HERNDON SENIOR CENTER

A RECREATIONAL VENUE FOR ACTIVE AND INDEPENDENT ADULTS 50+



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873 Grace Street Herndon, VA 20170

703-464-6200 TTY 711 **Operating Hours**Monday - Friday

8:00am - 4:00pm

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Ongoing Classes & Activities

These classes & activities are included in the Senior Center membership, unless noted otherwise. They are open to all senior center members and may be cancelled some days for special occasions.

DAILY				
ACTIVITY/CLASSES	TIME	LOCATION		
Lunch	12pm	Dining Room		
Rummikub - <i>On your Own</i>	1:30pm	Dining Room		
MONDAY - 12/1, 1				
Ping Pong	8-10:15am;12- 12:45pm; 1:45-2:30pm	Ballroom B		
NEW! Beginning Ballroom Dance	8am-10am	Ballroom C		
Tai Chi/Exercise (No Class on 12/15).	9:30am-10:30am	Ballroom A		
Crochet & Knitniks Group	10am-12pm	Craft Room		
SAIL - Fall Prevention Program—Current Session Is Closed. Must Be registered	10:30am	New! Ballrooms A & B		
Community Case Manager	10:30am-2pm	Lobby		
Yoga Breathing	11am	New! Game Room!		
Jeopardy Trivia	11am	Activity Room		
ESL w/John R.	11am	Conference Room		
NEW! BALLROOM B CLOSED	10:15am-12pm; 12:45- 1:45pm; 2:30-4pm	Ballroom B		
NEW! Chair Yoga	11:15am-11:45am	Ballroom C		
Improve Line Dance with Lily	12:30-3pm	Ballroom A		
Art with Jeanne	1-2pm	Craft Room		
Stronger Memory Program	1-2pm	Activity Room		
NEW! Sound Bath/Meditation	1pm-1:45pm	Ballroom C		
Badminton	2:30-3:45pm	Ballroom B		
TUESDAY - 12/2, 12/9, 12/16, 12/23, & 12/30				
NEW! Instrument	8am-12pm	Game Room		
Ping Pong	8am-3:45pm	Ballroom B		
Chair Exercise - DVD	10:15am	Dining Room		
Rummikub - <i>On your Own</i>	10:30am	Hallway		
Gentle Exercise - DVD	10:45am	Dining Room		
Beginner Line Dance with Hiroko	11am	Ballroom A		
ESL	11am	Conference Room		
Fit 4 Life w/ Nabeela	11:10-11:45am	Ballroom C		
Advanced Line Dance w/ Hiroko	12pm	Ballroom A		
SLSA Instrument	12:15pm	Game Room		
Diamond Art	1-2:45pm	Craft Room		
NEW! Seated Volleyball	1-2pm	Ballroom C		
SLSA Choral Group	1pm	Conference Room		

