

The Centerline

NOVEMBER 2025



Area Wide
Senior Thanksgiving Luncheon

Friday, November 21st
12pm

Kenai Senior Center

RSVP at 283-4156 or
senior@kenai.city

Generously
sponsored by:



Hilcorp Alaska



Special Points of Interest

- Movie Afternoon—Julie & Julia
- Veteran's Day Lunch—November 10
- No Host Dinner—Carla's Restaurant—November 10
- Birthday Lunch—November 19
- Hilcorp Thanksgiving—November 21

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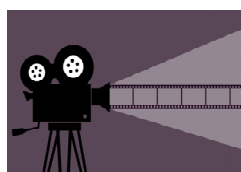
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Happy Birthday!



Day	Name	Day	Name	Day	Name
1	Maurice Dorsey	12	Shirley Halvorson	20	Phyllis Halstead
2	Linda Romero	13	Ozella Williams	20	Susan Carr
4	Biz Robbins	14	Donald Essex	21	Marian Nickelson
6	Gayle Kelly	14	Sylvia Reynolds	21	Kathy Romain
7	Donna Hoyt	14	Candace Ward	22	Hal Smalley
7	Lori Vedders	15	Jerry Norris	23	Jess Allmon
7	Nina Brewer	15	Michael Louthan	24	Kay Steele
8	Anita Kwan	18	Florence Struempler	24	Wayne Boettcher
10	BK Kivi	18	Gerald Hallgrimson	25	Kathleen Bush
12	Gaye LaRane	19	Darrell Moore	28	Pierce Bassett
12	Harry Nagasako	20	Randy Leitch	28	Sam Bird
12	Elaine Cessnun	20	Walt Craig	29	June Truelove



Thursday Afternoon Movie November 6, 2025 at 3:00p.m.

Now showing: Julie & Julia

Frustrated with a soul-killing job, New Yorker Julie Powell (Amy Adams) embarks on a daring project: she vows to prepare all 524 recipes in Julia Childs' landmark cookbook, "Mastering the Art of French Cooking." Intertwined with Julie's story is the true tale of how Julia Child (Meryl Streep) herself conquered French cuisine with passion, fearlessness, and plenty of butter.

NO-HOST DINNER

Carla's Restaurant

Monday, November 10, 2025

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

There will be limited transportation available at a charge of **\$6.00**, 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

Sunday, November 2	DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS	
Wednesday, November 5	Social Security	9a–Noon
Thursday, November 6	Card Making with Kimberly	1:00 pm
	Movie Afternoon: Julie & Julia (at Vintage Pointe)	3:00 pm
Tuesday, November 10	“No Host” Dinner/Carla’s Restaurant	5:00 pm
Tuesday, November 11	VETERANS’ DAY—CENTER CLOSED	
Thursday, November 13	Council on Aging Meeting	3:00 pm
Wednesday, November 19	Social Security	9a—Noon
	Birthday Lunch	Noon
Friday, November 21	AREA WIDE HILCORP SENIOR THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON	12:00 pm
Friday, November 27 & 28	THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY/CENTERED CLOSED	12:00 pm

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

Vintage Pointe, Council on Aging

Kenai Senior Connection, Inc.

Benefits Counseling

Administrative Assistant

Red Piersee

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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
before 1:00PM.



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

(Except for special events)



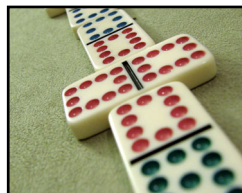
Sunday, November 2, 2025

TIME CHANGE

Set your clocks back one hour

Calling all Mexican Dominoes Players!

Interested in playing or learning about Mexican dominoes? Please join us every **Wednesdays** of the month at 1:00pm in the card room. It's so much fun and see you there!



Stronger Together Support Group



Wednesdays 2 –3:30 pm

Are you a caregiver who could use the support of others on a more regular basis? This may be for you!

Nikiski Pool Transportation:

Morning pool service has resumed on Thursdays. There is no transportation fee for this service but the individual is responsible for the \$2 admission fee to the pool.



