# What's Happening at SINAP

80-45 Winchester Blvd. Building #4 Queens Village NY 11427 Phone: (718) 454-2100

# October 2025

22222222222

#### **Director of Eastern Queens**

Older Adult Center Operations

Nina Bhola-Cruz, M.A.

nbhola@snapqueens.org

718-454-2100 ext. 120

#### **Assistant Director of Eastern Queens**

Older Adult Center
Tamika Mason
tmason@snapqueens.org
718-454-2100 ext. TBD

#### **Program Assistant**

Betty Gibson
bgibson@snapqueens.org
718-454-2100 ext. 111

## Health and Wellness Coordinator

Semira Salam B.S. ssalam@snapqueens.org 718-454-2100 ext. 116

#### **Program Assistant**

Rhea Persaud rpersaud@snapqueens.org 718-454-2100 ext. 131

#### A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dear Beloved Community,

As we welcome the month of October, SNAP is proud to present a series of meaningful programs and celebrations that highlight awareness, creativity, and cultural appreciation. This month is a wonderful opportunity for us to come together, strengthen connections, and honor the many traditions and causes that matter to our community.

In recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, we will hold a Breast Cancer Walk on Campus, a T-shirt sale in support of awareness and education, reminding us all of the importance of health and hope. Members can also look forward to a creative Paint and Sip gathering, as well as a jewelry sale and presentation that combines artistry with learning.

We are honored to host our Annual Volunteer Luncheon (by invitation only) this month, an event dedicated to recognizing the invaluable contributions of our volunteers whose generosity and commitment are the foundation of our Center's success.

In addition, October offers a rich calendar of cultural celebrations that showcase the diversity and unity within our community, including: Our festive Halloween Extravaganza, the joyous Diwali Celebration, the traditional Mid-Autumn Festival, and a vibrant Hispanic Heritage Celebration.

Each of these events reflects our mission to provide meaningful experiences, foster cultural appreciation, and strengthen the bonds that make SNAP a welcoming place for all.

We encourage you to join us throughout the month as we hightlight awareness, creativity, service, and cultural traditions. Together, let us make this October a memorable and inspiring season.

With appreciation and joy, Nina Bhola-Cruz



# 2222222222222

MENTAL HEALTH MINUTE with Malka from CAPE

Malka Pill, LMSW Hello Everyone- As many of you already know I will be on leave until further notice. Please know that Nina will inform everyone when I am expected to return. If you need any assistance in regard to mental health and well-being please do not hesitate to talk with Nina or other staff at the center about getting support and finding out about other available resources.

# NEW STAFF ALERT: Please Welcome Timika

Hello everyone! My name is Timika, and I'm so excited to join SNAP as the new Assistant Program Director. I've always had a passion for dance, the arts, and (of course) pastries! My background includes several years of experience in both mental health and recreation therapy. I also hold a master's degree in Recreation Therapy and am certified to teach English as a Second Language. I'm truly thrilled to be part of this wonderful team and look forward to connecting with all of you!

# THE WELLNESS WORD With Semira

Let's talk wellness: Did you know Queens has some of the highest rates of late-detected breast cancer? This October, let's paint the month pink to raise awareness, honor survivors, and support healing. On October 10th, we're hosting our *Paint It Pink* affair (free), featuring a fun paint and sip with Kash, a workshop by the Adelphi Breast Cancer Support Program, and a jewelry & pink SNAP t-shirt sale with proceeds being donated. On October 15th, join us for our *Pink Ribbon Walk* (free!), sponsored by Oak Street, with a complimentary lunch provided. Pink SNAP shirts are available all month—see me to grab yours—and let's flood this month with pink! Remember: schedule your yearly mammogram if you're due, nourish your body with cruciferous vegetables such as broccoli and cauliflower, and keep moving daily—prevention starts with you.

**VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH:** 

This month, we remember and honor Eleanor, an extraordinary volunteer whose kindness and dedication touched everyone at our center. Eleanor gave so much of herself—her time, her compassion, and her generous spirit—to brighten the lives of others. Her warmth and care left a lasting impact on our community, and her memory will always remain in our hearts. Though she has passed, her legacy of service and love continues to inspire us all. We are deeply grateful for the moments we shared with her and will forever cherish the difference she made in so many lives.



