The Spotlight



September & October 2014



Come see our newly redecorated rooms and new furniture

Thank you to The Sereno Group





We will be closed on Monday, September 1 in observance of Labor Day. The center will re-open on Tuesday, September 2.

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Hours: Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Doors open at 8:30 a.m.

September is National Senior Center Month! This year's theme... Experts at Living Well



September 2014

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
1 Labor Day The Senior Center will be closed in observance of Labor Day	2 9:00 Bridge 10:00 Bocce Ball 12:45 Tai Chi 1:00 Line Dancing 1:00 PC Tutor	3 9:00-12 Bridge 9:30 Art Studio 10:00 Bocce Ball 12:30 Mah-Jongg Int. free play 12:30 Morocco & Its People	4 10:00 Men's Group 10:00 Bocce Ball 12:00 Pinochle 1:00 Beg. Mah-Jongg 1:00 iPad&MAC	5 Super Size Screen 1:00 Room 12 <i>The Monuments</i> <i>Men</i> Members: Free Others: \$1.00
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Volunteers and Volunteer Opportunities



Marce Provide Volunteers

If you are interested in volunteering at the Senior Program or would like

to explore other volunteer positions, please contact Barbara Smith. Barbara is the City's Volunteer Coordinator, and she can provide you with information regarding city-wide volunteer opportunities.

You can contact Barbara at (650) 947-2897 or e-mail bsmith@losaltosca.gov.



Los Altos/Los Altos Hills Joint Senior Commission

All agendas and minutes are posted online and on the Los Altos Senior Program Bulletin Board. Subscribe to receive Senior Commission agenda packets by e-mail at the City of Los Altos Main Page: losaltosca.gov; find, "Resources" then "E-mail Subscriptions" and click the box under Commissions and Committees that says *Senior Commission. Enter* your email address and then click "subscribe."

Meetings are held every 1st Monday at 4:30 in Hillview Community Center Room 11. All are welcome.

Commissioners:

Anabel Pelham (C Kathy Seddiqui (V Ashish Mathur Ginger Summit Paul Gonella George Prodan

(Chair) (Vice Chair)

Stay Connected

Follow the Los Altos Senior Program through our publications and one of our media outlets:

Television:

KMVT Channel 15

Websites:

City of Los Altos: www.losaltosca.gov Recreation: www.losaltosrecreation.org

Publications:

The Spotlight (Senior Program Bi-Monthly Newsletter) Recreation Guide (Quarterly classes-all ages)

Volunteer Opportunities

Front Desk Volunteer

Friendly faces are needed to volunteer at our front desk. Tasks include greeting participants with a smile, answering phones and questions, making coffee, registering and advising participants on resources, as well as other small tasks as assigned. The commitment is either on a weekly, bi-weekly or substitute basis. Computer skills preferred.

Every Thursday & Friday, 8:00am to 12:00pm

2nd & Birthday Lunch Volunteer Chef

The Senior Program is looking for two volunteers to prepare one nutritious meal for a maximum of 36 seniors a month. The volunteer chef will work with staff to create a menu for publishing in the newsletter, schedule kitchen and lead volunteers in meal preparation, communicate shopping needs and prepare and serve meals adhering to proper time and temperature controls.

2nd & 3rd Friday of each month

Movie Host

A volunteer is needed to make and serve popcorn and drinks before our first Friday movies.

1st Friday of each month 12:30

Holiday Luncheon Help

The Senior Program is looking for volunteers to help with our annual Holiday luncheons. We are in need of sous-chefs to assist with pre-event kitchen preparation. Volunteers are also needed the day of the luncheons, in the kitchen to assist with set-up, decorations, serving and clean up after the luncheon.

Thursday, November 20 & December 18 Friday, November 21 & December 19

Volunteer sign-in

Help us to keep track of your volunteer hours.

Please fill out the volunteer time card found behind the volunteer desk each time you volunteer with the Senior Program. Thank you!

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Appreciation

In Appreciation



Volunteers

This summer we had many wonderful volunteers. Some taught piano, tutored members on the computer, planted fresh flowers and helped with our Summer Barbeques. Thank you to all our volunteers who helped throughout the summer and continue to volunteer on a regular basis. We enjoy the time spent together.