Kenai Peninsula Wednesday, November 5 from 2:00p-3:30p



The Kenai Peninsula Family Caregiver Support Program will meet at 2:00 pm on Wednesday, November 5 in the dining room at the Kenai Senior Center w/ the "Stronger Together" Group.

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 Nicole at 907-776-7654.

Card Making with Kim



Thursday, November 6 at
1:00pm Senior Center Dining Room

Please Sign up on the bulletin board.



Christmas Wreath

Wednesday, December 3, 2025 at 1:00pm
Want to decorate a wreath for Christmas? The cost is \$10 person, limited to 8 individuals. Please up and pay at the front Desk

KENAI SENIOR CENTER'S

Vintage Collectibles & Craft Show



November 8 & 9 ~ 10AM - 4PM

IT'S NEVER TOO SOON TO START YOUR HOLIDAY GIFT SHOPPING!

Kenai Senior Center

JEWELRY, HANDMADE SOAPS & ESSENTIAL OILS, HOME DECOR, HANDPAINTED SIGNS,
ANTIQUES, SNACK BAR, DELICIOUS BAKED GOODS, COUNTRY STORE AND MUCH MORE!

**Senior Vendors Invited- Reserve
Your Table Now!**

361 SENIOR COURT, KENAI, AK 99611
CALL 283-4156 FOR MORE INFORMATION



Toys For Kids

Christmas is just next month! We are kicking off our "Toys for Kids" November 3! Our goal is to fill a large box with new toys for children who are attending Mountain View Elementary School. The teachers involved in this project tell us there are some children who would not otherwise get anything new for Christmas. The box will be located just inside the library/card room.

Christmas Food Drive

The Senior Center is requesting your assistance in spreading some Holiday Cheer to our friends and neighbors by sponsoring a Christmas Food Drive. Bring non-perishable items (be sure to check the expiration date) to the Kenai Senior Center anytime between now and Friday, December 12. Items such as small canned soups, veggies, fruit, chili, canned meats, cup of noodle packs and small jars of peanut butter are all helpful items for individuals in need. Kenai Senior Connection, Inc., will be donating funds for fresh fruit to add. The food bags will be delivered during the holiday season.

If you would like to donate towards either the toys or the food drive, but would like someone else to do the shopping for you, let us know, we have shoppers available and ready to do just that!

Thursday, November 27

Thanksgiving Potluck

12:00 p.m. Dining Room

Do you long for a full Thanksgiving without all the mess? Join your neighbors and friends at 12:00 p.m., November 27 for a delicious potluck Thanksgiving Dinner. KSC will provide the turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy. Bring a dish to share.



Christmas Comes to Kenai

Friday, November 28

6:00 pm Electric Light Parade

7:30 pm Fireworks!!

The Chamber is looking for cookies for the events of the day. If you can help, drop yours off to Missy anytime this month.

How Is the Senior Center Funded?

Many people are surprised to learn how our Senior Center is funded. The Center receives partial funding through a **Title III grant under the Older Americans Act**, which helps support meals and programs for older adults. However, this grant covers only a portion of our costs — and we depend on **community support and private donations** to keep our programs going strong.

When you enjoy lunch at the Center, you'll notice a **suggested donation of up to \$8 per meal**. This is not a charge or fee — it's simply a suggested contribution that helps us cover the true cost of preparing and serving nutritious meals each day. We understand that not everyone can give that amount, but **we appreciate any donation you're able to make**. Every dollar helps, and every contribution makes a difference.

Beyond meals, the Center offers so many “free” services — from daily coffee and social activities to educational programs, exercise classes, and community events. While these may appear free to our participants, they are made possible only through the generosity of donors, volunteers, and local supporters who believe in keeping our Center active and welcoming for everyone.

If you would like to make a **donation anonymously**, there is a **wooden box in the hallway** where contributions can be placed discreetly.

Your continued support ensures that we can serve today's seniors — and future generations — with care, dignity, and connection. **Thank you for helping us make it all possible!**



Hilcorp Area Wide Senior Thanksgiving Luncheon

**November 21st at
Noon**

**Please RSVP at 907-283-
4156 or senior@kenai.city**



THE ADVENTURES OF RALPHIE.

