



Ninilchik Senior Center

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Coming Up

BINGO!

Wednesdays after
lunch

April Fool's Day
Mon 4/1

Sew Saturday
Sat 4/20

Board Meeting
Thu 4/18

Fun Fashion Show
Fri 4/19

Easter
Sun 4/21

Welcome

April 2019



A Note from the President of the Board

So many events this month, where to begin. I guess first of all I would like to welcome home all of our snowbirds. You missed a great winter this year. Lots of snow and not a whole lot of cold temps. Hopefully you got here in time to see some of the snow before it was all gone.

One of the more fun events that was started this winter is the Progressive Split the Pot raffle. We have been having some fun with it. It started out as a 16 week event and we are about half way through. The pot last I checked was up over \$500.

The Iditarod was a popular event this year again. All mushers were sold to the tune of \$10 each. It was nice to see another Alaskan win this year. Not sure who was the winner at the Senior Center.

The budgeting process is upon us once again. Our fiscal year ends on June 30 so we need to have next year's budget in place before then. We have an active finance committee that is always looking for people to help. If you are interested in the budget and how we put it together for the coming year please feel free to join us. Check with Julie in the office to see when the next committee meeting is. We only have about two or three and then we are done.

Along with spring comes a new fishing season and that means fishing charter raffle time. Willard has been contacting Charters and asking for donations for 11 years now. This year he's ready to pass the torch to someone else. Thank you Willard for all you've done. Russ Cross has agreed to step in and give it a whirl. Thank you Russ for volunteering and thank you to our local Charters for supporting the Senior Center!

I hope everybody has a great spring and a blessed Easter.

~Dick Hawkins, Board President

"If we had no winter,
the spring would not
be so pleasant."

~ANNE BRADSTREET



Ninilchik Senior Center (NSC) Progressive Split the Pot Raffle

Cost: \$1 per ticket. Members may purchase as many tickets as desired each week. Tickets purchased are valid only for that week's drawing. Tickets must be purchased each week if the member wishes to participate in that week's drawing.

Drawing Time: Every Friday at 12:00 pm

Location: Ninilchik Senior Center
55265 Aspen Ave
Ninilchik, AK



Progressive Split the Pot Raffle Rules:

One winner every week.

Winner does not need to be present to win, however, if the person is not present, only 50% of the prize won will be awarded

Open to NSC members only. Membership must be current.

Initial Raffle will last no longer than 16 weeks. Future raffle duration may change without notice but will be announced at the beginning of each new raffle.

16 cards

(1) Eagle: grand prize winner: 50% of the pot

(1) Owl: 10% of the pot

(14) Ptarmigan: \$5



Ninilchik Senior Citizen's, Inc. will donate \$50 for the initial raffle. Subsequent raffles will begin with 15% of NSC's portion from the previous raffle.

Winners:

Week 1: Lynn Harding chose a Ptarmigan and won \$5

Week 2: Becky Hamilton chose a Ptarmigan and was not here so she won \$2.50

Week 3: Steve Vanek chose a Ptarmigan and won \$5

Week 4: Lynn Harding chose a Ptarmigan and won \$5

Week 5: Lonnie Lambert chose a Ptarmigan and won \$5

Week 6: Julie Wasser chose a Ptarmigan and won \$5

Week 7: Kathy Sleasman chose a Ptarmigan and won \$5

Week 8: Ken Rucker & Liz Spinasanto chose a Ptarmigan and won \$5





SPRING

The Earth Laughs in
FLOWERS

"Spring has returned. The Earth is like a child that knows poems." *Rainer Maria Rilke*

"It's spring fever. That is what the name of it is. And when you've got it, you want—oh, you don't quite know what it is you do want, but it just fairly makes your heart ache, you want it so!"
— Mark Twain



"Spring is when you feel like whistling even with a shoe full of slush."
Doug Larson

That is one good thing about this world...there are always sure to be more springs. - L.M. Montgomery, *Anne of Avonlea*

"Is the spring coming?" he said. "What is it like?"...

