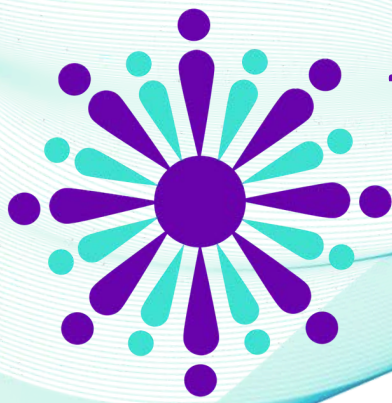




THE GATHERING PLACE AT KENNETT

NEWS & UPDATES

A COMMUNITY CENTER POWERED BY ADULTS 55+

Our Mission

The Gathering Place at Kennett helps adults 55+ live healthy, active, and independent lifestyles.

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A Note from our Executive Director, Stephanie D'Amico

Hello Friends,

Things are buzzing here at The Gathering Place, and it's all thanks to YOU!

Our recent yard sale fundraiser was an incredible success, and we're so grateful to everyone who pitched in. Whether you were hauling items from our sheds, sorting and organizing donations, setting up and staffing tables, helping shoppers hunt for bargains, keeping volunteers fed, or lending a hand with cleanup, thank you. Your time and energy mean the world to us.

A very special thank you goes to Richard and Ginny Shar. For nearly 14 years, they have faithfully volunteered in countless ways, including the daily sorting of donated goods and yard sale fundraiser planning. Their dedication is a true gift to The Gathering Place, and we cannot thank them enough.

As we move into July, we have plenty of exciting activities planned. Be sure to join us for our Birthday Lunch on July 21st, Flower Arrangements with the Four Seasons Garden Club on July 16th, Grip & Gait Screenings with Elite Therapy on July 23rd, and Watercolors with Donna on July 28th. We also have a variety of fitness classes, games, educational programs, support groups, and social activities throughout the month.

I also want to remind everyone about an important change to our lunch program. Fridays are now our Friday Gathering Lunch days. While congregated meals are served Monday through Thursday, Fridays are now dedicated to bringing your own lunch and enjoying the company of friends in a relaxed, welcoming setting. We hope you'll pack a lunch, join us around the table, and continue the friendships and connections that make our community so special. Friday Gathering Lunch takes place every Friday at noon.

And yes, it's already time to look ahead! Our next yard sale fundraiser is set for Saturday, September 26th. Mark your calendar and get ready for another fun-filled day of community connection and one-of-a-kind finds.

As always, thank you for being part of The Gathering Place at Kennett through your participation, membership, volunteer service, and generosity. Together, we continue to make a real difference in the lives of older adults throughout our community.



The Gathering Place at Kennett

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Legacy Giving Program

For over 50 years, The Gathering Place at Kennett has been a cornerstone in the lives of countless older adults. Every day, we provide essential services that enhance their well-being, health, and social connections, allowing them to live with dignity, independence, and joy. From nutritious meals and wellness programs to social activities and educational workshops, our services offer a lifeline to individuals who depend on us.

But as we look toward the future, we recognize the growing needs of those we serve. The demand for our programs and services continues to increase, and with it, the responsibility to ensure The Gathering Place at Kennett remains a welcoming and supportive space for all older adults in our community. This is where your legacy can make a profound difference.

What is a Legacy Gift?

A legacy gift is any gift that is given out of your assets. This may include naming The Gathering Place at Kennett in your will and as a beneficiary in your retirement plan, giving out of a donor advised fund, or giving gifts of property or securities.

Why Legacy Giving?

Legacy giving offers a unique opportunity to make a meaningful contribution without impacting your financial situation today. By including The Gathering Place at Kennett in your will, trust, or estate plan, you create a future of hope and security for older adults in Kennett and the surrounding area. Your gift can provide stability and ensure that generations of adults will continue to benefit from our wide range of services and programs.

The Power of Your Legacy

When you choose to include us in your legacy giving plan, you are doing much more than donating. You are investing in the future of our community, ensuring that seniors will have access to vital resources and a sense of belonging. Whether it's a bequest, beneficiary designation, or charitable remainder trust, your gift will leave an indelible mark, reflecting your commitment to the well-being of others.

