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KEEPING
up with
CHRIS
CENTER SUPERVISOR

Dear Members,

As the crisp November mornings arrive and the leaves turn their beautiful shades of red and gold, we find ourselves moving into one of the most heartwarming times of the year — the holiday season. It's a time for reflection, gratitude, and community, and I couldn't be more thankful to share it with all of you here at the Keyport Senior Center.

This month brings a few schedule changes and Center closures, so please take a moment to look over the updates below:

- **Tuesday, November 4: The Center will be closed for Election Day, but Chorus will still meet at 12:00 PM in the kitchen.**
- **Wednesday, November 5 at 9:30 AM: Bingo will be held to make up for Election Day.**
- **Monday, November 10 at 9:30 AM: Bingo will be held to make up for Veterans Day, as the Center will be closed Tuesday, November 11 in observance of the holiday.**
- **The Center will also be closed Thursday, November 27 and Friday, November 28 for Thanksgiving.**

We also hope you'll join us in showing your support for our wonderful Chorus group as they perform at the Keyport Annual Tree Lighting on Saturday, November 29. Come out, enjoy the festivities, and cheer on our talented singers as they help kick off the holiday season!

As we celebrate the spirit of thankfulness this month, I want to take a moment to say how truly thankful I am for each of you—our members, friends, and extended family here at the Center. Your kindness, laughter, and participation make this place so special and a special thanks to those members of the center who are our Veterans.

Be sure to mark your calendars for our Annual Holiday Party on December 10! Table assignments will begin on Monday, November 17, so don't forget to reserve your spot.

And finally, please see the Membership section in this newsletter for information on 2026 membership renewal.

Wishing you all a warm and wonderful November filled with gratitude, friendship, and plenty of pie!

KEYPORT SENIOR CENTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

KEYPORT SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
SUPPORTS THE PROGRAMS OF THE SENIOR CENTER
President: Vacant Vice-President: Bob Thompson
Treasurer: Darlene Burgess Secretary: Dawn Staniforth
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mary Lou Faitoute	Yolanda Gordillo	Julia Hudson
Patti Mascolino	Elba Moreno	Louis Natarcola
Laurie Parnaby	Susan Pike	Virginia Smith

Welcome to November... It’s Almost Christmas!

We’re still enjoying some fun leftovers from Halloween — candy, laughter, and memories that linger!

November brings so many wonderful things to look forward to — family gatherings, visits, and shared meals. Along with the joy, memories often resurface — some sweet, some bitter-sweet — as we think of those we love and those we miss. It’s a great time to dig out old photos and add new ones that capture the special moments we’re creating now.

Think back to the Thanksgivings of the past — meals made from vegetables grown in our own gardens, turkeys raised or traded with neighbors, families coming together after church to share food and friendship. How times have changed! Today our planning looks a little different, but the heart of the season — gratitude and togetherness — remains the same.

Our Center’s calendar is full this month, bringing friends together for fun, classes, and shared activities. Many classes will take on extra sparkle as we share our holiday traditions and stories.

Thanksgiving will be celebrated both at the Center and at home. How do you cook your turkey? What favorite side dishes make an appearance on your table each year?

Be sure to check the bulletin for details about upcoming trips and meetings — Hunterdon, gaming events, bus excursions, and more!

And don’t forget — Christmas is right around the corner. Family and friends are already starting to plan, shop, and prepare.

Wishing everyone a joyful and busy November filled with warmth, friendship, and gratitude-
Patti Mascolino



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, Ann Albano, Barbara Repp, Bridget Broderick,
Carole Grabowski, Cookie Pizzi, Dan Rosato, Dan Rosato, Diana Rasmussen,
Donna Robichaud, Eileen Decicco, Fred Pizzi, Gail Paris, Helen Dahlgren,
Jessica McGee-Callandrilo, Joan Devino, June Dougherty, Laurie Parnaby, 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-Motley, Virginia Smith, Wendy Esannason, Yolanda Gordillo**

2026 Membership Information

To keep our records current, all members must complete a new membership application for 2026.

Sign-Up Dates & Fee:

- Keyport Residents: Starting Monday, December 17, 2025 – No Fee
- Non-Keyport Residents: Starting Thursday, January 1, 2026 – \$50 Annual Fee (Calendar Year)
- Payable by Cash, Check written to “Borough of Keyport” or by credit card (3% processing fee applies)

Forms: Applications will be available in the Center Office for pick-up.

Eligibility:

- Open to residents of Keyport and the Bayshore Community who are age 60 or older, or under 60 and disabled.
- Participants must be able to care for themselves independently, including managing personal hygiene and meals.

Important Note:

We do not provide health care or supervision for individuals with dementia or similar conditions. Members must be able to participate safely and independently at the Center and during off-site trips and events.



JOIN US FOR A

Annual Holiday Party

WEDNESDAY **10** DECEMBER

12PM-3PM

Jacques Reception Center
500 Palmer Ave, Middletown

\$60 Members \$65 Non Members

Food Choices: Champagne Chicken, Prime Rib,
Poached Salmon

Entertainment by: No Limit Entertainment

Don't miss out on the fun-
there are still plenty of
spaces available for our
Upcoming Holiday Party!
Sign up by November 14
to reserve your spot.



