Urbana Park District Senior Club

Second Tuesday of each month, 12-1:30pm
Phillips Recreation Center
Age 50 and better

The Urbana Park District Senior Club gathers on the second Tuesday of every month at the Phillips Recreation Center for a meeting, potluck luncheon, and entertainment. All seniors, 50+, are welcome to join us for fun, fellowship, and a great meal. For more information about the Club or to become a member ($15 resident of Urbana and Champaign Park Districts, $18 nonresident), please give Jacob Johnston a call at 217-367-1544 ext. 311 or email jrjohnston@urbanaparks.org.

Join the Urbana Senior Club Facebook Group!

If you've got a Facebook account, you can request to join our Facebook group. Don't have a Facebook? No worries! Set up an appointment with Jacob Johnston, our Community Program and Engagement Coordinator, for Facebook creation, education, and a complimentary privacy-settings screening to ensure that your information remains secure as possible. We use the page to post information about the club, its members, and important local stuff we think you ought to know, so be sure to check for updates frequently! Here's how to join:

1. Log in to your Facebook account.
2. In the Facebook search bar (located at the top left of the screen), type "Urbana Park District Senior Club." The group's page will show up as the first result.
3. Click the +1 JOIN button!

A group administrator will approve your request (usually within hours) and then you may post and share information among the group!

Senior Club Trips

This season, our Club will be going on some fabulous trips. If you're interested in joining us or for more information, call Travel Chair Bobbi McEntire at 217-367-1394. Please call between 9am and 8pm Monday-Saturday. To stay up-to-date on all club trips, subscribe to our monthly Lifelong Leisure newsletter.

FREE! Age-Friendly Office Hours and Technology Assistance

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 2-4pm; By appointment
Brookens Gymnasium (POD 400) or
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Come visit Jacob Johnston, our Community Program and Engagement Coordinator, to learn about technology basics. This could include: learning and/or setting up a new smart phone, password management, taking, storing, and sharing photos, and much more! Jacob, along with some tech-savvy volunteers, will be providing technology education and troubleshooting, upon request. **No registration is required but appointments are!** For more information or to schedule an appointment, give Jacob a call at 217-367-1544 ext. 311 or email jrjohnston@urbanaparks.org. Once you've booked your appointment, be sure to bring your smartphone, tablet, or laptop and plenty of questions!

Lifelong Leisure-Senior News

The Urbana Park District's free senior newsletter is your go-to source for senior activities in Urbana. The newsletter is the best was to stay up to date on all trips, events, and programs offered through the park district and Senior Club. Call the Recreation Office at 217-367-1544 to get your name on the mailing list. **We also send the newsletter electronically, so if you'd like to save paper and postage, send an e-mail to Jacob Johnston at jrjohnston@urbanaparks.org or join directly from urbanaparks.org.**

FREE - Volunteer Programs

See how you can make a difference during volunteer opportunities at District Natural Areas. Pre-registration is required for groups of 8 or more people. Call 217-384-4062. Clubs, scouts, and other groups may request their own private workday by calling the number listed above.

Champaign-Urbana Ukulele Jam

Thursdays, 5:30-6:30pm
Phillips Recreation Center
All ages and skill levels welcome!

The Urbana Park District is the place to be if you own a ukulele! Our weekly ukulele jam is a great way to improve or maintain your skills and make lasting friendships. The group welcomes anyone regardless of age, instrument, or ability. We sit in a circle and take turns choosing songs to play as a group, but you can pass on selecting a song if you wish. We even have our very own songbook, which will be given to participants at no cost. Our group plays beginner-friendly music too so newer players are encouraged to attend. Loaner music stands may be available upon request. Please consider joining our private Facebook group for weekly updates. To join search "Champaign-Urbana Ukulele Jam" on Facebook and click the "Join" button. For any questions, please contact Jacob at 217-367-1544 ext. 311 or email ***jrjohnston@urbanaparks.org.*** **No registration required, just come on by**!

FREE! Absolute Beginner Ukulele Workshops

Thursdays, January 20-March 10, 4:30-5:30pm
Phillips Recreation Center
Age 50 and Better
CODE: 823

Have you ever wanted to learn a stringed instrument but found it too difficult or just couldn't find the time? Well, why not start with an easy one? This January, our Community Program & Engagement Coordinator will be trading in his iPad for a ukulele! **Our Ukulele Workshops are designed for absolute beginners.** Music will be distributed during the first session. Some loaner ukuleles and music stands will be available upon request. **Pre-registration for the class is required, so please register online or call the Recreation Office at 217-367-1544.**

Age-Friendly Field Trip to St. Louis Botanical Gardens

$70, includes snacks
Wednesday, May 11, 7am-7pm
Age 50 and better
CODE: 820

Join us for our annual, awe-inspiring garden trip! This year we've decided to change it up a bit and try out the Missouri Botanical Gardens instead of our traditional Chicago Garden trip. Upon arriving in St. Louis we'll soak up some of the initial sites before sitting down for a quick and delicious meal at Sassafras. After lunch, there will be an optional guided tram tour, which will provide an excellent opportunity to observe the beautiful display gardens, sculptures, and buildings. We'll end our time at the Gardens by visiting the Garden Gate Shop, which stocks some of the finest plants, gardening materials, books, and home furnishings around. There will be plenty of storage space under the bus for your purchased items. Please register online or call the Phillips Recreation Center at 217-367-1544.

FREE! Age-Friendly Online Trivia

Mondays, Jan 24, Feb 28, Mar 28, Apr 25, 6:30-7:30pm

Join us for a fun game of pop culture trivia that we'll play together on Zoom! You will need a second screen, whether that's a second device like a smart phone or tablet, or you could open a second window on your home computer. Our 40 questions will cover just about everything from the 1950s to today: historic events, movies, toys, TV, fashion, music, and more! It's free, just sign up and we'll email you a Zoom invitation including a link and password. Call 217-367-1544 to register today!

FREE! Rules of the Road

Thursday, March 3, 9-10:30am
Phillips Recreation Center | Age 50 and better | ***CODE: 822***

This free review of Illinois traffic laws and signs, held in cooperation with the Illinois Secretary of State's Office, allows experienced drivers to polish their skills and keep on top of changing traffic laws. Registration is not necessary, just drop in! **For those who prefer to attend online, ZOOM links will be available upon request!**