



MONTI SENIOR NEWS

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MONTICELLO SENIOR CENTER JUNE 2025 NEWSLETTER



Bingo With Royal Ambassadors

The 2025 Royal Ambassador candidates and current Ambassadors will be at the senior center on Wednesday June 11th at 1 p.m. to play bingo with participants. People age 55+ are welcome to play and there is no charge. Cash prizes will be given to the winners and strawberry shortcake will be served after the games are played.

The Monticello Rotary funds this annual event and we thank them for their support. *Please sign up if you plan to attend.* This is a wonderful opportunity to meet the young ladies who wish to represent Monticello.

The County Fair, A Minnesota Tradition

Enjoy fun and iconic photographs and stories as historian Doug Ohman takes you back to the days when the local county fair was one of the favorite summer time highlights that everyone, young and old, looked forward to attending.

Doug will present this program at the center on Monday, June 23 at 10:30 a.m. Please sign up if you plan to attend.

It's Picnic Time!

Please join us for a picnic at Ellison Park next to the beautiful Mississippi River on Monday, June 16th.

Contact the center to reserve your place. A delicious box lunch will be served at noon and then people can play bingo for the chance to win prizes.

The cost is \$10 per person and you are asked to pay in advance.

New Writers Group Forming

We are excited to once again offer a writing group at the Monticello Senior Center. John Falenschek has volunteered to facilitate this group that will meet every third Tuesday of each month from 1-2:30 p.m.

Seniors with all levels of writing skills and expertise are welcome and encouraged to attend. The assignment for June 17th is “Flash Fiction.” Please be sure to make this is a complete story that is 500 words or less.



JUNE 2025 ACTIVITY CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 1	2 7-9 Pickleball 8:00 Casino Trip 9:00 Cribbage Tournament 1:00 Bridge	3 7-11 Pickleball 8:30 TECH Support 10:30 Line Dancing 10:30 Choir 12:00 Dinner 1:00 Hand and Foot	4 8:00 Ceramics 10:00 Bible Study 12:00 Dinner 1:00 500	5 7-11 Pickleball 9:00 Bike Group 10:30 Caregiver 1:1 10:30 Bingo 12:00 Dinner 1:00 Bridge 1:45 Equip. Orientation	6 8:30-11 Pickleball 10:00 Women's Pool 12:00 Dinner 1:00 Euchre Tournament	7 8 a.m.-Noon Center Open
8	9 7-11 Pickleball 9:00 Cribbage Tournament 1:00 Bridge 4:00 Board Meeting	10 7-11 Pickleball 8:30 TECH Support 10:30 Line Dancing 10:30 Choir 11:00 Blood Pressure 12:00 Dinner 12:30 Handiwork Group 1:00 Hand and Foot	11 8:00 Ceramics 9:00 Team Pool Tour. 9:30 Book Club 1 10:00 Bible Study 12:00 Dinner 1:00 500 Tournament 1:00 Bingo w/Royal Ambassadors	12 7-11 Pickleball 9:00 Bike Group 10:00 Funeral Planning 10:30 Caregiver Group 10:30 Bingo 12:00 Dinner 1:00 Bridge 2:00 Silver Sneaker OH	13 8:30-11 Pickleball 10:00 Women's Pool 12:00 Dinner 1:00 Euchre Tournament	14 8 a.m.-Noon Center Open 9 a.m.-noon Walk & Roll
 15	16 7-11 Pickleball 9:00 Cribbage Tournament 12:00 Picnic 1:00 Bridge	17 7-11 Pickleball 8:30 TECH Support 10:30 Line Dancing 10:30 Choir 12:00 Dinner 1:00 Hand and Foot 1:00 Writer's Group	18 8:00 Ceramics 9:45 Boat Trip 10:00 Bible Study 12:00 Dinner 1:00 500 1:30 Memory Café	19 7-11 Pickleball 9:00 Bike Group 9:30 Book Club 2 10:30 Caregiver/Bingo 12:00 Dinner 1:00 Bridge 1-3 Hearing Screening 2:00 Wellness Meeting	20 8:30-11 Pickleball 10:00 Women's Pool 12:00 Dinner 1:00 Euchre Tournament	21 8 a.m.-Noon Center Open
22	23 7-11 Pickleball 9:00 Cribbage Tournament 10:30 County Fair Presentation 12:30 Legal Aid 1:00 Bridge	24 7-11 Pickleball 8:30 TECH Support 10:30 Line Dancing 10:30 Choir 1:00 Hand and Foot	25 8:00 Ceramics 9:00 Driver's Class 10:00 Bible Study 12:00 Dinner 1:00 500	26 7-11 Pickleball 9:00 Bike Group 10:30 Caregiver 1:1 10:30 Bingo 12:00 Dinner 1:00 Bridge	27 8:30-11 Pickleball 10:00 Women's Pool 12:00 Dinner 12:00 Duck Adoptions 1:00 Euchre Tournament	28 8 a.m.-Noon Center Open 9 a.m. Duck Adoptions
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Hearing Screening Offered

The Monticello Lions Club will conduct hearing screenings at the senior center on Thursday, June 19 from 1-3 p.m. and appointments are required. They will test each ear and suggest a referral if they detect a hearing loss issue. The cost is \$5, payable to the Lions.

