# Mapleridge Recreation Centre for adults 50+



"Our mission is to provide friendship, programs and opportunities for adults 50 plus to enjoy social, recreational and educational activities."



# December 2023

Monday 8am-4pm,Tuesday 8am-5pm Wednesday 8am-4pm, Thursday 8am-5pm Friday 8am –4pm Saturday 11am-3:30pm

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# **President Message**

December is a time for reflection. It is a time when we think of our loved ones no longer with us and the many people who are in need in our community and throughout the world. We also look forward to celebrating the season with those who are in our lives.

#### **Donation Campaign**

Our Donation Campaign is moving along. As of the end of November have received \$5865.10. Thank you to everyone who have donated so far. Our fundraiser dance was a success raising \$1144.12 towards our Centre. To receive a tax benefit for 2023, December 31 is the last day to donate for this year's tax benefit. We hope you will think of Mapleridge as one of your charities to support. We hope to reach our goal of \$10,000 before the end of our fiscal year which is March 31, 2024.

#### **Christmas Market Thank You**

Our Christmas Market was held on November 17 and 18 and we would like to thank those of you who came out and supported us. An event like this requires many people to make it happen. I want to thank the many volunteers who were here when we needed them. These events could not happen without you. The office staff and custodial staff are always there for us and go above and beyond what is expected to support the volunteers in such a huge endeavor such as the Christmas Market. A special 'thank you' to all of you.

The raffle table, Christmas treasures table and book table were a success. Most items were donated by our members. All our baked goods were well received and we thank the people who donated ingredients and money. Our Exercise group alone donated \$149.00 towards the baked goods. We sold out at our bake, cookie and frozen meat pies tables. The cafe' was very popular. A Special thank you to Santa and Mrs. Clause for their visit to the centre.

It is heart warming to all of us when we can come together for a common goal. In this case it is to ensure that Mapleridge continues to flourish into the future.

We, at Mapleridge, wish you and your families a very happy and festive season.

Ollie Bakelaar President



# **Christmas Market Sponsors**

Applewood Retirement	
Delta Bingo	
Glendas Hair Salon	
Lovely Locks	
Mapleridge Exercise Group	
Sherbrooke Heights Animal Hospital	
Mapleridge Members	



# Mapleridge Recreation Centre is Here to Help Adults 50+ Stay Active and Healthy

Mapleridge Recreation Centre is a not-for-profit, charitable organization and has been an important part of the Peterborough community for over 60 years. Our organization provides physical, social, and educational programs to people 50+ that promote optimal health, wellbeing, and friendship.

Like all not-for-profit organizations, Mapleridge was **greatly impacted by the pandemic**. We are striving to keep adults 50+ active and healthy by offering a wide variety of programs and events.

# Can you Lend a Helping Hand?



Please help us to continue offering a variety of programs & events by donating today.

## **How to Donate**

- 1. On our website <u>www.mapleridgerecreationcentre.com</u>
- Hit the red button "DONATE". This takes you to Canada Helps.
- Choose how you wish to donate and how much.
- A tax receipt is available for you to print.
- 2. Donate in the Mapleridge Office.

# **Volunteer Opportunities**

If you are interested in any of the following volunteer opportunities please contact the office:

#### **Committee Members**

Mapleridge is looking for volunteers to be apart of the following committees:

- Fund Development Committee
- Marketing and Communication Committee
- Program Relevancy Committee
- Volunteer Management Committee

All these committees require only a small amount of time please contact the office or any board member for more information.

#### **Bartenders**

Tend bar for special events 2-3 hours, Smart Serve required. Tend bar for Saturday Night Dances 6:30pm-11:00pm

#### **Bingo Caller**

Be part of team to rotate weekly or monthly as a our bingo caller for our weekly bingo games and monthly big bingo games.

#### Café

This position requires volunteers to work a shift and provide food service to our members. There is light food prep & cleaning required. Food handlers certificate is required.

#### **Delta Bingo**

Brings in revenue to our programs. Volunteers are required to do shifts at Delta Bingo. Talk to the office or a board member about how to get trained.