Where's Ralphie? The Elf on the Shelf is off on an adventure with Joey, his assigned child. The writers' group will fill you in on December 17 at 11 a.m. Save the date.

What's The Elf on the Shelf

The Elf on the Shelf is an emissary from the North Pole sent to visit your house, at the invitation of the parents, and report back to Santa all the good things he sees the children do. He also reports especially bad behavior, like pulling your sister's hair, or eating your brother's dessert. Every night after everyone is in bed, he travels to the North Pole to make his report. When he returns he finds a different spot to sit so he can be sure to see all the activity of the household.

Kenai Senior Connection, Inc. NEWS

By: Terry Turner, Board President and Jerry Nassen, Board Vice-President

Wow, October has already come and gone, how did that happen? The annual trick or treat indoor event was, as usual, a resounding success, an opportunity for seniors to interact with the (much) younger generation and relive some of our youth vicariously through them.



Halloween is just the beginning, the kickoff to a very busy holiday season for the Kenai Senior Center. Thanksgiving is next on the agenda, with the much-anticipated Hilcorp-sponsored Thanksgiving lunch at the Center Friday November 21st...be sure to sign up if you plan on attending as the kitchen will need an accurate number to assure that no one goes hungry that day. November has two national holidays (Veteran's Day and Thanksgiving) so be sure to check the calendar in this edition of the Centerline for closure information.

It's never too early to start getting ready for December and the upcoming Christmas season, so watch for the appearance of two big, colorful boxes at the Center; one for the food drive and one for the toy drive. These donations are both a part of a partnership with the Kenai Senior Center and the Senior Connection Board to assure that no senior goes hungry and no child goes without Christmas. That pretty much wraps up November; be sure to rest up as December promises to be even busier!

LIBRARY NEWS

by Kari Mohn

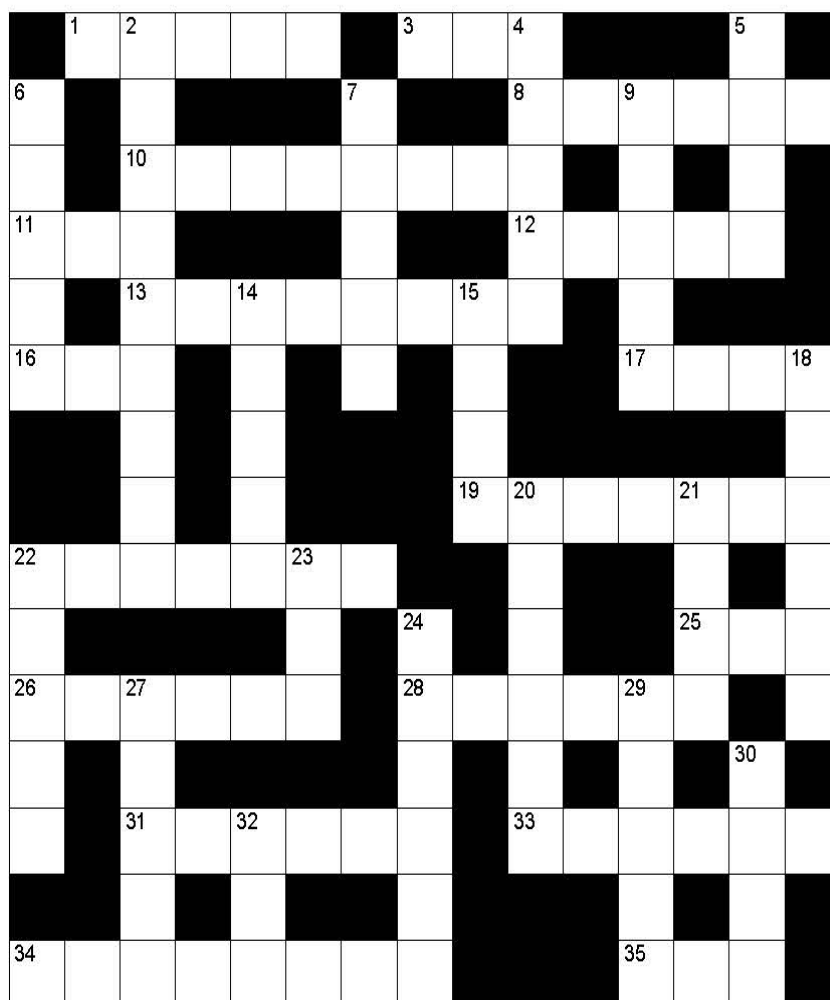
Usually, our library at the Kenai Senior Center has no more than three titles by the same author due to the available space. Louis L'Amour books are different. The books of this prolific and popular Western author are housed on the counter in the Computer Room. There are three stacks of them in alphabetical order by title. Thank you for your help in keeping them in alphabetical order so when new donations are received the collection can be easily checked for duplicates.

