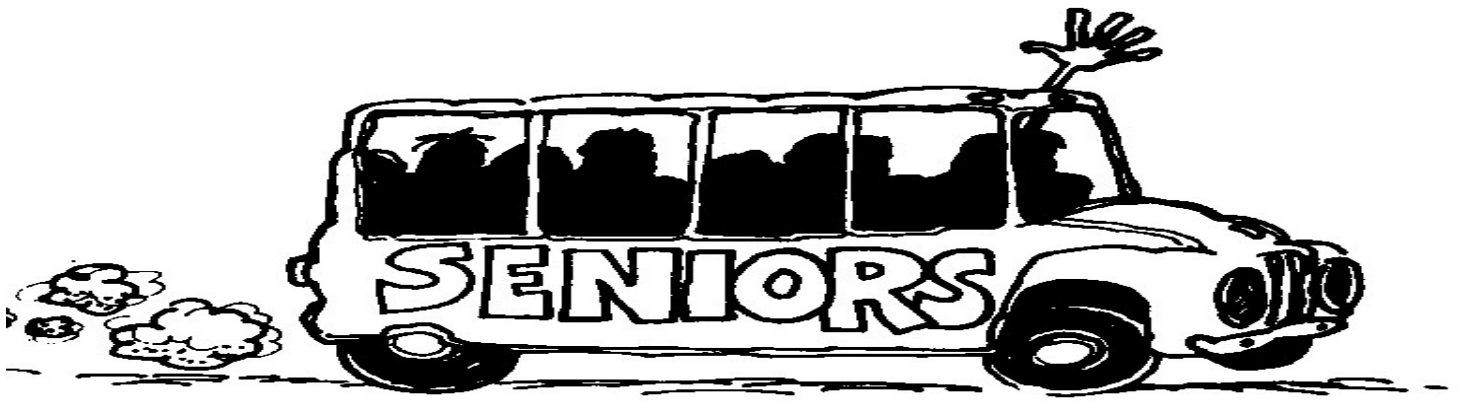
We will all return on Saturday to the football field lot. If someone is picking you up, please have them meet you at the lot.

### **Reminders:**

- Bring your ID and all necessary travel documents
- Make sure your phone is fully charged, don't forget your phone charger!

**We look forward to a great trip!**

For those who couldn't join us this time, we will be planning another overnight trip for 2027



## **Trips are subject to change**

**April 22 Princeton Art Museum– Princeton    Members \$37    Non-Member \$42**

Join us for a day of art and good company as we visit the Princeton University Art Museum in Princeton, NJ. We'll explore an impressive collection spanning ancient to contemporary works. A Box Lunch from Panera Bread will be served. A perfect outing for art lovers and anyone looking to enjoy a cultural afternoon together.

**July 22– Jersey Shore Blue Claws– Lakewood    Members \$40    Non-Member \$45**

Celebrate summer with a trip to the Jersey Shore to catch a Jersey Shore BlueClaws baseball game! Enjoy the excitement of minor league baseball, ocean air, and classic ballpark fun. It's a perfect day out filled with sunshine, team spirit, and great company. This is a Rain or Shine event

**July 29– Cornucopia Cruise Lunch    For this trip, pricing is not available yet.**

Set sail for an unforgettable afternoon aboard the Cornucopia Cruise Line's Princess! Enjoy a relaxing three-hour cruise along the scenic Raritan waters, departing from Perth Amboy. Boarding begins at 11:30 AM, with the ship setting sail at 12:00 PM and returning at 3:00 PM. Guests will be treated to a delicious lunch buffet, dessert, soda, coffee, tea, and water. Dance the afternoon away on the spacious dance floor with live entertainment from a DJ. Don't miss this perfect blend of dining, music, and waterfront views.

**August 27– 1776 at Surf light Theatre– Beach Heaven    Members \$103    Non-Member \$108**

Join us for a special trip to Surf Light Theatre to see "1776," a lively and patriotic production that helps kick off the America 250 celebration. Enjoy an entertaining performance that brings history to life as we come together to honor this milestone in our nation's story. Lunch will be at the Water Front.

**September 9– Elvis is in the Building– Riverview Inn (Matamoras (Pike County) PA)  
Members \$140    Non-Member \$145**

Elvises are in the Building! Join us for a bus trip to the Riverview Inn in Pennsylvania for a day of unforgettable fun. Enjoy live Elvis-style entertainment along with a delicious, all-you-can-eat buffet lunch. It's music, memories, and a whole lot of rock 'n' roll!

**October 1– Doo Wop to Disco– Shore Club, Spring Lake    pricing is not available yet.**

Step back in time with a trip to the Shore Club in Spring Lake to enjoy a classic Doo Wop show! Relive the golden hits and smooth harmonies of this beloved era in a lively, nostalgic setting that's sure to have you smiling and singing along.

**December 4– Hunterdon Hills Playhouse– Hampton    Members \$125    Non-Member \$130**

Get into the holiday spirit with a trip to Hunterdon Hills Playhouse to enjoy their beloved Christmas show. Delight in seasonal music, laughter, and cheer, all paired with a warm, festive atmosphere that makes this a perfect way to celebrate the season.

# APRIL 2026

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>Dr. Lynn Motasis</b> <b>Podiatrist</b> <b>732-970-4580</b>	<b>South Jersey Legal Services</b> <b>732-414-6750</b> <b>(ext. 6505)</b>	1  10:00-Cards/Poker 11:30- Exercise w/ Cara 1-3:30-All Medium Art 2:30-Table Tennis	2  <b>9:30-1:30 Social Worker</b> 10:00-Gentle Fitness with Oscar 11:00- Movie 11:00-Canasta 11:30-Table Tennis 12:30- Tai Chi 1:30-Guitar Lesson	<b>Closed Good Friday</b>
6  9:00-10:30 -Table Tennis 11:00-4:00- Canasta 11:30- Senior Group Fitness 12:00 -Spanish 1:30—Ceramics 2:30—Table Tennis	7  10:00- Center Meeting 10:00-Cards/Poker 10:30-11:45-Bingo 11:30- Table Tennis 12-1:00- Chorus 12-2-Chess Class 1:00-Chair Yoga 2:00-4:00- Open Art 2:15- Zumba	8  10:00-Cards/Poker 11:30- Exercise w/ Cara 1-3:30-All Medium Art 2:30-Table Tennis	9  <b>9:30-1:30-Social Worker</b> 10:00-Gentle Fitness with Oscar 11:00- Movie 11:00-Canasta 11:30-Table Tennis 12:30- Tai Chi	10  9:00-10:15-Table Tennis 10:30-Latin Groove 11:30-History with David 1pm- Writer Corner 2:00-Table Tennis 2:00-4:00- Open Art
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