#### Line Dance Caller

Do you love to dance? Do you have any experience line dancing? Do you have some spare time on your hands? Mapleridge is looking for line dance callers/cuers to lead our Line Dance Classes. No experience necessary. Music, training, and teaching techniques will be provided. Contact the office for more details.

#### **Front Door**

Volunteers needed to greet members, punch user fee cards and ensure members are registered for programs. Monday-Saturday—8am-12pm, 12pm-4pm, 4pm-7:30pm

#### **Special Events**

Volunteers are needed to either lead a project or be part of a committee for these events. If this area is where you see yourself helping, please let the office staff know.

#### Special Event Kitchen-Clean Up Team Volunteer

As part of a clean up team. Duties include loading/unloading dishwashers, putting away dishes, handwash pots & pans, clean tables.

#### 50/50 Seller

Sell 50/50 tickets, record ticket numbers and winner information. Need someone for Mini Bucks (every other Saturday) from 11am to 12:30pm and every Wednesday 12-1pm & for call in.



# **Member Information**

## **Membership Information**

If members have any changes to address, phone or contact information please call the centre. Emergency contact is also important to keep updated.

Memberships are non-refundable. The fee is \$30.00 per year and is subject to change.

#### **Lifetime Members**

Individuals who are 90 years of age or older, or are turning 90 in the year are excluded from paying the membership fee.

## Library

The library is open for book and puzzle exchange. Members



need to check-in at the front door when attending the library.

## **New and Renewed Memberships**

Membership forms are available at the centre or on the website: *mapleridgerecreationcentre.com*Must be a member to participates in registered programs and drop in programs.

Payments for memberships must be made within 3 business days in person or over the phone.

#### **Board of Directors 2023/2024**

Name	Position
Ollie Bakelaar	President
Mandy Peckover	Vice President
Marv Wrightly	Treasurer
Marguerite Haffie	Secretary
Charlaine Schwass	Director
Gail Trotter	Director
Gary Cornell	Director
Joan Michaels	Director
Mary Hopkins	Director

## **Program Registration**

- Registration is required for some programs.
- Register for programs over the phone or in person
- Programs start on time.
- Bring your own equipment, Yoga Mat.
- There is no transferring of programs
- Begin a past participant in a class does not guarantee a spot in a future series. Always register in advance to avoid disappointment.

## **Program Fees**

- Program fee for most registered programs.
- When attending a program (registered or drop in) there is a \$2.00 non-refundable fee.
- "User Fee Cards" can be purchased from the office.
- Payments must be made within three business days.
- Refund request is accepted prior to program start date.
- No refunds for missed classes.
- Full refunds will be provided if programs are cancelled before it starts.
- Staff reserve the right to cancel.

# **Program Changes**

Please note that there are some changes of days, times and locations of programs. Please see the updated Program Schedule for more information.

## **Cancelations & Building Closures**

With the unpredictable winter weather here for awhile, it is important to remember that programs may be cancelled due to the weather. With the "My Senior Centre" software we are able to send out "robo calls" to all members if a program is cancelled or the centre is closed. Also please remember that

the morning after a large snowfall, it takes time to clear the sidewalks and parking lot. We ask you to be patient and allow time for

tient and allow time for proper snow removal on these days.

# **Notices & General Inquiries**

#### **Emails**

The office sends out regular emails to its members. Using our software "My Senior Centre" the emails come from the following address:

#### null@myactivitycenter.com

Members may need to check their junk mail as some email providers detect it as spam.

The office was made aware that members of Bell and Sympatico were not receiving email. Unfortunately Mapleridge has no control over this and members are encouraged to visit our website for up-to-date information.

www.mapleridgerecreationcentre.com

#### **No Program Trials**

Mapleridge does not provide trials for any programs. Anyone wishing to join our programs must be a paid member. Membership forms are available in person or on our website: mapleridgerecreationcentre.com

#### **Guests**

Guests are welcome for meals and special events. Please call to register if interested in attending.

## **Payments**

Mapleridge accepts MC, Visa, American Express, Debit as well as Cash and Cheques. Phone the office if you prefer to pay over the phone by credit card. We are sorry to inform our members and guests that the office no longer accepts \$100 dollar bills.

Be considerate of others.
If you are feeling under the weather, please stay at home.