Sereno Group



The Senior Program is honored to be the recipients of the Sereno Group's recent donation. Their generosity will help improve our existing programs and facility so that we can continue to offer an engaging, friendly and safe place

for seniors in Los Altos.

Senior Center Library

In appreciation to all those who donate books, books on tape and videos. Our library is a treasure for our seniors. Special thanks to the Friends of the Library for all the fine books given to our program.

Los Altos Hardware

Thank you to Los Altos Hardware for their continued support of our Recycled Battery Program. Thank you for all you do!

Los Altos Art Club

Every two months there is a change in Senior Center scenery. Noteworthy Los Altos Art Club members rotate their art exhibits in Rooms 10 and 11. Stop by and see what is currently displayed.

Newsletter Collating Appreciation

Thank you to Nanette Pearson, Pat Densmore, Trudy Hickok, Phyllis Grame and Jeanie Whiteley for collating our bi-monthly newsletter. We appreciate all your work!



Los Altos Legacies

Los Altos Legacies wrapped up its 2014 fiscal year on June 30, 2014. The last 12 months were busy for the Legacies Board in serving seniors, in the Los Altos/Los Altos Hills community.

To accomplish the Los Altos Legacies goals they worked with many local groups helping seniors: the Los Altos Senior Center, LA/LAH Senior Commission, the Los Altos Community Foundation's Center for Age Friendly Excellence (CAFE), Los Altos Rotary's Partners for an Elder Generation (PEG), and Los Altos Prepares.

Financially, Los Altos Legacies supported funding subsidies to the Senior Center for hot lunches and entertainment, root beer floats at the summer BBQ, and candy and orchid plant door prizes for the Holiday party. Legacies also helped sponsor Emergency Preparedness day in April, 2014 with a donation for buying emergency backpacks and supplies for seniors, and with a donation to Los Altos "Sit and Share" for downtown tables and chairs.

Next bi-monthly meeting: Tuesday, September 9

Hillview Conference Room 3 10:00

Donations

Scarf Collection

We will be collecting scarves this fall and winter for those in need. We appreciate your donations of

handmade or gently used scarves. Please drop off your donations at the Senior Program, Room 10, Hillview Community Center.



Friday Events

1st Friday - Big Screen Movie **Room 12**

1:00 Members: Free

Others: \$1.00

Register Room 10 Fee provides popcorn and beverage

September 5

645103-09

The Monuments Men

Starring: George Clooney, Matt Damon, Bill Murray, John Goodman, and Jean Dujardin.

Summary: Allied Heroes, Nazi Thieves, and the Greatest Treasure Hunt in History to tell the incredible true story of the seven art historians and museum curators who went behind enemy lines during World War II on a mission to recover some of the world's greatest works of art.

118 min. | Biography, Drama, War | Rated PG-13

October 3

645103-10

Moonrise Kingdom

Stars: Bruce Willis, Edward Norton, and Bill Murray

Summary: An "eccentric pubescent love story", it features newcomers Jared Gilman and Kara Hayward in the film's main roles and an ensemble cast.

94 min. | Comedy, Drama, Romance | Rated PG-13



2nd Friday - Luncheon

12:00 **Room** 11 Members: \$4.00 Others: \$6.00

Register Room 10 Reservations Preferred (650) 947-2797

September 12

645201-09

645201-10

Pork Loin, Rice, Salad and Dessert

October 10

Baked Chicken, Potato, Vegetable Medley and Dessert





3rd Friday - Birthday Luncheon

12:00 **Room 11** Members: \$4.00 Others: \$6.00 Register Room 10 Reservations Preferred (650) 947-2797

September 19

645519-09

Chicken Fettuccine Alfredo, Salad and Dessert

October 17

645519-10

Steak Fajitas, Chips and Salsa and Dessert

4th Friday Luncheon

12:00 **Room** 11

Others: \$8.00 Members: \$6.00

Register Room 10 Reservations Preferred (650) 947-2797

September 26

645202-09

Stuffed Bell Pepper Apple Sauce Dessert



645202-10

October 24

Beef Stew Rice Dessert





5th Friday Bingo 1:00 **Room 11**

Members Free Others: \$1.00

Friday, October 31

Register Room 10

Reservations Preferred (650) 947-2797 Wear your favorite Halloween costume!