The library received a large donation of DVDs. These are tagged with an orange Post-it for October. Duplicates were put on the free table in the Dining Room. Children's videos were given away at the Senior Center's Halloween Trick or Treat festivities.

The pink Post-its of September will disappear, although most of the titles will still be there. When new books, DVDs, jigsaw puzzles, Blu Rays or audio book donations are added in November the Post-it will be turquoise.



November Crossword Puzzle



Across

- 1 Houston NFL player (5)
- 3 Site of the first WrestleMania, briefly (3)
- 8 Shorebird with an upward-curving bill (6)
- 10 Art shows (8)
- 11 "...leaves is a generation of _" (3)
- 12 Venus _Mars' neighbour (5)
- 13 "Dream a Little Dream "artist (8)
- 16 Audience warning, briefly (3)
- 17 Narrow aperture. (4)
- 19 Russian urn for tea (7)
- 22 Engraving tools (7)
- 25 TNT starter (3)
- 26 '55 masculine Bo Diddley classic (6)
- 28 Combat (6)
- 31 Try to hear better, maybe (6)
- 33 Get positioned (6)
- 34 Registers (8)
- 35 Yank's adversary (3)

Down

- 2 Odds offering an equal chance of winning or losing (9)
- 4 Atmospheric makeup (5)
- 5 Adam and Eve's youngest recorded son (4)
- 6 GSN telecasts (5)
- 7 Early summers (5)
- 9 Braid in upholstery trimming (5)
- 14 "It's a Wonderful Life," e.g. (5)
- 15 Mends (4)
- 18 Like the Kazakh language (6)
- 20 Syrian metropolis (6)
- 21 Turn a thumb up or down (4)
- 22 Insinuating (5)
- 23 Many a sunbather's goal (3)
- 24 Speechwriter who coined the phrase "Read my lips (6)
- 27 Tree-lined walkway (5)
- 29 Picabo, e.g. (5)
- 30 Turn a cold shoulder (4)
- 32 Set a price at (3)

STATE OF ALASKA



Executive Proclamation by Governor Mike Dunleavy

WHEREAS, many Alaskans suffer from chronic illness or pain and are disabled or otherwise in need of ongoing care; and

WHEREAS, family caregivers selflessly devote their time and energy to caring for loved ones who cannot care for themselves, and through their steadfast commitment, reflect the very best of family and community life; and

WHEREAS, caregivers shoulder long hours and heavy responsibilities, from medical and personal care to companionship and financial support, all while balancing the responsibilities of their own lives; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 94,000 family and other informal caregivers in Alaska provide almost 88 million hours of uncompensated care annually with an estimated economic value of more than \$1.7 billion; and

WHEREAS, caregiving, though deeply meaningful, can weigh heavily on caregivers, placing them at risk emotionally, physically and financially, yet these challenges can be eased when caregivers take steps to protect their own health and well-being; and

WHEREAS, Family Caregivers Month is an opportunity to honor the dedication and sacrifice of family caregivers and the invaluable benefit they bring to our communities, while also raising awareness of the urgent need for public commitment to provide caregivers with the support, resources, and recognition they need to continue their essential role.

