Montgomery County Recreation's Margaret Schweinhaut Senior Center



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Multi-Center Holiday Bash - #R07089-221 Friday, December 22 - 10:30am-1:00pm

Join your friends from White Oak and Long Branch senior centers at Schweinhaut for a wonderful holiday event. Food, Fun and Friends! Special performance by Schweinhaut's Angklung Performers and surprise entertainment. Register at the front desk or online. Hope to see you there!

Veterans Discussion & Support Group #R07312-100 Wednesday, December 6 • 1:00pm - 2:00pm • Garden Room

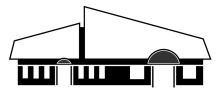
We are happy to announce we have established a Veterans
Discussion + Support Group here at Schweinhaut. The group will
meet the 1st Wednesday of every month. Some upcoming
programs will include guest speakers on related topics, VA
Benefits, discussions and more. Please join us to support this
important group. You do not need to be a veteran to attend all are
welcome. See page 2 for December program topic.

Register for Activities

Winter registration for programs is open. Register at the front desk or online at activementomgery.org. If the program has an activity number the class requires registration to participate.

Class Cancellations or Closures

Closed from Dec 25 - Jan 1 No blood pressure screening on Dec. 8, 15, and 22





1000 Forest Glen Road, Silver Spring, MD 20901

Center Hours: Monday - Friday: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Front Desk: 240-777-8085 Center Director: Karen Maxin, 240-777-8082

Hablamos Español We have WiFi, select MCGuest.



Special Programs

Afternoon Cinema Fridays - #R07088-202

Friday, December 1 and 15 • 12:30pm - 2:00pm • Garden Room

Join us Friday for a movie presentation in the Garden Room.

December 1 – The Polar Express (2004) • **December 15 –** Fred Claus (2007) | Check the bulletin board for a poster and synopsis of each week's designated film.

Wire Sculpting with Juliet Verdi #R07095-128

Mondays, December 4 and 11 • 1:00pm - 3:00pm • Art Room

In this class creativity knows no limits. We will be sculpting animals and humans out of 18- or 20-gauge wire. We will mostly concentrate on the technique of making small three-dimensional wire figures that can stand alone as sculptures, or two-dimensional figures for wall art.

Superpower Dance Circle with Jane #R07012-131

Every other Tuesday, December 5 - January 30 • 10:30am - 11:30pm • Garden Room

Experience a lively dance party with diverse music and styles like hip-hop, jazz, Latin, and more. The class ends with relaxation techniques and guided meditation. Join us for an engaging, fun, and expressive program to unleash your superpowers through music, dance, storytelling, and vibrant scarves provided.

Holiday Thyme with Essential Oils #R07028-207

Wednesday, December 6 • 11:00am - 12:00pm • Garden Room

The holidays are coming and that means fun, family. friends, and stress! Did you know frankincense can calm and center us? Sweet orange essential oil is sunshine in a bottle and can provide energy and motivation! In this class, you will learn how essential oils can help us during this special and busy time!

Veterans Discussion & Support Group: Veteran and Author Carl Adams #R07312-200 Wednesday, December 6 • 1:00pm - 2:00pm • Garden Room

The "Trials of Nance" is proof Lincoln hated slavery and worked for 25 years to abolish it first in the state of Illinois, then all of the US. Nance Legins-Costley was the first African American lady to gain her freedom with the help of Lawyer Lincoln in 1841, 20 years before the Civil War. Later Nance encouraged her son and son-in-law to march off with Illinois' only Black Regt., 29th USCT; to fight for the Union.

Get Answers to your Medicare Questions #R07105-116

Wednesday, December 7 • 9:00am - 1:00pm • Library

The Annual Election Period begins, and you should feel confident in your healthcare decisions. If you have questions or need assistance stop by for help! To call for an appointment call Chris Farmer at (443) 915-8126 so we can make sure there is a time slot for you!