"It is the sun shining on the rain and the rain falling on the sunshine..."

— Frances Hodgson Burnett, *The Secret Garden*



"Spring shows what God can do with a drab and dirty world."

- Virgil Kraft

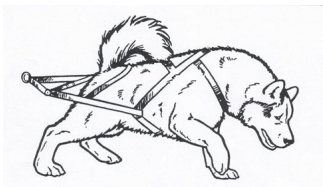
I am going to try to pay attention to the spring. I am going to look around at all the flowers, and look up at the hectic trees. I am going to close my eyes and listen. -Anne Lamott

Sweet April showers do
spring May flowers.
Thomas Tusser

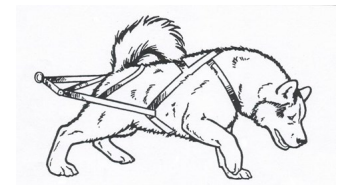
I love spring flowers:
daffodils and hyacinths are the ultimate flower for me. They are the essence of spring.
Kirsty Gallacher

In the Spring, I have counted 136 different kinds of weather inside of 24 hours. -Mark Twain





Iditarod



2019 Iditarod Raffle Winners:

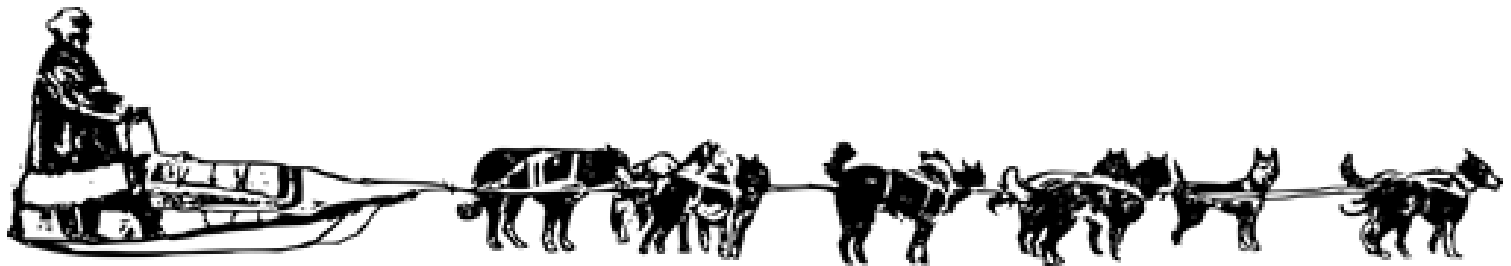
1st Place: Willard Bauman

2nd Place: Steve Vanek & Marti Sue Chapman

3rd Place: Marti Sue Chapman

Red Lantern: Steve Vanek

Thank you to everyone who participated in this fundraising event!



Coming in June

The Ninilchik Senior Citizen's

Annual Endowment Dinner and Auction

Looking forward to seeing you there! Come and enjoy the fun!



Last year (2017), the center received \$255.81 from Fred Meyer through their community rewards program. In 2018 we received **\$237.79**. Thank you to those who participated and made this possible.

If you shop at Fred Meyer, please consider linking your Rewards Card to donate to the center. Fred Meyer will donate money to the center whenever you make purchases; this will not affect the personal rewards associated with your account. Sign up online at: <https://www.fredmeyer.com/topic/community-rewards-4>

The center's Organization Identification Number is **GP013**.

NSC's Fun Fashion Show

Join us for a fun Fashion Show, see creative costumes and enjoy!

Come dressed up as your favorite character, make believe or real. Be sure to write up a card on what will be announced as you walk down the runway!

The sillier the better! Let the office know what you are planning to do and if you need help with ideas.

Let's have some fun!!!



We're going to be getting rid of our two "old" computers (membership use). If you are getting rid a fairly new computer and would like to donate it. Please let the office staff know. Thank you!

Donations, Donations, Donations

It's PFD Application time again!