WEDNESDAY - 12/3, 12/10,	12/17, & 12/	/31	
<u> </u>	8-10:30am; 12-		
Ping Pong	1:15pm	Ballroom B	
NEW! Chorus	9am-12pm	Ballroom C	
Tai Chi/Excercise	9:30am-10:30am	Ballroom A	
Ceramics w/ Vince - \$\$	10am-12pm	Craft Room	
Party Bridge	10am-12pm	Game Room	
Teaching Bridge	10am-12pm	Game Room	
SAIL - Fall Prevention Program—Current Session Is Closed.		New Location! Ball-	
Must Be registered.	10:30am	rooms A & B	
American Mahjong	10:30am	Hallway	
Yoga Breathing	11am	New Location for MW: Game Room!	
Mental Muscle (Wellness Wednesday on 3rd Week)	11:15am	Activity Room	
All Ages Read Together - AART	12-2:30pm	Game Room	
Advanced Ceramics with Vince - \$\$	12:15-2:15pm	Craft Room	
Improve Line Dance with Lily	12:30-3pm	Ballroom A	
Computer Lab Help	1pm	Computer Lab	
NEW DAY! Music Lovers	1pm-2pm	Activity Room	
Zumba Gold Class w/ Celia	1:30pm	Ballrooms B & C	
Badminton	2:45-3:45pm	Ballroom B	
THURSDAY - 12/4, 12/1	1, & 12/18		
Ping Pong	8am-3:45pm	Ballroom B	
NEW! Folk Dance	9am-11am	Ballroom C	
International Mahjongg (GR)	9:30am-2pm	Hallway	
Tai Chi	10:30am-12pm	Ballroom A	
Chair Exercise - DVD	10:15am	Dining Room	
Walking Club - Weather Permitting	10:30am	Lobby	
Rx Relax Yoga DVD	10:45am	Dining Room	
Fit 4 Life w/ Nabeelah	11:10-11:45am	Ballroom C	
Diamond Art	1-2:45pm	Craft Room	
New Day! Computer Lab Help with David	1-2pm	Computer Lab	
ESL	1pm	Ballroom C	
Stronger Memory Program	1-2pm	Activity Room	
NEW! 'Just Dance' Fitness	1-2pm	Ballroom A	
FRIDAY - 12/5, 12/12, 12/19, & 12/26			
Ping Pong	8am-2:15pm	Ballroom B	
SLSA Adv. Ballroom Dance	9-11am	Ballroom A	
Ceramics w/ Vince - \$\$	10am-12pm	Craft Room	
Party Bridge	10am-12pm	Game Room	
Teaching Bridge	10am-12pm	Game Room	
BINGO	10:15am	Dining Room	
Morning Word Search	10:15am	Lobby	
Yoga Breathing	11am	Ballroom A	
Brain Games	11am	Activity Room	
iPad Help-Please BYO iPad! (Not all apps are available on	1 1 3111	•	
center iPads)	11:15am	Conference Room	
iPhone—Tips, Tricks and Tutorials	12:15pm	Game Room	
How to Use Al-Chat GPT	1pm	Game Room	
Crossword	1pm	Activity Room	
Badminton	2:30-3:45pm	Ballroom B	

Upcoming Events & Closures

Day (s)	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Time</u>	Room	
Friday, December 12th	Rising Phoenix Perfor- mance	10:30pm	Ballrooms A-C	
Friday, December 12th	Herndon Madrigals Per- formance	12:30am	Dining Room	
Saturday, December 13th	Charter Trips Kirkurad	Board Bus at HSC: 1:30pm	Kirkwood Presbyter- ian Church: Spring-	
Caturday, December 15th	Charter Trip: Kirkwood Holiday Concert	Concert Time: 3pm	field, VA	
Wednesday, December 24th-Thursday, December 25th	CLOSED in observance of the Christmas holiday	FULL DAY	FULL BUILDING	
Thursday, January 1st	CLOSED in observance of New Year's Day	FULL DAY	FULL BUILDING	
Monday, January 19th	CLOSED in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	FULL DAY	FULL BUILDING	
Monday, February 16th	CLOSED in observance of Presidents' Day	FULL DAY	FULL BUILDING	

Did You Know....

- * Our Advisory Council works year round to fundraise and support the center?

 Some of the ways the council supports HSC: Organizing the yearly Ping-Pong tournament, providing desserts, turkey and ham for holiday events, planning and implementing historical displays, securing funding for the Feldenkrais class, outreach for fundraising, maintenance of our website, serving as liaisons between the participants and the NCS team, and so much more! THANK YOU for all you do!
- * Interested in attending an Advisory Council Meeting to observe, share your questions, comments or concerns? Meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at 1pm in the Conference Room.
- * The HSC team has taken your feedback over the last year to create a new schedule that has something for all of our members. Please share your feedback with us by emailing nscherndonseniorcenter@fairfaxcounty.gov

