

#### Know your neighbor: THE KEN

By: Jerry Nassen

As we settled down to an afternoon interview (disguised as a chat), I started by asking his full name. "My name is Inigo Montoya," he said, to which I replied, "You killed

my father, prepare to die!" To those that don't recognize the reference, it's a line from The Princess Bride, a movie that both he and I love. He also often refers to himself in the third person: "They call him The Ken." We know him as Ken, or Photographer Ken, or even Janitor Ken. He's a very outgoing, friendly and well-read man, always with a hearty "I know you!" and a clever retort. That, and his collection of...different...tee-shirts set him apart from the crowd.

Ken was born in 1957 in Lawton, OK, but, being a "military brat", wasn't stateside long. He actually spent nine years of his early life in Germany. Wanting to see the world, he spent ten years in the military, first three years in the Army, then another seven years in the Navy. When asked where all he toured, he rattled off a number of countries: Germany, Kenya, the Philippines, Hong Kong, Singapore, Japan and Australia. *Cont. on Page 6* 

### **Special Points of Interest**

- March for Meals Fundraiser— Apr. 5
- No Host Dinner Rosco's Cafe—Apr. 16
- Birthday Lunch—Apr. 17
- Book Presentation and Signing—Apr. 19
- Afternoon Drive—Apr. 25

City of Kenai Kenai Senior Center

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# APRIL 2024

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10a—Growing Strong 11a—Bells Noon—LUNCH 12:30p-4:30p—Bridge 1p—Mexican Train Dominos 2:30p—3:30p	10a—Tai Chi 10a—TOPS 11a—"Grow with Me" w/ Steve Latz Noon—LUNCH 12:30-1p—Bingo 12:30-4:30p Pinochle	3 9a-Noon-Social Security 9a—Growing Strong 10a—Growing Strong 11a—Noon/Bluegrass Noon— LUNCH 1p—Writers' Group 1p-3p—Quilting/Crafting 2-3:30p Stronger Together Support Group	4 9a– Chair Yoga 10a—Tai Chi Noon—LUNCH  All Afternoon	MARCH FOR MEALS EVENT  Center Closed for Lunch and Regular Activities
8 9a—Growing Strong 10a—Growing Strong 11a—Bells Noon—LUNCH 12:30p-4:30p—Bridge 2:30p—3:30p Understanding Your Grief Support Group	9 9a– Chair Yoga 10a—Tai Chi 10a—TOPS 11a—"Grow with Me" w/ Steve Latz Noon—LUNCH 12:30-1p—Bingo 12:30-4:30p Pinochle 1p—Wii Bowling	9a—Growing Strong 10a—Growing Strong 11a—Noon/Bluegrass Noon— LUNCH 1p—Writers' Group 1p-3p—Quilting/Crafting 2-3:30p Stronger Together Support Group	11 9a— Chair Yoga 10a—Tai Chi Noon—LUNCH 1p—Wii Bowling 1-3p—Hand & Foot 3pm—Council on Aging 5p—Cribbage 6:30p—Acoustic Jam	9a—Growing Strong 9:30a-12p—Quilting 10a—Growing Strong 11a-12p—Adult Coloring Noon—LUNCH 1p—Wii Bowling 1p—Dominos 1-4:30p—Bridge
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29 9a—Growing Strong 10a—Growing Strong 11a—Bells Noon—LUNCH 12:30p-4:30p—Bridge	30 9a– Chair Yoga 10a—Tai Chi 10a—TOPS 11a—"Grow with Me" w/ Steve Latz Noon—LUNCH 12:30-1p—Bingo 12:30-4:30p Pinochle 1p—Wii Bowling			

# Happy Birthday!

Day	Name	Day	Name	Day	Name
1	Francis Stone	6	Travis Richard	19	Patricia Reilly
2	Bill Nelson	8	Robert Rollen	10	Stan Wells
2	Patricia Rodes	8	Geraldine Roberson	20	Don Eide
3	Julie Trudell	9	Chris Lombard	21	Ian Jenkins
3	Lavona Smith	10	Patricia Segura	22	Mary Moeglein
4	David Heatherly	10	Barb Johnson	22	P.J. Coll
5	Deanna Beauchamp	11	Kit Hill	24	Kerry Wells
6	Theresa Lusby	12	Scott Romain	25	Richard Segura
6	Gary Richards	14	Tim Sperling	28	Thomas Burg
6	Leola Monteiro	17	Barb Norbeck	29	Marie Kehl



# LIBRARY NEWS by Virginia Walters

A friend has donated 30+ volumes of "for Better or Worse" comic strip. If you enjoyed it in the Sunday comics, you will love these books. They are on the top shelf, second section of books. We have received several new Alaska-themed books, both fiction and non-fiction. They are in the third section, just above the puzzles.

