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Keystone Happenings for the 50-Plus Generations

KEYSTONE COMMUNITY SERVICES

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SITE LOCATIONS



Merriam Park Community Center 651-645-0349





How Old is Old?



WASHINGTON—Middle-aged and older adults believe that old age begins later in life than their peers did decades ago, according to a study published by the American Psychological Association.

"Life expectancy has increased, which might contribute to a later perceived onset of old age. Also, some aspects of health have improved over time, so that people of a certain age who were regarded as old in the past may no longer be considered old nowadays," said study author Markus Wettstein, PhD, of Humboldt University in Berlin, Germany.

However, the study, which was published in the journal Psychology and Aging, also found evidence that the trend of later perceived old age has slowed in the past two decades.

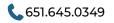
Wettstein, along with colleagues at Stanford University, the University of Luxembourg and the University of Greifswald, Germany, examined data from 14,056 participants in

the German Aging Survey, a longitudinal study that includes people living in Germany born between 1911 and 1974. Participants responded to survey questions up to eight times over 25 years (1996–2021), when they were between 40 and 100 years old. Additional participants (40 to 85 years old) were recruited throughout the study period as later generations entered midlife and old age. Among the many questions survey participants answered was, "At what age would you describe someone as old?"

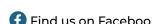
The researchers found that compared with the earliest-born participants, later-born participants reported a later perceived onset of old age. For example, when participants born in 1911 were 65 years old, they set the beginning of old age at age 71. In contrast, participants born in 1956 said old age begins at age 74, on average, when they were 65.

However, the researchers also found that the trend toward a later

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KEYSTONE COMMUNITY FOOD CENTER

Our food shelf provides quality, healthy food for people in our community.



Location:

1800 University Avenue West, Saint Paul, MN 55104

The center is between the Wendy's and Arby's on the corner of Fairview and University.

Service Hours:

- Monday: 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. & 2:00 4:00 p.m.
- Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. & 2:00 4:00 p.m.
- Wednesday: 4:00 7:00 p.m.
- Thursday: 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. & 2:00 4:00 p.m.
- Friday: 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. & 2:00 4:00 p.m.

No appointment or advanced registration is required. Food shelf participants are served on a first come, first served basis. We do have limited number of participants served each day.

Parking:

Participants are encouraged to park in our parking lot behind the building or park on Beacon Ave.

For more detailed information, please visit our website at keystoneservices.org!





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perceived onset of old age has slowed in recent years.

"The trend toward postponing old age is not linear and might not necessarily continue in the future," Wettstein said.

The researchers also looked at how individual participants' perceptions of old age changed as they got older. They found that as individuals aged, their perception of the onset of old age was pushed further out. At age 64, the average participant said old age started at 74.7. At age 74, they said old age started at 76.8. On average, the perceived onset of old age increased by about one year for every four to five years of actual aging.

Finally, the researchers examined how individual characteristics such as gender and health status contributed to differences in perceived onset of old age. They found that women, on average, said that old age started two years later than men—and that the difference between men and women had increased over time. They also found that people who reported being more lonely, in worse health, and feeling older said old age began earlier, on average, than those who were less lonely, in better health, and felt younger.

The results may have implications for when and how people prepare for their own aging, as well as how people think about older adults in general, Wettstein said.

"It is unclear to what extent the trend towards postponing old age reflects a trend towards more positive views on older people and aging, or rather the opposite perhaps the onset of old age is postponed because people consider being old to be an undesirable state," Wettstein said.

Future research should examine whether the trend toward a "postponement" of old age continues and investigate more diverse populations in other countries, including non-Western countries, to understand how perceptions of aging vary by country and culture, according to the researchers.

Full Article: "Postponing Old Evidence for Historical Change Toward a Later Perceived Onset of Old Age," by Markus Wettstein, PhD, and Denis Gerstorf, PhD, Humboldt University of Berlin; Rinseo Park, PhD, and Nilan Ram, PhD, Stanford University; Anna E. Kornadt, PhD, University of Luxembourg; Susanne Wurm, PhD, University Medicine Greifswald. Psychology and Aging, published online April 22, 2024.

Markus Wettstein, PhD

ZOOM PROGRAMS

ZOOM Word Games

Mondays.

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. on ZOOM No meeting on Monday, Sept. 2

ZOOM Social

Tuesdays,

1:00 - 2:00 p.m. on ZOOM

ZOOM Dice Games

Thursdays,

2:00 - 3:00 p.m. on ZOOM

ZOOM Bingo

Thursdays,

Aug. 15, Sept. 19, and Oct. 17 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. on ZOOM

or in-person at W7th.