Flednor Gerring





For any questions about all trips listed, please see Betty Gibson or Rhea Persaud Mon-Friday at 11am-12pm in their office.

## SENIOR APPRIECATION MONTH -KICKOFF Friday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> 2025 @10AM (Free)

Roy Wilkins Park- See Betty to sign-up (seating is limited) Transportation Provided by SNAP



Tuesday, October 14th @10AM \$20 P/P

**SNAP Lunch & Transportation Included** 

#### SENIOR CENTER APPRIECATION MONTH LUNCHEON-ROBERT CROUCH CENTER

Thursday, October 16th 2025 @ 10am (Free)

Joins SNAP in a celebration provided by Assemblyman Clyde Vanel to show appreciation to the incredible work of older adult centers.

#### **FALL FOLIAGE CRUISE**

FRI.,OCT. 17th. 2025 PRICE: \$130 P/P (Only taking names for waiting-list)
The cruise offers a unique way to experience the beauty of fall
foliage. A narrated tour and sightseeing of the changing colors of
leaves up the Hudson River.

Transportation, lunch, boat admission, and lighthouse admission.

#### **CANCELATION POLICY**

If you sign up for a paid activity and find you are unable to participate, contact Betty or Rhea for Trips and parties. No credits are issued for cancellations made the day of or the day before an activity. 5 business days are required for a credit. If you cancel before the deadline, you must notify the Center during business hours of 9:00 AM-3:00 PM Monday-Friday.

\*\*We do not refund ticketed events.\*\* Credits expire after one month

A Not-For Profit agency funded under contract with the NYC Department for the Aging as part of the Older Americans Act Program



#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Friday, October 3rd

12:00PM -Live Lunchtime Entertainment w/ Roberta Fabiano

Tuesday, October 7th

10:30AM - Mid-Autumn Festival- Live Dancing, Karaoke & Moon Cakes

Thursday, October 9th

11:00AM- Hispanic Heritage Celebration w/ Live Traditional Music

Friday, October 10th

10:00AM - "Paint it Pink" Sip & Paint w/ Kash (free)

11:00 AM - "The C-Word" Workshop Presented by Adelphi

12:00PM - Live Lunchtime Entertainment w/ Stephen Benson

Wednesday, October 15th

10:00AM - Pink Ribbon Walk (See Semira to sign up)

Friday, October 17th

9:00AM - Fall Foliage Cruise

10:00AM - Octoberfest \$10 w/ Live Musical Entertainment

by Richard Frank

Wednesday, October 22nd

9:15 AM - Haircuts w/ Marilyn \$10 per person

10:00AM - Diwali Celebration \$5

Thursday, October 23rd

9:15AM - Volunteer Luncheon (INVITE ONLY)

Friday, October 24th

12:00PM - Live Lunchtime Entertainment w/ Ayodele Maakheru

Friday, October 31st

10:00AM- Halloween Costume Party \$12

10:00AM- Birthday Celebration w/ Live Musical Entertainment

by Sandra Taylor

#### IN PERSON CLASSES

#### **Mondays**

10:00 AM - Knitting & Crocheting

10:00 AM - Blood Pressure Clinic 10:00 AM - Musical Sing Along

#### 11:00 AM - Chair Yoga with Irene

1:00 PM - Billiard's & Ping Pong

1:00 PM - Scrabble Games

1:00 PM - Women's Empowerment

2:00 PM - Billiards & Ping Pong

#### **Tuesdays**

10:00 AM - Painting with Purpose

10:00 AM - Walking Club

10:00 AM - Line Dancing

11:00 AM - Chair Dance

#### 11:00 AM - Chinese Karaoke/Class 5

1:00 PM - Pokeno Games

1:00 PM - Heart Strong

#### Wednesdays

#### 10:00 AM - Bingo

10:00 AM- Fall Prevention Class

11:00 AM - MET Art Program

11:00 AM - Chair Yoga with Brother Ben

11:00 AM - Men's Discussion

1:00 PM - Flexible Core

2:00 PM - Billiards & Ping Pong

2:00 PM - Pokeno Games

#### <u>Thursdays</u>

9:00 AM - Chinese Karaoke/Classroom 5

10:00 AM - Jewelry Making

10:00 AM - Latin Dance

10:00 AM - Walking Club

11:00 AM - Tai Chi

11:00 AM - Adult Coloring

1:00 PM - Functional Fitness

1:00 PM - Karaoke Party (Dining Room)

