

FLORHAM PARK SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER - DECEMBER 2019

DAYLIGHT SAVING
TIME ENDS
NOVEMBER 3



ELECTION DAY
NOVEMBER 5



VETERANS DAY
NOVEMBER 11



THANKSGIVING DAY
NOVEMBER 28

CHRISTMAS DAY
DECEMBER 25



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DECEMBER 22 - 30

FLORHAM PARK SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB INFO

Senior Citizens Center

111 Ridgedale Ave.
Florham Park, NJ 07932

Phone Numbers

Senior Center Main No. 973-520-8984
Senior Center Office 973-520-8983

Elected Officers

President:	Paul Chase	973-822-0031	Treasurer:	Russell White	973-377-0107
V. President:	Angela Landon	973-765-0022	Secretary:	Marianne Nucci	973-377-8081

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Fall Picnic was a huge success with over 100 Florham Park Seniors attending the event. The lunch was catered by Natale's Deli with many Seniors bringing delicious desserts, and entertainment was provided by Peter Limone. I would like to thank the Club members and Borough employees who helped with the set-up and clean-up, decorating, and serving food. We couldn't have done it without them.

The October 9th General Meeting was also well-attended due to the local school district presentation on the proposed \$25 million bond referendum. Dr. Steve Caponegro, Superintendent of Schools, and members of the school district and the Board of Education discussed the reasons for the referendum and the projects planned for the three local schools. There will be two questions on the November 5th election ballot seeking approval for the bond referendum.

It's hard to believe that the Fall and Winter holidays are fast approaching. Your schedules will likely fill up quickly with the many events planned throughout the Borough and as well as at the Senior Center. One affair you will want to attend is the Florham Park Senior Citizen's **2019 Holiday Luncheon** at The Hanover Manor on December 11th. This is our best-attended event of the year. The reservation form can be found at the end of this newsletter for you and your friends to sign up. Thanks again to **Lynne Kelly** for being the event chair.

As a reminder, membership renewal begins January 1, 2020. A renewal form will be included in the next newsletter.

STANDING COMMITTEES

We are currently in **need of volunteers** and would appreciate your help in any area of your interest. If you wish to assist on one of our Committees, please contact the following chairperson:

Activities	Nancy Sigler	Membership	Pat Chase
Programs	Olga Petrilak	Publicity	Winifred Schurek
Hospitality	Open	Newsletter	Pat & Paul Chase
Attendance	Pat Chase	MCCoOPO	Barbara Nevius
Good & Welfare	Rosalie Coll		

GOOD & WELFARE

If you know of a Club member or their immediate family member who is not well, please contact **Rosalie Coll at 973-822-0610**. Rosalie mails out get-well and sympathy cards on behalf of the Club.

TELEPHONE TREE



In the case of the death of a Club member or someone in the member's immediate family, please inform Eileen Cerrato at 973-822-2296 or Paul Chase at 973-822-0031. The deceased member's family will be contacted and needs to give permission for any non-public information to be released to the general membership. If you would like to be contacted, please make sure Eileen has your current phone number.

We are also contacting members through emails. If you have a new email address, please notify Paul Chase at pchase1010@gmail.com or Peggy Patrick at pegpatspastime@gmail.com.

IN MEMORIAM

Let us take a few moments for reflection and prayer for the following members' spouses who have recently departed: Barbara Tassielli's husband, Frank; and Jonelle Patetta's husband, Carl.

MEMBERSHIP

Please welcome the following new or re-instated members:

Last Name	First	Birthday	Address
Ahlert	Vivian	N/A	27 Orchard Road
Ahlert	Roy	N/A	27 Orchard Road
Babb	Pat	06/03	10 Kenneth Court
Bruno	Susanna	8/15	36 Brandywyne Drive
Del Sordi	Norma	06/26	32 Roosevelt Blvd.
Inserra	Donald	5/27	111 Crescent Road
Inserra	Maria	10/11	111 Crescent Road
Mittelstadt	Arlene	09/13	111 Beechwood Road
Stegmann	Kurt	11/06	30 Felch Road
Summa	Fred	08/02	4 Totty Court
Summa	Grace	08/12	4 Totty Court

TRIPS

Thursday, November 14, 2019 – Doolan’s Spring Lake, NJ – Three Irish Tenors – The Byrne Brothers - Jimmy, Bobby, and Mike will be entertaining us with a variety of musical tastes here in America. The show also includes a comedian, show band, and a one-hour open bar. Cost to Florham Park senior residents is \$70.00; all others \$95.00. (n/w)

** (n/w) = no walking; (s/w) = some walking; (w) = walking

Please note: The cost of each trip includes ALL gratuities. Most trips also include a meal – see individual flyer. For all trips, make payment by check payable to Florham Park Seniors. Refund policy is listed on individual trip flyers. Those guests needing assistance with walking, dining or other personal needs must be accompanied by a companion who will assist them. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Sigler at 973-377-4931.



