**Duluth Parks & Recreation** 

## 55+ NEWSLETTER

November & December 2025

### **RECENT EVENTS**

### Fishing at the Lester River

The fall season brings many great things, including fishing for salmon and steelhead at streams along the north shore. On a Wednesday morning in September, participants learned how, when, and where to fish for salmon and steelhead trout at the mouth of the Lester River.





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### **DULUTH PARKS & RECREATION**

55+ programs are opportunities for socializing, learning, fitness, games and more!

### **CONTACT & REGISTRATION**

There are several ways you can register or request more information:

Register online at duluthmn.gov/parks or Email: parks@duluthmn.gov

Senior Programs phone line: (218) 730-4310

City Hall Parks & Recreation office: (218) 730-4300
City Hall hours: 8:30 a.m.- 4 p.m.

Fill out a registration form at the Evergreen Community Center Parks office

### **UPCOMING CLOSURES**

### **Holiday Closures**

Duluth Parks & Recreation is closed: November 11 (Veterans Day) November 27 & 28 (Thanksgiving) December 24 & 25 (Winter Holiday) January 1 (New Years)

### **Election Closures**

Evergreen and Morgan Park Community Centers will be closed Tuesday, November 4.

### **Cleaning Closures**

Evergreen Community Center will be closed November 7 for deep cleaning.

### **UPCOMING PROGRAMS**

See front page for registration details

### JIGSAW PUZZLE COMPETITION

Gather a team of up to 4 people and indulge in a night of friendly competition and speed puzzling! See how quickly you can complete a 500 piece puzzle. Prizes for teams will be drawn at random, and awards for the top three teams will be given at the end of the evening. All teams may keep their competition puzzle. Optional: bring a puzzle for the puzzle swap table!

- 5-6 p.m. Casual Puzzling/Warm-up
- 6-7:50 p.m. Competition
- All puzzling will conclude at 7:50 p.m. for awards

Team registration is required. Hurry, spaces fill fast! Ages: 18+

Thursday | November 6 | 5-8 p.m. | \$40 per team Evergreen Community Center, 5830 Grand Ave Course #4236

### MAKE A SNOWMAN ORNAMENT

Make a snowman ornament you can hang on a tree or give as a present. All supplies will be provided and you get to assemble. Enjoy cider and cookies while you craft. Bring \$5 cash for each ornament. Open until supplies run out.

This is a drop-in program, you do not need to register. Limited crafts available, first-come, first-served.

Ages: 55+

Wednesday | November 19 | 1:30-3:00 p.m. \$5 per ornament | Evergreen Community Center, 5830 Grand Ave



### **LEARN TO PLAY MAHJONG!**

Mahjong is a tile-based game of skill, strategy, and luck, similar to the card game rummy. It is played with a set of 144 tiles that are divided into suits, winds, and dragons. The first player to complete their hand, known as "mahjong," wins the round.

The Mahjong Activity Club plays every Wednesday at Evergreen Community Center. If you are interested in learning how to play, you are welcome to join! No experience or equipment necessary.

Contact us ahead of time so the group leader knows to expect you. Call (218) 730-4310.

Ages: 55+

Wednesdays | 12-3:30 p.m. | Evergreen Community Center, 5830 Grand Ave | Free



### **FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT**

Friday nights in November and December, we will transform the Morgan Park Community Center into a movie theater to enjoy a cozy movie night! We'll have the big screen, comfy chairs, and free popcorn to make the evening extra fun. Bring a blanket or your favorite seat to get extra cozy. It's the perfect way to kick off the weekend with friends, family, and a great film! All movies rated PG.

\*\* Funding for these programs provided by the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative in cooperation with the National Park Service.

Ages: All

Friday | 6:30-8 p.m. | Free

Morgan Park Community Center, 1242 88th Ave W

- November 7 "Inside Out 2"
- November 14 "A Minecraft Movie"
- November 21 "Moana 2"
- December 12 "Spiderman: Into the Spiderverse"

### **GENTLE YOGA**

Yoga offers many benefits to the mind and body! It can relieve stress and tension, calm the nervous system, improve balance, and help maintain mobility. Our yoga instructor will guide you through a relaxing flow to leave you feeling refreshed. No previous experience is necessary, all levels welcome! Adaptations can be made where possible.

Please arrive 15 minutes early and wear comfortable clothing. You may bring your own yoga mat or the instructor will have some available. Optional items to bring include a water bottle if desired, beach towel, and a throw pillow for comfort in lying positions.

Pre-registration required. No drop-ins are allowed.

Ages: 55+

### Portman Gentle Yoga

Portman Community Center, 4601 McCulloch St

Session 2
Tuesdays | November 4-December 16\*
5:30-6:30 p.m. | \$30 | Course #4164
\*No class on November 11

### <u>Lafayette Gentle Yoga</u>

Lafayette Community Center, 3016 Minnesota Ave

Session 2
Wednesdays | November 5-December 17\*
4:30-5:30 p.m. | \$30 | Course #4163
\*No class on Nov. 26.

### **FULL MOON HIKE**

On the evening of the full moon, join us for a hike to catch the moon rising over our great City. Headlamps provided if needed.