How to Get Started

Including The Gathering Place at Kennett in your legacy giving plan is simple and flexible. You can choose the type of gift that best aligns with your goals and values. We encourage you to speak with your financial advisor or attorney to explore the best options for your situation. By making this important decision, you can ensure your legacy lives on, supporting the health and well-being of older adults in our community. View the [Legacy Gift Guide](#) to learn more.



Event Space Available

Did you know that The Gathering Place at Kennett has party and entertainment spaces that can be rented? Whether you are planning a family party, Quinceañera, Sweet Sixteen, or a well-earned Retirement party, our recently renovated Hall provides the perfect combination of size, accessibility, parking, and more!

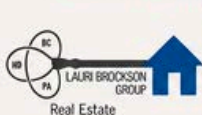
Shade Hall accommodates up to 120 guests and comes complete with a stage large enough to accommodate a band or DJ. It's a bright, fresh and beautiful space with a high ceiling.

TGP@Kennett provides ample parking, with 57 on-site spaces, including 10 accessible spaces. There is also generous on-street parking to supplement. Learn more by visiting our website at gatheringspacekennett.org/space-rental. So, what are you waiting for? Plan your next event today!

Please contact Betsy Warner at bwarner@gatheringplacekennett or Stephanie D'Amico at sdamico@gatheringplacekennett.org. You may also call (610) 444-4819 for more information.

With Gratitude to Our Monte Carlo Night Sponsors

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MAIN LINE TODAY.



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A True Team Effort

Our inaugural Monte Carlo Night was made possible by an incredible community of volunteers:

Event Committee:

Karen Martin
Karen D'Agusto
Mary Ann Schill
Tish Griffonetti
Kathy Rutledge
Kate Patterson
Barb Curtis

Special Thanks:

Mario Raimato
Robin Mastroppolito

Event Night:

Gina Puoci
Donna Miller
Kayla D'Amico
Isabel Ramirez
and many others
who helped
throughout the
evening

Culinary Support Team:

Kay Wasno
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Matt Kohn
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Deb Swain
Emma Mebane
Maria Caputo
Ruth Dickens
Mary McClain
Gerry Dorrian

Extra Helping Hands:

Carolyn Giallonardo
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Casino Experience:

Tumbling Dice
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Thank you to our prize donors!

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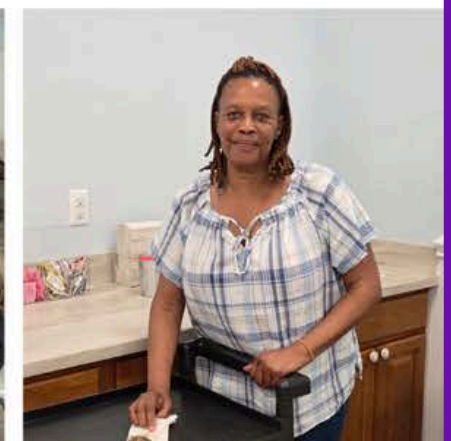
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Every Day Made Possible by Volunteers!



Every day at The Gathering Place at Kennett is made possible by the incredible volunteers who give their time, talents, and energy. From delivering bread and baked goods, greeting participants at the front desk, teaching classes, serving and cleaning up lunch, and helping prepare for special events, to the community groups, including the St. Pat's Knights of Columbus, Longwood Rotary Club, and the Unionville and Kennett High School Interact Clubs, that help maintain and beautify our space, our volunteers make it all happen. Whether you volunteer weekly, monthly, or just a few times throughout the year, your contributions make a meaningful difference. We simply could not do what we do without you. Thank you to each and every volunteer for helping make The Gathering Place such a welcoming and vibrant place to connect, learn, and belong.



2026 Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program



Applications for 2025 property tax/rent rebates are now being accepted. Applications must be filed each year and are based on the prior year's income and rent or property taxes.

Key Dates (anticipated):

- Opens: Mid-January 2026
- Deadline: June 30, 2026 (often extended to Dec. 31)
- Rebates issued: Starting July 1, 2026

How to Apply:

- Online via myPATH (PA Dept. of Revenue)
- Paper PA-1000 forms available through the Dept. of Revenue, Area Agencies on Aging, and TGP@Kennett
- Free application assistance available at TGP@Kennett

Eligibility:

- Age 65+
- Widows/widowers age 50+
- Adults 18+ with disabilities
- Household income of \$48,110 or less

For help or more information, contact Lori Holcombe, Information & Assistance Coordinator, at 610-444-4819



Reading Keeps You Connected Read for Life

The Library of Accessible Media for Pennsylvanians (LAMP) provides free library services to residents who have difficulty reading standard print due to a visual, physical, or reading disability, including dyslexia. Patrons can receive books and movies in accessible formats such as large print, audio, braille, and described video, all mailed postage-free to their homes. LAMP also offers digital access to hundreds of thousands of downloadable titles.