It is April! Spring is here!

Enjoy!

# NO-HOST DINNER Rosco's Cafe Tuesday, April 16, 2024

Those leaving from the Senior Center parking lot will head out at 5:00p. Or, meet your friends at **Rosco's** in Ninilchik.

There will be limited transportation available at a charge of <u>\$7.00</u>, so RSVP early. Sign up at the Reception Desk.

It is important to let us know if you will be attending the No-Host Dinner but driving separately. We let the restaurant know ahead of time for seating capability and if there is a change or cancellation, we can notify you. Remember to let the receptionist know if you plan to attend, whether you ride the Senior Center van or have your own ride.

# dates to remember

Monday, April 1	April Fool's Day	
Wednesday, April 3	Social Security	9a-Noon
Friday, April 5	March for Meals Fundraiser	6:00 pm
Thursday, April 11	Council on Aging Meeting	3:00 pm
Monday, April 16	"No Host" Dinner/Rosco's Cafe	5:00 pm
	Social Security	9a—Noon
Wednesday, April 17	Birthday Lunch	Noon
Friday April 40	Kenai Senior Connection, Inc. Meeting	<u>10:00 am</u>
Friday, April 19	Book Presentation " <u>The Fishing Hole, An</u> <u>Alaskan Bear Tale" Author Ron Walden</u>	<u>3-5:00 pm</u>
Thursday, April 25	Afternoon Drive	1:30 pm
Friday, April 26	Waffle Friday 8a	

#### **Kenai Senior Center Info**

Monday—Friday, 8:00 am—5:00 pm Need to speak with someone in administration?

#### Director Kathy Romain

(907) 283-8213 or kromain@kenai.city VP Housing, Council on Aging Kenai Senior Connection, Inc.

## Administrative Assistant Red Piersee

(907) 283-8212 or apiersee@kenai.city

Home Delivered Meals

Benefits Counseling

Vintage Pointe Housing Rental

#### Activity/Volunteer Coordinator, Kayla Feltman

(907) 283-8214 or kfeltman@kenai.city

Activities

Volunteer Opportunities

Senior Center Facility Rentals

Do you need a ride or know someone who could use some meals? Maybe you'd like

to pick up a meal instead of dining inside?

We can help!

For Pick up Meals: Call the front desk

by 10:30AM\* (M-F) For pick-up at 11:30 AM. Meals must be picked up from the front desk.

#### For Transportation:

Call the front desk at least **24 hours** in advance to schedule a ride. We will do our best, but same day transportation is not guaranteed.

Dining Room Meals (Congregate) Monday-Friday 12pm-1pm No reservations required



# Calling all Mexican Dominos Players!

Interested in playing or learning about Mexican dominos? Please join us once a month on the first Monday of the month at 1:00pm in the dining room. It's so much fun and see you there!

Last month's Word Scramble answers.



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#### "Grow with Me" with Steve Latz

You are invited to meet with us every Tuesday at 11:00 in the card room to learn more about growing flowers and vegetables from seed. We will be utilizing these plants in the KSC greenhouse and around the Center. Our round table will focus on sharing our experiences with growing food for the table and flowers for eye candy. We will discuss your home garden/greenhouse and suggest options to maximize your return on investment. We will share our successes and failures learned from experience. We are not experts nor master gardeners but "wanna bees" that encourage you

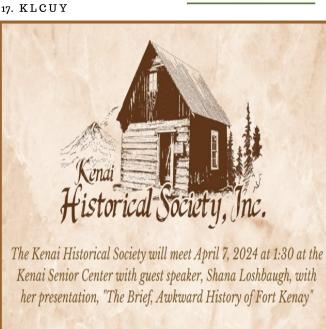
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and start growing!



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7.	ОТР	РОТ
8.	NETVHESETE	SEVENTEENTH
9.	SMCRHKAO	SHAMROCK
10.	GCMILA	MAGICAL
11.	RHCAM	MARCH
	RACPTKI	PATRICK
		LEPRECHAUN
13.	PLCAEUHAEN	FORTUNE
14.	TNRFUOE	GOLD
15.	OGLD	
		IRISH

LUCKY



Join us at 1:30pm Open to the public, membership encouraged. For more information call June at 907-283-1946.

