

EAST HANOVER

senior center

January-February-March 2026

LOCATION

**96 Mount Pleasant Ave
East Hanover, New Jersey 07936
973-428-3062**

HOURS

**Mon. - Fri.
9:00am-5:00pm**

ehseniorcitizenclub@gmail.com



A Message from the President

Happy New Year! Another year of New Year's resolutions. As for me, it's about good health, peace of mind and more friendships with senior members. As we continue to navigate on our golden years, we come to realize that it's no longer about material things, pride and ego, but about our health, our love and our heart. The seniors' club accomplished so much in 2025. All planned events were executed very well and beyond expectation. Membership is increasing significantly year after year, as well as the number of volunteers. The participation in various activities at the club continues to increase. The success of our club will not be possible without dedicated and motivated volunteers and membership cooperation and participation. Our involvement in the community affairs and mentorship to the young generation should continue because these are paramount for sustaining the success of our club.

In 2026 the seniors' club will not only focus on implementing various exciting events but also expand our valued added services to East Hanover Historical Society. We will manage and utilize the historical Cook House (Halfway House) for some senior outdoor events. The Old Presbyterian Church will be used as a musical entertainment site. The club is excited to reinstate the Garden Club to rejuvenate the Old English Garden with the help and guidance of Rutgers University Horticulture Dept. Once the garden's basic structure materializes, the community will be invited to participate by expanding the garden area for public use.

My Best,

Frank Villaflor
President



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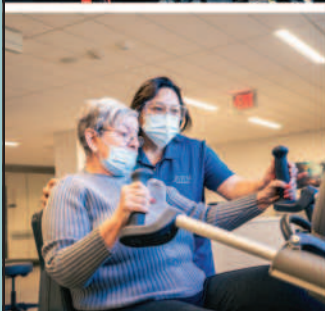


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WELCOME

The East Hanover Senior Citizens Club is an active non-profit organization established November 14, 1966 under the sponsorship and guidance of the township and the management commission.

The Senior Citizens Club objective is to promote a sense of community among our members through various activities, trips, events, knowledge, and cultivate pride in being a member of our club and town.

Membership is open to all East Hanover residents 60 years of age and older. Annual dues of \$10 is to be paid by the end of January each year. Members are encouraged to be active within the club's activities. Consider our club house as your second home and members as your extended family.

CONGRATULATIONS



East Hanover Police Chief Christopher Cannizzo, announces his retirement effective February 1, 2026 after 33 years of service. He became sergeant in 2009 and a lieutenant in 2015. A year later he was named the Chief of Police.

He announced that his successor will be Christopher Berres, who will become Chief in February.

Club Officers

PRESIDENT: Frank Villafior

VICE PRESIDENT: John Petruzzello

TREASURER: Geraldine Swetz

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Management Board

MAYOR: Joseph Pannullo

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BOARD CHAIRMAN: Frank Villafior

VICE CHAIRMAN: John Petruzzello

Board Members:

Edward Correale Sr.

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Linda Grasso Carollo

Louisa Hamilton

UPCOMING EVENTS

HUNTERDON HILLS

MOTOWN BAND

Wednesday, February 4

Cost: \$80

Bus leaves center 9:30am

Any questions contact

Candice Bolte

201-220-9786

The revue is a tribute to classic Motown, featuring iconic songs from The Four Tops, The Temptations, Marvin Gaye, The Supremes, Smokey Robinson, Gladys Knight, and more. The performance includes a full band (musicians and singers), coordinated costumes, and choreographed dance routines to capture that 60s Motown vibe

VALENTINE PARTY HANOVER MANOR

Monday, February 9, 12pm-4pm

Cost: \$25

Any questions contact

Claudette Maher

973-585-7272

Candice Bolte

Leslie Beidler



PAPER MILL PLAYHOUSE

COME FROM AWAY

Thursday, February 19, Cost \$84

Bus leaves Center 12:45pm

Any questions contact

MaryAnn Ambrose

973-464-9001

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SPECIAL LUNCH

CASA VASCA

Thursday, February 26, Cost \$35

Bus leaves 12pm from Center

Any questions contact

Matt Perez

973-887-8958



UPCOMING EVENTS

ST PATRICK DAY CELEBRATION AT THE CENTER

Thursday, March 12

Cost: \$18, Time 3PM-6PM-BYOB

Any questions contact

Teresa Kucenski

973-632-8323

Marilyn Crofton

Joan Meidling



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70's DISCO PARTY



How many notes would you need to hear before naming that '70's hit? Well, we found out when our "senior aficionados" proved that one note could do it. Fun was had by all at our Disco Night event, successfully run by Teresa Kucenski, Marilyn Crofton and Rosalina DiPaolo. With disco ball table decorations, 45's on the wall and a terrific DJ, an atmosphere of "Thursday Night Fever" was set. Appetizers, dinner and dessert fueled our dancing feet and trivia questions of the era, tested our memories.

A huge thank you to all who helped make this such a fun filled night.

