



Ninilchik Senior Center

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Coming Up:

Daylight Savings Ends
11/5

Holiday Craft Fair 11/10
- 11/11

Veteran's Day 11/11

Cards With Kimberly
11/15 at 1pm

Thanksgiving 23rd
Center Closed 23rd &
24th

Good-bye October and all of its ghosts and goblins and hello November and its promise of a Thanksgiving dinner with family and friends.

What has been happening that is noteworthy and exciting? First of all our kitchen fund is growing nicely. It is up to \$56,496! Thank you to all that have donated but let's not quit now! Those of you who can, it would be greatly appreciated if you could make a donation. Challenge your neighbor to match your contribution. It's a great way to get those competitive juices going. Let's see if we can get half way to our goal by the end of the year.

Thanksgiving is coming up November 23. Don't forget the Center will be closed for the four day weekend. Last day open is November 22 and will open again on November 27.

Another fun event happening at the Center is the Holiday Bazaar on November 10-11. Come on out and find yourself some fun holiday decorations and some nice presents for under the tree. Check with the office to see what the times are for the bazaar.

If you are planning to head out for some fun in the sun soon, I pray for safe travels for you, and if you are not heading out, I pray for safety on the roads in the area.

Bless all of you this Holiday Season and Happy Thanksgiving - you will hear from me next month good Lord willing.

~Dick Hawkins



A Note from the Executive Director:

November already?? Yes, as hard as it is to believe, November is here! With it comes the dreaded time change! Remember to set your clocks back an hour on November 5. It will get dark an hour earlier but it will also get light an hour earlier in the morning.

November is an exciting month. Veteran's Day falls on a Saturday this year, which means the senior center will be closed on Friday the 10th in honor of the holiday. That also means that Thursday the 9th -lunch is on us for all of our Veterans! We wouldn't be where we are today in our country if it wasn't for the sacrifice these men and women made while serving in our military!

November also brings with it Thanksgiving, and the unofficial start of the holiday season. Time for family, friends, and holiday gatherings. Thanksgiving is a special time of year. Time to think about all the blessings we have in our lives. No matter how challenging life becomes, there's always something to be thankful for! The center's turkey and all the trimmings Thanksgiving meal will be on Tuesday, November 21. Hope to see you there!

November also seems to be the start of the annual craft fairs and bazaars. The center's annual holiday bazaar will be held on Friday and Saturday, November 10/11 from 10 am to 5 pm. Stop by and check out our local crafters and bakers – maybe even find some holiday gifts! Have a wonderful November!

~ Julie Otto



Medicare Open Enrollment

October 15–December 7

**Kelly from the Independent Living Center will
be at the Ninilchik Senior Center on**

Tuesday, November 21st

At 12:30

She will give a short presentation regarding the Plan D Prescription options

*****If you would like Kelly to assist you in choosing Plan D, please bring a list of the medications you take.*****

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Oct. 15-Dec. 7 is the time to sign up for Medicare prescription drug plans.

Plans change, so compare each year for the best value.

If you have other prescription insurance, you may not need Medicare Part D.

Check with your plan!

Questions?

Medicare Information Office



Navigating Medicare

Preventing Medicare Fraud



Visit www.medicare.alaska.gov

**Medicare Information Office
Statewide Helpline**

(800) 478-6065

or

(907) 269-3680

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Being Thankful for the Little Things

T is for TRADITIONS that our families pass down the generations. For TRUST, no matter the situation we have each other's backs.

H is for HEALTH, forever grateful we are healthy. For HAPPINESS, we feel when surrounded by family and friends.

A is for ACHIVEMENTS, no matter how small it warms the heart.

N is for NEW BEGININGS, the new friends, environment, family we have gained over the year.

K is for KEEPING family close in your heart even when they live so far away. For KEEPSAKES like Grandma's cookie jar or homemade ornaments.

F is for FAMILY and friends possibly going through a difficult time. For FUN and laughter to help us through those difficult times.

U is for UNCONDITIONAL love we receive from family and friends.

L is for LOVE from family and friends. For LOSS we have all experienced. For LEARNING that at Ninilchik Senior Center we have all of the above!