#### <u>Fridays</u>

10:00 AM - BINGO

10:00 AM- Fall Prevention Class

10:00 AM - Quilting

11:00 AM - Ballroom Dancing

1:00 PM - Casual Conversations Discussion

1:00 PM - Stretch & Strength

2:00 PM - Pokeno Games

#### **VIRTUAL CLASSES**

#### **Mondays**

11:00AM | Chair Yoga with Irene ID# 809-327-718

#### **Tuesdays**

10:00AM | Lost in the 50's Music with Stan ID# 840 8066 7521

11:00AM | *Chair Dance with Irene* ID# 809-327-718

1:00PM | *Heart Strong with Doreen* ID# 865 5195 3397

#### **Wednesdays**

11:00AM | Chair Yoga with Irene ID# 809-327-718

1:00PM | Flexible Core with Doreen (Intermediate to Advanced) ID#: 865 5195 3397

#### **Thursdays**

1:00PM | Functional Fitness with Doreen ID#: 967-1349-0389

#### **Fridays**

11:00AM | *Chair Yoga with Irene* ID# 809-327-718

1:00PM | Stretch & Strength with Doreen ID#: 865 5195 3397

#### <u>Friday, October 10<sup>h</sup> 202</u>5 12:00PM

Becoming Madam Secretary By Stephanie Dray ID#: 850 1037 7896

Password for *all* virtual classes: **SNAP** 

# Member Suggestions from THE SUGGESTION BOX!

Suggestion: "Very awesome event- Thanks for entertaining us with such great music from an elite team, the police department. Please have them again."

**Staff Response:** Thank you for the feedback. They were amazing & we're thrilled to hear you enjoyed the event as well. We will definitely try to have the police department team back for upcoming events!!

**Suggestion:** "Can we bring back the breakfast with friends! It was a nice hot breakfast everyone loved!"

**Staff Response:** Thank you for your suggestion. We will look into bring back this very popular event. We will look at the upcoming months to see if we can fit into our calendar.

Suggestion: "It would be nice to have evening programs for those who can't always come during the day."

**Staff Response:** We appreciate your feedback! While staffing and resources are limited in the evenings, we are exploring the possibility of occasional evening events to make our programs more accessible.

#### **RULES FOR LUNCH**

- Please remain quiet and attentive whenever a staff member is making announcements. This ensures that everyone can hear important information.
- Wait for your table to be called before approaching the lunch line. Only individuals
  from the table being called should be on the line at that time.
- Keep your lunch ticket in a safe place. If you misplace your ticket, please inform a
  center staff member.
- After finishing your meal, please clean your space and properly dispose of trays and garbage. This helps maintain a clean and welcoming environment for everyone.
- If you arrive late for lunch, you must wait until all tables have been called before receiving your meal. Kindly respect the process and refrain from cutting the line.
- Treat fellow members and staff with respect at all times. A courteous and considerate atmosphere benefits everyone.