By Maria Lanahan



RECREATION DEPARTMENT



The Township is lucky to have had such an amazing Winter Festival aided by the volunteers of the East Hanover Senior Citizen Club. It was a beautiful event full of fun and holiday cheer.

I am proud to report that with the help of Mayor Joe Pannullo and the East Hanover Township Council, the upgrades in Phase 2 of the Lurker Park renovations are squarely underway and heading to the finish line. The tennis and pickle ball courts are available for use and the bocce courts continue to be a highlight of this phase. The turf soccer field has been home to many practices and games this past fall, and it is already proving to be a worthy improvement. I am also happy to report that Phase 3, which will provide some of the most necessary improvements, is scheduled to begin work this spring. Although it will impact a lot of the annual events and park activities as the phase begins, the improvements will round out the renaissance of Lurker Park as well as enhance the infrastructure making the Park well equipped to handle all of our Township events for years to come. Have a Happy New Year and we'll see you at the park again soon!

DJ Salvante, CPM, CPRP, Cysa
Superintendent of Recreation
Township of East Hanover
973-888-6085

HALLOWEEN PARTY

The Halloween Party of October 2025 was held at the Hanover Manor. Everyone enjoyed the food and the music which was provided by Benny Colaneri. The Halloween costumes were amazing! It was very hard to choose a winner, but hands down **Phyllis Botticell** took first place.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AWARD DINNER



Congratulations to **Al Swetz and Gerri Swetz** upon receipt of the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) award. Volunteers respond to help in the communities first aid, fire safety, search and rescue to help in their community until professional responders arrive. **Gerri Swetz** was also honored with the **Senior Citizen of the Year Award for 2025**.

The Knights of Columbus honored **George Lavecchia** as the **Knight of the Year for 2025**.

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Thank you

HAPPY HOUR

On the first Friday of every month we come together for a wonderful time socializing. For \$10 you'll enjoy a choice of two glasses of wine or two beers, a cappuccino or espresso along with a light meal and delicious homemade desserts. We encourage all Left-Right-Center players and members to make time to join us. It's a great chance to relax, laugh and enjoy each others company.

By John Petruzzello

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WEST SIDE STORY



Editors

Joann Caronia and Linda Carollo
All submissions subject to editorial review.

ONGOING ACTIVITIES AT THE CLUBHOUSE

- Men's Poker - Bob Fata Mon-Tues-Fri 10-2pm
- Crafter's Meeting - Irene Perez..... Wed 11-2pm
- Mahjong -Donna Garbarino Fri 12:30-3pm
- Billiards.....Everyday 1-3pm
- Golf - Ron Farrington-Joe Carvagno.....Mondays
- Bowling -Ron Forino Fri 10-12pm
- Bingo-Linda Carollo.....Thurs 11:30-1pm
- Chair YogaTues 1pm-2pm
- Poker - Claudette Maher.....Tues 12pm-2:30pm

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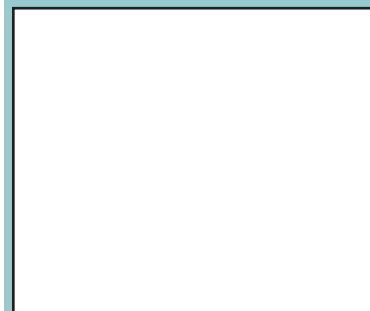
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Activities & Events 2026