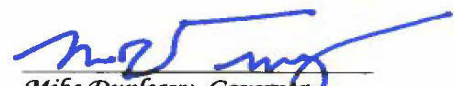
NOW THEREFORE, I, Mike Dunleavy, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ALASKA, do hereby proclaim November 2025 as:

Family Caregivers Month

in Alaska and encourage all Alaskans to recognize the importance of family caregivers and the support they provide to vulnerable loved ones, and to further support them as they take time to rest, recharge, and care for themselves.

Dated: November 1, 2025




Mike Dunleavy, Governor
who has also authorized the
seal of the State of Alaska to
be affixed to this proclamation.

Know your Neighbor: Shirie Drath

By: Carol Prior



Have you ever noticed when you enter the dining room at the Senior Center that the tables are always decorated with seasonal center pieces? Always bright and colorful and so welcoming. We have the ladies from the sewing room to thank for the mats and the beautiful floral arrangements are the creations of Shirie.

Shirie Drath is our resident floral arrangement creator; but there is so much more to her story! Shirie tells me she was born in Exeter, California and grew up as a rancher's daughter. Her father had a citrus ranch and grew Navel and Valencia oranges on 40 acres in the foothills of the Sequoia National Park. She went to Kaweah Grammar School and walked 1 ½ mile in the country to that small town through the 8th grade with only 50 students in the whole school. She graduated from 1st Union High School in Exeter, with 110 students in her graduating class. She went on to College at the University of Pacific in Stockton, CA. Her major was in Elementary

Education and an interest in music. She studied Piano, Organ and Voice. She went back to her home town in the summer months and worked as a Swimming Instructor in the next town of Visalia. That is where she met Jim, who was the Program Director for the YMCA there. They started dating in the summer of '62, (isn't there a song called that?), and got married in 1964. She said they loved star-gazing, and I imagined he had his eyes on her more than the stars.

When she graduated from college, she taught elementary school. She had acquired both Special education and Regular Education for Kindergarten through 8th grade in California. Her special Education credential is for Orthopedically handicapped including cerebral palsy children.

They have two children. A daughter named Julia Anne, who still lives in California, and a son named Jimmie Jack who owns Jimmie Jack Alaska Fishing and Lodges on the peninsula.

Shirie says that in 1983 they both decided to quit their jobs and move to Alaska. No jobs, no home, just 2 adults, two kids and a golden retriever headed north to Alaska. They landed in the Mat-Su Valley and within 30 days they both had jobs. She started teaching 4th grade in Wasilla and Jim was hired on as a Security Guard on the Trans-Alaskan Pipe-Line, where he worked for 20 years and retired as a Captain in 2002. After retiring from TAPS, he continued fishing with their son and guided on the Kenai for 20 years. Shirie continued on teaching for a couple more years and she retired in 2004.

Shirie tells me she always wanted to be an interior designer but her dad discouraged her by telling her and her sister that they had to be a teacher or a nurse. She became the teacher and her sister the nurse. She said that, she had been selling Real Estate and wanted to change. She got two offers on the same day. One was for her dream job of being an Interior designer, and the other to teach again (She had taken off 10 years to raise her children). She had always been recognized for her beautifully decorated classrooms. She chose teaching and that is what she is remembered for.

Senior BENEFITS PROGRAM

**Alaska Department of Health
Division of Public Assistance**

Overview

The Senior Benefits Program pays cash benefits to Alaskan seniors who are aged 65 or older and have low to moderate income. Cash payments are \$125, \$175, or \$250 each month depending on other income. The income limits for each payment level are tied to the Alaska Federal Poverty Guidelines and change each year as the poverty level changes.

Who qualifies?

To be eligible for Senior Benefits, an individual must meet the following eligibility criteria:

- Be age 65 or older
- Be an Alaskan resident
- Be a U.S. citizen or Qualified Alien
- Have a Social Security Number or proof that one has been applied for
- Have countable income that does not exceed the income limits.

Resources, such as savings, do not count for Senior Benefits.