#### **Volunteers**

We are always looking for volunteers in the following areas:

- Front Door
- Kitchen Clean Up
- Cafe
- Special Event Leads
- Delta Bingo

Contact the office for more information.

## **Key Tags**

Be sure to bring your key tag as everyone must sign in. This enables us to contact trace and better manage programs.



#### **Front Door**

There is a volunteer located at the front door. This volunteer will scan each member's key tag to check into My Senior Centre (MSC) and hole punch the User Fee Card.

#### **User Fee Cards**

"User Fee Cards" are available for purchase from the office. The cards come in denominations of \$10 and \$20.



# **Holiday Facility Closure**

Please note that Mapleridge will be closed on statutory holidays. Please check our website, Facebook and email blast for announcements.



# **Stay Active this Winter**

## Bone Building Strength & Balance

This class will focus on improving bone and muscle strength through the use of small hand and ankle weights and resistance bands, as well as weight bearing yoga flexibility. Specific exercises are also used to improve balance. Can be seated or standing.

Date: Tuesdays Time 2:30pm-3:30pm Registration Fee: \$26.00

Duration: 4 Weeks Location: Main Hall

Instructor: Susan Stevenson



#### **Mentastics**

Mentastics uses gentle non-invasive movements to free the body of pain, tension and to cultivate deep relaxation. It is incredibly beneficial for anyone dealing with: general aches and pains, fibromyalgia, chronic daily pain, arthritis, Parkinson's, Multiple Sclerosis, depression, limited mobility, rigidity and tremors.

Date: Thursdays

Time: 9:30am-10:15am Registration Fee: \$25.00 Duration– 4 weeks Location: Lower Level Instructor: Michelle Godfrey

# **Zumba Light**

This 45 minute workout is a great way to start your morning off. Great music, high energy and a lot of fun.

Date: Tuesdays

Time: 11:15am-12:00pm Registration Fee: \$24.00

Date: Thursdays Time: 9:15am

Registration Fee: \$24.00 Duration– 4 weeks Location: Main Hall Instructor: Natalie Wittek



## See schedule for start dates

#### Slow Flow & Meditation

A morning practice to wake up the body and connect breath with movement. This slower-paced movement practice with the added meditation will guide you to move with intention and ease to gently open the body and develop strength, stability, flexibility, and a sense of calm. Enjoy the opportunity to learn and commit to a meditation & mindfulness practice for more peace, presence, and awareness. All bodies and abilities welcome. Modifications provided.

Date: Friday

Time: 9:00am-10:00am Registration Fee: \$24.00 Duration- 4 Weeks

Duration– 4 Weeks Location: Main Hall

Instructor: Angela Demeester

#### **Recreation & Leisure**

Program	Day	Time
Bingo	Friday	1:00pm
Bocci Ball	Monday	10:00am
Exercises	Tues & Thurs 10:15am	
Table Tennis	Mon, Wed, Fri	10:00am

#### **Cards & Games**

Game	Day	Time
Bid Euchre	Tuesday Thursday	1:00pm 1:00pm
Bridge	Wednesday	1:00pm
Cribbage	Monday	1:00pm
Euchre	Wednesday	1:00pm



# **Stay Active this Winter**

## Yoga

Mapleridge provides a variety of yoga classes with professional certified instructors. With a wide range of classes you will be sure to find one that fits your needs.

#### **Better Bones**

Date: Mondays

Time: 11:15am-12:15pm Registration Fee: \$24.00

Duration: 4 weeks

Instructor: Heather Clarke

#### Stretch & Strength

Date: Tuesdays 9:00am-10:00am Date: Thursdays 4:00pm-5:00pm

Registration Fee: \$24.00

Duration: 4 weeks

Instructors: Heather Clarke

#### Gentle

Date: Tuesdays Time: 4:00pm-5:00pm

Registration Fee: \$26.00

Duration: 4 weeks

Instructor: Susan Stevenson

#### Chair

Date: Wednesdays Time: 10:30am-11:30am Registration Fee: \$26.00

Duration: 4 Weeks

Instructor: Susan Stevenson

# Yin Yang

Date: Mondays

Time: 10:15am-11:00am Registration Fee: \$24.00 Durations: 4 Weeks

Date: Fridays

Time: 11:15am-12:15pm Registration Fee: \$24.00 Duration: 4 Weeks Instructor: Josee Caron

#### **Exercise Class**

Day: Tuesdays & Thursdays

Time 10:15am

Registration Fee: \$2.00 User Fee

Duration: Drop-In Location-Main Hall No Instructor

Join us for an easy, 45 minute

low in-pact, chair/ standing CD guided exercise. It is a great way to start your day.