Call or email Karlene for more information and the links to join in the fun!

knivacolgan@keystoneservices.org or 651-645-0349.

What is the fastest hour of the week?

For me, the answer to that question is the time spent with Karlene and friends on Zoom. Maybe that is why they call it, ZOOM!

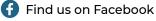
I was a reluctant joiner. I finally tried it more than a year after things in my world were offered that way. I discovered it is free to put on your computer and just one click gets you into the group. After Karlene knows you are interested, she sends a reminder email – and "click," you are there! Stay cozy in your comfy clothes

We enjoy a little friendly competition with the games, socialize with friendly Keystone seniors and have a good time to boot!

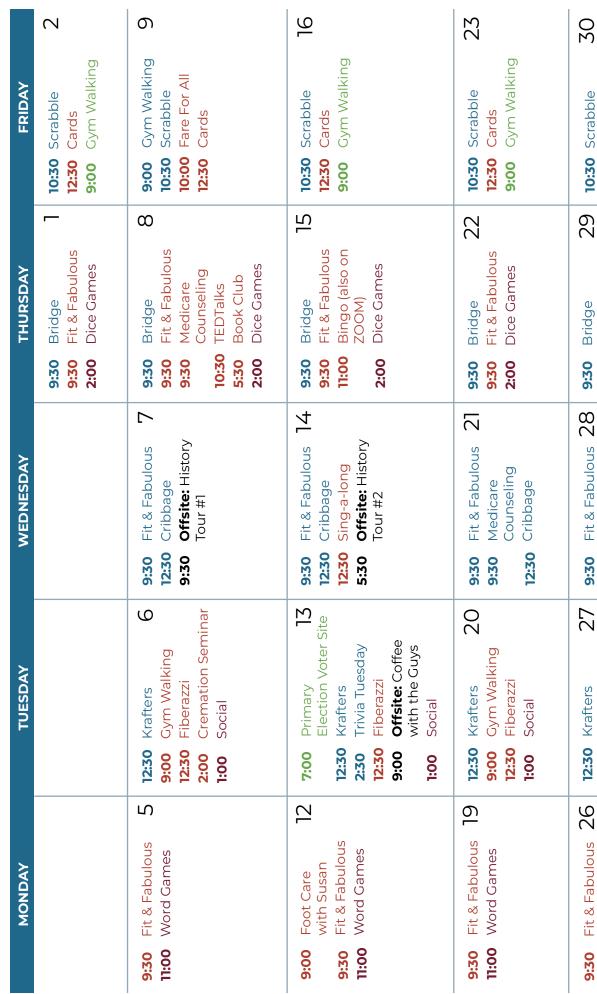
and a favorite chair right in your own home.

Nothing to be concerned about. Karlene walks us through the games, keeps track of rules (if there are any!), watches the time and keeps us focused while we enjoy ourselves. Think about giving it a try. Karlene is a great facilitator and a fun participant. We will happily welcome you – and you don't have to leave home. - Paula, a frequent "Zoomer"





August 2024 Events



Gym Walking

9:00

Cards

12:30

Fit & Fabulous

9:30 2:00

Cribbage

12:30

Movie Matinee

2:30

Word Games

00:11

Gym Walking

9:00

Fiberazzi

12:30

Social

00:

Dice Games





MW Both Locations

W7 West 7th

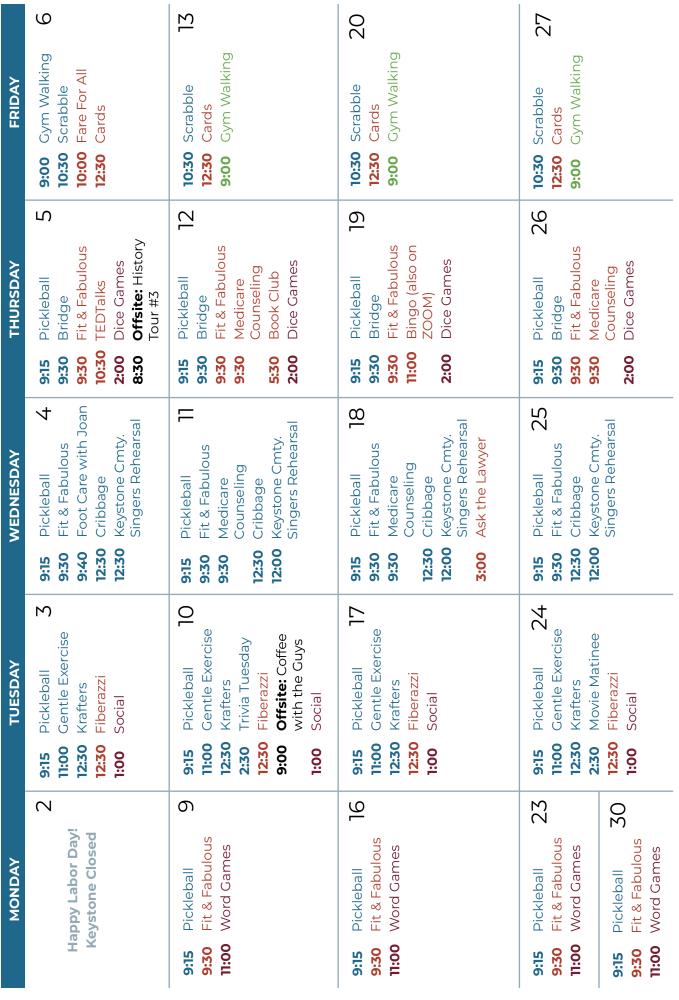
MP Merriam Park







September 2024 Events





















W7 West 7th

MP Merriam Park



























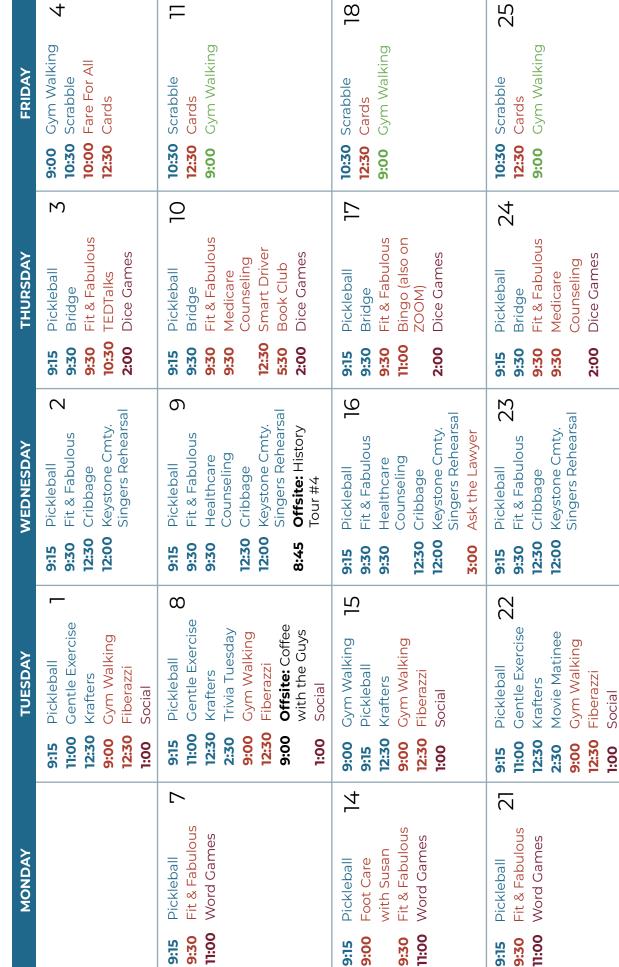








October 2024 Events



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Happy Halloween!

Pickleball

9:15

Fit & Fabulous

9:30

Gentle Exercise

00:11

Fit & Fabulous

9:30

Pickleball

9:15

Word Games

00:11

Pickleball

9:15

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Cribbage

12:30

Pickleball

9:15

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30

Bridge

9:30 9:30

Fit & Fabulous

Dice Games

2:00

Singers Rehearsal

Keystone Cmty.

12:00

Gym Walking

9:00

Krafters

12:30

Fiberazzi

12:30

Social

1:00









MW Both Locations

W7 West 7th

MP Merriam Park







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Ongoing Exercise & Activities



Fit & Fabulous MP W7

Specially designed group fitness classes for ages 50+ and all abilities, following the routines and principles of the Silver & Fit program. Class includes stretching, endurance and weight lifting. Join us at your comfort level. Recorded classes also available 24/7 on our website. Exercise Leader: Karlene, Silver & Fit Certified.

Mondays & Thursdays at West 7th. Wednesdays at MPCC No class on Monday, September 2

9:30 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. with live instruction

Cost: \$15 per month, may be covered by your health insurance. Call your health insurance customer service line to find out. Check the back of your insurance card for the correct number. Tell them you want to see if you are eligible for exercise benefits.

Gentle Exercise MP

This Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program (AFEP) class, while designed for people living with arthritis, is open to anyone looking for a gentle exercise class. Arthritis Foundation-trained Instructor Bonnie Eller will lead this low-impact, joint-safe class, teaching gentle stretching and strengthening. The movements in class can be done standing or sitting.