Duck Adoption Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to help with Riverfest Duck Adoptions on Friday June 27th & Saturday June 28th at Hi-Way Liquors.

There are a number of two-hour shifts you can sign up for. Please contact the senior center if you can help. Money raised helps fund Riverfest events.

Funeral & Cremation Pre-Planning

Planning ahead is a selfless gift that you give to your family and friends. Prearranging your final plans can take away uncertainty about your wishes, eliminate potential disagreements and remove financial concerns. Decisions can be made with loved ones; there is more time to look at options, choices, and costs, and it eliminates the tendency to overspend. It is done with education and rational thought which leads to a peace of mind knowing that "everything has been taken care of."

Please join us on Thursday, June 12th at 10 am for a one-hour presentation to learn more. There is no charge to attend and people are asked to sign up in advance.

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JUNE 2025 MENU

Tuesday Meals from Chin Yuen	Wednesday Meals from American Legion Post 260	Thursday Meals from VFW Post 8731	Friday Meals from Cornerstone Café
3 Sweet & Sour Chicken Wontons Fried Rice Fortune Cookie	4 Sloppy Joe Potato Salad Chips Pickle Spear	5 Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes Gravy Vegetable Dinner Roll	6 Open Faced Hot Beef Vegetable Special K Bar
10 Chicken Chow Mein Egg Roll Fried Rice Fortune Cookie	11 Pizza Pasta Salad Breadstick	12 Hot Beef Sandwich Mashed Potatoes Gravy Vegetable	13 Tuna Melt Tator Tots Pickle
17 Sesame Chicken Wontons Fried Rice Fortune Cookie	18 Chicken Strips Jojo's Fruit Cup	19 Lasagna Breadstick	20 Chicken Bacon Ranch Sandwich Tator Tots Pickle
24 Teriyaki Chicken Egg Roll Fried Rice Fortune Cookie	25 Scalloped Potatoes and Ham Salad Dinner Roll	26 Turkey Mashed Potatoes Gravy Vegetable Dinner Roll	27 Lasagna Green Beans Roll

Many thanks to the following restaurants for providing the meals: Chin Yuen, American Legion Post 260, VFW Post 8731, and Cornerstone Café. Menu is subject to change. Dinners are served at noon to persons age 55+ and spouse regardless of age. The meal cost is \$5. Meal reservations must be made at least one business day in advance by noon. People must pay for all meals they order.

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Book Club News

Book Club 1 News

Current members of Book Club 1 will meet at the community center on Wednesday, June 11 from 9:30-11 a.m. Group members will be discussing, *A White Wind Blew*, by James Markert. They will also pick up the new book the group will be reading. Please note that this group is closed to new members. See the article on the right for another participation option.

Join the New Book Club

Book Club 2 will meet on Thursday, June 19 from 9:30-11 a.m. The group is facilitated by a retired English teacher. We use book kits from the Monticello branch of the Great River Regional Library. You do not need to sign up, just show up. Pick up your copy of the book at the meeting and return it the next session. Group members will be discussing, *The Art of Fielding*, by Chad Harback.

Blood Pressure Checks

*Tuesday, June 10, 11 a.m. to noon

*Everybody welcome!

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Treasure Island Casino

We are sharing a coach bus to Treasure Island Casino on Monday, June 2 with participants from the Crow River Senior Center. The bus will depart the Monticello Community Center at 8 a.m. and return at approximately 4 p.m. The charge is \$25 and those going will receive \$15 on their card and \$5 off food.

Padelford Riverboat Lunch Cruise

This sightseeing cruise along the Mississippi River on June 18 may be full and you can add your name to the waiting list. The cost is \$85. The bus will depart the community center at 9:45 a.m. and return about 4 p.m.

Treasure Island Casino

We will be sharing a coach bus to Treasure Island Casino on Monday, July 7 with participants from the Rogers Senior Center. The bus will depart the Monticello Community Center at 8 a.m. and return at approximately 4 p.m. The charge is \$25 and those going will receive \$15 on their card and \$5 off food.