# See schedule for start dates

# Qigong (chee-guhng)

Day: Mondays Time 9:00am

Registration Fee: \$25.00 Duration: 4 weeks Location-Main Hall

Location-Main Hall Instructor Kathryn

Matheson



Qigong is an ancient Chinese exercise and healing technique that involves meditation, controlled breathing and movement exercises. While the movements of qigong may be different from those of tai chi, both practices incorporate strength and flexibility with breathing exercises, focused attention and imagery.

#### Tai-Chi

Date: Thursdays Time: 2:30pm

Registration: \$16.00 Duration: 8 Weeks Location: Main Hall

Instructor: Michael Campbell

Mike has been involved in Tai Chi and started his learning with the Taoist Tai Chi

Society over 20 years ago.

Mike takes great pleasure in sharing knowledge about Tai Chi, and helping people increase their personal levels of

fitness and flexibility.

#### **Billiards Schedule**

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Monday	8:30am-10:00am 10:30am-12:00pm		
Tuesday	8:30am-10:00am 10:30am-12:00pm 12:30pm-2:00pm		
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Thursday	8:30am-10:00am 10:30am-12:00pm 12:30pm-2:00pm		
Friday	8:30am-10:00am		
Saturday	11:00am-12:30pm		

# **Stay Active this Winter**

#### **Pickleball**

Pickleball is one of the fastest growing sport around and we are pleased to provide a variety of levels for everyone. Contact the office for more information and to register for the next series.

#### Intro to Pickleball

Will resume in the Spring

# Beginner Pickleball For Fun-No Registration

Day: Mondays
Time: 3:00pm
Duration: 4 weeks
Cost: \$2.00 User Fee
Location: Main Hall

No Instructor- Intro to Pickleball is

Recommended

#### **Drop In Pickleball-No Registration**

Day: Thursdays Time: 11:15am Cost: \$2.00 User Fee Location: Main Hall

No instructor, Recreation level.

Please contact the office and inquire about the Pickleball offered at St James Church.

Please note: Registration for Pickleball at the Sports & Wellness Centre is no longer available through our office. Members need to register with Sports & Wellness Centre directly.

# **Hula Hoop- Super Hoops**

Fun, Fit, Fantastic. Want to feel great? Loose some weight? Gain some energy? Pick up a hoop! Hoop for joy! Hoop for health! Hoop for stress relief.

Demo Date Friday Jan 12 Time: 10:15am-11:00am Registration Fee: \$6.00

Date: Thursdays-Jan 19 Time: 10:15am-11:00am Registration Fee: \$24.00

Duration: 4 weeks Location: Main Hall

Instructor: Basia Baklinski



# See schedule for start dates

#### **Line Dance**

#### Intermediate Low

Date: Mondays

Time: 1:00pm-2:00pm Registration Fee: \$8.00 Duration: 4 weeks Instructors: Gary Calder

A cuing class that is a less challenging intermediate class incorporating steps learned in AB, Beginner Plus and Improver levels.

(Previous step instruction is required).

#### Intermediate

Date: Thursdays
Time: 1:00pm-2:00pm
Registration Fee: \$8.00
Duration: 4 weeks

Instructor: Cyndie Lamrock

A cuing class incorporating steps learned in AB, Beginner Plus and Improver Levels. (Previous step instruction is required)

#### **Table Tennis**

Did you know when played regularly, table tennis improves reflexes, hand-eye coordination and balance, while toning and strengthening the core muscles of the upper and lower body? It's great for working up a sweat and increasing your heart rate, helping to keep your heart strong and healthy.