Join us for Bingo at the Senior Center which is held twice a month on Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m. The dates are: 11/5, 11/19, 12/3 and 12/17. These dates are listed on the **calendar in the lobby of the Senior Center.**

COLORING

Adult coloring will continue at the Senior Center usually on Wednesdays between 10:30 a.m. and 12 noon. The next adult coloring events are on the following Wednesdays: 11/20 and 12/18.

SENIOR EXERCISE CLASS

The current Exercise Classes will continue to be held on Mondays from 1:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. and Thursdays from 10:00 a.m.– 10:30 a.m. and will end on Monday, 12/9/2019. There will be no exercise class on 11/11/2019 and 11/28/2019.

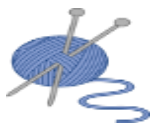
The next set of classes begin on Monday, January 13, 2020 and continue through Monday, March 30, 2020. Registration forms will be available in the next newsletter and at the Senior Center. Thank you for your continued interest in this program. Any questions, please call Ruth Moolin at 973-822-2272.

QI GONG CLASS

The current Qi Gong classes will continue through Friday, 12/6/2019. The next schedule of classes will begin on Friday, January 17, 2020 and continue through March 27, 2020. There will be no class on 11/29. Registration forms will be available in the next newsletter and at the Senior Center. Thank you for your support of this program. Any questions, please call Marsha Huber at 973-960-8722.

KNITTING/CROCHET CIRCLE

Mondays, 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. Starts Nov. 4, 2019



Do you enjoy knitting or crocheting? Come join Marsha in the Senior Center craft room on Monday afternoons from 2-4 pm. Bring your needle work and conversation.

If you are interested, we can continue meeting throughout the winter months. If you have any questions, contact **Marsha Huber 973-960-8722** or email her at **mhuber123@gmail.com**

MORRIS COUNTY COUNCIL OF OLDER PERSONS ORGANIZATION (MCCoOPO)

Morris Area Paratransit System (MAPS) is a curb-to-curb paratransit service for senior citizens 60 or older, persons with disabilities, veterans, or those who reside in rural areas of Morris County.

MAPS will transport for physical therapy (up to twice a week), dialysis, medical appointments, education, and employment. MAPS operates Mondays through Friday from 6:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and can accommodate medical appointments beginning at 10:00 a.m. and finishing by 3:30 p.m.

A registration form must be completed prior to using MAPS and requires proof of eligibility. Information can be obtained by calling 888-282-6277. Once registered, you may call up to one month in advance or at least one week prior to requested service. There is no charge and no tips are permitted; however, donations are appreciated. MAPS is funded by the Morris County Board of Chosen Freeholders, NJ Transit, Federal Transit Administration, New Jersey Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs, and individual contributions, and operated by Morris County Department of Human Services.

NewBridge Services offers a free program to county residents 60 and older and their, families, and service providers called Tame the Pain – Opioid-Free Pain Management for Older Adults. For information, contact Michelle Borden at mborden@newbridge.org or 973-686-2225.

SERVICES DIRECTORY

If you require a service and are you are looking for a trusted recommendation, a Service Directory is available at the Senior Center with recommendations from other Senior Club members.

SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB CALENDAR*

Date	Event	Time/Place
Fri., Nov. 1	Movie	12:30 p.m. Senior Center
Mon., Nov. 4	Knitting/Crochet Circle	2:00 p.m. Senior Center
Tues., Nov. 5	Bingo	1:00 p.m. Senior Center
Wed., Nov. 6	Board Meeting	10:00 a.m. Senior Center
Fri., Nov. 8	Movie	12:30 p.m. Senior Center
Mon., Nov. 11	Senior Center Closed	Senior Center Closed
Wed., Nov. 13	General Meeting – Jamie Novak will present a humorous look at getting organized. Author of bestseller, “Keep This, Toss That!”. Pizza will be served.	11:00 a.m. Community Center
Thurs., Nov. 14	Trip – Doolan’s Spring Lake with the Three Irish Tenors	See sign-up forms
Fri., Nov. 15	Movie	12:30 p.m. Senior Center
Mon., Nov. 18	Knitting/Crochet Circle	2:00 p.m. Senior Center
Tues., Nov. 19	Bingo	1:00 p.m. Senior Center
Wed., Nov. 20	Coloring	10:30 a.m. Senior Center
Fri., Nov. 22	Movie	12:30 p.m. Senior Center
Mon., Nov. 25	Knitting/Crochet Circle	2:00 p.m. Senior Center
Thurs., Nov. 28	Thanksgiving Day	Senior Center Closed
Fri., Nov. 29	Senior Center Closed	Senior Center Closed
Mon., Dec. 2	Knitting/Crochet Circle	2:00 p.m. Senior Center
Tues., Dec. 3	Bingo	1:00 p.m. Senior Center
Wed., Dec. 4	Board Meeting	10:00 a.m. Senior Center
Fri., Dec. 6	Movie	12:30 p.m. Senior Center
Mon., Dec. 9	Knitting/Crochet Circle	2:00 p.m. Senior Center
Wed., Dec. 11	Holiday Luncheon at the Hanover Manor with the Hanover Park High School Chamber Singers followed by Jo-Jo Russell	11:30 a.m. Hanover Manor
Fri., Dec. 13	Movie	12:30 p.m. Senior Center
Mon., Dec. 16	Knitting/Crochet Circle	2:00 p.m. Senior Center
Tues., Dec. 17	Bingo	1:00 p.m. Senior Center
Wed., Dec. 18	Coloring	10:30 a.m. Senior Center
Fri., Dec. 20	Movie	12:30 p.m. Senior Center
Tues., Dec. 24	Senior Center Closed	Senior Center Closed
Wed., Dec. 25	Christmas Day	Senior Center Closed
Fri., Dec. 27	Movie	12:30 p.m. Senior Center
Wed., Jan. 1	New Year’s Day	Senior Center Closed

*Please check with the Seniors Club office for any changes or updates to the Calendar.

SENIORS HELPING SENIORS



We run the 50/50 raffle and put our “can” out at general meetings in order to continually replenish our Seniors Helping Seniors fund. We are making a much-appreciated difference in the lives of seniors who may need some assistance with paying for food and other necessities. Thank you for your participation!

PICKLEBALL



The courts are scheduled to be resurfaced soon and we will have four pickleball courts in the Spring! Playing outside will continue if the weather permits or cease when the mowing work begins. Join us at the tennis courts across from the Senior Center on Mondays anytime from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. We have paddles and balls for your use. Any questions call Pat Chase, 973-822-0031. We welcome players of all ages and all levels.

PROGRAMS AT THE FLORHAM PARK LIBRARY

On the last Tuesday evening of the month the Library will show a recent DVD at 6:30 p.m. For future selections, please check with the Library.

The Second Sundays Series at 2:00 p.m. will feature:

November 10, 2019 – The Infinite Variety of Shakespeare’s Women – Ellen Barry

December 8, 2019 – Rock Around the Holidays – Nina et Cetera

Reservations are required.

SOCIAL SECURITY INCREASE

The Social Security Administration has announced that the cost-of-living adjustment for 2020 will be 1.6%. Approximately 68 million Americans rely on Social Security. For an average retiree who gets a monthly check of \$1,460, that amounts to an additional \$23.40 a month, according to the Senior Citizens League. About half of all seniors rely on Social Security for at least half of their income, and about a quarter depend on it for at least 90% of their income, according to AARP.

However, as of this writing, Medicare hasn't yet released its [Part B](#) premium changes for 2020. Any increase in this premium will, in effect, reduce the 2020 Social Security cost-of-living adjustment.

BOND REFERENDUM

Florham Park residents will have an opportunity to vote on the proposed school district bond referendum on election day, November 5th. The referendum seeks approval through two questions for approximately \$25 million to finance projects that are not able to be included in the Board of Education’s operating budget. Question #1 for approximately \$20 million includes projects at the Briarwood Elementary, Brooklake Elementary, and Ridgedale Middle Schools. Question #2 asks for approval of less immediate projects totaling \$5 million at the three schools. The first question must be approved for the second question to proceed.

The projects in the referendum do qualify for NJ State aid funding up to 40%. However, in the last 11 years, the State has only funded at a rate of 34%. The BOE estimates that after State aid, Question #1 will initially increase school taxes by \$181 per year for a home assessed at \$658 thousand. Question #2 will initially increase taxes by \$46 per year for a similarly assessed home. These increases are expected to be reduced after the current debt service of \$203 paid by the average household annually is paid off in July 2022.

For more information on the specific projects planned for the three schools, reasons for the referendum, specific questions and answers on the referendum and cost to taxpayers visit the Florham Park School District website at www.fpkps.org/referendum.