DEC. MONTH AT A GLANCE

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1 10:30am-2pm: Community Case Manager Onsite	2	3 10:20am- Shopping Trip-\$\$ 1pm: Spanish for Beginners w/Octavia C. (Conference Room)	4	5 1-2pm: Card Making (Winter Holiday Themes, & New Year's). CR. <i>RR!</i>
8 10:30am-2pm: Com- munity Case Manag- er Onsite	9	Trip-\$\$	11 9:30am-12:30pm: Shepherd's Center 10:45am: Destination Discovery (Activity room)	12 10:30am: Rising Phoenix Holiday Performance (All Ballrooms) 12:30pm: Herndon Madrigals Performance (Dining Room)
15 10:30am-2pm: Community Case Manager Onsite Virtual Chinese Computer Class Cancelled Today	16 10-11am: Blood Pressure Clinic	1-2pm - Música del	18 9:30am-12:30pm: Shepherd's Center 10:15 am: Music Bingo (Activity room)	19 1-2pm: Jewelry Making (Winter Holiday Themes, & New Year's) CR. RR!
22 10:30am-2pm: Com- munity Case Manag- er Onsite	23	24 CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF CHRIST- MAS EVE	25 CLOSED! MERRY CHRISTMAS!	26
29 10:30am-2pm: Community Case Manager Onsite	30	31 10:20am- Shopping Trip-\$\$	KEY Registration Req	uired \$\$ - Supply Fee Required

PROGRAM DETAILS

When Registering for a class or trip, please see a staff member at the front desk or call (703) 464-6200

Digital Class with David

Class on Thursdays! Stop by and bring your computer questions, 3D printing or phone skills questions from 1-2pm!

Community Cares Manager Onsite

Every Monday from 10:30am-2pm

Rising Phoenix Sing-a-long

The **first Wednesday** at 12:10pm in the Dining Room!

Walking Club

Join us on Thursday's at 10:30am for a stroll to the farmers market or on the WO&D Trail. *Program is dependent on weather.*

Book Club

Thursday, December 4th at 2:30pm in the Conference Room.

Blood Pressure Clinic with Nurse Kerry

10:00am-11:00am in the Conference Room on the second Tuesday of the month.

Shepard Center

Find information about the Shepard Center as well as speak to a representative in the front lobby. **December Dates: December 11th & December 18th from 9:30am-12:30pm.**

ESL w/John R.

Mondays at 11am in the Conference Room.

BINGO

Everyone Wins. Limit of 2 cards per person. Fridays at 10:15-11:15am in the Dining Room. One Prize per person but endless wins with bragging rights!

Stronger Memory Program

The Stronger Memory program is offered Mondays & Thursdays 1-2pm in the Activity Room. Participants attend one (1) facilitated check-in per week for 12 weeks. Weekly check-ins at HSC consist of a lesson about memory & wellness. Participants will complete 3 activities 5-7 days a week for 30 minutes (10 minutes each) of: reading aloud, writing, & simple math, at the center or at home (or both). *Consistency is required to receive program materials. Please sign-up at the front desk.

<u>Participation in Programs is not permitted for members with expired memberships that have not filled out updated paperwork. You will be asked to fill out paperwork prior to joining your program.</u>

PROGRAM DETAILS—CONT.

All arts and craft programs end at 2:45pm for proper clean up and closure.

Diamond Art Notice

Card Making with Nabilah

Friday, December 5th from 1-2pm in the Craft Room! Winter Holiday Themes & New Year's! Registration at the front desk is required!

Destination Discovery

Thursday, December 11th at 10:45 a.m. in the Activity Room! Stamp your passport and set off on a cultural adventure—each month, we'll journey to a new destination and uncover the rich history, traditions, and stories that make it unique. <u>Registration at the front desk is required so we can adequately prepare supplies!</u>

Music Bingo with Ash

Thursday, December 18th at 10:15a.m. in the Activity Room! Get in the groove with this special event, music bingo! Each person will be given a bingo sheet with song titles instead of numbers. A playlist will then be put on shuffle and players must name the song that is played and mark it down on their sheets. So come enjoy the tunes and the friendly competition! Benefits: This activity focuses on reminiscence and recall.