Income Limits, Effective 4/1/25

Senior Household Size	\$250 Monthly Payment	\$175 Monthly Payment	\$125 Monthly Payment
Individual	\$14,663	\$19,550	\$34,213
Married Couple	\$19,823	\$26,430	\$46,253

How To Apply

Complete a Senior Benefits Application (applications available online and we have them at the front desk of the Senior Center) and send them by mail, fax, or email or apply online through the Alaska Connect Portal:

<https://alaskaconnect.ilinx.com/engage/dpa>

If you have questions regarding the application or program, please see Red or Kathy at the Senior Center. We are here to help!

(SHIRIE DRATH, Continued from page 12)



She tells the story that after she retired, she got a call from her old boss who wanted her to come back and teach for a semester on the slope in Wainwright, Alaska. One of her “bucket List” things to do was to teach in a village in Alaska. She calls it the “Icing on the Cake” of her 30 years of teaching. After convincing Jim, she could do this she packed up her things and flew to Wainwright in January of 2005. When she got there, she realized that this was a hostile environment for teachers. The kids were determined that they were go-

ing to run her off like they had done all the other teachers before. THEY HADN’T MET MRS. DRATH YET! She wasn’t scared of them and she stood her ground. She eventually gained their respect and watched them turn the corner and really start learning to read and learn. She loved the kids and got them to read and improve so much that the parents wanted her to stay.

She wanted to do a couple of things while there that most don’t get to do. She persuaded the custodian to take her out to the whaling camp with him when she heard that a whale had been harpooned and she got to witness the whole harvesting process. They had travelled 17 miles over frozen ocean just in time for her to grab the cable and help 80+ villagers, chanting in unison to pull the 42-foot whale on the ice. When the whale got on the ice the lines went slack and everyone fell into the snow. She learned later that her principal was jealous because he had been trying for three years to get to do this. Her high school boys took her out ice fishing and she showed the boys that she could fish, knew how to clean her fish and knew the difference between the male and females. They exchanged her fish and kept the “roe” for themselves and she called them out on it. They were quite surprised she knew the difference.

Shirie and Jim moved to Kenai 2012 and he kept fishing with his son. She says they loved fishing and travelling together. She states that Family and travelling are very important to her. She shared many pictures with me of the trips to foreign countries and all the family holidays together. That is why she has photography as a hobby. She loves pictures of family, fun and adventure. She says she played the organ for many years for her church and weddings. She loves music and picture taking. If you visit her, you will see many family pictures on her wall. Just sit down and talk to



her and you will be entertained with her stories and her life as a teacher, mother, and wife, grandma and soon to be a great grandmother. I know you will be richer for it. I know that I am. I thank her for being a friend and we should all thank her whenever we see the beautiful arrangements on our lunch tables.



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-to-year basis. **We proudly post our \$5 Club members in the Centerline!**

NOVEMBER 2025 \$5 CLUB

Juanita Aguilar	Velda Geller	Jennifer Lombard	Julia Selanoff
Ken Ayers	Margaret Goggia	Andy Long	Marcia Shea
Kris Ayers	Bill Graves	Paula Maier	Hal Smalley
Carol Barner	Luna Graves	Marge Milewski	Debbie Sonberg
Steve Best	Jeffrey & Monica Griffin	James Miller	Russell Sonberg
Sandy Bise	Lee & Phyllis Hallstead	Kari Mohn	Cheryl Spear
Larry & Tona Bravo	June Harris	Twyla Mundy	Bill Starnes
Patricia Bravo	Howard Hill	Wayne Mundy	Sondra Starnes
Willie Brenden	Kit Hill	Debbie Myers	Sheila Philips-Steiner
Larry Burcham	Kathy Heus	Jerry Nassen	Linda Stephens
Megan Burke	Donna Hoyt	Bill Nelson	Vivian Terry
Barb Christian	Bobbie Jedlicki	Lois Nelson	June Truelove
Mike Christian	Sally Kaas	Marian Nickelson	Terry Turner
Renee Clifford	Terry Kaas	Ray Nickelson	Ray Verg-in
Jewell Coverstone	Ginger Kaona	Bonnie Olson	Yen-ti Verg-in
Rachael Craig	Fran Kilfoyle	Susan Olson	Beverly & Don Waldrop
Walt Craig	Leanne King	Katie Pault	Frosty Walters
Terri Cramer	Henry Knackstedt	Bob Peters	Virginia Walters
Deborah DeShong-Hayes	Mel Krogseng	Robert Peterson	Candace Ward
Dorothy Diamond	Anita Kwan	Judith Pock	John White
Janet Nelson-Dormandy	Gaye Larane	Carol Prior	Ozella Williams
Shirie Drath	William LaTocha	Robert Reichert	Janice Wilsack
Barbara Durnil	Xiaopei LaTocha	Biz Robbins	Clayton Yoncher
Robin Feltman	Hoa Le	Geraldine Roberson	Emmett Young
Sharon Fisher	Susan Lockwood	Trish Roderick	
Carol Freas	Chris Lombard	Gladys Routh	