6-week session Tuesdays. 11:00-11:45 a.m.

6-week session Tuesdays. 11:00-11:45 a.m. Oct. 22 - Nov. 26

Sept. 3 - Oct. 8

1 week break: Tuesday, October 15

Social Pickleball MP

For those 50+. Novice and advanced Pickleball matches played for fun. You get a good, enjoyable workout. No Pickleball in August.

Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays

Wednesdays will have one court dedicated to beginner players.

9:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Cost: \$2/session

Fiberazzi W7

Knit, crochet and needlecrafts. All skill levels and fabric craft types welcomed. Come share ideas and conversation.

Tuesdays

12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Foot Care Clinic

MP 1st appt at 9:40 Wednesday, September 4 with Joan Strumpf

9:40 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. 40 minute appointments Cost: \$50

W7 1st appt at 9:00 Monday, August 12 & October 14 with Susan Janicke

9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. 30 minute appointments

Cost: \$45

Call to make an appointment.

Krafters MP

Bring your art/craft supplies and spend an afternoon with your fellow artists/crafters, sharing ideas and conversation.

Tuesdays

12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.





Trivia Tuesday MP

Join us in-person

Come show off the strange and unusual facts and trivia that you have collected over the years! Each month will feature new questions and there may even be a theme to the madness. FREE!

Tuesdays, August 13, September 10 & October 8 2:30 p.m.

Bingo W7

Join us in-person or through a ZOOM link

The popularity of Bingo is undeniable. We play both in-person and via ZOOM. Each Bingo card costs \$1. Play as many as you like. Money collected is divided between 10 games, 9 regular and 1 cover-all. One winner per game.

ZOOM players: If you need Bingo cards, they will be mailed or delivered to you. You must play same number of cards each month and must send in monthly or quarterly payments for your cards to play. 265 Oneida Street, St. Paul, 55102

Thursdays, August 15, September 19 & October 17 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. on Zoom or at W7th

Ask the Lawyer: Senior Specialty Legal Advice w

Dave Burns offers FREE one-time 15-minute consultations on the third Wednesday of each month to assist with elder law issues. Registration required.

Call 651-298-5493 to book your appointment.

3rd Wednesday of the month September 18 & October 16

3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Coffee With The Guys

"Conversation is food for the soul." Pancakes help too. Join us once a month for coffee and conversation.

We'll meet at Day by Day café on West 7th (they are saving us a table). No set agenda, just conversation and coffee.

Order some food if you like. This outing is for the guys only. Our staff person, Phil will be hosting.

August 13, September 10 and October 8 9:00 a.m.

HISTORY TOURS REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

Join us this fall and early winter as we travel the region on six different day trips. We'll do tours of Saint Paul, University Avenue, the Mississippi River, the Wisconsin River Bluffs, a road trip to Spillville, IA, and one to Duluth for the Bentleyville Lights show.

For full descriptions and to register, please visit our website at keystoneservices.org/ seniors/history-tours or call us at 651-298-5493. Payment is due at the time of registration.



Bridge MP

Match up with players according to your desired level of play.

Thursdays

9:30 a.m. – 11:30 p.m.

Cards W7

Meet weekly with others who enjoy playing cards. Currently playing 500, but taking suggestions for other card games.

Fridays

12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Scrabble MP

Like all word games, Scrabble, is great for the mind. Join us weekly for several challenging games.

Fridays

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Evening Book Club W7

Join us monthly for a lively discussion with new "book loving" friends. Call Joan Dion at 651-489-8103.

Thursdays, August 8, September 12 & October 10 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Cribbage MP

Weekly games of Cribbage, new players welcome!

Wednesdays

12:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

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When you participate in research, you, as an individual, may or may not be helped by volunteering. However, by choosing to volunteer, you can help researchers solve health problems to improve the lives of people and create a healthier future.

Contact the Recruitment Center: 612-626-9809 ctsirecruitment@umn.edu

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Scan the QR code or visit: **studyfinder.umn.edu**.





MPCC MATINEE MOVIES

Join us for matinees once a month on our big, new television screen! FREE!

> 2:30-4:00p.m. 4th Tuesdays at Merriam Park **Community Center**

August 27- Rescued by Ruby September 24– Glass Onion: A Knives Out Mystery October 22- The Peanut Butter Falcon

Movie Synopses

August: Rescued by Ruby; 2022; PG13 Chasing his dream to join an elite K-9 unit, a state trooper partners with a fellow underdog: clever but naughty shelter pup Rudy. Based on a true story.

