

Top of the Hill

NEWS & INFORMATION FOR SENIOR CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF BILOXI

Parks & Recreation Department • July 2008

Happy Birthday to all Seniors in the month of July!



July 4th – Independence Day July 20th – National Ice Cream Day

July Trivia:

- In 1931 millions of Americans dimmed their lights for a few moments to remind them of the death of what inventor?
- •Who was the first person to sign the Declaration of Independence?

See the calendar for the answers.

JULY IS National Recreation and Parks Month Independence Day

Independence Day celebrates the Declaration of Independence that was unanimously adopted by the Continental Congress in Philadelphia on July 4, 1776. The task of getting the document signed began on August 2, 1776. Independence Day was first celebrated with festivities including cannon shots, music, fireworks, and parades in Philadelphia on July 4, 1777. In 1941, Congress declared July 4 a legal federal holiday. Today, families and friends gather together to celebrate, usually with outdoor picnics and barbecues, ribbons, and flags. In lots of areas, parades and gatherings are held during the day with public displays of fireworks at night.

Senior Dance at the Donal Snyder Community Center

"Put on your Dancing Shoes & Show your Patriotic Spirit."

Thursday, July 3, 2008, 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

Sponsored by: City of Biloxi, Biloxi Regional Medical Center, HealthSpring and (RSVP)-Retired Senior Volunteer Program.

Please R.S.V.P. to Wanda Shaw, Biloxi Regional Medical Center (228) 436-1228 to reserve a seat.

Cost of Living was: New House – \$49,300 New Car – \$4785 Average Income – \$15,000 per year Average Rent – \$240 per month Gasoline – \$.65 per gallon
Cost of Food was: Eggs – 82¢ per dozen Fresh Bread – 96¢ per loaf Milk – \$1.67 per gallon
Music: I Wish (Stevie Wonder)
Movies: Star Wars (Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford, Carrie Fisher)

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

"Life without liberty is like a body without spirit."

–Kahli Gibran



Thursdays, 1:30 p.m.

July 3rd: **Juno** starring Ellen Gosling and Emily Mortimer

July 10th: Resurrecting the Champ

starring Samuel L. Jackson and Josh Hartnett

July 17th:

Over Her Dead Body

starring Eva Longoria-Parker, Paul Rudd and Lake Bell

July 24th:

27 Dresses starring Katherine Heigl and James Marsden

July 31st:

The Bucket List

starring Jack Nicholson and Morgan Freeman

All movies are rated PG or PG-13; however there may be some obscenities. (All movies are subject to change.)

Newsletter Volunteers are needed Monday, July 28th, 10 a.m. at the Donal Snyder Community Center to help with folding, labeling, and taping of the "Top of the Hill" Senior Newsletter. Prior to arriving at the Snyder Center, please call Gwen Johnson to make sure that the newsletters are available to address and fold. (228)435-6148.

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Senior Potluck Luncheon & Speaker

Wednesday, July 16th • 11 a.m.

Donal Snyder Community Center. Please RSVP by July 11th to Jackie, Nancy, or James at the Donal Snyder Community Center, (228) 436-5191.

Speaker will be Tania Bayne, Resiliency Coach, The Mental Health Association of Mississippi, Center for Community Resilience, 2436 Pass Road, Suite C, Biloxi, MS.

Health Screening – will begin at 10:30 a.m. Screening is provided by Biloxi Regional Medical Center, Wanda Shaw, Respiratory Therapy/Neuro Diagnostic, and Friends Five-O Senior Organization.

Entertainment provided by Chaz Mikell, Studio One Productions / Bingo! 1 p.m.-2 p.m.

July Classes & Happenings

- Stretch & Strengthen Class: Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, 2 p.m. at the Donal Snyder Community Center; Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. at the Biloxi Community Center. Classes promote joint flexibility, endurance, muscle strength, coordination and increased range of motion. *Class is co-sponsored by the Arthritis Foundation (Take Control. We Can Help)*. There will be no class on Wednesday, July 16th due to the Senior Luncheon.
- Tai Chi Class: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. at the Donal Snyder Community Center. Tai Chi is a form of exercise for health and relaxation which originates from ancient China. Gentle flowing movement is combined with deep breathing exercise in order to cultivate the inner energy of the body. Daily practice of Tai' Chi promotes mental clarity, a healthy body, assistance with balance and helps the circulation of the blood.
- Walking 55+ Program: Walking can help enhance the energy supply, decrease risk of injury, burn calories, increase muscle conditioning, body shaping, and reduce stress, improve sleep and eating habits. Walking is the one exercise that almost anyone can do, regardless of age or level of physical fitness. Plan a walking schedule and stick to it. Choose a safe, pleasant place to walk. Remember to stretch and wear a good walking shoe.
- **Craft Class:** Friday, July 25th, 10 a.m. at the Donal Snyder Community Center and Monday, July 28th, 10 a.m. at the Biloxi Community Center.
- **Pokeno!** Friday, July 11th, 10 a.m. at the Donal Snyder Community Center and Monday, July 14th, 10 a.m. at the Biloxi Community Center.
- Bridge: Tuesday, July 15th, 12:30 p.m. in the craft room at the Donal Snyder Community Center. Contact Mary Hubmann with the Gulf Coast Bridge Club at (228) 539-3153. There is a minimal cost of \$3.00 for prizes and snacks.
- Bonco! Monday, July 21st, 10 a.m. at the Biloxi Community Center and Friday, July 18th, 10 a.m. at the Donal Snyder Community Center.
- Yoga Class: Tuesdays, 11 a.m. at the Donal Snyder Community Center. The instructor is Patsy Fortenberry of Bayview Yoga, LLC. Items you will need for this class are a yoga exercise mat and a sturdy belt or strap. There is a minimal cost for this class.