Music with Hong Bich - #R07080-122

Thursday, December 7 • 1:00pm - 2:00pm • Garden Room

Hong will perform live music playing the piano. She will select and change the songs every month. She encourages everyone to dance and sing along.

Mini-Trip: Milestone Shopping Center #R07101-216

Friday, December 8 • 9:30am - 2:00pm • Lobby

Milestone Center is a shopping center in Germantown, Maryland. It features Target Greatland, Walmart Supercenter, Giant Food Stores, The Home Depot, Kohl's, Best Buy, Michaels, Petsmart, T.J. Maxx, Staples, Aldi, Big Lots, Pepboys and other stores and restaurants.

WII Sports with Matt Connolly #R07130-203

Fridays, December 8 • 12:30pm - 2:00pm • Garden Room

Try your hand at Wii Sports with others. A social game that simulates the thrill of different Wii Sports! All are all welcome!

Special Programs

Mini-Trip: Wheaton Mall #R07101-217

Tuesday, December 12 • 9:30am - 12:00pm • Lobby

Westfield Wheaton Mall truly is the epicenter of quality, value and convenience in Montgomery County. The merchandising mix includes an impressive combination of retail categories, dining, grocery and office which combine to deliver an enjoyable One-Stop shopping experience for a diverse clientele seeking a community center to shop, work and play. Anchors include Macy's, Target, JCPenney, Dick's Sporting Goods and Costco Wholesale.

Music and Dance with Walter Ware - R07106-104 Tuesday, December 12 • 1:00pm - 2:30pm • Auditorium

Walter hopes to inspire dancing while singing romantic songs from the 40's 50's, 60's, and 70's. His performance will include songs sung by such artists as Frank Sinatra, Elvis Presley, Nat King Cole, Chubby Checker, Lou Armstrong, The Temptations, Tom Jones and more. Light refreshments will be served. Register online or at our front desk.

Encore Chorus Performance #R07107-234

Wednesday, December 20 • 10:00am - 11:00am • Auditorium

Join the Encore Chorale of Schweinhaut Senior Center for a free winter concert to bring joy to all end-of-year celebrations! The chorale program will take you through spirited renditions of winter favorites, from the classics Bashana Haba'ah and Winter Wonderland to modern renditions of the season with On This Silent Night and Stars Shall I Find (Victor C. Johnson). The program will leave audiences with a joyful song to sing through the winter season. All are warmly welcomed to attend.

Mini-Trip: Laurel Dutch Country Market #R07101-218

Thursday, December 21 • 9:30am - 12:00pm • Lobby

Dutch Country Market sells homemade food, baked goods, and sandwiches since 1997. In our 5,700-square foot Market, we make and sell quality food based on Amish County recipes and flavors. Our products come from Amish and Mennonite farmers and are either locally sourced or come from Lancaster County, PA.

Recurring Activities

	Activity	Day & Time	Description & Contact	Fee
A R T	Ceramics Activity #R07098-201 Instructor: Yvonne Roberts	Tues. & Thurs. 9:30am - 1:00pm	A creative class where bisque and greenware become art! You can purchase pieces or bring your own.	Free
	Card Making Activity #R07095-216 Instructor: Cindy Boccucci	1st Sat. 11:30am - 2:30pm	Allow your creativity to flow as you make unique and personalized greeting cards under the instruction of Cindy Boccucci.	Free
	Fun with Art Activity #R07052-202 Facilitator: Barbara Hunter	Wed. 10:00am - 12:00 pm	Come and discover a new talent whether it's pencil drawing, watercolor, acrylic, or pastel. Bring your own supplies.	Free
	Origami Activity #R07096-201 Facilitator: Lois Dicker	1st Mon. 1:00pm - 3:00pm	Learn the Japanese art of paper folding. Join others to create fun creations to take home or put on display in our library display case.	Free
	Knitting Corner Activity #R07003-205 Facilitator Needed	Wed. 1:00pm- 3:00pm	Come join friends to create a variety of beautiful knitted and crocheted items for charities in the community.	Free