Jewelry Making with Nabilah

Friday, December 19th from 1-2pm in the Craft Room (Earrings & Stretch Bracelets, & Beaded Hair Pins)! *Registration at the front desk is required!*

CENTER REMINDERS

Emergency Drills

Under strict orders by the Fairfax County Fire Marshal we are required to complete <u>quarterly</u> drills. These ensure your safety & best practices of how to safely & quickly exit the building. Here are some tips to ensure your safety during an emergency:

- 1) Follow the instruction of Herndon Senior Center Staff.
- 2) Please exit immediately, & do not turn back to return to the program room.
- 3) As you exit, follow the group to the designated safety zone.

If you have any Questions or Concerns,

Please Contact:

Becky Shearer, Senior Center Director.

Rebecca.Shearer@fairfaxcounty.gov

Membership Processing START Times:

Monday - Friday > 10:15am - 11:30am > 12:45pm - 1:15pm

Cash; Credit Cards, or please make Checks out to DNCS. We do not accept AMEX.



4 OF 5 WEDNESDAYS IN DECEMBER 2025

TRIPS OF NECESSITIES [GROCERIES & SUPPLIES SHOPPING]



RETURN TO THE HERNDON SENIOR CENTER BY 1:30PM

Wed, DEC 3 RD at 10:20 am	* in Herndon Shopping Centre		1pm ~ MOM's Pick Up 1:10pm ~ Sprouts Pick Up 374 494 Elden St ~ Suite 110. Herndon 20170	My Dr's Pharmacy offers flu shots. Walk-Ins welcome. [Located between Lotte & Sprouts.] (703) 215-8000, Ext 5
Wed, DEC 10 [™] at 10:20 am	NORDSTROM FACK BARNES NOBLE then Wegmans Grocery Store ~ in Fairfax, VA		nm ~ Nordstrom Rack Pick Up 12199 Fair Lakes Promenade Dr, 1pm ~ Wegmans Pick Up 11620 Monument Drive; Fairfax, VA 22033	Wegmans offers Flu Shots. Walk-Ins welcome. (571) 525-5525, Ext #2, then #8= Pharmacy
Wed, DEC 17 [™] at 10:20 am	Sorrento Grill, Taco Bamba, Etc ~ in Herndon's Village Center at Dulles	12 & 12 2 nd 2	1 st Drop Offs at lome Goods, GNC, Giant, & Goodwill 2:05pm ~ Pick Ups at Home Goods & GNC Drop Offs Only to Giant & Goodwill 545 through 2421 Centreville Road; Herndon VA 20171 1:10pm ~ Pick Up Only at Giant	Giant welcomes Flu Shot Walk-Ins from 10am -7 pm. 703.689.2570, ~ Ext 0; then 0 [again] = Pharmacy.
Wed, DEC 24 TH	No Shopping Trip	HSC CLOSED ~ Wed & Thu, 24 [™] & 25 [™] December 2025		
Wed, DEC 31 ST at 10:20 am	Walmart Michaels PETSMART in Fair Lakes Shopping Center	130! 12:10 ' 2 nd Dro 13040	rop Offs at Michaels & Walmart 59, 13053, & 12971 Fair Lakes Pkwy; Pick Ups at Michael's then Walmart p Off at Walmart, then Burger King Fair Lakes Center; Fairfax, VA 22033 & 1pm ~ Pick Ups at Walmart, Burger King	Walmart offers Flu Shots 9am -12pm. Appointments Preferred. Please call (703) 631.9450 ~ Ext #1.
FOR A NECESSITIES SHOPPING TRIP TO OCCUR, NO HERNDON SENIOR CENTER STAFF ATTENDS.			STAFF ATTENDS.	

> 5 PARTICIPANTS must register in Trip Sign Up Book, ✓ Lunch is on your own. BY THE FRIDAY PRIOR to a shopping trip. WAITLIST [STAND BY] AFTER 11 REGISTRANTS. ✓ Kindly remember to: ➢ IF YOU MUST CANCEL, PLEASE PHONE o CANCEL your HSC Lunch Order BY 12PM TUESDAY, THE DAY BEFORE. o in the Lunch Sign Up Binder. FOR LAST MINUTE EMERGENCY CANCELLATIONS, O BY 1:30 PM, ON TUESDAY - THE DAY BEFORE. Please CALL BY 9AM WEDNESDAY. Please pay \$1, with Exact Cash only, √ Shopping bags must fit around your seat. Please bring your own reusable bags, & o at the check-in desk, o on the morning of the trip. insulated bags for frozen & refrigerated items. Sites based on popular locations | recommendations. ✓ Questions | Suggestions? Please contact Na.bee.la at the front desk or phone 703-464-6200. Suggestions welcomed & encouraged.