> Location: Kenai Senior Center 361 Senior Ct, Kenai

(The Ken, continued from page 1)

After the military Ken went to college at the University of New Mexico, earning a bachelor's degree in history with a minor in English. These skills served him well in his occupation, which was the sale of used books on the internet. He worked for Alibrus (a pioneer in the field) for 26 years, and later for Thriftbooks, another internet used book seller. As a side note: I just received my latest order from Thriftbooks the day before this interview, so they're still going strong.

Ken retired from book sales four years ago and moved to Alaska a year later. His reason for moving to Alaska: "My sister lived here, so I moved to be near her. Six months later she moved Outside. I didn't."

Asked if he was planning on staying in Alaska, he replied, "I'm not going anywhere, I love it here!" It looks like The Ken is here to stay.

## Is Medicare Sending Out New Cards?



# NO. Medicare is NOT issuing new plastic cards!

If you get a call saying you qualify for a new card - HANG UP! This is a scammer calling. Do not verify your Medicare number or other personal information.

Have you given out or confirmed your Medicare number over the phone? The Alaska Senior Medicare Patrol can help you protect yourself. Call us for help.

Call 907-269-3680 or 1-800-478-6065

#### AARP TAX PREPARATION

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#### **BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**

February 13 & 27 March 12 & 26 April 9 3 pm—6:30 pm

#### **Kenai Community Library**

**CONTACT DEBBIE AT:** (828) 803-3599

**FOR AN APPOINTMENT** 

# Waffle Bar—Last Friday of each month.



We will be offering waffles on the **last Friday of the month** from 8-10am. Come in for coffee, juice, and a hot waffle for just \$3. You may bring your own goodies to add to your waffle. No need to sign up — just show up and enjoy this special treat.

### KENAI SENIOR CONNECTION, INC.

PROUDLY PRESENTS

MARCH FOR MEALS 2024

# LICENSE TO GIVE: A JAMES BOND FUNDRAISER

Your presence is requested for an evening of elegance, excitement, and philanthropy. Together, let's make a difference!

- ♠ Shaken, Not Stirred: Enjoy signature Bond themed cocktails
- ♠ Casino Royale: Try your luck at outbidding your competitors
- ▲ Silent Auction: Bid on exclusive items and live experiences
- ♠ Fine Dining: Elegant Prime Rib Dinner
- ♠ Black Tie Optional: Embrace your inner secret agent or femme fatale!
- ♠ Mission Control: Kenai Senior Center, 361 Senior Center, 361 Senior Court, Kenai, AK 99611
- ▲ Mission Briefing: For more information, please call 907-283-4156.

Date: Friday, April 5, 2024

Time: 6:00 pm

Where: Kenai Senior Center

Ticket: \$50 per person (limited to 125)





## 2024 Donation Form

#### Yes, I want to support meals for seniors in my community!

| Name                    |                                                                               |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Billing/Mailing address |                                                                               |
| City  State  Zip Code   |                                                                               |
| Phone Fax   Email       |                                                                               |
| Please consider one     | of the following:                                                             |
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|                         | and/or Congregate Scholarship Meal Programs                                   |
|                         | s sponsor individuals who cannot afford to contribute toward their meals (the |
| current suggested do    | onation of \$8 for a meal DOES NOT cover the full cost of a meal):            |
|                         | \$56/Sponsor <u>one Senior</u> for one week (7 meals)                         |
|                         | \$112/Sponsor two Seniors for one week (14 meals)                             |
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|                         | \$240/Sponsor <u>one Senior</u> for one month (30 meals)                      |
|                         | \$480/Sponsor <u>two Seniors</u> for one month (60 meals)                     |
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|                         | (Other Amount)                                                                |
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We accept Checks, Cash, MasterCard, Visa, and Discover. Donations can be processed over the phone anytime by calling the Kenai Senior Center at 283-4156. Donations can also be contributed directly to the Kenai Senior Connection, Inc. through the State of Alaska Pick.Click.Give. program (when filing for your Permanent Fund Dividend or amending the application to provide the donation after filing), or by mailing your donation directly to Kenai Senior Connection, Inc. at P.O. Box 806, Kenai, AK 99611.