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EDUCATIONAL	Book Discussion Activity #R07065-202 Facilitator: Marjorie Hoffman	2nd Tues. 1:00pm - 2:30pm	A Deal of a Lifetime, by Frederik Blackman - short story by the author of A Man call Ove, Beartown, and Anxious people. We pick this short story because we know December is a busy month.	Free
	Coffee & Conversation with MSSC Staff Activity #R07092-205	3rd Thurs. 9:00am – 9:45am	Join us for a cup of coffee or tea while we enjoy an open discussion. We would like your input on what programs/activities you would like to have at MSSC. We will also discuss any concerns you might have.	Free
	Italian Class Activity #R07021-203 Instructor: Nina Baccanari	Weds. 1:00pm - 2:30pm	This class will cover a variety of subtleties of the Italian language, such as grammar, vocabulary, and entertaining factors like music and stories. Participants should have a working knowledge of the Italian language.	Free
	Beginner Spanish Class Activity #R07015-203 Facilitator: Rocio Torresano	Thurs. 9:30am - 10:30am	Come and learn the 2nd most spoken language in the entire world with Rocio's beginner Spanish class! This fall session will cover basics such as ABCs, numbers, seasons, months, days of the week, and many more rudimentary concepts to prepare you for the next level.	Free
	Beginner Plus Spanish Class Activity #R07015-204 Facilitator: Rocio Torresano	Thurs. 10:30am - 11:30am	This fall session will introduce simple phrases and sentences at a slow pace. Basic questions and answers about participants' surroundings, people they know, things they have, or any other familiar topics will be tried out,	Free
	Writer's Group Activity #R07058-204 Facilitators: Beverly Moss	1st & 3rd Tuesdays 10:00am - 12:00pm	Join people who like to write as they read their essays, poems, novel excerpts, commentaries, and other written works. It's a friendly, informal group where lively discussion always ensues. Come to share or to listen, all are welcome. This is a virtual class. Contact Karen at karen.maxin@montgomerycountymd.gov for Zoom link.	Free
	Veterans Discussion & Support Group Activity #R07312-200	1st Weds. 1:00pm - 2:00pm	Our first presenter is by veteran + historian Carl Adams who will talk about the veterans of the civil war. He will discuss segregation and PTSD of the war. African American Veterans were singled our as the cause of the start and finish of the war.	Free
H E A L T H	Nutrition 101 Activity #R07024-202 (Tues) Activity #R07024-203 (Thurs) Facilitator: Josephine Tsobgni Djoukeng, Ph.D.	Tues. 1:30pm - 2:30pm Thurs. 1:00pm - 2:00pm	Nutritionist and Certified Wellness Wave Life Coach, Josephine will host a discussion on how to be your best healthy self.	Free
	Blood Pressure Screening Activity #R07108-201 Facilitator: Bernadette Denis	Fri. 1:00pm - 2:00pm	Come get your blood pressure checked for free by Bernadette every Friday inside Schweinhaut's library room.	Free
SERVICE	Senior Services in Montgomery County Facilitator: Anita Joseph	2nd Tues. 10:30am - 11:30am	Call 240-777-1062 to make an appointment for information about senior services, assistance in obtaining services/benefits, and education about offerings available to seniors.	Free 5