Just a reminder that the Ninilchik Senior Center is no longer participating in the Pick, Click, Give program due to the costs associated with the program.

We thank all of you who have donated this way in the past.

If you would like to donate to the Senior Center, there are many different ways to donate.

~ Donate needed items like office supplies, kitchen needs, etc.

~ Donate through the \$5 a month club

~ Donate monies to the Senior Center Endowment Fund

~ Donate monies directly towards Senior Center operating costs

Please stop by the office for more information.



Alaskan Trivia

1. What is a “moraine”?
2. What animal is known as the “animal that paws through snow for its food”?
3. How long does the Yukon River stay frozen each year?
4. How much did the largest recorded king salmon caught by a sport fisherman weigh?
5. How long did it take to build the Alcan Highway?
6. What is a small arctic grouse that lives among willows and on open tundra and muskeg?
7. What is the height of a full grown bull moose?
8. What is the major means of transportation in the northwestern region?
9. What vaccine did pioneer sled along the Iditarod Trail carry to the epidemic in Nome, during gold rush days?
10. Name the sea that borders the Arctic Coastline.
11. True/False: All room and board was provided the workers of the Alaska pipeline for “free”.
12. How much do brown bear cubs weigh at birth?

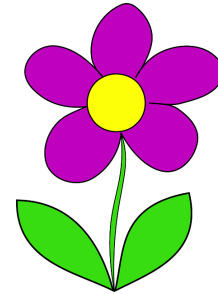




amazonsmile

You shop. Amazon gives.

So far the center has received \$94.27 from Amazon Smile. Consider signing up to support the Ninilchik Senior Center through Amazon Smile. Simply connect your account via this link: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/52-1323828>, and Amazon will automatically make a donation to the center every time you make a purchase, at no cost to you. Thank you to those who are already participating.



A Note from the Executive Director

Welcome April! Spring is here - the trees and flowers will soon be in full bloom and the birds will be arriving from their southern winter homes. Playing in the garden dirt is not far off! Usually around this time of year we mention the availability of plots in our community garden. This year, however, more people seem to be planning ahead and most of the plots have already been reserved for the upcoming year. If you're interested, let the office know right away as there is just one space left.

Soon our friends returning from their southern winter homes will be back in Alaska as well. Welcome back to all of you! April starts our busiest time of the year. Finance Committee meetings, Endowment Committee Meetings, and on Friday, April 19, our Fun Fashion Show! Remember to check the newsletter monthly for what's happening around the center.

~Julie Otto



Alaskan Trivia Answers

Questions & Answers are from "The Alaska Game of Trivia" by Teddy's Toys 1985

1. A mass of glacial residue carried and deposited by a glacier.
2. Caribou.
3. 7-8 month, generally from October to May.
4. 97 pounds.
5. Eight months.
6. Willow Ptarmigan.
7. Seven feet at the shoulders.
8. Airplanes.
9. Diptheria serum.
10. Beaufort Sea.
11. True.
12. 12 ounces.





At
The Ninilchik Senior Center!

B I N G O					
4	26	43	59	70	
9	30	41	55	68	
7	23	FREE 32 SPACE	50	63	
8	20	31	60	75	
13	18	34	52	69	

\$5 for 6 games!

Win non-monetary prizes!

Have fun with Friends!

Play Bingo!!!



Now with Monetary prizes!

Don't miss out on the fun!



Open to the Public.
You must be at least 19 to play.
See Bingo House Rules.