In Case of Inclement Weather

Listen for Fairfax School Closings and call the Center at 703-464-6200, TTY 711

for center status and activity cancellation information.

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

Watch for Fairfax County School Delays and Closings (tv/radio/internet)

When Fairfax County Schools have a delayed opening or are closed:

All FASTRAN buses, lunches, and classes, are cancelled for the day. The center is open for self-guided activities.

When Fairfax County Schools have an early release:

All afternoon classes are cancelled after lunch (at noon). The center will be open for self guided activities only. (If participants arrived by FASTRAN, they may be picked up early. If participants have not been picked up from their homes when an early release is announced, FASTRAN is cancelled for the day and no lunches will be served.)

When, in very exceptional circumstances, the Fairfax County Government is closed (Countywide Administrative Leave) the Center is CLOSED.

Please call the center to hear a recording about the cancellations.

You can sign up to receive alerts from Fairfax County Schools right to your phone: Send a text message to 67587 with the words "SUBSCRIBE" and you should receive a text letting you know that

Resources

- Seniors On the Go: Taxi Coupons. Call 703-877-5800 to apply.
- AARP Driving Course: Call 888-227-7669 for information.
- AARP Tax Help: 1-888-227 7669 (AARP NOW) for information or go to www.aarp.org/taxaide.
- Insight Memory Care: 703-204-4664
- Shepherd's Center of Burke-Fairfax: 703-323-4788 for more information.
- Aging, Disability and Caregiver Resource Line: 703-324-7948, TTY 703-449-1186 is Fairfax County's one stop for information on county services. Professional social workers are ready to assist you find the services you need. You can also visit the county's one-stop webpage at
 - www.fairfaxcounty.gov/DFS/OlderAdultServices for information about services, recreation and community engagement opportunities.
- Legal Services of Northern Virginia (LSNV): 703-778-6800 (Mon-Thur 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m./ 1:30-3:30 p.m.) or online at http://LSNV.org

DECEMBER MEALS

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	T	2	E	4	2
Hot Regular / Veggie	Beef Picadillo/3 oz. soy beef	Yangs Orange Chicken/ Veggie Chix Strips	1 - 5x5 slice Shepards Pie/ Vegan Beef	2 Cheese Manicotti (5.5oz) w 1/2 cup Tomato Basil Sauce/ Same	Stuffed Peppers w/3oz beef/ Soy Protein
Cold Regu- lar	Tuna Salad	Chicken Caesar Salad w/Chicken Strips	Yogurt, String Cheese, WG Blueberry Muffin	Whole Chicken w/WG Wrap	Roasted Vegetable Pasta Salad w/ranch dressing
	8	6	10	11	12
Hot Regular / Veggie	Baked Chicken Thigh w/Herb Gravy/ Veggie Chix Strips	Turkey Patty w/Lettuce, Tomato, & Onion/ 3 oz. Soy <i>Protein</i>	Chili con Carne/ Vegetarian Chili	Sunny Lemon Creamy Chicken Enchiladas/ Veggie Chix Strips	Minestrone Soup/ Same
Cold Regu- lar	Taco Salad w/ Southwest Ranch	Greek Salad w/ Chicken Strips	Chicken Salad (lettuce, tomato garnish), w/WW Bread	Fresh Mozzerela, WG Pita Bread, Veggie Bruschetta	Spinach Strawberry Feta Salad w/Chicken Breast
	15	16	17	18	19
Hot Regular / Veggie	Hamburger Patty w/Lettuce, Tomato, Onion/Veggie Burger w/Lettuce, Tomato, Onion	Sliced Turkey & Gravy/3 oz. Chicks Strips	Grilled Pollock w/Tartar Sauce/3 oz. Vegan Fish	Oven Fried Chicken Legs 3 oz./3 oz. Vegan Nug-gets	Spaghetti & Meat Sauce/ Spaghetti w /
Cold Regu- Iar	Tropical Bean Salad w/ WW Bread & Butter	Pesto Pasta Salad w/ Chicken	Beef Teriyaki Wrap	Egg Salad w/WG Roll	Asian Chop Salad w/ Chicken
	22	23	24	25	26
Hot Regular / Veggie	Chicken Tikka Masala & WG Rice/ 3 oz. Chickpea <i>Marsala</i>	Meatloaf w/Gravy/ Vegan Beef Strips	MERRY CHRISTMAS MERRY CHRISTMAS	MERRY CHRISTMAS!	Chicken & Dumplings/ Veggie Chix Strips
Cold Regu- lar	Chef Salad w/Roast Beef, 1 Egg wedged & Swiss	Turkey Mayo & WG Roll	 A M		Mild Buffalo Ranch Chicken Salad
	50	30	31		
Hot Regular / Veggie	Chinese Style Vegetables w/Orange Chicken/ Teriyaki Tofu	Vegetarian Lasagna/ Same	Hamburger w/Lettuce, Tomato, & Onion w/WG Bun/ 3 oz. Vegetarian Pat- ty	CHEF SALAI SALAD OFF	CHEF SALAD & VEGGIE SALAD OFFERED EVE-
Cold Regu- lar	Cranberry Chicken Salad w/WG Crack- ers	Grilled Chicken Mayo w/WW Bun	Tuna Nicoise Salad w/WG Crackers	RYDAY	JAY