645203-03

Activities & Classes

Registration, Class Refunds, and Transfers

Registration: Please pay and register in <u>Room 10</u>. All participants must either fill out a drop-in or membership form before registering for the first time. Any class changes will be noted at time of registration. **Please plan on arriving early to class to expedite your service experience.**

Refund and transfer requests must be submitted in writing or in person, up to five working days prior to the first day of class. E-mail your requests to recreation@losaltosca.gov.

All refunds will be charged a \$10 service fee. No refunds or transfers will be given once class begins.

10 Weeks to Play Bridge

645510-01

Learn to play bridge in a pleasant social setting. In ten weeks we will develop our playing skills, learn to communicate with our partners and, most importantly, have fun.

Monday

9:00-11:00

9:15-12:00

September 22—November 24 Members: \$90.00 Others: \$95.00

Questions? Call Roy Robinson at (650) 282-5402

Intermediate Bridge Lessons 645530-10

This class teaches only intermediate social (party) bridge. It helps players to advance their skills at both bidding and playing. Lessons assume basic bridge knowledge including evaluation hand and ordinary hand bidding. Lessons include one hour lecture and student play. Register for the month (outlined below) or drop-ins welcome.

Thursday*

Members: \$5.00/class Others: \$7.00/class

For information, call Tony Plutynski (650)948-0699.

September Session: 9/11, 9/18 & 9/25

October Session: 10/2, 10/9, 10/16, 10/23, 10/30

* No class 9/4

Please pay and register for a session or before each drop-in bridge lesson in **Room 10 or online**. All participants must either fill out a drop-in or membership form before registering for the first time.

Bocce Ball

Beginning Bocce Ball is on Tuesday & Thursday. Come learn to play Bocce Ball and make new friends! New Group on Friday!

Monday/Wednesday	10:00
Tuesday/Thursday	10:00
Friday	10:00
Bocce Ball Courts	free

Please sign in at Room 10

Poker

Bring your lunch to enjoy with friends at 11:30 before a casual game of poker beginning at 12:00. Haven't played in awhile? We'll help jog your memory.

Monday	12:00-3:30
Room 11	free

Please sign in at Room 10

Bridge Free Play

Bridge begins promptly at 9:00 a.m. Players draw cards. Groups of four are then formed, based on the rank of the cards. If there is an uneven number of players, players will rotate into the games. Players who come after 9:00 a.m. will need to wait until there is an open spot or until the group draws again to play. Individual Bridge players are encouraged to come and play or bring your own group of four for a morning or afternoon of cards. Would you like to learn to play bridge or hone your skills? See previous column for lessons.

Tuesday	9:00-3:30
Wednesday	9:00-12:00
Room 11	free

Please sign in at Room 10



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Activities & Classes

Art Studio

645514-04

Visual artists of all genres and levels are welcome! Bring your current project to work among others in a supportive environment.

Wednesday 9:30 -12:00

Pay quarterly or before class in Room 10.

September 10 - December 17	Room 12	
Members: \$1.00/class	Others: \$3.00	
Members: \$15.00/session	Others: \$60.00	

Visit their blog at... http://caartventurers.blogspot.com/

Collage & Mixed Media Art Workshop

In this afternoon workshop, we will learn a variety of collage techniques. The use of acrylic paint, gel mediums, colorful paper, creating texture and stenciling will all be included. The instructor will spend some time demonstrating with plenty of time for the student to create their unique work of art. Come for a fun afternoon of art making. No art experience necessary; artists of all levels are welcome. Instructor: Rona Foster **Thursday, November 6** 1:30 - 4:00

 Sr Member: \$35
 Res Non Sr Member \$42
 Others: \$65

 Room 13
 230523-03

Register: Hillview Room 10 or Recreation Office.

*Material fee of \$20 is due the day of class

Collage & Decorating Gift Boxes

Get ready for the holidays in this fun & creative workshop! We will decorate gift boxes with colorful papers, ribbons, and various objects. This is a great way to make gifts for others or for yourself. Materials including boxes are supplied.

