

## **CUSTOMER SERVICE OFFICE HOURS**

Mon - Fri 9am - 4pm Sat 9am - 12:30pm

McKee will be Closed for Remembrance Day Friday, November 11 Lest We Forget

Have a question, suggestion or comment for the monthly newsletter? We'd like to hear from you—please contact us at <u>mckee@delta.ca</u> McKEE SENIORS RECREATION CENTRE Recreation for 50+

McKee Seniors \* Society's \* Anniversary Gala Celebration

> Sat, Nov 19, 2022 7-10pm

> > EBRA

## Tickets \$10

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Celebrate 15 years of McKee Seniors Recreation Centre! Enjoy 50s and 60s music from *Cut 'n Dried,* appetizers, beverages and dancing. Dress up for the occasion! This event is open to all 50+ members of the public. Limited tickets available, get yours today at McKee Customer Service Desk. **Cash Bar available: Beer & Wine** 

McKee House Seniors Society is co-sponsored with the City of Delta for this event.

## **News From Your Board**

Hello McKee members,

McKee House Seniors Society Annual General meeting was held September 24, 2022. All candidates for the Board were elected by acclamation. The results were as follows:

- \* Mae Quon-Forsythe. President
- \* Fran Schiffner, Vice-President
- \* Jack MacDonald, Treasurer
- \* Kathy Ross, Secretary
- \* Linda Lanoway, Director at Large
- \* Chris Carter, Director at Large

The McKee Board of Directors were able to meet with DSS graduate, Arshdeep Pannu, who was the McKee House Seniors Society Scholarship award winner! Arshdeep has goals of becoming a lawyer in the future and is grateful for this award.

Unfortunately, Chris Carter has since chosen to resign from his Board position due to personal reasons. We thank Chris for his brief time on the Board and wish him well in his future endeavours.

As you can see the make-up of the Board is sparse and we continue to encourage anyone that may be interested in participating in the planning of the many activities and programs of McKee House to join us. Let the front desk know if you are interested in volunteering in any capacity.

The Board requested and received a very generous sponsorship from the City of Delta for our delayed 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration. Thanks to this we are planning a Gala event on November 19, 2022! Tickets are currently on sale for this event and more details are available in the newsletter as well as posters throughout the building.

Other social events that will be happening next month are the Delta Music Makers, December 4, and Holiday Luncheon December 15. Stay tuned for more details.

Mae Quon-Forsythe President

### McKee House Seniors Society Scholarship award winner, Arshdeep Pannu.



BACK ROW: Jack MacDonald, Carol Page, Fran Schiffner, Kathy Ross, & Chris Carter.

FRONT ROW: Mae Quon-Forsythe, Arshdeep Pannu & Linda Lanoway.



#### **McKee Board of Directors**

Mae Forsythe Fran Schiffner Jack MacDonald Kathy Ross Carol Page Linda Lanoway Vacant Vacant Vacant Vacant Vacant President Vice President Treasurer Secretary Director at Large Director at Large

## **City of Delta**

Hello McKee members,

Here we are in November. What a run of amazing weather we have had the past few months. With the warmer days of autumn now behind us we are now getting ready for some cooler days. When it's cold, it's best to wear a hat, mittens and remember to keep your face and neck warm too. Layers are good along with waterproof footwear to help keep us toasty! Also the City of Delta has organized the Snow Angel program for those that are not able to shovel their walkway or sidewalk. More details on this program are on page 9.

There are lots of activities planned for the upcoming months. Together with your Board of Directors we are working on a variety of activities, but need your help. There are a lot of vacancies on the board and as you are aware board recruitment and retention is the key to a successful board. Please stop by McKee and pick up a description of the variety of roles that are needing your support.

This month we have the 15 Year Anniversary Gala, very exciting to have an evening event and celebrate all the accomplishments that the Society has made towards the community. There is also the first Holiday Craft Fair too. Keep in mind that we will also get an extra hour of rest this month as Daylight Savings Time ends on Sunday, November 6, 2022, at 2:00 am. Since the time changes at 2:00 am., we generally change our clocks before bed on Saturday.

Stop by McKee and join in on the variety of programs, there is something for everyone and we are always looking for suggestions for new programming. Being active gives us a physical and mental boost for the day.