#### **Acknowledgment Information**

Please use the following name(s) in all acknowledgments:

□I (we) wish to have our gift remain anonymous.

We thank you for your generosity! Every little bit can make a BIG difference.

Mail to: Kenai Senior Connection, Inc. P. O. Box 806, Kenai, AK 99611. KenaiConnection@gmail.com Phone: 283-4156 Fax: 283-3200

The Kenai Senior Connection, Inc., is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization. Your gift is tax-deductible to the full extent allowed by law.

#### What Are the Odds?



Alice with Carol Barner

By: Jerry Nassen

Donate Life America (DLA) heads National Donate Life Month (NDLM) celebrated throughout the month of April. They lead the fight to match donors of organs, eyes and tissues to recipients in the US by organizing hundreds of organizations with 100,000 patients in waiting with 170 million registered donors. With 100,000 patients in waiting and 170 million registered donors in the US, you'd think the odds of finding a perfect match would be pretty good, easy in fact. Oh, if it were only that simple. Sometimes it comes down to a random, casual meeting at a little country store in a tiny burg (less than 400 residents)

150 miles from the nearest city large enough to actually have an airport. Thus begins the story of Carol and Alice.

Carol fell in love with the little town of Riggins in the Hell's Canyon area of Idaho, located about halfway between Lewiston and Boise. She was visiting relatives in the area and loved it so much that she bought a house there and relocated from Alaska in 1999. Skip forward a couple of years to Alice (from California) doing the same thing...visiting relatives in the area, falling in love and buying a home there. In 2001 Alice was diagnosed with kidney failure and had to start dialysis, which put a damper on her visits to Riggins, but with her mother also relocating there, the two of them eventually bought and opened Salmon River Treasures, a variety and gift store. Her mother ran the store and Alice visited from California as her health allowed,

Fast forward to the late summer of 2004, during a 'soft opening' of the store. Alice and her mom were discussing Alice's dialysis routine and need for a kidney transplant, and were overheard by a customer (Carol) who had stopped in. Carol expressed interest in the procedure, and a conversation ensued.

Several days later, after returning to California, Alice's mother called her from Riggins and told her that Carol had returned and offered to donate a kidney. I won't bore you with the details of the procedures to determine if Carol and Alice were 'a match', but after several months of testing, the surgery was successfully performed March 16, 2005. (Continued on page 10)

(What are the odds?, continued from page 10)

Over the years until her passing (2021), Alice and Carol remained close, Sister Angels from afar. To quote Carol, "In life, we're occasionally blessed with Angels. I was hers, and now she is mine."

Although Alice is no longer with us, Carol Barner is...in fact, she lives in a ground floor apartment at Vintage Point and is active at our Senior Center. Angels truly live among us...what are the odds?

Want to become a registered donor? Registration can be done at the DMV, at RegisterMe.org or on your iPhone health app. More information can be found at DonateLife.net

#### **CALLING ALL WRITERS AND STORY TELLERS**

The Senior Center Writers Group have presented the idea of putting together a book of short stories submitted by people in the area to the Senior Connections board. It would be a fund raising project for the Center.

We are interested in taking this on as a long term project if the following can be established:

- 1) Stories are to be submitted from anyone who wishes to write one
- 2) This will not be a recipe book
- 3) Senior Connections would be willing to fund the project and oversee the progress and
- 4) Senior Connections board sets some parameters of what they want or expect.

WE think this is a good fundraising project and would like to suggest that anyone submitting a story be given a free lunch ticket and possibly a free copy of the finished project.

The board agreed to sponsor the project.

#### WHAT IS YOUR STORY?

Everyone has a story, what is yours? We are asking anyone who wants to submit a story to be shared to turn it in to anyone at the Senior Center, our writers group, or contact Kayla for information.

If you need help writing your story, that can be arranged. We would like pictures also to go with your stories.

Senior Center Writers Group

## Healthy Living for your Brain & Body

An education program presented by the Alzheimer's Association

## ALZHEIMER'S \\ ASSOCIATION



At any age, there are lifestyle habits we can adopt to help maintain or even potentially improve our health. These habits may also help to keep our brains healthy as we age and possibly delay the onset of cognitive decline.

#### Join us to learn more about:

- Tips from the Latest research program
- Cognitive activity
- Physical health and exercise
- Diet and nutrition
- Social engagement

Tuesday, April 16, 2024

1:00 - 2:00pm

Kenai Senior Center 361 Senior Ct.