Optional: bring a special box of your choice if you'd like.

Thursday, November 13 1:30 - 3:30

Sr Member: \$30 Res Non Sr Member \$42 Others: \$60

Room 13 230524-02

Register: Hillview Room 10 or Recreation Office.

Instructor: Rona Foster

Line Dancing

Step right up. An easy way to get some healthy exercise and have fun keeping fit. The warm camaraderie, great music, and good workout will keep you high stepping all week.



645511

For information, call Richard Campbell (408) 377-6978. *No experience necessary.*

Tuesday	1:00 - 2:00		
Members: \$6.00/class	Others: \$8.00		
Pay monthly or before each class in Room 10.			
September 2 - September 30			
Members: \$30.00/session	Others: \$40.00		
October 7 - October 28			
Members: \$24.00/session	Others: \$32.00		

Mah-Jongg

This free-play session is intended for those more intermediate or advanced Mah-Jongg players who are comfortable playing without instruction. Bring yourself or a group of four and your own set to enjoy a friendly game of Mah-Jongg.

Wednesday	12:30 - 3:30
Room 11	free
Please sign in at Room 10	

Mah-Jongg Beginning

If you would like to be part of a group that has fun and meets every Thursday afternoon to learn and play Mah-Jongg with "the card," then join our community.

645515

Thursday1:00 -3:30Members: \$1.00/classOthers: \$3.00Pay monthly or before each class in Room 10.September 4 - 25Members: \$4.00/sessionOthers: \$12.00October 2 - 30Members: \$5.00/sessionOthers: \$15.00

Activities & Classes

Tai Chi for Life!

645534-04

12:45-1:45

Learn new ways to relax, revitalize, and have fun. Tai Chi is a mindful, internal martial art that flows in gentle and slow whole body movements. It promotes health, balance, flexibility, strength, and clarity.

Tuesday*

Members: \$10.00/class Others: \$12.00

Pay quarterly or before each class in Room 10.

September 16 - December 9Multi-Purpose RoomMembers: \$77.00Others: \$86.00

*No Class 9/23, 10/21, 11/11 & 11/25

Fit-Fun-Friends

645104-02

Having balance issues? Afraid of falling? Feeling weak and lacking energy? Come on down and have some fun listening to music and getting fit with friends. This is a class that involves basic everyday movements to improve range of motion, flexibility, muscle strength, and balance.

Equipment needed: resistance band, 9" mini ball, and your choice of dumbbell weight between

1-10lbs. For more information contact Adam Halper at <u>www.FitnessHalpers.com</u> or (650) 479-5955

Monday & Wednesday 11:45-12:45

Town of Los Altos Hills Council Chambers

Session 9/8-10/1 Members: \$150.00 Others\$160.00 *Materials fee of \$5 due first day

Terrible Adult Chamber Orchestra

The Terrible Adult Chamber Orchestra (TACO) is an orchestra for the rest of us, a monthly gathering of adults who want to play music together in a relaxed social setting. Bring own instrument and stand.

Sunday, September 28, October 26 & November 23

 Residents \$10.00
 Others: \$10.00

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 2:00-5:00

Please contact the director before the first class at www.tacosv.com. Register in the Recreation Dept.

Men's Group

645529-7/8

Whether you are a single or a married man you are experiencing the same things as others around you. Come meet and chat among men and relax over pastries and coffee. Walk-ins welcome, reservations preferred.

Thursday, September 4 & October 2 10:00 Free

Book Club

Books are available to check out in Room 10. Book Club discussion will begin at 1:00, but feel free to bring lunch and join the Book Club members at 12:30.

Free

1:00

September 11

Wild: From Lost to Found on the Pacific Crest Trail By Cheryl Stayed

October 9

Secret Daughter By Shilpi Somaya Gowda

Questions? Call Cynthia Wilson (650) 948-7683 (x3510) or Janet at (650) 967-2941.

Monkey Toy's

The Monkey Toy makers are in need of nylons and sewing helpers! Please bring all washed used/torn nylons to the Los Altos Senior Program to keep the Monkey Toy production going! Join us!

Monday

9:30-11:30

1000 Piece Puzzle Challenge Room 10

Stop by Room 10 anytime during our operating hours to help finish our 1000 piece puzzle. Please sign in at Room 10.