From my house to yours may you have a blissful Thanksgiving season and as always "Swing for the Fence"

Cheryl

Thanksgiving Word Scramble



1. rcon _____
2. ukppmin _____
3. krueyt _____
4. omfaylwer _____
5. niwsebho _____
6. ciarrbesne _____
7. spmiligr _____
8. ricdukmts _____
9. dnenir _____
10. syam _____
11. solrl _____
12. eremnbov _____
13. gobeb1 _____
14. dessret _____
15. ngstufif _____
16. uyhtarsd _____
17. efats _____
18. rgavy _____
19. nnasidi _____
20. rbeda _____

Make Cards With Kimberly!

This month: Monday,
November 13th
@ 1:00pm.



Thanksgiving Word Scramble

Unscramble the Thanksgiving words and then use the highlighted letters to form the secret message. You will have to unscramble the message as well.

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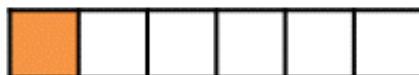
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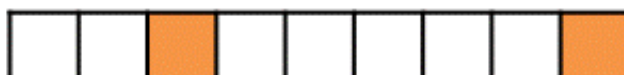
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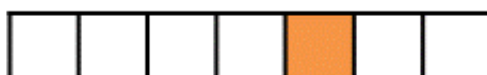
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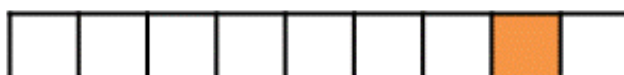
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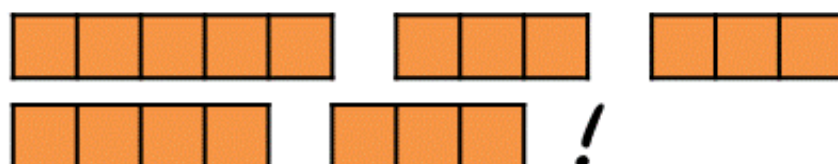
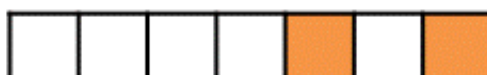
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Ninilchik Senior Center (NSC) Progressive Split the Pot Raffle

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 until 11am Friday if the member wishes to participate in that week's drawing.

Drawing Time: Every Friday at 12:00 pm

Location: Ninilchik Senior Center 66265 Aspen Ave Ninilchik, AK

Progressive Split the Pot Raffle Rules:

One winner every week.

Winner does not need to be present to win.

Open to NSC members only. Membership must be current.

The Current Raffle will last up to 16 weeks or until someone draws the Eagle. Future raffle duration may change without notice but will be announced at the beginning of each new raffle.

16 cards

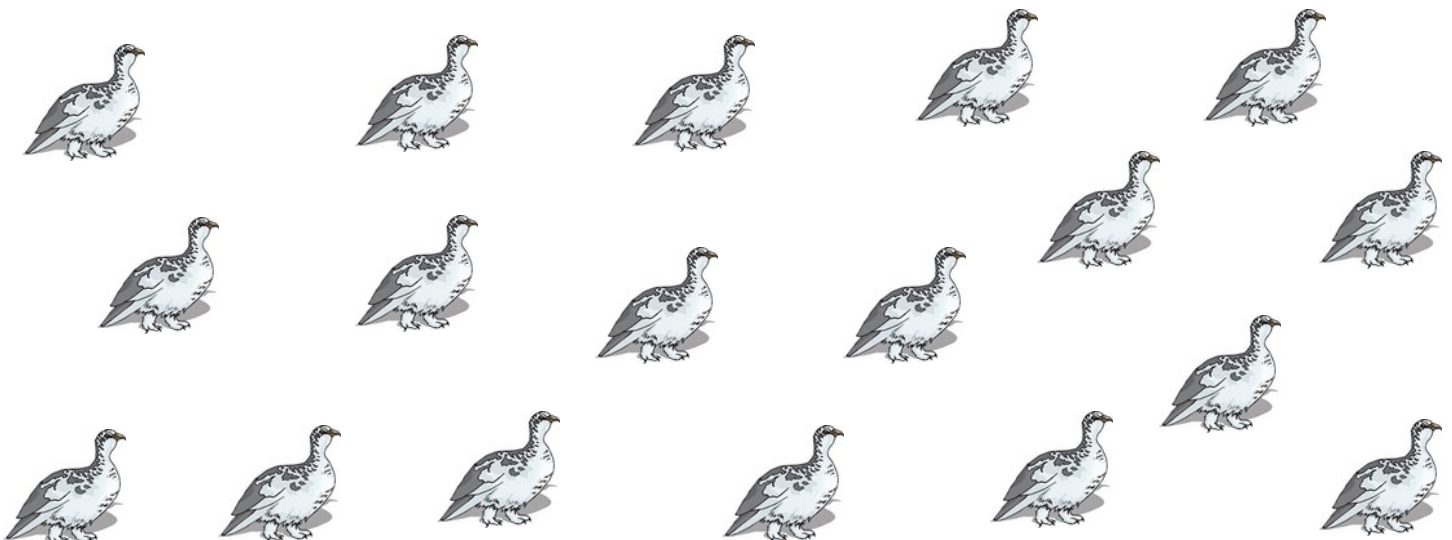
(1) Eagle: grand prize winner: 50% of the pot