Lisa Porter Acting Seniors Community Services Supervisor



Remembrance Day Ceremony Friday, November 11 10:15am Parade/10:45 Ceremony Memorial Park 5010 47 Ave, Delta, BC



## City of Delta Staff

Seniors Centre Coordinator Volunteer Coordinator Clerk Facility Operations Supervisor Building Service Workers

Lisa Porter Dani Mageau Ravi Dhaliwal Carson McCrum Mike, Blaine, Don, Haiden, Cali, Luke, Gurpinder.

## **Delta Seniors Bus**

Delta

The Delta Seniors Bus service is a free curbside service within Delta, for Delta residents 65+. The central booking line is open Monday to Friday, 9am to 4pm. Bookings can be made up to one week in advance. Medical appointments receive priority booking. The City of Delta provides transportation service to local clinics. All rides are subject to availability.

For more information or to book a ride call the central booking line: **604-597-4876** 

#### Delta Seniors Bus Staff

Dispatch: Bev & Lynn Drivers: Bev, Cal, Chris, Dv Karen, Lynn & Pai



Bev, Cal, Chris, Dwight, Gary, George, Karen, Lynn & Pankaj

## Wellness

## **November is Falls Prevention Awareness Month** Winter Safety Tips

### **Common Causes of Winter Falls:**

**Hypothermia:** Older adults are particularly susceptible to hypothermia which can lead to dizziness, confusion, shallow breathing and a slow or irregular heartbeat, resulting in an increased risk of falling.

**Sub-optimal vitamin D status**: The reduced number of sunlight hours in winter can lead to lower vitamin D levels that reduce the muscle and bone strength necessary to deal with tougher walking conditions and minimize the chance of injury after a fall.

**Bringing winter risks indoors:** Winter boots can track snow indoors where it melts and can lead to a fall.

**Reduced sense of touch:** Age-related conditions such as poor circulation, arthritis and diabetes can cause a decreased sense of touch that can interfere with the ability to "feel" ground conditions through winter boots.

**Vision problems:** Visual acuity diminishes with age and older adults have more difficulty distinguishing hazardous patches of snowy or icy ground that can appear to be nothing more than varying shades of white and grey. In addition, average light levels are lower in the colder months, further impeding the ability to see risks and negotiate them safely.



### Winter Safety Tips You Should Know:

To reduce the chance of falling in winter, at-risk patients should take the following steps:

**Get traction:** The best defence against falling when it's snowy and icy outside is to wear boots that provide a good grip on the ground.

**Stay fit and active:** When it's cold outside, it's tempting to stay indoors and hibernate. However, an older person's inactivity can lead to a loss of muscle strength that may lead to a fall.

**Eat well:** Eating well-balanced, nutritious meals and foods rich in Vitamin D and calcium will help prevent dry, tight skin and minimize loss of bone density.

**Prevent hypothermia:** Dress warmly in layers when outdoors and be sure to stay hydrated to help blood circulation reach extremities.

**Be aware:** Older adults should avoid rushing and watch for hazards such as icy patches and uneven snow.

Adapted from the Lifeline Canada website. For more information, please contact Eva (details below)

### **Delta's Seniors Support Coordinator**

Delta's Seniors Support Coordinator helps connect people 50+ to services and resources in the larger community, including:

- Wellness
- Healthcare
- Housing Options
- Family & Caregiver Support
- Government Services & Benefits

Office Hours: Tue-Thu, 8:30am-4pm.

To book an appointment call 604-787-1242 or email <u>ebusich-veloso@delta.ca</u>



## Volunteer

## **Volunteer Shout Outs!**

Lin is one of our Café volunteers who has gone above and beyond to help support Mimi's Café. She has been a tremendous help to Michelle in the kitchen upon getting her Food Safe Certificate. Thank you Lin for all your hard work and dedication to McKee!



## Travel

## Douglas J. Husband Discovery Centre & Pat Quinns



## Mon, Nov 21 10:30am-3pm

**Cost: \$5** Tickets go on sale Fri, Oct 21

### Lunch: Order off the menu

Come join us on an adventure to the Discovery Centre followed by lunch at Pat Quinns in Tsawwassen.

The bus will leave McKee for the Douglas J. Husband Discovery Centre at 10:30am. The centre features authentic objects, digital experiences and fascinating stories about Delta's history.

The bus will depart the Douglas J. Husband Discovery Centre for Pat Quinns at 12:15pm and then board the bus at 2:30pm for a return to McKee at approximately 3pm.