Pinochle

Openings are available for new players. Rusty? We don't mind. Join in and have some fun!

Thursday

12:00-3:30 free

Room 11 Please sign in at Room 10

Active Zones Workshop Series

Nutrition Tips for Life

645312-01 With so much conflicting information about what to eat and what not to eat, this workshop breaks through the nutrition myths and provides practical tips that will impact the health of every cell in the body.

Wednesday, September 10

1:00 - 2:00

Good Stress vs Bad Stress 645313-01 Most people may not realize that stress, in the proper dosage, is good for your health. Unfortunately in today's fast-paced culture, people are overdosing on stress. This workshop teaches practical techniques to manage the good and bad life stressors.

Wednesday, September 17 1:00 - 2:00

Keys to Successful Aging

645314-01

This interactive workshop is based on the latest healthy aging research. Nine evidence-based factors are presented that will inspire participants to adopt a lifestyle of purpose driven wellness.

Wednesday, September 24	1:00 - 2:00	
free	Room 12	
Registration appreciated to (650) 947-2797.		
Walk-ins welcome.		

California Telephone Access Program

The California Telephone Access Program is a public program mandated by the California State Legislature and administered by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). This program provides access to basic telephone service for Californians who have difficulty using the telephone. A representative will be onsite with examples of the telephones and to answer any questions you may have regarding how you can participate in the program.

Friday, September 12	11:30
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free

Room 11

LinkAges Presentation

Connect with other neighbors who have similar hobbies and interests, and volunteer for a neighbor through LinkAges. Info. timebank.linkages.org

Tuesday, October 7 1:30RSVP appreciated; walk-ins welcome Room 12

Cora's Casual Dining

645502-9/10

This group meets at a different restaurant every second Wednesday of each month for a **no-host dinner**. Cora will make the restaurant reservations but please <u>RSVP</u> by calling (650) 947-2797 by noon the Monday before the dinner. Come make new friends, share laughs, chat, and enjoy good times. We will try to find rides if you need one, so please call. Cash only.

September 10 5:00

> Paul Martin's American Grill 545 San Antonio Road Mountain View

October 8

free

5:00

Cibo 3398 El Camino Real Palo Alto

Morocco & Its People

Presented by Dr. Kathleen Cohen

Combining sandy beaches and deserts and snowy peaks. Morocco has been the venue of movies like Lawrence of Arabia and Spartacus. Its bazaars shine with radiant silks, and leather is still made in medieval tanneries. Its people descend from ancient berbers and arabs who found ways to tame the desert and create magnificent mosques and palaces; and we can't forget Rick's Café!

Wednesday, September 3	12:30
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Room 12

Personal Emergency Preparedness (PEP)

Are you prepared? The City of Los Altos, in coordination with Fire and Police, offers Personal Emergency Preparedness (PEP) training. Topics include: impact of area-wide disaster for individuals and community; "how to" guidebook covering: senior citizen health and wellness, fire safety, fire extinguishers, household hazardous materials, workplace and home safety; emergency planning; and supply kit preparation.

Wednesday, September 10		6:00 - 9:00pm
Wednesday, October 15		6:00 - 9:00pm
Monda	ay, November 10	6:00 - 9:00pm
Hillvie	w, Room 16	210813
free	Register with the Recre	eation Department

Upcoming Events

Los Altos Recreation Department: FABULOUS FALL FUN!

Ahhh...the leaves are starting to turn, the air is a bit crisper...its fall! Or, as your friendly recreation staff says it is a, "FABULOUS, FUN FALL!" We have some new activities coming up, as well as some old favorites. Five new classes debut this September and all of them are outlined in our fall Activity Guide. These new classes are: Collage & Mixed Media, Collage & Decorating, iPad Art, Dance like NIA, and Advanced Mindfulness Mediation.

Other fall happenings include:

The Garden Club of Los Altos will hold its Fall Plant Exchange on Saturday, Sept 27, in the Hillview Park & Community Center parking lot. The exchange runs from 10:00 – 12:00noon.