Day: Mondays, Wednesday & Fridays

Time: 10:00am Drop-In

Cost: \$2.00 User Fee Location Lower Level



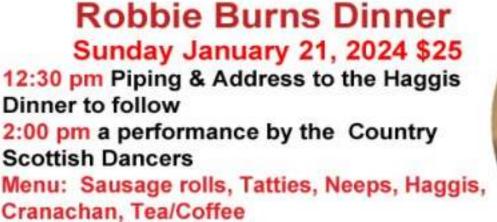
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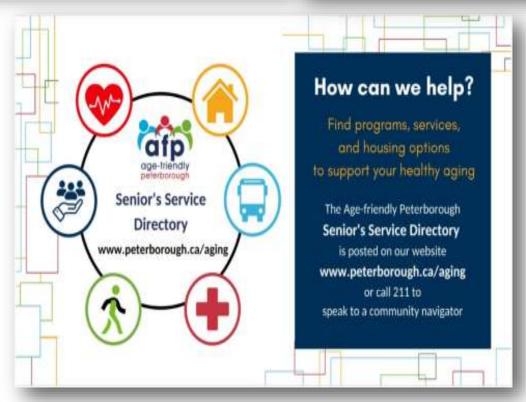




# **Partnerships & Community Events**







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Community grants releases 2023 – District 36 Peterborough October 25, 2023

#### Rec Centre trivia night for ages 50-plus gets funding help from RTOERO district

**Peterborough, Nov 2023** – Despite its purpose, there's nothing trivial about a \$4,000 grant from <u>District 36 Peterborough</u> of RTOERO to the <u>Mapleridge Recreation Centre</u> in Peterborough. The Centre, which focuses on serving adults aged 50-plus, runs a trivia night using laptops. But many of the devices are outdated and can't hold a charge. Now, the donation will go towards obtaining 15 tablets and a charging/storage cart.

The District 36 funding is part of RTOERO's annual community grants program. Since 1968, RTO-ERO has been a voice for teachers, school and board administrators, educational support staff and college and university faculty in their retirement.

Our mission is to improve the lives of our members and seniors. RTOERO members also share a desire to give back. Each year, districts apply for grants to support community projects. For 2023, RTOERO funded 22 projects for a total of \$85,270.

During trivia nights at the Mapleridge Recreation Centre, the questions are displayed on a big screen. Participants work in teams and submit answers via a tablet that's logged into the game. Having 15 tablets allows up to 45 people to be involved. Mapleridge aims to provide friendship, programs and opportunities for adults 50-plus. The tablets will also be used for other activities such as workshops on technology.

"Trivia nights are a great recreation option, where participants have the chance to socialize with one another, and use their knowledge in a friendly competition. Now, more people can enjoy this fun program," says Lorraine Knowles, President, District 36 Peterborough, RTOERO.

Since the inception of the community grants program 23 years ago, RTOERO has donated almost \$2 million to 550 programs and projects. A committee of RTOERO members assesses the merits of each grants submission.

"We encourage all RTOERO districts to support and partner with local organizations that are making a real difference on key issues," says Martha Foster, chair of the board at RTOERO. "The projects we back advance things like environmental sustainability, healthy and active living, equity and community connections. In their careers and in retirement, RTOERO members have been dedicated to service, and the community grants program is another way to put that into action."

District 36 Peterborough has about 1,300 members, and plays a key role in helping members stay engaged and connected, with each other and the community.

RTOERO is a bilingual trusted voice on healthy, active living in the retirement journey for the broader education community. With 84,000+ members in 51 districts across Canada, we are the largest national provider of non-profit group health benefits for education retirees. We welcome members who work in or are retired from the early years, schools and school boards, post-secondary and any other capacity in education. We believe in **a better future, together!** 

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#### Reference:

Sylvia Link, Director of Marketing and Communications, slink@rtoero.ca,



# **Cardinal Tours**

# **Bus Trips with Cardinal Tours**

If you are interested in booking a trip through Cardinal Tours please visit their website to review what is available.

www.cardinalcoachtours.ca

for more information or bookings please contact the following people:

Lynne Downey 705-324-2777

lynne@cardinalcoachtours.ca

Karen Park 705-324-2777

karen@cardinalcoachtours.ca

Bookings will NOT be done through Mapleridge.