September: Glass Onion: A Knives Out Mystery;

2022; PG13

World-famous detective Benoit Blanc heads to Greece to peel back the layers of a mystery surrounding a tech billionaire and his eclectic crew of friends.

October: The Peanut Butter Falcon; 2019; PG13 A man who has Down syndrome runs away to realize his wrestling dreams and sets out for adventure with a new friend in tow and a caregiver in pursuit.





TEDTalks are short video presentations introducing us to new ideas or presenting a fresh perspective on something we already know. Scientists, researchers, technologists, artists, designers, and others aim to stir our curiosity and get us talking. The goal is to present "Ideas Worth Spreading" to an audience of people open to being inspired or possibly wanting an introduction to a new topic.

If this sounds interesting, join us for an hour once a month. We watch several short videos on a single topic and discuss how it relates to us. It's fun and often leads to thinking about ideas we never considered before.

10:30 a.m. Thursdays

August 8, September 5, and October 17

New Topics:

August: End of Life September: Comedy October: Simplify Your Life







ARTS PROGRAMMING



Keystone and VocalEssence Community Choir

After a fantastic debut performance in May, the Keystone Community Singers are back this fall! The choir is looking for more members to join our fun. Rehearsals are **every Wednesday starting September 4th from 12:30-2:00 p.m.** at our Merriam Park Community Center (2000 Saint Anthony Park, Saint Paul). We will host a concert on the evening of Thursday, November 21st.

Contact Robert Graham at 612-547-1458 or email him at robert@vocalessence.org to sign up or to get more information.

And/Or Try Our... Summer Sing-Along

Spread the word, bring a friend (or two or three!) and come join us for summer sing-alongs at West 7th Community Center! These sing-alongs will feature a wide variety of music that we will sing together, just for the pure fun and joy of it! Free and open to all!



Wednesday, August 14, 2024

12:30 - 2:00 p.m., West 7th Community Center



Community Resources

Words from Sara **Volunteer Services Manager**

Hard to believe we are halfway through 2024 already. It was good to see so many of our volunteers at the Volunteer Social on June 25. Plans are already in the works for another one in the fall. We may be biased, but Keystone really does have the very best volunteers!

Most of Keystone's programs use volunteers every day. If you have some time to spare, we can probably find a role for you, whether it be weekly, once a month or fill in substitute. You can keep in touch with the Volunteer Team here:

Sara Fleetham, Volunteer Engagement Manager

sfleetham@keystoneservices.org / 651-797-7725

Sophie Hilker, Volunteer Coordinator

shilker@keystoneservices.org / 651-603-6656

We'd love to hear from you.





AARP SMART DRIVER PROGRAM WZ





Four-hour **Refresher Course:**

Thursday, October 10 12:30-4:30

Call 651-298-5493 ASAP to reserve your spot. Space is limited.

Cost: \$25

COMMUNITY RESOURCES:

Friends and Co:

Elder Friends Phone Companions (friendly phone conversations)

612-746-0737

Minnesota Food Hotline:

Learn about programs to help pay for food and get food.

1-888-711-1151

Ramsey County

Financial Assistance:

Learn and sign up for financial assistance and inquire about healthcare programs.

651-266-4444

Senior Linkage Line:

Speak with local aging experts about resources and other general needs.

1-800-333-2433

Help at Your Door:

Grocery shopping and delivery to your home. Sliding fee scale and accepts SNAP/EBT.

651-642-1892

Mental Health Resources:

Adult Mental Health Crisis Line:

651-266-7900

Minnesota Mental

Health Helpline: 1-800-862-1799

Jewish Family Services:

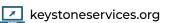
Free 20 minute phone conversations with mental health professionals.

651-239-4756

Rainbow Health:

Advocating for and serving the LGBTQ+ community, those living with HIV, and all folks facing barriers to equitable healthcare.

612-341-2060



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West 7th: August 8, September 12 & 26, October 10 & 24

MPCC: August 21, September 11

& 18, October 16 & 24

Schedule an appointment at **trellisconnects. org/medicareappt** or by scanning our QR code.



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Jan 5 – 1st Friday Feb 2 – 1st Friday Mar 8 – 2nd Friday Apr 5 – 1st Friday

May 3 – 1st Friday

June 7 – 1st Friday

July 12 – 2nd Friday Aug 9 – 2nd Friday Sept 6 – 1st Friday Oct 4 – 1st Friday Nov 1 – 1st Friday Dec 1–1st Wednesday



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- July 12
- August 2
- September 6
- October 4

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1500 Rice St, St. Paul

- June 14
- July 26
- August 9
- September 13

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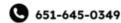
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- June 21
- July 19
- August 23
- September 20

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