For more information, visit MyLAMP.org or call 800-222-1754.

FARMERS MARKET NUTRITION PROGRAM

Applications are now being accepted. Do you qualify?

1. Must be age 60 or over by 12/31/26.
2. Must meet self-declared household income requirements.

1 person	\$28,953	5 people	\$69,653
2 people	\$39,128	6 people	\$79,828
3 people	\$49,303	7 people	\$90,003
4 people	\$59,478	8 people	\$100,178

Contact Lori Holcombe with any
questions that you may have.
(610)-444-4819

Applications are open until 9/15/2026. If you qualify, the Chester County Dept. of Aging (CCDAS) will mail five \$5 vouchers directly to you. The vouchers may be used from June 1st through November 30th.

We will be happy to e-mail your application to CCDAS or you may self-submit via e-mail, fax, or USPS. The application is 2 pages long - (page 1, for your completion and page 2, USDA Nondiscrimination Statement.) Both pages MUST be included when you submit the application and page 1 must be completed in full.



PA 2-1-1 Get Connected Get Help

If you need to connect with community resources and don't know where to look, **PA 2-1-1** can help.

No matter the situation, the specialists at 211 listen, identify underlying problems, and connect people in need with resources and services in their community that improve their lives.

Dial **211** or text your zip code to 898211 to speak with a resource specialist for free.

The Gathering Place at Kennett Provides These Services

- ➔ Information and Referral Services
- ➔ Medicare / Medicaid Counseling
- ➔ Free Tax Prep Hosting (in partnership with AARP, early February-April)
- ➔ Rent Rebate Assistance
- ➔ Help reading or completing forms
- ➔ Tech Help
- ➔ Food distribution



Hearing Aid Resources & Financial Assistance

Hearing aids can be life-changing, but they can also be expensive. While some insurance plans may provide limited coverage, many individuals still face significant out-of-pocket costs. The following organizations offer financial assistance, funding programs, and resources that may help make hearing aids more affordable.

National Resources

AUDIENT Alliance

Phone: 877-238-4368

Website: www.audientalliance.org

Provides access to quality hearing aids and hearing care services at reduced costs for low-income individuals nationwide.

Hear Now

Phone: 866-354-3254

Website: www.sotheworldmayhear.org

Offers assistance to individuals who have limited financial resources and cannot afford hearing aids. Income guidelines and an application fee apply.

Military Audiology Association

Website: www.militaryaudiology.org

Provides information and resources related to affordable hearing healthcare services for military personnel and veterans.

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)

Phone: 800-827-1000

Website: www.va.gov

Eligible veterans may qualify for hearing aids, batteries, repairs, and other assistive listening devices at no cost.

Pennsylvania Resources

Pennsylvania Assistive Technology Foundation (PATF)

Phone: 888-744-1938

Website: www.patf.us

A statewide nonprofit organization that offers education and financing options to help Pennsylvanians purchase assistive technology, including hearing aids. Programs are available for individuals of all income levels.

Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR)

Phone: 800-442-6351

Website: www.dli.state.pa.us/ovr

Helps individuals with disabilities obtain and maintain employment. Assistance may include hearing aids and other devices needed for work.

Local Resources

HLAA Chester County Chapter

Website: <https://www.hearinglosschesco.com/>

Provides advocacy, education, and support for individuals with hearing loss. Through its Help4Hearing Project, used hearing aids are collected, refurbished, and distributed to eligible low-income individuals.

Chester County Department of Aging Services

Phone: 610-344-6350

Older adults can contact the department for information on available programs, financial assistance, and local resources that may help with hearing-related needs and other services.



Managing Sleep Problems in Alzheimer's Disease

Sleep is a basic biological need that helps the body and mind function properly. Alzheimer's disease and related dementias often affect a person's sleep patterns, which can be challenging for both the individual and their caregiver.