Kenai, AK

In partnership with
The Kenai Peninsula Family Caregiver
Support Program



Presented by Cindy Harris, Alzheimer's Association Board Member & Volunteer.

For more information call 208.666.2996

April Birthday Party — Wednesday, April 17 at Noon. If this is your birthday month, lunch is on us! Come celebrate with us!!!



- Unless purchasing a large amount for transportation or lunch tickets, we cannot break a bill over \$20.
- You are welcome to take home leftovers from your meal, but please bring your own container.
- Coffee bar and bakery dollar donations are much appreciated. Thank you for your generosity. Items from the bread table are limited to just one per person daily.

# We appreciate your understanding.

#### **Stronger Together Support Group**



Wednesdays 2 –3:30 pm Are you a caregiver who

Are you a caregiver who could use the support of others on a more regular

basis? This may be for you!



### Tuesday, April 16, 2024 11:30am—1 pm

A Representative from the Independent Living Center will be on hand-to-answer questions and discuss what they can do for you to help maintain living an independent senior lifestyle.

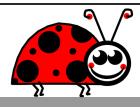
Kenai Peninsula Tuesday, April 16, 2024 1– 2 pm Computer Lab

The Kenai Peninsula Family Caregiver Support Program will meet from 1



pm – 2 pm on Tuesday, April 16 in the computer room at the Kenai Senior Center.

Anyone interested in learning more about the services we have to offer are more than welcome to attend. For more information, please contact Dani or Lisa at 907-776-7654.



#### **Kenai Senior Connection, Inc. NEWS**



#### by Velda Geller, Board President

Happy Spring and Good Bye to Winter! I went outside without my jacket the other day and it felt really good. I have been seeing Steve Latz, our Garden Teacher at the Senior Center, who has some plants already growing and that sure should make everyone feel Happy!

Two of our Kenai local families are returning from their winter in Arizona. My son Greg Geller and his friend Alex Douthit brought the kitchen a large bag of freshly hand-picked lemons from Arizona. Thank you for remembering the Kenai Senior Center. That is a sign that our summer is coming because our snow birds are coming back home.

Our March-For-Meals committee is working fast and hard getting our plans for the April 5th event all put together, so get your tickets and we will see you there!

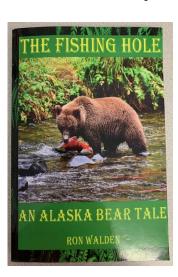
Happy Spring!

Velda

## Book Reading Presentation

# "The Fishing Hole, An Alaskan Bear Tale" Author Ron Walden

Wednesday, April 19, 2024



3:00-5:00pm
Kenai Senior
Center,
Books will be
available for
purchase.

## May Fashion Show



Calling all Fashion Divas! We will be showing off fashionable attire from our own local thrift stores (Salvation Army, Ye Olde Curiosity Shop, and, Curtain Call) here in Kenai. If you are interested, please let Kayla know.

### Kenai Senior Center 2024 Client Satisfaction Survey

Each year the Kenai Senior Center (KSC) seeks client input to help shape the services provided by the Center. The State of Alaska and other entities require the KSC to provide these findings when applying for program funding. <u>Please do not leave any questions blank</u> or the survey results will not be able to be accurately analyzed. All information gathered is kept confidential.

Please check all programs/activities that you have participated in this year:

| Arts/Crafts          | Classes/Workshops   | Health/Fitness             |
|----------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| Congregate Meals     | Events              | Entertainment              |
| Home-Delivered Meals | Trips               | Volunteer Opportunities    |
| Transportation       | Medicare Counseling | Information and Assistance |

| Wł | at year were you born?                                                                                                                                   |
|----|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. | Are you a registered member of the Kenai Senior Center? YesNo*  *If no, have you been provided information on how to become a member? YesNo              |
| 2. | Upon arrival at the Kenai Senior Center have you been assisted by the front desk receptionist? Yes*No *If yes, were all of your questions answered?YesNo |
| 3. | Are you aware of all of the program opportunities held at the Kenai Senior Center?YesNo                                                                  |
| 4. | Are you interested in volunteering opportunities? YesNoAlready a center volunteer                                                                        |
| 5. | How often do you eat lunch at the KSC?4+ times per week1-3 times per weekOccasionallyNeverNo Answer                                                      |