MEAL INFO

Lunch Reminders:

- FOOD IS NOT TO BE TAKEN HOME!
- Current UAI form MUST be on file in order to register for lunch. If your name is not on the Lunch List, please see Amanda G.
- You are considered a guest until your paperwork is confirmed.
- You MUST register for the next day by 2pm the business day before.
- You have a choice of a hot lunch, vegetarian hot lunch, chef salad, fruit salad, or box lunch for field trips.
- * Please remember that lunch is served at **noon**, by calling table numbers.
- We do **not** hold lunches.
 - Please call the center to cancel by 8:00am the day of cancelation.
 - •When the last person in line is served, remaining lunches are considered excess.
 - •Excesses are given to those on the waitlist with priority to those riding FASTRAN.
- You must be present by 12:15 p.m. or you are counted as a no show.

Meal Charges

Guests under age 60, out-of-county residents, or unregistered participants: \$8.50 per meal. Lunch is served daily at noon. Please note that lunches must be eaten in the dining room, and may not be taken home for food safety.

For Ages 50 – 59 and All Guests: \$8.50

For Ages 60 and above:

Monthly Income	Annual Income	Suggested Donation
\$0 - \$1,170	\$ 0 - 14,036	\$2.00
\$1,171 - 1,772	\$ 14,037 - 21,258	\$3.00
\$1.773 – 2.127	\$ 21,259 - 25,520	\$4.00
\$2,128 – 3,012	\$ 25,521 - 36,149	\$5.00
\$3.013 and above	\$ 36.150 and above	<u> </u>

(The actual average cost of the lunch time meal is \$8.50 per meal served.)

Lunch Utensil Request

Lunch utensils are provided to members who order the congregate meal only. Please bring your own utensils if you have brought your own.







Look for our many creative activities to keep your body, mind, and spirit strong and resilient!

For more material, information, photos go to HerndonSeniorCenter.org

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Fairfax County's **Aging, Disability & Caregiver Resource Line** for information on county services for older adults.

703-324-7948, TTY 711

www.fairfaxcounty.gov/familyservices/

Fairfax County Coordinated Services for Basic Needs and Assistance **703-222-0880**, TTY 711.

Monday through Friday, 8:00am to 4:30pm. Bilingual staff available

Fairfax County is committed to nondiscrimination in all county programs, services and activities. To request reasonable accommodations or to receive this information in an alternate format, call 703-324-4600, TTY 711.