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G A M E S	BINGO! Activity #R07085-205 Facilitator: Linda Disharoon	Mon. & Thurs. 10:30am - 11:30am	Win prizes and have fun! Maximum two cards per person.	Free
	Pinochle Card Game Activity #R07099-203 Facilitator: George Kelly	Wed. 1:00pm - 3:00pm	Come learn the skill of Pinochle, a trick-taking and melding card game with components similar to Bridge, Euchre, Spades, and Hearts.	Free
	Scrabble Tips & Tricks Activity #R07073-202 Facilitator: Marcia Bowens	Mon. 10:30am - 12:00pm	Scrabble is a perfect word finder, which also helps in fighting Alzheimer's. Former Scrabble tournament player Marcia Bowens will demonstrate how to get the most out of each rack. You will be surprised how many words you can find in certain sets of letters!	Free
	Chess Club Activity #R07110-203 Facilitator: Clifford DuThinh	Mon. 10:30am - 1:00pm	Chess, a classic board game, is played by two opponents on a checkered board with the goal of capturing the opponent's king. Beginners are encouraged to join!	Free
	Encore Chorale Facilitator: Kathryn Harsha	Mon. 10:30am - 12:30 pm	For more info, call 301-261-5747 or visit www.encorecreativity.org.	Free
M	Seasoned Players Activity #R07056-202 Facilitator: Helen Cothran	1st & 3rd Wed. 1:30 - 3:30 p.m	Come rehearse songs and/or line dances to perform at nursing homes and seniors centers.	Free
U S I C	Folklore Society of Greater Washington Presents Song Circle Activity #R07080-205 Facilitator: Fred Stollnitz	Nov Zoom Only 2nd Fri. of Month 1:30pm - 3:30pm	The Song Circle on Friday, November 10, will be only on Zoom because the Center will be closed in observance of Veteran's Day. For information and to get the Zoom link, go to https://fsgw.org/event-5432052	Free
	Angklung Music Lesson Activity #R07109-201 Instructor: Ari Peach	Sat. 12:00pm - 2:00pm	Join this musical ensemble to learn how to play the Angklung, an Indonesian instrument crafted from bamboo. You will then get the opportunity to perform at various events in the community.	Free
	Open Pickleball Activity #R07091-200 (Subject to Change)	Fri. See monthly schedule	Pickleball is a racquet sport that combines elements of badminton, tennis and table tennis. Join others for a friendly game at your leisure. Sign up for the email schedule.	Free
	Billiards Activity #R07103-203 M-F Activity #R07103-204 Sat.	M-F 8:00am - 4:00pm Sat. 9:00am - 3:00pm	Come in and join us for a game of Billiards. The Pool Room is open to everyone during center hours.	Free
S P	Table Tennis Mon Activity #R07097-203 Fri Activity #R07097-204 (Subject to Change)	Mon. 12:00pm - 2:00pm Fri. from 10:30am - 12:00pm	Table Tennis is a sport in which two or four players hit a lightweight ball back and forth across a table using small paddles. See front desk for equipment.	Free
O R T	Newbies +Beginner Pickleball Activity #R07091-201 Instructor: Brad Paleg	Thurs. 1:00pm - 2:00pm	This class is for beginners or those starting to learn pickleball. No prior experience needed. Learn rules, gameplay, strokes, and court skills in a safe, fun, social setting. Limited space, early sign-up recommended! Space is limited, so sign up early!	Free
S	Advanced Beginner Pickleball Activity #R07091-202 Instructor: Coach Brad Paleg	Thurs. 2:00pm - 3:00 p.m.	This class is for players with at least 3 months of experience who can dink, serve, and return consistently. It will help you build a solid foundation to advance your pickleball skills, including NVZ play and resetting skills.	Free
	Intermediate Beginner Pickleball Activity #R07091-203 Instructor: Coach Brad Paleg	Thurs. 3:00pm - 4:00 p.m.	You have developed a strong pickleball foundation. You understand the importance of coming up to the non-volley zone (NVZ) line and can effectively play from that area. The class, using instruction, drills, and recreational play will help you as you advance both your skills and your strategies.	

Upcoming at Schweinhaut

Cardboard Boat Regatta Build & Design Meetings Fridays starting January 5 until March 8 #R07107-230

Represent your senior center and be a part of the design and build team for this year Cardboard Boat Regatta! Each boat is to be made of only cardboard boxes, duct tape, and garbage bags. No sealants or other materials allowed. Official Cardboard Boat Regatta rules will be given on first design and build meeting. The Cardboard Boat Regatta event will take place March 14 at 11:00 a.m. at MLK indoor swim center. Each center's boat will be racing against time to be declared the fastest vessel in the water. The only catch is that There will also be fan voted awards for the most creative cruiser and most spectacular sink!