***Anita Kwan won
the first cash
prize of \$10!!!***

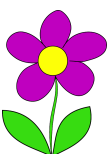
Happy Birthday - April

Carole Lund
Dick Pitta
Dennis Ogren
Julie Wasser
Lucy Pearson
Steve Pope

Miki Gilbertz
Bettie Tanner
Carl Wright
Ed Harper
Josie Savoy
Luella Nelson

Arnold Mason
Marti Sue Chapman
Lane Olinghouse
Tandy Wallace
Jeff Smith

Vikki Garrouette-Simpson
Bobbie Eide
Steve Stewart
Loretta Anderson
Stan Olson



10 Ways to tell if you're a real Alaskan:

10. A messy break-up has nothing to do with your last relationship.
9. You look forward to winter because the roads are smoother.
8. The idea of the government sending *you* money isn't startling.
7. You think the four seasons are winter, break-up, fishing and hunting.
6. Christmas lights in March look normal.
5. Riding a Ferris wheel in February sounds like fun.
4. You crank up the car's air conditioning when the mercury hits a searing 45 degrees.
3. When spring comes, you wash your car and think, "It's blue?"
2. You wear bunny boots to church.
1. Red lights are optional.

Old newspaper article From Ruthe Bauman



Thank You

Dick Pitta, Doug MacLean, Willard Bauman, John Nofziger, for Monday town shopping trips. Dave Nordgren for town trips, trash removal and vehicle maintenance, and to all of those who helped out or donated but didn't sign the volunteer book.

Thank you to Steve Russell, Birch Ann Allen, Jim Beall, Steve Vanek, Willard & Ruthe Bauman, Fred Marshall, Myrtle Mae Erickson and anyone we may have missed for the donations.

Thank you to all our Members!!!
Thank you to all our Volunteers!!!
Thank you to all our Donors!!!
Thank you to our Cooks!!!

\$5 A Month Club

Thank you to the following who contributed to the club:

Jim Taylor
David & Judy Clemenson
Tom & Phyllis McCutchan
Char Moore
Steve Stewart
Bob Pearson
Cathy Perry

We have a fund to provide items that are not in the budget. If you would like to join the club, just bring or send a donation of \$5 any time you can.

THANK YOU!!!

About The Ninilchik Senior Center

Our Mission

We are dedicated to making life easier, more interesting, and providing assistance to others in need among our members, as well as the surrounding community, in ways which lift the spirit and give a feeling of love to each other. We are dedicated to assisting one another through cooperation, respect, and strength of spirit, so that everyone feels welcome and their contributions valued.

Board of Directors

President: Dick Hawkins
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Trustee: Cheryl Doyle
Trustee: Lynn Harding

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Trustee: Jim Kenshalo
Trustee: David Clemenson

Staff

Executive Director: Julie Otto
Adm. Assist/Bookkeeper:
Tandy Wallace
Cook: Marti Sue Chapman
Cook/Maintenance: Rick Ferguson
Trans. Driver: Mark Brees
NSC Homemaker:

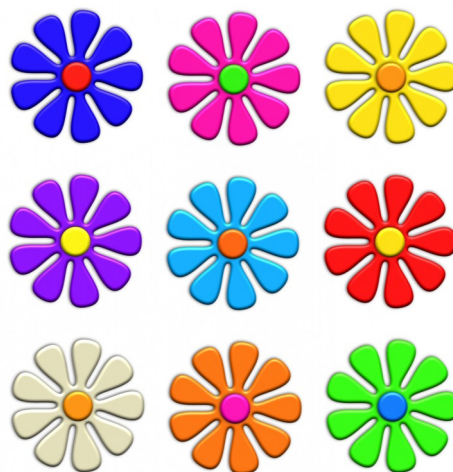
Join us for lunch!

Lunch is served at 12:00 pm Mon-Fri.

Suggested donation:

\$7 for members, \$11 for non-members

Lunch includes: soup,
salad, entrée and dessert



Events and Activities

Weekly

Mondays: Quilting/Sewing 1-4 pm

Tuesdays: Craft Day 10 am-4 pm

Wednesdays: Bingo (after lunch)

