

Montgomery Senior Citizens

July, 2023 Newsletter

Dear Fellow Members and Friends,

Our next meeting is on Thursday, July 13th. Our guest speaker for the meeting is Dr. David Mostafavi, an ophthalmologist, with a practice in Princeton. He will be giving a lecture covering glaucoma, macular degeneration and cataracts. Afterwards, there will be a Q&A session.

In addition, for members, we will have our annual ice cream social.

We continue to have some exciting events coming up.

- We still have 5 tickets left for “Bye Bye Birdie”. First come, first serve.
- We will be purchasing the tickets for “All Shook-Up” after our planning meeting, July 5th. As mentioned in an earlier email and during the picnic, the cost has been reduced to \$15 for members and \$25 for guest(s) of members to encourage participation. Based on the number of sign-ups, we will most likely buy only the number of tickets that members have signed up for.

In both above cases, you can reserve your ticket(s) by email or telephone. See the bottom of the newsletter for the contact information.

During the meeting, you can sign up for:

- Casino bus trip to Wind Creek Bethlehem, PA (\$35 for members, \$45 for non-members). This is the final sign-up and payment opportunity. If you wish to go but cannot attend the July meeting and have not paid, please contact us by email or phone to make arrangement by Friday, July 14th. Checks are preferred, payable to "Montgomery Twp Senior Citizens". Non-members will need to sign a waiver form.
- Somerset Patriots at Patriot Park in Bridgewater, 15 miles away. Baseball game and all-you-can-eat barbeque buffet for s \$35 for members and non-members. Great opportunity to bring the whole family.
- Birthday Breakfast. Free for those with birthdays from May to August. Others pay \$10. Choices are from a select menu.
- Oktoberfest bus trip to The Brownstone (Paterson, NJ). We hope to finalize the cost of this event by the time of the meeting.

The trips committee is still in its early stage. If you enjoy events/trips and can contribute, please let us know.

Since we have many new members in the past few months, we would like to reiterate that there is a planning meeting that meets every Wednesday at the Senior Center at 12:30pm. This is where discussions and decisions regarding the budget, programs, events, strategic direction, etc. are made. All members are encouraged to come and participate. We want to hear from you.

As with other recent newsletters, our latest calendar is attached for more information on all our programs and events/trips.

We hope to see everyone at the next meeting. There is really no substitute for meeting each other face to face and enjoy each other's company.

Respectfully,
Montgomery Senior Citizens Executive Committee

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Montgomery Senior Citizens Calendar

Program Plan

- 7/13/23 | Dr. David Mostafavi, an ophthalmologist, will be giving a lecture covering glaucoma, macular degeneration and cataracts.
For members, we will be having our annual ice cream social.
- 8/10/23 | This meeting will be held at the Montgomery Veterans Park at 1:00pm.
(Different Location just for this Meeting) | Erika Van Wagner from the Montgomery Township Health Department will be addressing the preparation for emergencies and providing a list of items that should be readily available if an emergency were to occur including documents, medications, who to share your plan with, and other important contacts/information.
For members, we will be serving pizza and refreshment. In addition, Cris Brown from Foothill Acres Rehab and Nursing Center will be hosting Jeopardy game (1 hour).
- 9/14/23 | Elizabeth Romanoux, founder of the Princeton Einstein Museum of Science, will be our guest speaker. In addition, Caitlyn Meador from Foothill Acres Rehab and Nursing Center will be hosting Bingo.
- 10/12/23 | Guest speaker, Detective Chris Bleistine, will be talking on how to avoid scams. Afterwards, Lorri Woodward will be entertaining us for an hour with your favorite songs from the '50, '60 and '70.
- 11/9/23 | Joshua O'Neal from the Office of Aging and Disability Services of Somerset County will discuss Medicare and Medicare Assistance programs.
- 12/7/23 | Holiday Party – Cost=\$5 (try to coincide with when the Senior Center is closed)
or
12/14/23