## Kenai Senior Center 2024 Client Satisfaction Survey

| 6.  | How often do you receive Home-Delivered Meals?                                                          |
|-----|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|     | 4+ times per week                                                                                       |
|     | 1-3 times per week                                                                                      |
|     | Occasionally                                                                                            |
|     | Never                                                                                                   |
|     | No Answer                                                                                               |
| 7.  | Please rate the quality of meals you received:                                                          |
|     | Excellent                                                                                               |
|     | Good                                                                                                    |
|     | Fair                                                                                                    |
|     | Poor                                                                                                    |
| 8.  | What is your favorite meal served?                                                                      |
| 9.  | Do you use KSC Transportation services and if so, how often?                                            |
| J.  | 4+ times per week                                                                                       |
|     | 1-3 times per week                                                                                      |
|     | Occasionally                                                                                            |
|     | Never                                                                                                   |
|     | No Answer                                                                                               |
|     | NO Aliswei                                                                                              |
| 10. | Do you feel that all KSC staff have your safety as their main priority?                                 |
|     | All of the time                                                                                         |
|     | Some of the time                                                                                        |
|     | Most of the time                                                                                        |
|     | None of the time                                                                                        |
| 11. | Are the KSC vehicles and facility always clean?                                                         |
|     | All of the time                                                                                         |
|     | Some of the time                                                                                        |
|     | Most of the time                                                                                        |
|     | None of the time                                                                                        |
| 12. | Do you feel that services provided by the KSC help maintain or increase quality of life and the ability |
|     | to age in place?                                                                                        |
|     | All of the time                                                                                         |
|     | Some of the time                                                                                        |
|     | Most of the time                                                                                        |
|     | None of the time                                                                                        |
| 13. | How would you rate your overall quality of services received from the KSC?                              |
|     | Excellent                                                                                               |
|     | Good                                                                                                    |
|     | Fair                                                                                                    |
|     | Poor                                                                                                    |
|     |                                                                                                         |

### Kenai Senior Center 2024 Client Satisfaction Survey

| 14. | What activities do you enjoy participating in at the KSC?  |
|-----|------------------------------------------------------------|
|     |                                                            |
| 15. | What activities would you like to see provided at the KSC? |
|     |                                                            |
| 16. | Do you have any cost saving ideas for the Center?          |
|     |                                                            |
| 17. | Comments:                                                  |
|     |                                                            |
|     |                                                            |

# Please return your survey to the front desk. Thank you – We value your input!

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8T8NVCD





# Our \$5-A-Month Club is a voluntary membership to the Kenai Senior Center through the Kenai Senior Connection, Inc. and a valuable help!

All funds are used to assist with the Senior Center budget and for special needs throughout the year. We thank everyone for your support as we continue to grow and serve the needs of our senior community. Donations may be made on a monthly or year-

| APRIL 2024 \$5 CLUB |                          |                  |                           |
|---------------------|--------------------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| Kay Aber            | Jeffrey & Monica Griffin |                  | Richard Ross              |
| Juanita Aguilar     | Darrell Hagen            | Meldie Lee       | Gladys Routh              |
| Cheryl Arrington    | Lee & Phyllis Hallstead  | Chris Lombard    | Marcia Shea               |
| Ken Ayers           | Karolee Hansen           | Jennifer Lombard | Steve & Barbara Smith     |
| Kris Ayers          | June Harris              | Carol Louthan    | Gary & Colleen Sonnevil   |
| Marilyn Bannock     | Joel & Laura Henkelsman  | Mike Louthan     | Bill Starnes              |
| Carol Barner        | Howard Hill              | Paula Maier      | Sondra Starnes            |
| Roscoe Barrett      | Kit Hill                 | Marge Milewski   | Buck Steiner              |
| Vera Barrett        | Joseph Howard            | James Miller     | Sheila Steiner            |
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| Bill Graves         | William LaTocha          | Trish Roderick   | John White                |
| Luna Graves         | Xiaopei LaTocha          | Linda Romero     | Janice Wilsack            |
|                     | Hoa Le                   | Gayle Ross       | Clayton Yoncher           |



## Thursday April 18th 1:00pm

Did you know that you can get eBooks, audiobooks and magazines on any mobile device for free with the Libby App? Join Elizabeth from the Kenai Community Library and learn how to download, link your account and start using the Libby App all from the comfort of home.





#### **Computer Lab Open Times**

The Senior Center computer lab is open for your use on the following days/times:

Monday—8-11 am & After 12:00 pm

Tuesday—After 11:30 am

\*Thursday—All Day

\*Friday—All Day

\*There will be an occasional meeting in the Computer Lab where it will not be available to the general public.