People living with dementia may experience:

- Sleeping too much or too little
- Waking frequently during the night
- Increased daytime napping
- Restlessness, agitation, irritability, or confusion in the late afternoon or evening, often called sundowning

Good sleep is important because poor sleep can worsen memory problems, confusion, and other dementia-related symptoms. Fortunately, there are several strategies that may help promote better sleep and create a safer nighttime environment.

Helpful sleep tips include:

- Encourage regular physical activity during the day.
- Limit long naps, especially late in the afternoon.
- Plan more active tasks, such as exercise or bathing, earlier in the day.
- Serve the largest meal at midday rather than late in the evening.
- Create a calm, quiet atmosphere in the evening with reduced noise and soft lighting.
- Follow a consistent schedule by going to bed and waking up at the same time each day.
- Establish a relaxing bedtime routine and avoid electronic screens before sleep.
- Limit caffeine and alcohol, particularly later in the day.
- Use nightlights in bedrooms, hallways, and bathrooms to improve safety.

Sleep disturbances can affect the quality of life of both the person with dementia and those who care for them. If sleep problems continue or become severe, talk with a health care provider. Medical conditions, medications, or changes in the brain caused by Alzheimer's disease may contribute to sleep difficulties. A health care professional can help identify possible causes and recommend strategies or treatments that may improve sleep and nighttime safety.

Resources

Chester County Department of Aging Services

Provides county residents age-related programs and services.
Address: 601 Westtown Road, Suite 130, PO Box 2747, West Chester, PA 19380-0990
Phone: 800-692-1100 x6350
Phone: 610-344-6350
TTY: 610-344-5233
Fax: 610-344-5996
Website: www.chesco.org/aging

CCDAS Free Legal Consults—Free Legal Advice

The Chester County Dept. of Aging Services (CCDAS) is making an attorney available to senior residents of Chester County on the 2nd Monday of every month from 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM. This service is free to senior residents of Chester County. Appointments are required. For more information or to schedule an appointment, contact the Dept. of Aging at 610-344-6350. All appointments are at the Dept. of Aging in West Chester.

Pa.gov website

Visit this website <https://www.pa.gov/guides> for resources on Mental Health, Unemployment Compensation, other financial help, food assistance, and driver services.

211

Don't forget – 211 is a great resource. Visit the website at: huwp.org/211gethelp/

Chester County Assistance Office

For help with Medicaid, Supplemental Nutrition Program (SNAP), emergency rental assistance, cash assistance, and more. Address: 100 James Buchanan Dr., Thorndale, PA 19372. Phone: 610-466-1000

Chesco Connect

Chesco Connect is Chester County's community transit program for residents of Chester County. Services include medical appointments, grocery stores, work, senior centers, and any other destination in Chester County. To schedule a ride, call Chesco Connect at 610-344-5545.

The Senior Law Center

helps older Americans. Services include:

- Homeownership Rights
- Tenant Rights
- Grandparents raising Grandchildren
- Guardianship
- Victim Services

Reach them at: 610-910-0215 (Delaware/Chester), 610-910-0210 (Bucks/Montgomery), or statewide at 877-727-7529 or check out their website at www.seniorlawcenter.org.

Veterans Affairs

If you are a veteran or know of one in need, please call 610-344-6375

Crime Victim's Center

24/7....helping adults and children in their recovery as victims of sexual violence, assault, property crimes, sexual harassment in the workplace and homicide. Domestic violence and drug addiction have increased. For assistance, please call 610-692-1926 to make an appointment. Website: cvcofcc.org, Address: 135 W. Market Street, West Chester, PA 19382.

Not sure where to start when you need help? Please call Lori Holcombe at 610-444-4819, x115.



Need Legal Assistance? Check Out These Resources

A licensed, practicing attorney is available on the second Monday of each month from 9 am to noon for 30 minute consultations. Assistance is available for living wills, durable power of attorney for healthcare, consumer fraud, debt collection practices, bankruptcy, landlord tenant issues, Social Security benefits, public welfare benefits, and other civil legal questions. This service is sponsored by the **Chester County Department of Aging Services** and is offered at no cost for low income seniors. To schedule an appointment, email ccaging@chesco.org or call 610 344 6350.

The **PA Senior Law Helpline** at 1 877 727 7529 is available Monday through Thursday from 10 am to 12 pm and provides advice, information, brief services, and referrals for Pennsylvania residents age 60 and older.