Lunch and gratuity are not included in the price of the trip. For more information and to purchase a ticket see the customer service desk. Maureen is one of our special event volunteers where her day to day hard work does not go unnoticed. Maureen consistently goes the extra mile when planning, organizing and helping run all of the wonderful McKee events. Thank you for giving McKee members the opportunity to



participate in social events throughout the year, you are greatly appreciated!

Please give a warm welcome to our newest volunteers; WELCOME to the team:

Betty-Lou Chris Darlene Harbans Kashmir

Kelvin Maureen Rob Sam William Yvonne



McKee Seniors Recreation Centre Christmas Craft Fair

## Saturday, November 26 10am-4pm

35 vendors with fabulous gift ideas for Christmas: Jewelry, Woodworking, Textiles, Greeting Cards, Christmas Décor and more!

Admission by donation Non-perishable items for the South Delta Food Bank will be gratefully accepted. Bring cash for purchases.

Mimi's Café open 10am-2pm

# **McKee Workshops**

### Lifelong Literature Mon, Nov 14 & 28

10:30am

Free

Join FVRL staff member in the McKee Lounge for short story reading and a discussion about the authors and stories read! Everyone Welcome! Sign up recommended at Customer Service.

Acting as an Attorney or Representative Under a Planning Document Webinar Host: Peoples Law School Tue, Nov 15 12pm

Learn what you need to know to carry out your responsibilities, how to best support your loved ones and how to navigate often conflicting input from others. This will be an online presentation here at McKee Seniors Recreation Centre.

## Coffee with a Cop Wed, Nov 16 10am

Cst. Young from Delta Police will be stopping by the McKee Lounge to have coffee and visit with our community.



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## Circle of Friends Wed, Nov 16 & Dec 7 11am

Join Eva, Delta's Seniors Support Coordinator for a drop-in to discuss post-COVID challenges, opportunities, meet others and increase your social connections in a fun, supportive way.

Requirements: Be supportive, be kind, care and remember, there's always help available when you need it.

## BC Alzheimer's Society - Healthy Brain Wed, Nov 16 12:30pm

Sign up today for the Free Workshop "An introduction to Brain Health" led by Alzheimer Society of B.C. It's never too soon or too late to make changes. Learn strategies to maintain or improve your brain health. Sign up at Customer Service!

## Road Safety for Seniors at McKee Wed, Nov 23 10am

Cost: Free

Road Safety for Seniors. We'll be joined by Driver Licence Examiner Carmen L.

Join us for a Road Safety for Seniors presentation. We'll discuss how to remain a safe driver for as long as possible and learn lots about the Enhanced Road Assessment process as well as some tips and tricks to assist you if you're requested to have an enhanced road assessment. Additionally, we'll discuss the road rules for navigating our roads including locations with traffic circles and the signs and light sequences you see when you're on the road.

Sign up recommended at Customer Service.

## Christmas Craft Workshop Fri, Dec 2 1:30 – 3:30pm

#### Members \$12/Guests \$15

We're so excited to have Holly share her creative talents with us again this year. We will be making a decorative wooden door hanger using Christmas greenery, ribbons and carrying a festive



message. In 2 hours you will have a lovely door hanger for your own home or for gifting. All supplies are included, but please bring a glue gun (if you have one), and a ruler. Light refreshments and Christmas music are also provided. Please register at the Customer Service Desk by Friday, Nov 25.

Wisdom.... comes not from age, but from education and learning.

# **McKee Activities**

#### Jammers are Back! Tue, Nov 8 & 22 3pm **Dec 13**



The 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month

Jammers is more than a jam. It's a concert! Come listen, sing along, dance. Coffee and treats served at intermission for \$1. Admission \$1 - goes towards 50/50 ticket.

Must have a current McKee membership / join us for live music and good times.

### **Foot Care Nurse** Fri, Nov 18

### 9:30am-4pm

\$40 per session **Contact Customer Service** to book your 30 minute appointment in advance.



Moonflower

Murders

#### McKee Book Club Fri, Nov 30 2:30pm

Book name: Moonflower Murders Author: Anthony Horowitz

Limited quantities are available at the Pioneer Library for McKee members.

## **Delta Music Makers** Sun, Dec 4

Wine & Cheese Stay tuned for more information!