#### **Genealogy Workshop**

Need help breaking down that brick wall, or maybe you need help organizing your research? Perhaps you are interested in learning how to get started tracking your family history? Cheryl Hamann can help! Please join her at 1:00p on Friday, April 19 in the computer room.



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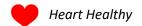
With the recent closures due to the COVID-19 virus, it has become apparent that we are missing or have outdated information on many of our patrons. Please help us to update our database by filling out this form and giving it to the receptionist, or mailing it to:

#### Kenai Senior Center, 361 Senior Ct., Kenai, AK 99611

Middle

~Thank you for your help!

| Mailing Address                                                |                                                                                                                        |  |  |
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### APRIL 2024 MENU

If you would like to order a meal for pick-up, please call 283-4156 by 10:30am for same-day pick up.

\*Menu is subject to change\*

\*Soup and Salad when available\*

|                                                                          | <br>                                                                                              |                                                                                                  |                                                                                                  |                                                                                               |
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| Monday                                                                   | Tuesday                                                                                           | Wednesday                                                                                        | Thursday                                                                                         | Friday                                                                                        |
| Toasted Cheese Sandwich Tomato Soup                                      | 2 Beef Stew Peaches & Cottage Cheese Hearty Wheat Rolls Salad                                     | 3<br>Chili Dogs w/<br>Fixings<br>Tater Puffs<br>Salad                                            | 4<br>Baked Ham<br>Scalloped Potatoes<br>Ranch Carrots<br>Soup                                    | 5 DINING ROOM CLOSED NO ACTIVITIES                                                            |
| 8 Patty Melt French Fries Penne w/ Spring Veggies Soup                   | 9<br>Greek Lemon Oven<br>-Roasted Chicken<br>Thighs<br>Roasted Potatoes<br>Yellow Squash<br>Salad | 10<br>Mongolian Beef<br>Brown Rice<br>Broccoli<br>Salad                                          | 11<br>Salisbury Steak<br>Mashed Potatoes<br>Mushroom Gravy<br>Baked Cabbage<br>Soup              | 12<br>Lasagna Roll-Ups<br>Roasted Parmesan<br>Green Beans<br>Salad                            |
| 15 Turkey w/ Cranberry Cream Cheese on Croissant Fruit Cup Soup          | 16 Thai Chicken Salad w/ Peanut Dressing Teriyaki Noodles Muffin Salad                            | 17<br>Fried Chicken<br>Mashed Potatoes<br>Gravy<br>Acorn Squash<br>Salad<br><b>Birthday Cake</b> | 18 Pork in Apple Cider Sauce Rice Peas & Carrots Soup                                            | 19<br>Cheeseburger w/<br>Fry Sauce<br>Onion Rings<br>Potato Salad                             |
| Veggie Soup Ham Sandwich w/ Spicy Apricot Aioli Cucumber Salad Fruit Cup | 23<br>Swedish Meatballs<br>Noodles & Gravy<br>Pickled Beets<br>Salad                              | 24<br>Cream Lemon<br>Chicken Linguini<br>Spring Veggies<br>Garlic Bread<br>Salad                 | 25<br>Sweet & Sour<br>Chicken<br>Stir Fry Veggies<br>Rice & Egg Roll<br>Soup                     | 26<br>Philly Cheese Steak<br>Sloppy Joes<br>Parmesan Fries<br>Cole Slaw                       |
| 29 Baked Potato w/ fixings Broccoli Spears Muffin Soup                   | 30<br>Liver & Onions<br>Mashed Potatoes<br>Gravy<br>Green Beans<br>Soup                           | 1<br>Beef Stroganoff<br>Butter Roasted<br>Yams<br>Salad                                          | 2 Jumbo Cheese Ravioli w/ Italian Sausage, Mushrooms & Spinach Italian Veggies Garlic Bread Soup | 3<br>Chicken Cannelloni<br>Roasted Sweet<br>Potato & Black<br>Bean Salad<br>Whole Wheat Rolls |

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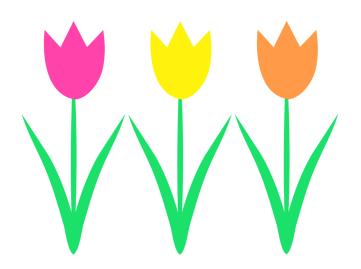
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