If you are thinking that fall might be a good time to volunteer, look no further than our Municipal

Volunteer **P**rogram. You can become an **MVP** by calling our volunteer coordinator Barbara Smith at (650) 947-2897. Barbara will fill you in on current volunteer opportunities, or see if one can be arranged to align with your interests. Also, Acterra (whose motto is "Action for a Healthy Planet") is hosting Fall Work Days at Redwood Grove several times this fall. Check their website, Acterra.org, for all the info.

Last but certainly not least, the Halloween Window Painting Contest is back for its 51st showing! Local kids will be painting the store front windows of participating downtown merchants from October 23 through October 25. Take a stroll through downtown and enjoy the artwork of our young locals.



For information on all of our class and activities, check our website at LosAltosRecreation.org . Enjoy autumn!

Candace Avina's Baby News



Candace Avina, City of Los Altos Recreation Coordinator – Senior Programs, will be on maternity leave starting mid October. Candace is expecting a baby girl to arrive around October 21. A

interim coordinator will be covering Candace's position while she is away so the Senior Program will be in good hands! All staff and participants wish Candace much strength and a healthy baby girl.

Join us for trick or treat fun with Children's Corner & Kinder Prep Thursday, October 30 Friday, October 31

The children will trick or treat throughout the day. Come see all the different costumes, and join in the Halloween celebration by dressing up and paying Bingo at 1:00. (See page 6 for information)

Smoke Detector Program

Sunset Rotary members will be volunteering their time to change old batteries or install new smoke detectors free of charge in your home. If you are



in need of this service, please call the front desk at 650.947.2797 and leave your name, address and phone number.

A Rotary Club member will call to schedule an appointment closer to November 8th.

Save the Date Fall Dessert November 19 A celebration of thanks.



Children's Corner will

provide dessert and a small performance. This is a must see event for Senior Program members so mark your calendar and don't miss the fun! Travel

Levi's Stadium Tour

645302-01



Date Change Sunday, September 7

Includes: Guided Stadium Tour, Museum and Gift Shop Entrance, Lunch at Michael Mina's TailGate, Charter Bus and Bus Driver Gratuity.

The new Levi's Stadium will be home to the 49ers for the next generation of tradition and glory. Be one of the first to go behind the scenes of the new state of the art-venue that has created the ultimate fan-experience through innovation, technology and an environmental focus.

Stadium tours feature the Suite Tower, Premium Club Spaces, Field Level, Locker Room, Press Level, NRG Solar Terrace, 49ers Team Store and Museum.

Members: \$70.00

All Others: \$80.00

To/From Hillview Community Center Depart:: Approx. 10:30 a.m. Return: Approx. 4:30 p.m.

Great Trains & Grand Canyons

Sunday, October 4, 2015

6 days • 5 nights • 8 meals

Spend five nights in a upscale resort, retirement and artist community while you branch out each day to see a new sight in Arizona.

Tour hight lights include:

Two Rail Journeys, Grand Canyon Railway, Verde Canyon Railway, Grand Canyone National Park, Black Bart's Steakhouse, Tlaquepaque and Uptown Sedona, Chuckwagon Supper and Show and more!

Cost per person: \$1895 (Double) \$2495 (Single)

Extended trip policies and procedures differ from the day trip policies. Please refer to the trip flyer in Hillview Room 10.

Pippin

Wednesday, October 15

The Los Altos Senior Program will join Mountain View Senior Center and Kanen tours for a matinee showing of PIPPIN!

PIPPIN tells the story of a young prince on a death-defying journey to find meaning in his existence. Will he choose a happy but simple life? Or will he risk everything for a singular flash of glory?

Members: \$142.00 All Others: \$147.00

Golden Gate Theater, San Francisco Ten Prime Orchestra Seats available

To/From Hillview Community Center Depart:: Approx. 11:30 a.m. Return: Approx. 6:30 p.m.



Bay Area Older Adults invites you to join other active adults age 50+. Enjoy outdoor activities, exploration trips and fun classes.

Some upcoming events include:

Gourmet Chocolate Tasting Extravaganza 9/4		
Learn the Latest about Alzheimer's	9/10	
Native Plant Discovery Hike	9/13	
Winery Hike	9/17	

Stop by Room 10 or call (650) 947-2797 for more details.