## **Christmas Luncheon** Thu, Dec 15

We are so pleased to announce that our Christmas Luncheon social event is coming back! The details are still being finalized, but we thought you'd like to save the date – Thu Dec 15 – for this annual and very popular party. Stay tuned for more information to come.

Free Movie Fridays, 11:30am



Join us for a free movie every Friday at 11:30am in the Lounge. \*Movie details available at McKee.

#### **Euchre** Tues

1:30-3pm



Interested in playing cards? You are welcome to join. Great way to stay active and meet new people! Sign up at Customer Service!

#### Bingo Thu & Sat

12:30-3:30pm

\$0.05/card, plus \$1.00 admission fee **Everyone Welcome!** 



## **Expression of Interest Diner's Club & Convenor**

Are you interested in going out for lunch or dinner with other members? Sign up at the customer service desk!



The society is looking for someone

interested in being the convenor of the Diners Club! If you are interested please speak with either Fran or Dani.



McKee Walking Club all set for their morning walk.



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## **Fright Fest**

Thank you everyone who donated their time and candy to support the City of Delta and the McKee House Seniors Society with Fright Fest this past month. The McKee House Society's involvement in this annual event, a special shout out to the Special Events Team who packaged over 750 bags of treats! The night was a great success!



## **Volunteer First Aid & AED Workshop**



McKee volunteers were invited to attend a First Aid & AED workshop in October. Thank you to all those that attended, it was a great session. We look forward to hosting more events in the future. If you are not yet a McKee volunteer, and would like more information please see the front desk or speak with Debbie or Dani.

# In the Community

### Do you need a Snow Angel?

#### The application period is October 17-November 14.

The service is available to Delta residents 65+ who have physical limitations and do not have others in their household or nearby who are able to assist with shoveling their walking or sidewalk; residents 70+ with physical limitations will receive first priority. Snow Angel availability is limited. Snow Angels are assigned on a priority basis.

Call 604-952-3000 for more information and/or to apply for the program.

#### **Call for Snow Angel Volunteers**

Snow Angel Volunteers help seniors who are unable to shovel their walkway/sidewalk. To learn more about volunteer requirements call 604-946-3288 or visit Delta.ca/snowangels.



## Senior Health Fair at Ladner United Church Sat, Nov 19 9am-3pm

The Delta Division of Family Practice, in collaboration with community partners Ladner United Church, Deltassist, Fraser Health, Delta Seniors Planning Team and the City of Delta invite residents to participate in the Transition Years and Healthy Living: Resource and Information Fair. The goal of the event is to help support seniors and their families to become more informed and proactive in their own health care by providing information on local resources and supports available in their area.

Ladner United Church 4960 48th Avenue Delta. BC

## HERITAGE HIGHLIGHTS



2022-050-003. Courtesy of the Delta Heritage Society.

This 1970s aerial photograph depicts Dennis Elsom's gravel pit in North Delta which was later developed into the Sunstone neighbourhood, with Sunstone Park at the centre of the development. This photo demonstrates the vast change that has occurred in North Delta's landscape. Visit the Archives at the Discovery Centre for more information.

Douglas J. Husband Discovery Centre delta.ca/DiscoveryCentre



Fraser River Talk with John HortonSun, Nov 203-5pm12yrs+

### All Attendees must have a current McKee membership card. Please note due to unforeseen circumstances classes may be cancelled without notice.

MONDAY		THURSDAY	
Snooker	9am-4pm	Snooker	9am-4pm
Pickleball (Memorial Park)	10am-12pm	Mah Jong	9:30am-12:30pm
Tap Dance	10:30am-12pm	Carpet Bowling	10am-12pm
Ukulele (Beginner)	12:30-2pm	Card Seep	12:30-3pm
Card Seep	12:30-3pm	Bingo	12:30-3:30pm
Canasta	12:30-3pm	McKee Sisters	1:30-4pm
Contract Bridge	1:00-3:45pm	Pickleball (Memorial Park)	12-2pm
Table Tennis	2-5pm		
	2-5pm		
TUESDAY		FRIDAY	
Walking Club	9am	Walking Club	9am
Snooker	9am-4pm	Snooker	9am-4pm
Mah Jong	9:30am-12:30pm	Pickleball (Memorial Park)	10am-12pm
Pickleball (Memorial Park)	12-2pm	Movie Time	11:30am-1:30pm
Card Seep	12:30-3pm	Card Seep	12:30-3pm
Scrabble	1-4pm	Scrabble	1-4pm
Euchre	1:30-3:30pm	Book Club (last Friday)	2:30-4:30pm
Contract Bridge	1:30-4pm		
Jammers	3-5:30pm		
2nd & 4th Tuesday			
WEDNESDAY		SATURDAY	
Snooker	9am-4pm	Table Tennis	9am-3pm
Pickleball (Memorial Park)	10am-12pm	Snooker	9:30am-3:30pm
Card Seep	12:30-3pm	Knitting Sisters (1st & 3rd)	10am-12pm
Cribbage	12:30-3pm	Tap Dance	10am-12pm
Ukulele (Intermediate)	3:15-4:15pm	Card Seep	11am-3pm
Duplicate Bridge	6:15-9:45pm	Bingo	12:30-3:30pm
		Contract Bridge	6:30-9:30pm