(1) Owl: 10% of the pot

(14) Ptarmigan: \$5



Congratulations to all the prior weeks winners

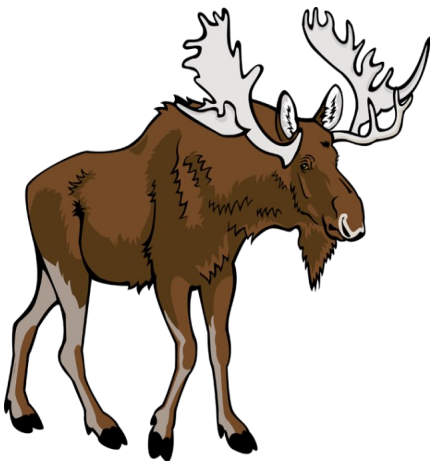




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1. True / False Alaska is over twice the size of Texas?
2. What was the depth of the oil strike at Prudhoe Bay?
3. In what years did Alaska natives first notice oil seepages?
(1830's 1890's 1920's)
4. What region is the native home of the Blue Fox?
5. How high is Mt. McKinley? (20,320 36,450 28,630)
6. Who was the President of the United States when Alaska was purchased?
7. What region in the state has the most productive timber land?
8. What animal is known as "The Alaska Blue"



1. True
2. 8,000
3. 1830's
4. Arctic
5. 20,320
6. President Andrew Johnson
7. Southeast
8. Blue Fox

Hidden Thanksgiving Riddles

Three Thanksgiving riddles have been written below but the words have been joined together and the spaces put into the wrong places. Find the three riddles and their answers and write them on the lines below.

Wh ysho uldn 'tyo uinv ite aturk eyt oadi nne rpar ty?



Answer: Bec aus eitn igh tus efo wlla ngu age.

Wh ydi dn 'tth etur keyw anta nyde sse rt?



Answer: Hew asa lre adys tuf fed.

Whic hsid eoft hetu rke yha sth emo stfe ath ers?



Answer: th eou tsi de.

Join NSC's Legacy Club!

Leave a Legacy and make a donation (monthly or not) of any amount to the NSC Endowment Fund or NSC Operations and once your donations reach \$500, your name will be added to our donor tree. Endowment Fund Donations provide long-term investment income for the Senior Center.



Donor Tree Wall Levels of Giving:

- Tree Leaf: \$500. to \$999.
- Ptarmigan: \$1,000. to \$4,999.
- Crane: \$5,000. to \$9,999.
- Owl: \$10,000. to \$24,999.
- Eagle: \$25,000 +

Thank you to all who donate to the Ninilchik Senior Center!

TRUTH or Turkey:

THANKSGIVING TRIVIA



Circle **TRUTH** if you think the 'fact' is true, or **TURKEY** if you think it's a crock! Answers on page three.

1. The tallest balloon to ever float in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade was a 300-foot Mickey Mouse created by Walt Disney.