DEAR VETERANS,
THANK YOU FOR SERVING OUR COUNTRY
AND PROTECTING OUR FREEDOMS.

UPCOMING LOCAL EVENTS

- Holy Family Craft Show, Holy Family School Gym on December 7, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.
- Florham Park Christmas Tree Lighting, Community Center on December 6, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.
- Florham Park Menorah Lighting, Florham Park Gazebo on December 23, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.



WISHING EVERYONE A PEACEFULL HOLIDAY SEASON

“Peace cannot be kept by force; it can only be achieved by understanding.”

– Albert Einstein

“An eye for an eye will only make the whole world blind.”

– Mahatma Gandhi

“You may say I'm a dreamer, but I'm not the only one. I hope someday you'll join us. And the world will live as one.”

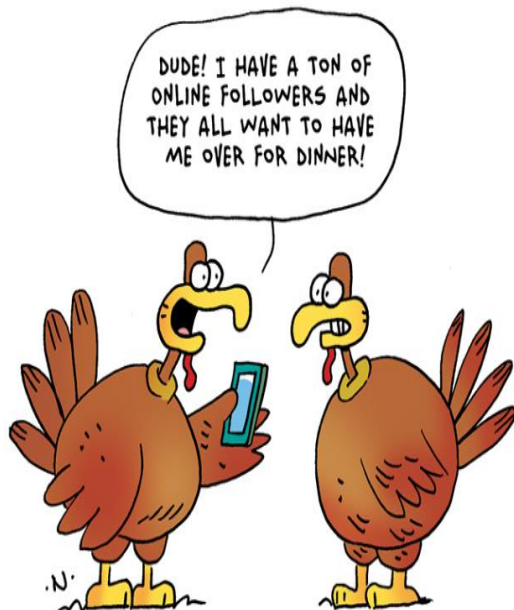
– John Lennon

“Peace begins with a smile.”

– Mother Teresa

“Darkness cannot drive out darkness: only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate: only love can do that.”

– Martin Luther King Jr.



“You're getting too old to celebrate like you used to. It's time to say No-No-No instead of Ho-Ho-Ho!”

SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB



Happy Birthday



November

Haemmerle	William	11/1
Frank	Linda	11/2
Mitro	Eva	11/2
Nixon	Kirk	11/3
Sigler	Nancy	11/3
Chase	Paul	11/6
Scarlata	Joan	11/8
Sodano	Bea	11/9
Falco	Eileen	11/11
O'Brien	Tom	11/12
Newman	Frank	11/16
Dolan	Susan	11/22
Bettle	Bobbi	11/24
Virosco	Shirley	11/24
Tassielli	Barbara	11/26
Haidri	Shamima	11/28

December

Patrick	Peggy	12/5
Dellanno	Peggy	12/7
Newman	Doris	12/10
Carr	Jack	12/11
Mayo	Juanita	12/11
Brozyna	Stephen	12/14
Zeien	Mary Jane	12/16
Love	Robert	12/17
Bendick	Michael	12/22
D'Amico	Marie	12/23
Padden	Carol	12/23
Giordano	Karen	12/26
Powell	Natalie	12/26
DeLorenzo	William	12/27
Sciaino	Mary	12/27
Camerlengo	Marie	12/29
Bauer	Ronald	12/30
Spada	Marjorie	12/31



"I gave in and let him have a man cave."

FLORHAM PARK SENIOR CITIZENS

2019 HOLIDAY LUNCHEON



- Date: **Wednesday, December 11, 2019**
- Place: The Hanover Manor, East Hanover, NJ
- Doors open for cocktail hour with cash bar - 11:30 a.m.
- Luncheon with your entrée choice - 1:00 p.m.
- Entertainment – Hanover Park Chamber Singers and Jo Jo Russell
- Entrées: roast top sirloin of beef, salmon filet, or chicken francaise

Cost: Members - \$27 Guests - \$37

Deadline for reservations and full payment: **Wednesday, December 5, 2019**

If you want to be seated with friends, please include their names and food choices on this reservation form, otherwise the event committee will make your seating assignments.

Cancelleds must be made by Wednesday, December 5, 2019. There will be no refunds after this date. Please note: No take home allowed for non-attendees.

2019 Holiday Luncheon Reservation Form

Make checks payable to: **Florham Park Senior Citizens Club**
 Mail to: Lynne Kelly
 41 Pinch Brook Drive
 Florham Park, NJ 07932

Please seat the following together (10 people per table).

	Name	Entrée Choice	Check #
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			
6.			
7.			
8.			
9.			
10.			



Thankful

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