Legal Aid of Southeastern Pennsylvania offers a toll free intake, brief advice, and referral system through its Norristown office. Call 1 877 429 5994 weekdays from 9 am to 1 pm.

No-cost Medicare Assistance



PA MEDI is a statewide service operated by the Pennsylvania Department of Aging and is the known and trusted local resource for Medicare help.

Receive free, unbiased personalized help with:

- Original Medicare
- Medigap (Medicare supplement)
- Medicare Advantage plans
- Prescription drug plans
- Enrollment assistance
- Medicare financial assistance programs
- Medicare appeals
- Long-term care insurance
- Coordination of benefits

All services are free, confidential, and delivered by specially trained certified counselors through the Chester County Department of Aging. Please contact Lori Holcombe, Information & Assistance Coordinator, at 610-444-4819 to schedule an appointment. Appointments are available alternating Thursdays from 9 am to 12 pm.

Lori Holcombe

**Information &
Assistance and
Member Services
Coordinator**

610-444-4819
lholtcombe@gatheringplacekennett.org

**Lori is here to help!
Schedule an
appointment to
discuss your needs
and find the
resources that fit
you best.
Call or email to set
up a time.**

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It's So Easy Greek Dip

and flavorful, and healthy, and pretty....

by Marci Mebane

During these hot summer months, are you trying to eat healthier? Are you busy and looking for easy recipes? Are you trying to avoid turning on the stove or oven? Then you are going to LOVE this recipe for layered Greek dip because it checks all the boxes.

This flavorful and colorful dip (you know I love a colorful dish of food!) comes together easily with simple ingredients you can pick up at the grocery store. It is the perfect combination of creamy, crunchy, and savory ingredients, with the added bonus that absolutely no cooking is required for this crowd-pleasing recipe. And if there happen to be leftovers, save them for a healthy and delicious addition to a grilled chicken tortilla wrap for tomorrow's lunch!

Fabulous Layered Greek Dip

Ingredients:

- 10 oz Roasted Garlic Hummus (or your favorite flavor)
- 1 ½ Cup Tzatziki sauce
- 1 Cup diced English cucumbers
- 1 Cup grape tomatoes, quartered
- ¼ Cup diced red onion
- ½ Cup crumbled feta cheese
- ½ Cup chopped fresh parsley
- 2 Tbsp Extra Virgin Olive Oil



Directions:

In a shallow dish, such as a pie plate, begin layering ingredients beginning with the hummus followed by the Tzatziki sauce. Next sprinkle on the cucumbers, tomatoes, red onion, feta and parsley. Finally, drizzle the olive oil over the top.

Serve with your choice of pita chips, pita bread, pretzel thins, or for a gluten-free alternative, cucumber and carrot slices.

Feel free to adjust the layers to suit your taste or to use what you have on hand. Kalamata olives, diced pepper or capers are just a few options you could add.



KITCHEN SHOUT OUT!



Robin Mastrippolito - fresh spinach **Andrea DePaoli** - fresh mushrooms **Theresa Renk** - fresh herbs

Gather • Connect • Enjoy

TGP@Kennett Activities – July 2026

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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Please note activities subject to change without notice. *PREREGISTRATION RQD (SH): Shade Hall (WE): Wendel (CR): Community Room ** Bring Your Own Lunch Updated 06-26-2026