Looking for something fun to do? Enjoy hanging out with others? The Kenai Senior Center is the place for you!

- **First Thursday of the Month:** Movie Afternoon 3 PM to 5PM 
- **Thursday Fun Night:** happens every second, third, and fourth Thursday of the Month from **5 PM to 9 PM:** Join us for an Accoustic Jam, card games, cribbage, and more!

Beat the blues and make your Thursdays something to look forward to. We can't wait to see you there!



- 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.

Widows/Widowers



Meet Mondays at 2pm

Come share your grief with others

Its your story for you to share and we are here to support you

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.



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Date Received _____ Received by _____

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

~Thank you for your help!

Name _____
First Middle Last

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Physical Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Date of Birth _____ Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Kenai Senior Center Donation Form

Helping People Age With Dignity

Your tax deductible donations are a valuable and necessary means for the sustainability of Kenai Senior Center services. If you would like to make a meaningful donation to help those in need, please make a selection from the following services:

Please make checks to Kenai Senior Center:

- ☐ Congregate Meal Program
- ☐ Transportation Services
- ☐ Home Delivered Meal Program
- ☐ Newsletter Mailing (\$10, Jan—Dec)
- ☐ Newsletter E-Mailing (Free of charge)
- ☐ Senior Activities (line dancing, exercise, road trips, etc.)

Email Address: _____

Name _____ Address _____

Please make checks to Kenai Senior Connection

- ☐ \$5 Club
 - ☐ monthly - \$5 ☐ yearly - \$60
- ☐ Memorial Donation
- ☐ Kenai Senior Endowment Fund

Mail to: Kenai Senior Center, 361 Senior Court, Kenai, AK 99611.

Thank you for your financial support! Every *little* bit can make a **BIG** difference.



Heart Healthy

NOVEMBER 2025 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

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 Baked Potato Broccoli Spears Muffin	4 Chicken Caesar Salad Muffin Fruit Cup	5 Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes Gravy Baked Cabbage	6 Beef Enchiladas Mexi-Corn Spanish Rice	7 Egg/Ham Sandwich on Croissant Roasted Potatoes Fruit Cup
10 Fried Chicken Mashed Potatoes Gravy Red Pepper/ Mushroom Medley	11 VETERANS' DAY CENTER CLOSED 	12 Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce Italian Veggies Garlic Bread	13 Teriyaki Chicken Baked Beans Buttered Corn Cornbread Muffin	14 Cheeseburger French Fries Potato Salad
17 Tuna on Croissant Clam Chowder Seafood Pasta Salad	18 BBQ Chicken Chopped Salad Fruit Cup Muffin Soup	19 Creamy Garlic Shrimp Piccata Broccoli Garlic Bread Birthday Cake	20 Chili Dogs Tater Puffs Carrot Salad	21 HILCORP THANKSGIVING LUNCH
24 Sweet n' Sour Chicken Stir Fry Veggies Egg Roll	25 Chef Salad Fruit Cup Muffin Soup	26 Baked Ham Cheesy Potatoes Acorn Squash	27 THANKSGIVING CENTER CLOSED 	28 THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY CENTER CLOSED 



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