# OCTOBER 2025

# SNAP of Eastern Queens Breakfast Menu - October 2025

Egg Omelet Bagel w/Cream Cheese Raisin Bran Orange	Pancakes Egg Whites Cheerios Banana	Greek Yogurt Bran Muffin with Butter Cheerios Banana	6 French Toast w/Syrup Egg Whites Octmeal Banana	SNAP of Eastern Queens OAC 80-45 Winchester Blvd. Bldg 4 Queens Village, NY 11427 (718)454-2100 Snapqueens.org	Mon
28 Waffles w/Syrup Veggie Sausage Patty Bran Flakes Banana	21 Scrambled Eggs Bagel with Cream Cheese Raisin Bran Cereal	14 Scrambled Eggs with Swiss Cheese Bagel with Cream Cheese Oatmeal with Raisins	7 Scrambled Eggs Veggie Sausage Patty Cheerios Bananas	A Not-for-Profit agency funded under contract w/ the New York City Department for the Aging as part of the Older Americans Act	Tue
Scrambled Eggs with Swiss Cheese Bran Muffin w/ Butter Oatmeal	6reek Yogurt Kaiser Roll w/ Butter Oatmeal with Raisins Orange	15 French Toast w/Syrup Egg Omelet Bran Flakes Blueberries	8 Hard Boiled Eggs (2) Bran Muffin with Butter Oatmeal Orange	Waffles w/ Syrup Scrambled Eggs Oatmeal Orange	Wed
30 Pancakes w/Syrup Egg Whites Cheerios Banana	23 Hard Boiled Eggs (2) Com Muffin & Butter Bran Flakes Banana	Egg Omelet Croissant with Butter Outmeal Banana	Pancakes w/Syrup Egg Omelet Bran Flakes Strawberries	Egg Whites Kaiser Roll w/Butter Cheerios Banana	Thu
Scrambled Eggs Kaiser Roll w/Butter Oatmeal Orange	French Toast w/Syrup 3-Cheese Egg Bites Oatmeal Blueberries	Waffles w/Syrup Scrambled Eggs Wheaties Orange	Scrambled Eggs Bagel with Cream Cheese Oatmeal	3 French Toast w/ Syrup Egg Omelet Bran Flakes Strawberries	Fri