CHAIRPERSON	PHONE	ACTIVITIES	WHERE	WHEN	DATE	Cost
John Petruzzello/Bob Ambrose	908 278 1448	Happy Hour	Club House	Fri	1/9/2026	\$10
Harmony Village speaks dementia	862 926 9039	General Meeting	Club House	Mon	1/12/2026	
	862 926 9039	General Meeting	Club House	Mon	1/26/2026	
Candice Bolte	201-220-9786	Hunterdon Hills	Motown Band	Wed	2/4/2026	\$80
John Petruzzello/Bob Ambrose	908 278 1448	Happy Hour	Club House	Fri	2/6/2026	\$10
Candice B./Claudette M./Leslie B.	973 585 7272	Valentine's Day Party	Hanover Manor	Mon	2/9/2026	\$25
	862 926 9039	General Meeting	Club House	Mon	2/16/2026	
MaryAnn Ambrose/Lucy Petruzzello	973 464 9001	Come From Away	PaperMill	Thurs	2/19/2026	\$84
Frank Villaflor	862 926 9039	HP School show	HP High School	Wed	2/25/2026	Free
Matt Perez	973 887 8958	Special Luncheon	Newark	Thurs	2/26/2026	TBA
John Petruzzello/Bob Ambrose	908 278 1448	Happy Hour	Club House	Fri	3/6/2026	\$10
	862 926 9039	General Meeting	Club House	Mon	3/9/2026	
Teresa K/Marilyn C/Joan M	973 632 8323	St. Patrick Day	Club House	Thurs	3/12/2026	\$18
	862 926 9039	General Meeting	Club House	Mon	3/23/2026	
Bob Fata	973-386-9391	Wind Creek Casino	Bethlehem, PA	Thurs	3/26/2026	\$40
Candice Bolte	201-220-9786	Shore Club	Oldies- Doo Wop	Wed	4/8/2026	\$72
John Petruzzello/Bob Ambrose	908 278 1448	Happy Hour	Club House	Fri	4/10/2026	\$10
Joe/Maureen Carvagno	973-508-6705	White Star	Washington DC	Fri-Sun	4/17-4/19	\$609
	862 926 9039	General Meeting	Club House	Mon	4/13/2026	
MaryAnn Ambrose/Lucy Petruzzello	973 464 9001	1776 The Musical	Paper Mill	Thurs	4/23/2026	\$84
	862 926 9039	General Meeting	Club House	Mon	4/27/2026	
Mary Ann Ambrose/Nick Sciarillo	973 464 9001	Bermuda Cruise	Bermuda	Sat-Thurs	5/2-5/7	\$670
John Petruzzello/Bob Ambrose	908 278 1448	Happy Hour	Club House	Fri	5/8/2026	\$10
	862 926 9039	General Meeting	Club House	Mon	5/11/2026	
Candice B./Claudette M.	201-220-9786	Spring Flings	Hanover Manor	Mon	5/18/2026	\$25
Theresa Blauvelt	973-463-0696	Ellis Is/Statue of Liberty	Jersey City	Thurs	5/21/2026	\$60
Matt Perez	973 887 8958	Special Luncheon	Newark	Thurs	5/28/2026	TBA
John Petruzzello/Bob Ambrose	908 278 1448	Happy Hour	Club House	Fri	6/5/2026	\$10
	862 926 9039	General Meeting	Club House	Mon	6/8/2026	
MaryAnn Ambrose/Lucy Petruzzello	973 464 9001	West Side Story	Paper Mill	Thurs	6/11/2026	\$84
Teresa Kucenski/Marilyn Crofton	973 887 5910	Summer Picnic	Cook House	Thurs	6/25/2026	\$18
	862 926 9039	General Meeting	Club House	Mon	7/13/2026	
Alan/Gerri Swetz	973-599-0295	Yankees Game	NYC	Wed	7/22/2026	\$60
	862 926 9039	General Meeting	Club House	Mon	7/27/2026	
John Petruzzello/Bob Ambrose	908 278 1448	Happy Hour	Club House	Fri	8/7/2026	\$10
	862 926 9039	General Meeting	Club House	Mon	8/10/2026	
Matt Perez	973 887 8958	Special Luncheon	Newark	Thurs	8/13/2026	TBA
	862 926 9039	General Meeting	Club House	Mon	8/24/2026	
Teresa K/Marilyn C/Joan M	973-887-5910	Big Band Era	Club House	Thurs	9/3/2026	\$18
John Petruzzello/Bob Ambrose	908 278 1448	Happy Hour	Club House	Fri	9/4/2026	\$10
Maria Lanahan	973-884-1142	Toms River	River Boat	Thurs	9/10/2026	\$55
	862 926 9039	General Meeting	Club House	Mon	9/1/2026	
Bob Fata	973-386-9391	Wind Creek Casino	Bethlehem, PA	Thurs	9/18/2026	\$40
MaryAnn Ambrose/Lucy Petruzzello	973 464 9001	White Star	Charlston/Savannah	Sun-Fri	9/27-10/2	\$959
	862 926 9039	General Meeting	Club House	Mon	9/28/2026	
Teresa Kucenski/Marilyn Crofton	973 887 5910	Horse Race	Club	Thurs	9/24/2026	\$8
Matt Perez	973 887 8958	Special Luncheon	Newark	Thurs	10/1/2026	TBA
John Petruzzello/Bob Ambrose	908 278 1448	Happy Hour	Club House	Fri	10/2/2026	\$10
Maria Lanahan	973-884-1142	Sculpture	Hamilton township	Thurs	10/8/2026	\$33
	862 926 9039	General Meeting	Club House	Mon	10/12/2026	
MaryAnn Ambrose/Lucy Petruzzello	973 464 9001	TBD	PaperMill	Thurs	10/15/2026	TBA
Candice/Claudette M./Leslie B.	973 585 7272	Halloween Party	Hanover Manor	Mon	10/26/2026	\$25
John Petruzzello/Bob Ambrose	908 278 1448	Happy Hour	Club House	Fri	11/6/2026	\$10
	862 926 9039	General Meeting	Club House	Mon	11/9/2026	
Teresa K/MarilynC/Joan M	973 632 8323	Roaring 20's	Club	Thurs	11/19/2026	\$18
	862 926 9039	General Meeting	Club House	Mon	11/23/2026	
John Petruzzello/Bob Ambrose	908 278 1448	Happy Hour	Club House	Fri	12/4/2026	\$10
MaryAnn Ambrose/Lucy Petruzzello	973 464 9001	TBD	PaperMill	Thurs	12/10/2026	TBA
	862 926 9039	General Meeting	Club House	Mon	12/14/2026	
Claudette M./Leslie B./Candice B.	973 585 7272	Christmas Party	Hanover Manor	Sat	12/19/2026	\$35