"It's Your Life"

Were you a beekeeper? Were you in the service? Were you a homemaker during a time when life was very different? We would love to hear your stories. We are featuring a series of monthly program to highlight YOU and to get to know each other. See staff in main office to do a program. We can help with slideshows, pictures, etc. to make your time shine!

Nutrition Program - Socialize while enjoying a healthy meal!

Monday through Friday ● Noon ● Almost Café

The cost of the meal is \$7.99. For people age 60 or older, or a spouse of any age and a voluntary contribution is requested. Guests, including caregivers, under age 60 pay full cost. Please contribute as much as you can. Contributions are used to serve more meals. The recommended donation is \$3.00. Cancel or change your reservations for lunch, Monday through Friday, at least 72 hours in advance.

For more information, call 240-777-8085 and ask for the Nutrition Site Manager, Lisa Buchsbaum.

Daily Transportation — Door to Door Transportation

Monday through Friday ● Pick ups start at 8am ● Departs the center at 2pm
Our daily bus to the center is available for pick up in our area. For more information and to see if you are in our pick up area, please call Evelyn Kittrell at 301-255-4214.

Changes or cancellations, call 301-255-4214.

Montgomery County Inclement Weather Policy

If Montgomery County Public Schools are closed, MSSC will be closed. If there is a delayed opening, MSSC opens at 10:00am.

When Montgomery County Recreation must close or cancel programs due to inclement weather or other circumstances related to participant and staff safety, the first notification is made through Montgomery County's emergency notification system, <u>Alert Montgomery</u>. Alert Montgomery provides accurate, immediate emergency notifications from Montgomery County to your cell, work, or home phone via text, email, or voice message.

Real-time emergency updates can also be accessed at our Recreation Website or by calling 240-777-6889, or by visiting our Facebook or Twitter pages.

Given that participants and employees often travel distances and weather conditions may vary considerably across the county, residents are advised to exercise caution and consider personal safety as their first priority.



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For more details,
see the main
office.

Announcements

Sewing & Mending

Got any rips, tears, zippers that need replacing, hems lengthened or shortened, seams coming loose or any other small mending problems?

Call Elaine Hughes at 301-920-0009 or email at Hughes2113@gmail.com and get your clothes mended, free of charge!

Coffee Notice

Due to the expense of supplies we had discontinued serving free coffee. Now that the weather is getting colder we are being asked to bring it back. We have had offers for donation of small coffee cups. To keep this service back please see Karen or Michelle to donate to make this possible.

Have Our Newsletter Emailed

You can have our monthly newsletter emailed directly to your personal email address! Sign up at the front desk or see Jennifer in the office.

Pickleball

Copies of Open Pickleball Play schedule are posted at the center. We can also email it to you.

Bocce Ball Instructor

We are looking for a Bocce Ball instructor for our courts. If you are interested or know someone who is interested, please let us know.



Upcoming Programs – Look at what is coming in January

Friday, January 5

Cardboard Boat Regatta Meeting

Monday, January 8

New Year Celebration

Tuesday, January 9

Music and Dance with Walter Ware

Wednesday, January 17

It's your life by Retired Veteran Georgia Martin

Wednesday, January 24

Fall Risk Screenings by Adventist Healthcare

Please note that the above programs are tentative and changes could be made.

We will make every effort to relay any changes as they occur. Keep an eye out for additional programs at our information area.



Check out the recreation website at MOCOREC.COM

Register for programs at Activemontgomry.org

Visit the Montgomery County Recreation website for detailed information about all of our senior centers, including their newsletters, as well as aquatics, recreation centers and programs. Register for programs at Activemontgomry.org