Holiday Party
Table

Assignments start on
Monday
Nov 17
8 per Table



Gloria Adamski, Winnie Austin, Geraldine Bickler, Flavella Branham-Benjamin, Mary Cape, Maureen Collins, Eugene Cooper, Thelma Cross, Helen Dahlgren, Eileen DeDicco, Darlene Djokovich, Moheb El Batity, Mary Lou Faitoute, Tim Gaffney, Carole Grabowski, Gloria Groves, George Headden, Doris Kieffer, Harry Kneute, Lena LaPoint, William Mendez, Bob Miller, MaryAnn Mitwally, Susanne Noble, Maria Ortiz, Fred Pizzi, Sandy Pringle, Patricia Prioleau-Manns, Hesham Saleh, Roberta Schnoor, Martha Shearer, Michael Sisko, Helen Sona, Frances Spafford, Stephen Stefansky, Mary Ann Sullivan, Nancy Washington, Lucille Waugh, Kathleen Williams

Keyport Police Department Visit – Scam Awareness Talk



Join us on Thursday, November 13 at 2:30 PM

Keyport Police Detective Bureau visits the Center to discuss current scams and how to protect yourself during the holiday season.

This informative session will focus on scams that often target seniors and ways to stay safe. Don't miss this important presentation!

Sign up Today in the office



We Thank you for your generous donations!

- **First Aid Supplies**



Tom Huetter
MaryLou Faitoute

Tim Gaffney
Darlene Djokovich



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!

John Ferraro
Leonora Eddy
Linda Halligan

Nancy Dombrowski
Sumkwok Jakey Ha
Yuen Chun Choi

SOCIAL
WORKER ANN
INFORMATION

Medicare Open Enrollment began on October 15, 2025 and will close on December 7, 2025. Be sure to check your Medicare Part D and Medicare Advantage Plans for changes in 2026.

If you have questions, contact SHIP at 1-800-792-8820 for free assistance. **Be a smart consumer!**

Home Energy Assistance Programs help income eligible residents with their heating and cooling bills, emergency heating system services and fuel assistance. There are several programs and different eligibility requirements for HEA, LIHEAP, USF, Weatherization, PAGE, and Winter Termination.

Income Limits for LIHEAP and USF 2026

Household Size	Monthly Income	Annual Income
1	4,167	50,005
2	5,449	65,392
3	6,732	80,778

Additional household sizes and income information is available on the Internet and the Social Services Bulletin Board at the Keyport Senior Center. Applications are available online or paper applications are available at the center.

If you need assistance, please call the Center at 732-264-4916 and ask for the Social Worker, Ann Albano. Ann works on Thursdays. She will call you back when she is at the center. .

MOVIE THURSDAYS

Movie starting at 10am.

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

Nov 5– UP

78-year-old Carl Fredricksen travels to South America in his house equipped with balloons, inadvertently taking a young stowaway

Nov 13– The Blind Slide

The story of Michael Oher, a homeless and traumatized boy who became an All-American football player and first-round NFL draft pick with the help of a caring woman and her family.

Nov 20– Home for the Holiday

After being fired, making out with her soon-to-be ex-boss, and discovering that her daughter plans to spend Thanksgiving with her boyfriend, Claudia Larson faces the unenviable task of spending the holiday with her exceedingly dull family.

SPREAD THE HOLIDAY CHEER

We invite each member to bring in a holiday card with a warm, cheerful message for a random member of the Center.

Important guidelines:

- Do not address the card to anyone—leave all cards blank of names.
- You can add your name if you wish
- No religious messages—please keep all cards neutral and inclusive.
- Cards will be randomly placed on tables at the Holiday Party to brighten someone's day with smiles.

Holiday Card Bin: Starting Tuesday, November 5, bring your cards and place them in the bin next to the coffee station.

Let's share some holiday warmth and make this season extra special for everyone!

NOVEMBER 2025				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3 9:00-10:30 -Table Tennis 11:00-4:00– Canasta 11:30– Senior Group Fitness 12-12:45 - Spanish Class 1-3– Writer Corner 1:30—Ceramics 2:30—Table Tennis	4 Center is closed for Election Day 12-1:00– Chorus Class	5 9:30-11- BINGO 10:00-Cards/Poker 11:30– Exercise w/ Cara 1-3:30-All Medium Art 2:30-Table Tennis 	6 9:30-1:30-Social Worker 10:00-Gentle Fitness with Oscar 10:00– Movie 11:00-Canasta 11:30-Table Tennis 12:30– Tai Chi	7 9:00-10:15-Table Tennis 10:00-Cards/Poker 10:30-Latin Groove 11:30-History with David 2:00-Table Tennis 2:00-4:00– Open Art
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South Jersey Legal Services 732-414-6750 (ext. 6505)	Dr. Lynn Motasis Podiatrist 732-970-4580			