Day Trip Cancellation Policy

Full payment for travel is required at the time of reservation, unless otherwise stated. All trips are subject to change. If a trip is cancelled, all participants will receive a full refund. Participant cancellations will receive <u>no refunds unless a replacement traveler is found</u>. A \$20.00 administrative fee is charged to all participant cancellations and/or substitutions. **Extended trips not included*.

SERVICES PROVIDED AT THE LOS ALTOS SENIOR PROGRAM

Information and Appointments (650) 947 - 2797

HICAP: Health Insurance Counseling & Advocacy Program <u>3rd Tues.</u> Assistance with Medicare & supplement claims, comparisons & long-term care, HMO, Appeals. No charge service. Call for appointments with <u>Roy Ito</u>. Next appointments <u>Tuesday, 9/16 & Tuesday 10/21</u>.

Battery Recycling

Recycle your used household batteries - AA, AAA, D, or C. Los Altos Hardware helps to maintain this program. Please show your appreciation for their support.

Hearing Screening: Pacific Hearing Service Off-site appointments - call 941-0664

Resource/Information Center: Sourcewise, Case - Management, Housing

Medicine Drop-Off:

The Senior Center takes old pills in their respective containers only. Please **NO sharp items including Epi Pins.**

November Smoke Detector Program: See page 11 for more information.

Vial of L.I.F.E

(Lifesaving Information for Emergencies)

First responders are trained to look for the Vial of Life kit in an emergency. It enables Emergency Responders to quickly locate helpful information regarding your medical history.



AARP Smart Driver Course 645501

Two Consecutive Fridays Room 12

Friday, September 12 & September 19 1:00-5:00

AARP Member: \$12.00 Others: \$14.00

Certification is given at completion of 2-day class.

AARP Mature Driving <u>Renewal</u> Course

Friday, November 14 1:00-6:00 Room 12

MUST HAVE COMPLETED EIGHT HOUR CLASS WITHIN THE LAST THREE YEARS TO ATTEND THE RENEWAL COURSE.

First-come, first-served. Class limit of 30. Reserve your spot by calling the Senior Program at (650) 947-2797. Please bring payment by check made out to "AARP" with your AARP number to class.

Certificate is <u>required</u> to get an insurance discount.

Community Services Agency (CSA)

CSA's Senior Services Program is committed to helping local seniors live happy, healthy, and independent lives. Case Managers provide referrals to community resources, make arrangements for in-home services, and work cooperatively with care providers.

Stop by Room 10 at the Senior Program to pick up a CSA Information & Referral Newsletter.

If you would like to receive CSA's Information & Referral Newsletter via mail or email, please contact Program Director Elizabeth Medina at 650-810-2237 or emedina@csacares.org to submit your information.

September - Nutrition

October - Housing





Mountain View - Los Altos

From Art to Genealogy to Yoga...the MVLA Adult School offers more than 40 classes at the Hillview Senior Center. For class information please go to www.mvlaae.net or call (650) 940-1333.

Scholarship, Community Events and Member Benefits

50+ Scholarship Opportunity

For City of Los Altos residents for Senior Program membership and programs.

The City of Los Altos offers eight individual scholarships of \$200.00 to residents on a first come, first serve basis to individuals who qualify.

To qualify for the scholarship residents must live in the City of Los Altos (County residents do not qualify) and have an individual income of less than \$39,800.

Please call Peggy Ford at (650) 947-2790 to request a scholarship application and schedule an appointment to return your completed application and all required documents.

The Town of Los Altos Hills also offers scholarships to Town of Los Altos Hills Residents. Contact Sarah Gualtieri for more information at (650) 947-2814.

Please call Peggy Ford at the Recreation Department to request a scholarship application and schedule an appointment to return your completed application and all required documents. Peggy Ford can be contacted at (650) 947-2887. All appointments will be held at the Recreation Department: 97 Hillview Ave, Los Altos, CA 94022.

Coffee Service

Daily, 9:00-3:00

Front Desk volunteers maintain drip coffee and tea beginning at 9:00 and ending at 3:00 each day in Room 10. Please join us for a cup of coffee and some time to catch up on the newspaper or chat with friends. Donations are encouraged. Please sign in.