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Event/Trip Plan

7/14-30/23 3 Weekends	SVP "Guys and Dolls" - All tickets distributed.
7/20/23 (Thurs) 8:45am	Casino trip to Wind Creek Bethlehem, PA. \$35 for members. \$45 for non-members. There is a \$25 voucher for the casino. Bus departs at the Princeton Elks Lodge at 8:45am. The Elks Lodge is located at 354 Georgetown Franklin Turnpike (Route 518), Skillman, NJ 08558. Bus departs the casino at 3:30pm and expect to return around 4:45pm. Final sign-up and payment at the July meeting. If you wish to go but cannot attend the July meeting and have not paid, please contact us by email or phone to make arrangement by Friday, July 14th. Checks are preferred, payable to "Montgomery Twp Senior Citizens". Non-members will need to sign a waiver form.
8/5/23 (Sat) 2:00pm 5 Tickets Left as of 6/29	"Bye Bye Birdie" at the Kelsey Theatre, located at 1200 Old Trenton Rd., West Windsor, NJ 08550, approximately 16 miles from the Montgomery Senior Center. Senior (60 or more)/ student/military ticket including service fee is \$20.00. For others, ticket including service fee is \$22.00. Transportation is not provided. For more information visit kelsey.mccc.edu/ . Members/non-members can sign up and purchase tickets by phone or email, subject to availability. Checks are preferred, payable to "Montgomery Twp Senior Citizens".
8/13/23 (Sun) 5:05pm	Somerset Patriots at Patriot Park in Bridgewater, 15 miles away. Baseball game and all-you-can-eat barbeque buffet is \$35. Buffet service is from 4:00pm to 5:30pm. Gates open at 4:00pm. In addition, first 1,500 adults and 500 kids will get a promotional T-shirt. Committed to 30 tickets. Transportation is not provided.

Sign up at July meetings for guaranteed seating. Sign-up at a later date is subject to availability. Checks are preferred, payable to "Montgomery Twp Senior Citizens".

- 8/17/23
(Thurs)
10:00am
Birthday Breakfast at the Star Diner in Hillsborough. Free for those with birthdays from May to August. Others pay \$10. Choices are from a select menu.
- 8/26/23
(Sat)
3:00pm
(New Reduced Price)
"All Shook Up" at the Music Mountain Theatre in Lambertville, 16 miles away. Loosely based on Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night*, in this hysterical musical comedy the town is under the rule of an ultra-conservative mayor, with mixed up love stories and hijinks set to 25 of Elvis' greatest hits. Ticket price is \$15 for members and \$25 for guest of members. Transportation is not provided.
- 10/3/23
(Tues)
[Proposal]
Oktoberfest – Bus trip to the Brownstone (351 West Broadway, Patterson, NJ) 30 tickets minimum. Cost is likely to be \$100 +/- \$10 for bus, entertainment and lunch. **Sign up at the July meeting.** Non-members will need to sign a waiver form.
- 11/16/23
(Thurs)
10:00am
Birthday Breakfast at the Star Diner in Hillsborough. Free for those with birthdays from September to December. Others pay \$10. Choices are from a select menu.
- 12/1-17/23
3 Weekends
SVP "It's a Wonderful Life" – All tickets distributed.
- 12/16/23
(Sat)
3:00pm
[Proposal]
Big Band Holiday Concert at the Music Mountain Theatre. A festive afternoon of song and dance combining quintessential holiday music in the style of Mariah Carey, Rosemary Clooney, Bing Crosby, Ella Fitzgerald, and more, played live by a 17-piece big band, and performed by some of your favorite MMT personalities. For group of 15-30, the cost is \$27. Transportation not provided. Polling at the June meeting will determine viability.
- 12/6/23–
1/7/24
"Fiddler on the Roof" at the Paper Mill Playhouse. Bus trip to Millburn, NJ. (Approximately 1 hr) 30 minimum to be viable for

[Idea]

bus and insurance. Ticket pricing has not been posted. Cost is likely to be \$120 +/- \$10 for theater tickets and bus based on similar shows. Paper Mill Playhouse tickets sell out quickly. Polling at the June meeting will determine viability. Lunch TBD.

2/3/24 (Sat)

2:00pm or

2/4/24 (Sun)

1:00pm

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“Annie” at State Theatre NJ. State Theatre NJ is located at 15 Livingston Ave, New Brunswick, NJ 08901 about 18 miles from the Montgomery Senior Center. Ticket pricing has not been posted. Group discount starts at 10+. Transportation is not provided. Ticket prices for similar shows currently running mostly range from \$85 to \$98 before any discount or handling fees. There are some less expensive tickets, but there are very few.