Truth or Turkey

2. At the first Thanksgiving, it would have been thought rude to spit in the floor.

Truth or Turkey

3. Thanksgiving is always celebrated on Thursdays because this was the pilgrims' time for prayer.

Truth or Turkey

4. Pumpkin pie was the first dessert to grace the table of the pilgrims. That's why it has become such a staple in our traditions.

Truth or Turkey

Mike Chihuly 11/2

Nancy Jo Pennington
11/3

Jack Rathert 11/4

Dan Miller 11/6

Bill Walsh /7

Heather James 11/9

John Bithos 11/11

Torvald Hansen 11/11

Harriet Covey 11/13

Glen Thomas 11/14

Judy Johnson 11/14

Molly Powell 11/19

Faye Woodhead 11/20

Russ Overfield 11/22

Tina Little 11/22

Delores Lindeman
11/25

Jody Michaeli 11/25

Kathy Carlisle 11/26

Heidi Hunsperger
11/27

Myrtle May Erickson
11/27

Carol Lane-Johnson
11/28

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**



Thank You

\$5 A Month Club

Thank you to the following who contributed to the club:

David & Judy Clemenson	Bruce Randall
Delmer McCune	Debbie MacLean
Nora & Howard Appel	Cathy Perry
Char & Byron Moore	Josie Savoy
John & Janice Nofziger	Jim Beall
Ron Jorgensen	Vi Nordgren

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!!!

Ron Jorgensen for removing the sign from the Gazebo

Dave Nordgren, John Nofziger, Gene Giovanini, Lynn Harding for shopping

Dave Nordgren for the trash removal

Steve Vanek for selling the split the pot raffle tickets

Don't forget to log all of your time in the volunteer book

Thank you to all of our members and volunteers



HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR

November 10th and 11th, 2023

10:00 AM — 5:00 PM

66265 Aspen Ave, Ninilchik

907-567-3988



Ninilchik Senior Center

Operating Budget and Endowment Fund

Donations to the Operating Budget are used to keep the doors of Center open, while the purpose of the Endowment Fund is to invest for a stable income that will allow the Senior Center to become more self-sufficient.

Your Support is Valuable!

(All gifts are tax deductible to the extend allowed by law)

I am enclosing \$ _____ Donation for: ☐ Operating Budget
☐ Endowment Growth

Your Name: _____ Date: _____

Your Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Gift will be a memorial in honor of: _____

You may also make a secure- online donation at: www.ninilchikseniors.org

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
V. President: Viola Nordgren
Secretary: Kaye Waldsmith
Treasurer: Sharon Cook
Trustee: Steve Vanek
Trustee: Cheryl Doyle
Trustee: Lynn Harding

Endowment Trustees

Chair: Kaye Waldsmith
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Trustee: David Clemenson

Staff

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

Join us for lunch!

Lunch is served at 12:00 pm Mon-Fri.
Suggested donation:
\$8 or members, \$12 for non-members
Lunch includes: soup,
salad, entrée and dessert

Events and Activities

Weekly

Mondays:

Quilting/Sewing 1-4 pm

Tuesdays:

Wednesdays:

Bingo (after lunch 1:15 pm)

Thursdays: Game Day 1-4 pm

Fridays:

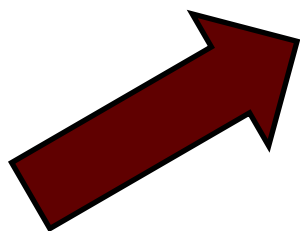
Knitting 1:30-4:00
Billiards 1-4 pm

**Interested in playing
Bridge?**

**We have a group that wants
to learn and play!**

Contact June Josten:

907-567-3335





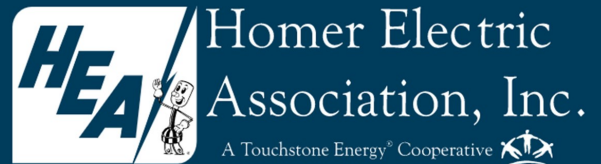
So far this year (2023), the center received **\$238.31** from Fred Meyer through their community rewards program. Thank you to those who participate and make this possible.

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>

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Thank you!!!

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