Please call 436-5191 to sign up for each class. For information about senior programming contact Gwen Johnson at (228) 435-6281.

Upcoming Activities, Classes & Events!

- Upcoming Friends Five-O: For details contact Wanda Shaw at Biloxi Regional Medical Center, (228) 436-1228, email shaw@brmc.hma-corp.com.
 - Various senior games will be offered at the Donal Snyder Community Center and Biloxi Community Center in early August. For more information contact Jamie Lee, Recreation Superintendent, (228) 435-6205, email jlee@biloxi.ms.us



Saturday

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Calendar of Events Monday Wednesday Thursday Sunday Tuesday Friday 3 1 2 • DSCC - Donal Snyder Sr. Community Center Stretch & Stretch & Stretch & Strengthen Class • BCC - Biloxi Community Strengthen Class Strengthen ★Closed★ Center 10 p.m.-BCC 2 p.m.-DSCC 10 p.m.-BCC (Classes that are not labeled either Tai Chi Class Tai Chi Class DSCC or BCC will be held at the 10 a.m.-DSCC 10 a.m.-DSCC regular Donal Snyder location.) Yoga Movie & Popcorn 11 a.m.-DSCC 1:30 p.m. INDEPENDENCE DAY 6 7 8 9 10 11 Pokeno Stretch & Stretch & Stretch & Stretch & Strengthen Class Strengthen Class Strengthen Class Strengthen 10 a.m.-DSCC 2 p.m.-DSCC 10 p.m.-BCC 2 p.m.-DSCC 10 p.m.-BCC Stretch & Tai Chi Class Tai Chi Class Strengthen Class 10 a.m.-DSCC 10 a.m.-DSCC 2 p.m.-DSCC Movie & Popcorn Yoga 11 a.m.-DSCC 1:30 p.m. Stretch & Senior 13 16 17 15 14 18 Strengthen Luncheon Stretch & Pokeno Bonco! Class 10 p.m.-BCC 10 a.m.-BCC & Speaker Strengthen 10 a.m.-DSCC 10 p.m.-BCC Tai Chi Class 11 a.m.-DSCC Stretch & Stretch & Strengthen Class 10 a.m.-DSCC BINGO! 1 p.m. Tai Chi Class Strengthen Class 2 p.m.-DSCC 10 a.m.-DSCC 2 p.m.-DSCC Stretch & Yoga 11 a.m.-DSCC Strengthen Class Movie & Popcorn 1:30 p.m. Bridge NO CLASSES TODAY 12:30 p.m.-DSCC 21 23 24 25 20 22 Craft Class Bonco! Stretch & Stretch & Stretch & 10 a.m.-BCC Strengthen Class Strengthen Class Strengthen 10 a.m.-DSCC 10 p.m.-BCC 2 p.m.-DSCC 10 p.m.-BCC Stretch & Stretch & Tai Chi Class Strengthen Class Tai Chi Class Strengthen Class 2 p.m.-DSCC 10 a.m.-DSCC 10 a.m.-DSCC 2 p.m.-DSCC Yoga Movie & Popcorn 11 a.m.-DSCC 1:30 p.m. 27 2829 30 31 All classes and programs are subject to change and changes will be posted at Craft Class Stretch & Stretch & Stretch & the City of Biloxi's Community 10 a.m.-BCC Strengthen Class Strengthen Class Strengthen Centers. Prior notice will be given if possible. 10 p.m.-BCC 2 p.m.-DSCC 10 p.m.-BCC Stretch &

Tai Chi Class

10 a.m.-DSCC

1:30 p.m.

Movie & Popcorn

Answer 1: Thomas Edison

Answer 2: John Hancock

Strengthen Class

Volunteers Needed:

2 p.m.-DSCC

Newsletter

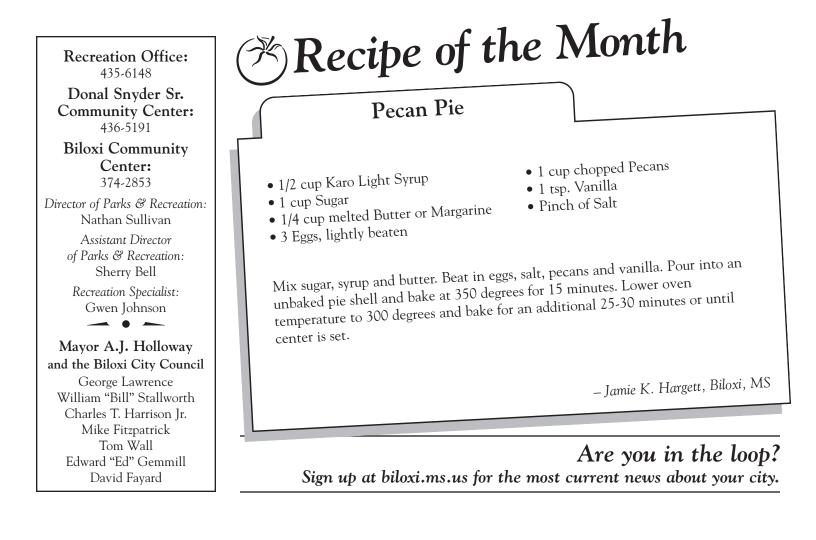
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Tai Chi Class

10 a.m.-DSCC

11 a.m.-DSCC

Yoga





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