Join the Lunch Bunch

The Gathering Place at Kennett Daily Lunch Menu - July 2026

Pre-registration for all seating is required (both bring your own and served meals). Lunch reservations may be made up to 12:00 p.m. (noon) on the last business day TGP@Kennett is open before the reservation date. Please sign up in the lunch book or call (610) 444-4819. If you reach the answering machine please leave a message with your name and date(s) for which you wish to make a reservation.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunch is served at 12:00 pm PLEASE BE AWARE, MENU IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE	For those age 60+, a voluntary, confidential \$2.00 donation for Chester County Dept. of Aging is requested. The cost of lunch for those under age 60 is \$5.70.	1 Sloppy Joe Sweet Potato Wedges Green Beans Milk Watermelon	2  Hot Dog Bar French Fries Firecracker Slaw	3 FRIDAY GATHERING LUNCH Bring Your Own Lunch Seat Reservation Required – Sign up in the purple binder or call us.
6 BBQ Chicken Thighs Baked Beans Cole Slaw Milk Cantaloupe	7 Stuffed Peppers w/ Beef and Rice Garden Salad Milk Peaches	8 Tuna Salad Platter Whole Grain Crackers Strawberries Milk Cookies	9 Roast Pork Mashed Potatoes Brussel Sprouts Dinner Roll Milk Applesauce	10 FRIDAY GATHERING LUNCH Bring Your Own Lunch Seat Reservation Required – Sign up in the purple binder or call us.
13 Turkey Tacos Letuce, Tomato, Cheese Rice & Beans Milk Peaches	14 Garlic & Herb Tilapia Macaroni & Cheese Carrots Dinner Roll Milk Mandarin Oranges	15 Tater Tot Breakfast Casserole w/ Sausage Berry Yogurt Parfait Whole Grain Muffin V8	16 Chicken Parmesan Penne Pasta Garden Salad Milk Chocolate Pudding	17 FRIDAY GATHERING LUNCH Bring Your Own Lunch Seat Reservation Required – Sign up in the purple binder or call us.
20 Meatloaf Sweet Potatoes Mixed Vegetables Dinner Roll Milk Mixed Fruit & Cookie	21 BIRTHDAY LUNCH  Flatbread and Salad Bar	22 Pasta Primavera w/ Shrimp Garden Salad Italian Bread Milk Jello w/ Fruit	23 Sausage & Peppers Sandwich Pasta Salad Milk Pears	24 FRIDAY GATHERING LUNCH Bring Your Own Lunch Seat Reservation Required – Sign up in the purple binder or call us.
27 Breaded Fish Filet Scalloped Potatoes Carrots Dinner Roll Milk Mandarin Oranges	28 Spaghetti & Meatballs Garden Salad Italian Bread Milk Angel Food Cake w/ Strawberries	29 Roast Pork Sandwich Oven Roasted Potatoes Spinach Milk Pineapple	30 Mandarin Chicken Salad Platter Dinner Roll Milk Ice Cream	31 FRIDAY GATHERING LUNCH Bring Your Own Lunch Seat Reservation Required – Sign up in the purple binder or call us.

Membership is not required for individuals 60 and over to participate in this program. All residents 60 and older are invited to attend and enjoy a noontime meal. The Congregate Meal Program is partially funded by the Chester County Dept. of Aging Services. IMPORTANT NOTICE: Lunch must be consumed on premises. For health and safety reasons, perishable food may not be removed from TGP@Kennett. The official registration and financial information of Chester County Department of Aging Services may be obtained from the Pennsylvania Department of State by calling toll free, within Pennsylvania, 1 (800) 732-0999. Registration does not imply endorsement.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND DATES TO NOTE



Thursday, 7/2/26

Celebrate America 250!
Fun & Games @12:45 PM

Friday, 7/3/26

TGP@K Closes at 12:30 PM

Thursday, 7/9/26

Cancer Risks & Options with
Fox Chase Cancer Ctr @12:45PM

Tuesday, 7/14/26

Celebrate July Birthdays!
Buffett Lunch @12:00 PM

Thursday, 7/16/26

Flower Arranging w/Four Seasons
Garden Club @ 12:40 PM

Thursday, 7/23/26

Grip & Gait Screenings
with Elite Therapy @12:45 PM



Thursday, 8/13/26

“Personal Safety” with
Lt. Kenneth Rongaus
Kennett Square Police Dept.
@ 12:45 PM

Tuesday, 8/18/26

Celebrate August Birthdays!
Buffett Lunch @ 12:00 PM

Thursday, 8/20/26

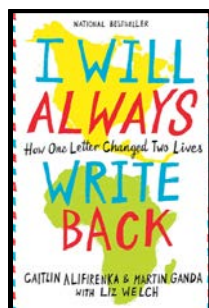
“Lenape History and Indian
Hannah’s Life Amond Quakers”
Lynn Sinclair
Kennett Heritage Center
@12:45 PM

Thursday, 8/27/26

Human Slot Machine is Back!
Fun & Prizes!
@12:45 PM



The Gathering Place Book Club Upcoming Reads (4th Wednesday of every month)



I Will Always Write Back

By Caitlin Alifrenka & Martin
Ganda

Wednesday, July 22nd
@10:00 AM

Get With the Program!