Ages: All

- Wednesday | November 5 | 5-6 p.m. | \$5
   Waabizheshikana, 7011 Pulaski St
   Difficulty: Easy | Course #4221
- Thursday | December 4 | 5-6 p.m. | \$5
   Hawk Ridge, 4031 E Skyline Pkwy
   Difficulty: Easy | Course #4222

### **ADULT OPEN PICKLEBALL**

Indoor pickleball is back! Drop-in pickleball, no registration required. Monday and Friday will be beginner+ play, while Tuesday and Thursday are for intermediate+ play. Game rotation will vary based on attendees. Bring your own paddle and gym shoes.

No pickleball on the following holidays: Nov. 11, Nov. 27, Nov. 28.

Ages: All

Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays October 14-December 19 | 9-11 a.m. Washington Center Gym, 310 N 1<sup>st</sup> Ave W \$3 per day





### **ONGOING PROGRAMS**

### **SENIORS GET SAVVY**

Do you have questions about your new device? Want to learn how to best utilize your settings? Bring your questions and drop-in for an informational Q&A session to help build your confidence in technology! Be sure to bring your devices and know your passwords. Please note, this is NOT a repair or virus removal service. This program can help with basic technology questions, but may not be able to answer all individual inquiries.

This is a drop-in program, you do not need to register.

Ages: 55+

November 20, NO December program

10 a.m.-Noon | Free

Evergreen Community Center, 5830 Grand Ave.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> HALFERS AFTERNOON BREAK

Looking for a social group? This is an informal get together to grow connections and friendships. Enjoy discussions on many topics. Coffee and tea are available. You do not need to register, you can just drop in at the Evergreen Senior Center's Conference Room.

Ages: 55+

2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month | 3-4:30 p.m.

Free | Course #3583

Evergreen Community Center, 5830 Grand Ave.

### **Bonebuilders**

Bonebuilders is a volunteer run exercise group that enhances overall energy and wellness. Exercises primarily take place seated, with the option to use light weights. Participants are guided through a variety of movements to help build bone density, strengthen muscle, improve overall health.

Ages: 55+

Every Tuesday & Thursday | 9-10 a.m. | Free Evergreen Community Center, 5830 Grand Ave

## WEDNESDAY FUN AT EVERGREEN COMMUNITY CENTER



## **OPEN GAME TIME**

Come play a game, color, or work on a puzzle at the Evergreen Community Center. This Open Game Time is open to anyone who is 55+. The Evergreen Community Center has many games and puzzles available, but you are welcome to bring your own.

Ages: 55+
Wednesdays
1:30-3 p.m. | Free
Evergreen Community Center,
5830 Grand Ave.

\*No Game Time November 26, December 24 or 31\*

## **SENIOR HOLIDAY PARTY**



THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2025 10:30 A.M. - 1:30 P.M. MORGAN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER \$15







HOT DINNER

Register by December 1. No walk-ins.

Members of different households must register for themselves.

You can register online, fill out a form at the Evergreen office, or call (218) 730 - 4310.



## **ACTIVITY CLUBS**

Activity Clubs are community run groups that meet on an ongoing basis in community centers. Club topics range from coffee and chat, cards, BINGO, crafts, or any other interest that a group of community members might have.

Activity Clubs are free or have a small fee. Everyone age 55+ is welcome to join. If you would like to know more about joining or starting an Activity Club, please contact the 55+ Recreation Specialist at (218) 430-4310.

### Portman Community Center, 4601 McCulloch St

Bridge (Competitive)	Mondays	11:30 a.m 3 p.m.
Men's Coffee & Chat	Wednesdays	9 - 11 a.m.

### Morgan Park Community Center, 1242 88th Ave W

Cribbage	Tuesdays	12:30 - 3 p.m.
BINGO (cash to play)	Wednesdays	12:15 - 3 p.m.

### **Evergreen Community Center, 5830 Grand Ave**

Bone Builders	Tuesdays Thursdays	9 - 10 a.m.
Dominoes	Mondays	10 a.m 11:45p.m.
Hand & Foot	Mondays	11:45 - 3 p.m.
500 Cards	Fridays	12:15 - 3 p.m.
Cribbage	Tuesdays	12:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Cribbage	Saturdays	1 - 3 p.m.
Cribbage	Mondays	6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Mahjong (learn/play)	Wednesdays	12:00 - 3:30 p.m.
Open Game Time	Wednesdays	1:30 - 3 p.m.
BINGO (cash to play)	Thursdays	12:15 - 3 p.m.







# November 2025

# Evergreen Seni or Programs Calendar Evergreen Community Center, 5830 Grand Avenue

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23 Programs subject to change during Holiday weeks	24 Dominoes 10am- 12pm Hand & Foot 11:45- 3pm Cribbage 6-9 pm	25 Bone Builders 9-10am Cribbage 12:30-3:30pm Irving CommunityClub	26 2nd HalfersAfternoonBreak 3 - 4:30pm	27 Parks & Recreation closed for Thanksgiving	28 Parks & Recreation closed for Thanksgiving	29



# December 2025

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