Chateau Winery

Enjoy a nice summer day in the St Croix Valley on Thursday, July 24. First stop will be for lunch at the Lowell Inn located in Stillwater. You will have an elegant lunch in their Garden Room and they will serve Chicken ala King (tender pieces of chicken, mushrooms, red and green peppers in a sherry cream sauce) served over a puff pastry shell, mashed potatoes, vegetable of the day, beverage and a dessert.

Next, you will go to the Chateau Winery nestled in the rolling hills of the St. Croix River Valley. You will be divided in 2 groups for a tour and a tasting. Afterwards you will have time to relax and enjoy this beautiful setting. You can visit the gift area and decide which wines you would like to purchase. The cost is \$88. The bus will depart the community center at 9:30 a.m. and return at about 5 p.m.

Lake Minnetonka Charter Cruise

You can enjoy a leisurely 1.5-hour ride around Lake Minnetonka aboard an Al & Alma’s charter boat on Monday, August 11th. The coach bus will depart the community center at 9:45 a.m. and return at 2:45 p.m.

The cost of \$60 per person includes coach transportation, boat cruise, and lunch on the boat (sandwich, salad, chips, dessert, coffee, or water). The lower level is air conditioned. People can be in the sun or in an enclosed area on the top level.

Church Basement Ladies

The Ladies are back at the Plymouth Playhouse on Wednesday August 6th with the musical that started it all and it will be as heartwarming as a slice of warm pie! Come meet the pastor, three kitchen cooks and one daughter who run the kitchen and care for the congregation by preparing and serving the food. Like any great kitchen, problems are solved here as well. This hilarious musical comedy will bring back memories of many people you know from churches everywhere!

Enjoy a tasty lunch prior to the 2 p.m. show featuring meatball marinara pasta, chicken alfredo, salad, green beans, breadstick, dessert, coffee and water. The cost is \$84. The bus will depart the community center at 10:45 a.m. and return at about 5:45 p.m.

**Free Legal Aid—Monday, June 23
Appointments required**

Handiwork Group

Bring your sewing, embroidery, crocheting, etc. project to the center on Tuesday, June 10 at 12:30 p.m. to socialize with others. There is no instructor, just people with projects.

Sympathies to...

...the family and friends of Bill Klein on their loss.

Driver Classes

People age 55+ completing a defensive driving class can receive a 10% auto insurance discount. The class needs to be repeated every three years to continue the discount. Class cost is \$25.

All participants take a four-hour class and they are scheduled on June 25, July 23 and August 27 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Call for more class dates.

Drop off or mail payment, cash or check, to the center in advance. Refunds will not be given for no-shows.

Walk & Roll June 14

The senior center will be sponsoring a booth at Monticello's Walk & Roll event from 9 a.m.—noon on Saturday, June 14. Walk & Roll will take place at West Bridge Park.

Invite your family and friends to participate! Get your Pathport checked at each booth and you could win a prize. You can stop at the senior center for more event information.

Please consider participating in the senior center 2025 Voluntary Membership. Forms available in the senior center.

Team Pool Tournament

- ♦ Monticello Senior Center
- ♦ Wednesday, June 11, 9 a.m.
- ♦ Sign up in advance, \$4 fee

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Have questions about technology? Our Technology Coaches are here to help!

In a community setting - Join a free tech clinic in Monticello every 1st and 3rd Tuesday. Call 763-295-2000 to register

In your home - Make an in-home appointment for a fee by calling 952-888-5530.



Caregiver Support

Becky Allard, LSW, is here to support you while you care for your loved one:

Make a **one-on-one appointment** for individualized support



Join a **caregiver support group** held the 2nd Thursday of each month from 10:30am-12:00pm

Contact Becky at 612-804-0968 or b.allard@seniorcommunity.org to register or learn more!

Memory Café

The Memory Café is a place where caregivers and their loved ones with memory loss can participate together. We are excited to welcome back the Wright County Master Gardeners to lead the activity.

The meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 18 at the Crow River Senior Center from 1:30-3 p.m. Caregivers have the option to attend a concurrent caregiver support group. Please call 763-497-8900 if you plan to attend.

Monticello Community Center Classes

Sign up at the Senior Center

Equipment orientation - On Thursday June 5th at 1:45 learn how to use the strength training equipment at MCC.

Silver Sneaker Open House - On Thursday June 12th at 2 pm find out if you are eligible for a free membership at MCC through your insurance plan. Meet in the warehouse.

Living Wellness - Is a weekly conversation about aging and health that will meet for 4 weeks in July. Informational meeting will be held on June 19th at 2 pm in the warehouse.

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