Always Learning!

Book Club (10:00-11:00 on the 4th Wednesday). Love books? So do we! Join the conversation and check out what's coming up!

Genealogy Interested in your family history? Pick up a questionnaire at the Sign-Up Table, and our Family Search volunteer will research your family lineage.

Tech Help (By appt). With technology so much a part of our lives these days, sometimes we just need a little help to better understand it. Cell phone? Tablet? We're here to help!

Get moving!

Line Dancing (Thursdays 9:30-10:30 am & evenings, 6:00-7:15 pm). Come join in this great form of exercise which provides the benefits of an aerobic workout while helping maintain a healthy heart. Lots of fun too!

SilverSneakers (Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, 10:55-11:45. *Changing to Monday, Tuesday, Thursdays effective 7/28/26*). Join in this fun program to help you stay physically active to maintain mobility and physical function, lift your mood and make performing day-to-day activities easier. Geared towards all abilities. (Waiver Required)

T'ai Chi Chih (Tuesdays, 10:55) (*Changing to Wednesdays effective 7/29/26*). A series of movements designed to help the flow of natural energy in our bodies. Experience joy through movement! (Registration and waiver required)

To your health!

Alzheimer's Support Group (1st Wednesday of each month, @ 10:00. Alzheimer's affects not only the individual but also those who have been placed in the role of caregiver. If you are caring for a loved one with Alzheimer's, this group is a place to come together with others in a similar role, and to find support and fellowship.

Healthy Grieving Support Group (3rd Monday @ 12:45 pm). Designed to encourage people to deal with grief and trauma in a way that lightens the load of past and present grief.

Medicare Counseling (Every other Thursday 9:00-12:00 pm). Navigating Medicare can be a daunting task, so take advantage of a one-on-one session with an expert who can assist and answer all your questions. Appointments are required.

Laugh and Have Fun with Friends!

Creative Tuesdays (2 to 3 Tuesdays a month @12:45) Join us for fun, hands-on art: from card making to painting and more! All skill levels welcome. Check out the Activity Calendar for upcoming dates!

Bunco (1st & 3rd Thursday @12:45 pm). A fun and lively dice game! Easy to learn and a fan favorite!

Canasta (every Wednesday 12:45 pm). A rummy-style game that is tons of fun!

Mahjong (every Friday 10:00-11:45 am). American Mahjong is a game of strategy, skill and luck.

Experienced players welcome! New to the game? Contact us first to see if a lesson can be arranged.

Fiber Arts (Every Monday 9:30-10:55) Love to knit or crochet or would like to learn? Join our Fiber Artists every Monday in the Community Room.

Rummikub (1st & 3rd Tuesday 12:45 pm) combines elements of rummy and mahjong. Come play or our group is happy to teach!

Expand your horizons!

Mental Gymnastics (Every Tuesday @ 10:00 am. Work out your brain while having fun with friends!

Guest Speakers Check calendar for upcoming topics and details.

The Sunshine Circle (Check calendar) A caring participant led group dedicated to helping our friends at TGP@Kennett stay connected.

These are just a sample of the programs and activities here at TGP@Kennett. Keep up-to-date by:

- Visiting our website
- Following our Facebook page
- Stopping in to pick up an activities calendar (Note: Not all activities are scheduled each month)
- Making a quick call to: 610.444.4819.





SCHEDULE CHANGES

Beginning the Week of July 27th

To accommodate our growing participation and make the best use of our space, a few schedule changes will take effect the week of July 27th.

- **SilverSneakers** will meet Monday, Tuesdays, and Thursdays at 10:55 a.m.
- **Tai Chi Chih** will move from Tuesdays to Wednesdays at 10:55 a.m.

At this time, afternoon programs are not affected and will continue as scheduled.

Please remember to check the monthly activity calendar, our daily Facebook post and daily announcements for occasional schedule updates, special events and holiday programming.

Starting July 10th! Calling All Pinochle Players!



Weekly Group Meets on
Friday Mornings
from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM.

Experienced or beginner
players are welcome to join in. 

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COUNTRY LINE DANCE Lessons

- Thursdays
- Morning Class 9:30 - 10:30 am
- Evening Classes -Begin 3/19 6:00 -7:15pm

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JOIN US!

Downsizing, decluttering, or do you have "STUFF" you would like to see put to good use?