### **McKee Guest Pass**

Visiting in the area? Want to get a flavour of McKee? The McKee Guest Pass is good for one week from date of purchase and can be purchased at the front desk for \$10.00 each. This includes participation in clubs, however not registered classes. Please inquire at the front desk.

## Please remember to bring your McKee Membership card each time you come into McKee Seniors Recreation Centre 50+

## All Attendees must have a current McKee membership card. Please note due to unforeseen circumstances classes may be cancelled without notice.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
8:00-9:00am		Core, Balance & Strength				
8:30-9:30am	Fun & Fitness					
8:45-9:45am	Stretch & Strength				Hatha Yoga	
9-10am			Fun & Fitness		Fun & Fitness	Workout Warriors
9:30-10:30am		Hatha Yoga				
9:30-11:30am		*Acrylic Art & Watercolour (Intermediate)				
10-11am	M.I.I.T.					
10am-12pm	*Watercolour Painting (Beginners)			*Back to Basics		
10:15-11:15am			Stretch & Strength		Custom Fit	M.I.I.T.
10:30-11:30am			Zumba Gold	Chair Yoga	Line Dance Intermediate	
10:45:11:45am		*Gentle Yoga				
11am-12pm		*Meditation				
11:15am-12:15pm	Line Dance Intermediate					
11:45am-12:45pm					Line Dance* Level 3	
12:30-1:30pm				*Gentle Yoga		
1-2pm		*Get Up & Go		*Get Up & Go	Line Dance* Level 2	
1:15-3:15pm			*Minds In Motion			
2:15-3:15pm					Line Dance* Level 1	
2:30-3:30pm	*Osteo Fit				*Osteo Fit	

There will be no programs on statutory holidays. McKee is closed on the following dates:

### Fri, Nov 11, Remembrance Day Closed for Christmas Sun Dec 25-Tue Dec 27



# November, 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
20	WWEFORMER'S	1	2	3	4 Movie Matinee 11:30am	5
6 Time to fall back Remember to set your clocks back one hour.	7	8 Jammers 3pm	9	10	11 Remembrance Day! McKee Closed	12
13	14 <u>Workshop</u> Lifelong Literature 10:30am	15 <u>Workshop</u> Acting as an Attorney or Representative Under a Planning Document	16 <u>Workshops</u> Healthy Brain, <u>BC Alzheimer Society</u> <u>Circle of Friends</u> Coffee with a Cop	17	18 <u>Foot Care</u> Movie Matinee	19 McKee 15 year Anniversary Party!
20	21 Day Trippers Discovery Centre & Lunch Pat Quinns	22 Jammers 3pm	23 <u>Workshop</u> Road Safety for sen- iors 10am	24	25 <u>Movie Matinee</u> <u>11:30am</u> Book Club 2:30pm	26 McKee Holiday Craft Fair
27	28 <u>Workshop</u> Lifelong Literature 10:30am	29	30			

# UPCOMING EVENTS

- Dec 4 Delta Music Makers
- Dec 13 Jammers
- Dec 15 McKee Christmas Luncheon

SAVE THE DATE

- Dec 21 Circle of Friends with Eva
- Dec 21 Coffee with a Cop
- Dec 25-27 McKee Closed





# Michelle McMillan

Stop by Mimi's Café inside McKee Seniors Recreation Centre! Open to the Public! Mon – Fri, 9am – 2pm

Debit and Credit accepted Follow us for updates on Facebook and on Instagram @mimiscafe2022