Thursdays: Game Day 1-4 pm
Quilting/Crafts 10am-4pm

Fridays: Knitting 1-4 pm
Pool 1-4 pm

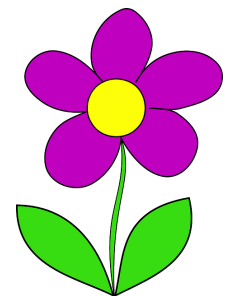
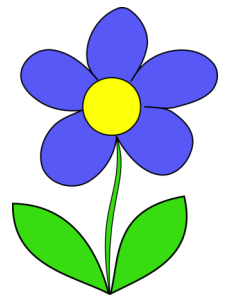
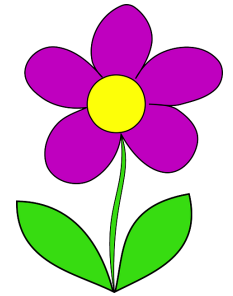
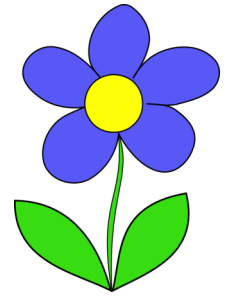
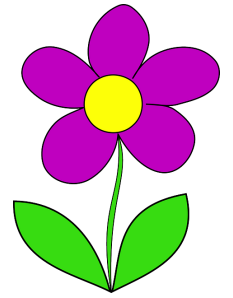
Saturdays: Music Jammin' 2-4 pm
Sew Saturday -the 3rd Saturday of each month



Flowers

Find and circle all of the flowers that are hidden in the grid. The remaining letters spell a secret message - a quotation from *Romeo and Juliet*.

P	L	A	V	E	N	D	E	R	A	C	R	O	A	R	A	O	S	A
Y	I	A	I	N	U	T	E	P	E	D	A	N	E	E	E	R	D	R
S	U	L	O	I	D	A	L	G	O	G	T	L	S	W	G	C	L	E
I	C	B	U	Y	A	N	T	R	Y	H	N	K	I	O	N	H	O	B
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G	N	G	I	E	L	L	D	R	P	I	I	R	E	C	S	L	N	A
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A	S	I	T	A	M	E	L	C	W	O	R	R	A	Y	I	I	L	S
T	E	L	O	I	V	B	O	U	V	A	R	D	I	A	W	S	O	E
S	L	I	L	Y	S	N	A	P	D	R	A	G	O	N	E	T	E	N



ALSTROEMERIA
AMARYLLIS
ANTHURIUM
ASTER
BABY'S BREATH
BELL FLOWER
BIRD OF PARADISE
BOUVARDIA
CALLA
CARNATION
CHRYSANTHEMUM
CLEMATIS

CORNFLOWER
DAFFODIL
DAISY
DELPHINIUM
FORGET-ME-NOT
FOXGLOVE
FREESIA
FUCHSIA
GERANIUM
GERBERA
GINGER
GLADIOLUS

GOLDEN ROD
HEATHER
HOLLYHOCKS
HYACINTH
HYDRANGEA
IRIS
LAVENDER
LILAC
LILY
LISIANTHUS
MARIGOLD
ORCHID

PANSY
PEONY
PETUNIA
ROSE
SNAPDRAGON
STATICE
STOCK
SUNFLOWER
TULIP
VIOLET
YARROW



The Senior Center provides transportation for those needing to go to Kenai/Soldotna. We offer one trip to town a week, Tuesday or Thursday

The van would depart Ninilchik around 9:30 am and would return from town around 2:30 pm.

Soldotna

(with stops at Fred Meyer, Safeway and your medical appointments)

Or Kenai

(with stops at Walmart, Three Bears, Safeway & your medical appointments)

Suggested donation is \$15 per round trip.

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The Senior Center can also provide transportation to the center for lunch.

If you would like to take advantage of any of these services:

Please call the office to schedule  
**(907) 567-3988**

## **The Homemaker Assistance Program**

Is for individuals 60 years and older that find themselves needing a little help around the house. The program includes taking out the trash, sweeping & mopping the floors, vacuuming, cleaning the bathroom, making the bed, laundry, cleaning the kitchen, putting away dishes or groceries, etc.

*Please call the office to learn more about this program.*

**YOUR NTS HOMEMAKER IS HERE TO ASSIST YOU IN YOUR EVERYDAY NEEDS. If you have any questions, please call the office at (907) 567-3988.**

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