THE GATHERING PLACE AT KENNETT GRATEFULLY ACCEPTS DONATIONS OF MOST HOUSEHOLD ITEMS. SOME ITEMS ARE PROVIDED TO LOCAL RESIDENTS WHO HAVE IMMEDIATE NEEDS AND SOME ARE SET ASIDE FOR OUR TWICE A YEAR HUGE INDOOR YARD SALES. AT THESE EVENTS, COMMUNITY MEMBERS CAN PURCHASE WHAT THEY NEED AT AN AFFORDABLE PRICE. ALL PROCEEDS OF OUR SALES SUPPORT TGP@KENNETT PARTICIPANTS THROUGH A WIDE ARRAY OF FREE NUTRITION, HEALTH & WELLNESS, INFORMATION & ASSISTANCE AND VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS.

EASY ON-SITE PARKING WITH FRONT DOOR DROP OFF!

DROP OFF: MON THRU FRIDAY 9:30 AM TO 2:30 PM OR BY APPT.

NEXT SALE: SEPTEMBER 26, 2026

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(one block south of the Country Butcher)
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JOIN US AS LT. KENNETH RONGAUS WITH THE KENNETT SQUARE POLICE DEPARTMENT TALKS ABOUT PERSONAL SAFETY IN PUBLIC.



TOPICS:

- STAYING ALERT IN PARKING LOTS
- ATM SAFETY
- TRAVELING ALONE
- BEING APPROACHED BY A STRANGER
- AND MORE

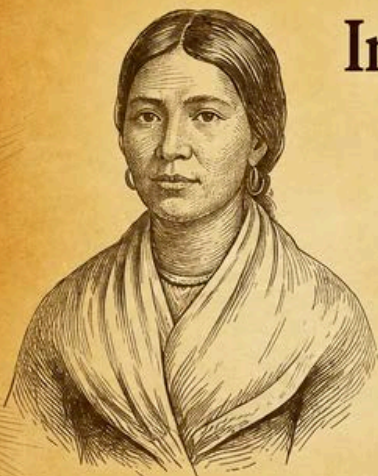


AUGUST 13, 2026, 12:45 PM - 1:45 PM

THE GATHERING PLACE AT KENNETT, 427 S. WALNUT ST., KENNETT SQUARE, PA

610.444.4819

Lenape History & Indian Hannah's Life Among Quakers



Thursday, August 20, 2026

12:45 - 1:45 PM

Guest speaker: Kennett Heritage Center

Explore the life of Indian Hannah, her relationships with the Quaker community, her time in Kennett Square, and the folklore that has preserved her legacy.

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MEMBERSHIP - The Best Deal in Town

The Gathering Place at Kennett offers many different programs, activities, and benefits to local seniors. For a small annual fee (\$40/person), you can enjoy the perks of membership while also supporting our operational costs. Signing up is easy! You can visit our website (gatheringplacekennett.org) and sign up on-line or download a membership form. You can also call us at 610.444.4819 and you will be assisted with your membership.

2026 MEMBERS - YMCA & AQUA PROGRAMS

SIGN-IN PROCEDURE: For the YMCA facilities (pool, track, fitness room) Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1:00-3:00pm, please show your TGP 2026 key tag, fill out an application, have your photo taken (for informational purposes), and then you will receive an electronic key tag to be swiped at the front desk at each visit.

For the Aqua Crosslands and Aqua Kendal swim programs, please reach out to Debbie Johnston regarding class openings. We are limited to 15 attendees for each location. For more information email: djohnston@gatheringplacekennett.org

HELP US STAY IN TOUCH!

DO YOU HAVE AN E-MAIL ADDRESS? If you would like to receive your copy of the newsletter right in your inbox via e-mail, let Debbie Johnston know at djohnston@gatheringplacekennett.org

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Having problems receiving the newsletter? Please don't forget to check your JUNK or SPAM folders. If the email with the newsletter is there, click and mark as NOT JUNK or NOT SPAM. This will whitelist our email address and the newsletter will no longer fall in the JUNK or SPAM folder.

Come & gather with us!

Thank You!

Our most sincere thanks to the many volunteers whose hard work made our May Yard Sale a success.

Because of volunteers like you
The Gathering Place at Kennett is able to continue
providing the services and programs that make this
such a special place.

Richard & Ginny Shar

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