Lost & Found

Lost an item? Check our closet in Room 10, inquire with a front desk volunteer or contact the main recreation office at (650) 947-2790.

City of Los Altos is not responsible for lost or stolen items.



Community Events

Corvette Spectacular

Sunday, September 21	8:00 - 4:00		
Main Street			
Contact: <u>http://www.sccorvettes.org/Events/</u>			
CorvetteSpectacular.aspx			

Farmers' Market

Thursdays, until September 25 4:00 - 8:00 Main Street

Ye Old Town Band 1:30 - 3:30

September 28

Thursday by appointment

Shoup Park, 400 University Avenue, Los Altos Contact: <u>http://www.windband.org/oldtowne/</u>

Fall Festival

Saturday and Sunday, October 4 & 5 10:00- 5:00 South parking plaza San Antonio Rd & First St Contact: (650) 948-1455

Membership Benefits

iPad &MAC Computer Resource Room 10

1:00/2:00

Dean Johnson will meet one-on-one with members of the Senior Program by appointment for one hour.

These appointments are designed to help members of the Senior Program problem solve/ troubleshoot with Mac applications, downloading upgrades and more.

PC Computer Resource	Room 10
T	1.00 / 2.00

Tuesday by appointment1:00/2:00

Our PC tutor, Jenny Warila, will meet one-on-one with Senior Program members by appointment for one hour to introduce them to basic computer concepts. Jenny is passionate about helping people use technology to enjoy life more!

MAC Computer Resource

Room 10 1:30/2:30

Tuesday by appointment

Brian Farquharson will meet one-on-one with members of the Senior Program by appointment for one hour.

The following services are available for those with a membership.

Membership

Thank you to all Los Altos Senior Center members for your continued loyalty and participation. We're thrilled when neighboring friends join us. By making a commitment each year, you are contributing to one of the best little Senior Programs on the planet!

<u>Annual Membership Cost</u>

Los Altos resident - \$26.00 Non-resident - \$40.00 Add \$5.00 for home delivery of the Spotlight **Make checks payable to**: City of Los Altos

Mail to: Los Altos Senior Program 97 Hillview Avenue Los Altos, CA 94022

See's Candy Gift Certificate

The Senior Center sells See's Candy 1 lb. Gift Certificates for \$15.50. Retail cost is \$18.00. Drop in to purchase this perfect gift for any season!

Copies

Members are welcome to 10 free black and white copies from the copy machine per year. After 10, the Member cost is 5¢ per side of copy. Non-Member cost is 10¢. Please see the front desk volunteers for assistance.

DVD Loan Library

DVDs are ready to be checked out for one week loans. A maximum of six DVDs may be loaned at a time. Please see the Front Desk Volunteer for assistance.

DMV Packets

Copies of the online practice tests, articles and driver booklets are available on loan. Please bring them back in the same condition you received them.

In-Home Repair Program

The In-Home Repair Program has three repair volunteers. Lorraine Hancock, Dave Izant and Bill Schick are volunteering to help with minor in-home repairs. This program is free for current members and is not for emergency repairs. Turn around time can be up to two weeks. Examples of repairs that may be requested are: Electrical — Changing light bulbs, Switches Plumbing — Dripping Faucet, Leaky Toilet Sprinklers — Timers, Sprinkler Heads No in-home repair request is guaranteed. Volunteers may determine that requests are too extensive. In-home repair requests can be closed at any time due to an over abundance of requests. Donations are accepted. Please call (650) 947-2797 for this service.

Equipment Loan Closet

The City of Los Altos Senior Program has an Equipment Loan Closet program. The Loan Closet contains wheelchairs, walkers, and canes.

Current members may check out these items for three-month intervals after signing a release of liability form.

Donations only of wheelchairs, walkers or canes in good condition are accepted at the Senior Center.

Tennis Balls

Tennis balls available by request. These can be cut in half and put on the bottom of walkers without wheels.

Members Only Programs

Senior Program members may enjoy programs such as computer tutorials that are designed exclusively for members. See page 13.

Reduced Rates on Programs

Senior Program members receive reduced fees on Senior Program events and offered programs. See pages 10-12 for details.

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