# OCTOBER 2025

5
NAP
of
Eastern
Queens L
Lunch Menu
Menu
October
2025

20 Roast Pork Loin Roast Pork Loin Red Cabbage w/ Sliced Red Cabbage w/ Soliced Red Cabbage w/ Talian Cut Green Beans Red Cabbage w/ Talian Cut Green Beans Red Cabbage w/ Tomato Sauce Red Cabbage w/ Tomato Sauce Red Cabbage w/ Sliced Red Cabbage w/ Tomato Sauce Red Cabbage w/ Sliced Red Cabbage w/ Tomato Sauce Red Cabbage w/ Sliced Red Cabbage w/ Tomato Sauce Red Cabbage w/ Sliced Red Cabbage w/ Tomato Sauce Red Cabbage w/ Sliced Red Cabbage w/ Tomato Sauce Red Cabbage w/ Tomato	SNAP of Eastern Queens OAC 80-45 Winchester Divd. Bidg 4 Queens Village. NY 11427 (718)454-2100 Snapqueens.org 6 Turkey Meatloaf Garlic Mashed Potatoes Spinach Waffles & Chicken Waffles & Chicken 13 Baked Fish with Parmesan Crust Barley & Brown Rice Garlic Snap Peas	A Not-for-Profit agency funded under contract w/ the New York City Department for the Aging as part of the Older Americans Act  7 Baked Fish Amandine Quinoa Brussels Sprouts Waffles & Chicken Waffles & Chicken  14 Roast Turkey Breast Baked Sweet Potato Green Beans Caprese Salad	Pork Chops Macaroni and Cheese Collard Greens Tuna Salad with Eggs Tuna Salad with Eggs Tomato Slices Baked Potato Wedges Green Beans Seafood Salad  Pot Roast Baked Potato Peas and Carrots Tuna Fish Salad	Baked Fish Oreganata Roasted Potatoes Mixed Vegetables Grilled Cheese w/ Tomato  Chicken Hawaiian Egg Noodles Whole Baby Carrots Seafood Salad  Minestrone Soup Eggplant Parmesan Spaghetti w/Tomato Sauce Spinach  Sponse Russen	Chicken Parmesan Penne w/Tomato Sauce California Blend Vegetables Tuna Salad with Eggs  Tuna Salad with Eggs  Potato Soup Veggie Chili Brown Rice Broccoli & Cauliflower Blend Veggie Burger  I Kielbasa with Sauerkraut Oven Baked Potatoes Broccoli Florets Tuna Fish Salad
with Parmesan Roast Turkey Breast Baked Sweet Potato Baked Sweet Potato Peas Peas Peas Caprese Salad  20 Roast Pork Loin Fel Red Cabbage w/ Sliced Apples Prizza Bagel  27 Teriyaki Baked Fish Brown Rice Speas Prizza Bagel  28 Criental Blend Vegetables Speas S					
Baked Sweet Potato  Baked Sweet Potato  Green Beans  Peas and Carrots  Spaghetti w/Tomato Sauce  Tuna Fish Salad  20					Kielbasa with Sauerkra
oup Caprese Salad  20 Roast Pork Loin fel Red Cabbage w/ Sliced Red Cabbage w/ Sliced Pizza Bagel  27 Pizza Bagel  28 Prizza Bagel  29 Pown Rice  Caprese Salad  21 Spinach  Veggie Burger  23 Spinach  Veggie Burger  24 Veggie Burger  25 Italian Meatballs  Spaghetti w/Tomato Sauce  Brussels Sprouts  Turkey Salad  Turkey Salad  Turkey Salad  Turkey Salad  Turkey Salad  Oriental Blend Vegetables  Talian Cut Green Beans  Vegetable Soup  Salmon Cakes with Dill Sauce  Cauliflower Potato Mash  Whole Baby Carrots	Tust .	Baked Sweet Potato	Baked Potato	Eggplant Parmesan	Oven Baked Potatoes
s Peas  Caprese Salad  Tuna Fish Salad  Spinach  Veggie Burger  21	arley & Brown Rice	Green Beans	Peas and Carrots	Spaghetti w/Tomato Sauce	Broccoli Florets
20 Roast Pork Loin fel Roast Pork Loin fel Mashed Potatoes Red Cabbage w/ Sliced Apples Apples Pizza Bagel 27 Teriyaki Baked Fish Brown Rice Sensens Potato Kugel Brussels Sprouts Turkey Salad	artic Snap Peas aprese Salad	Caprese Salad	Tuna Fish Salad	Spinach Veggie Burger	Tuna Fish Salad
oup Roast Pork Loin  Red Cabbage w/ Sliced Red Cabbage w/ Tankey Salad Turkey Salad  Solmon Cakes with Dill Sauce Cauliflower Potato Mash Whole Baby Carrots	20	21	22	23	
fel Mashed Potatoes Potato Kugel Sprouts Italian Cut Green Beans gplant Apples Turkey Salad Turkey Salad Pizza Bagel 28 Teriyaki Baked Fish Rotini w/Spinach &Chickpeas Cauliflower Potato Mash Toriental Blend Vegetables Italian Cut Green Beans Whole Baby Carrots	plit Pea Soup	Roast Park Lain	Baked Breaded Fish	Italian Meatballs	Baked Chicken
Red Cabbage w/ Sliced  Apples  Apples  Pizza Bagel  27  Teriyaki Baked Fish  Brown Rice  Oriental Blend Vegetables  Figure School State of	aked Falafel	Mashed Potatoes	Potato Kugel	Spaghetti w/Tomato Sauce	Noodles and Cabbage
9 Turkey Salad  27 Pizza Bagel  28 29 30  Teriyaki Baked Fish Sens Brown Rice  Prizza Bagel  28 29 Salmon Cakes with Dill Sauce Rotini w/Spinach &Chickpeas Cauliflower Potato Mash Prizza Bagel  28 29 Salmon Cakes with Dill Sauce Rotini w/Spinach &Chickpeas Cauliflower Potato Mash Prizza Bagel  28 29 Salmon Cakes with Dill Sauce Rotini w/Spinach &Chickpeas Cauliflower Potato Mash Prizza Bagel	emon Rice	Red Cabbage w/ Sliced	Brussels Sprouts	Italian Cut Green Bears	California Blend Vegetables
27 Teriyaki Baked Fish Vegetable Soup Salmon Cakes with Dill Sauce 8 Brown Rice Rotini w/Spinach &Chickpeas Cauliflower Potato Mash Contental Blend Vegetables Italian Cut Green Beans Whole Baby Carrots	oasted Eggplant	Apples	Turkey Salad	Turkey Salad	Turkey Solod
Teriyaki Baked Fish  Brown Rice  Brown Rice  Oriental Blend Vegetables  Zens Stalian Cut Green Beans	rzza Bagel	Pizza Bagel			
Teriyaki Baked Fish  Vegetable Soup  Brown Rice  Brown Rice  Rotini w/Spinach &Chickpeas  Cauliflower Potato Mash  Pens  Oriental Blend Vegetables  Italian Cut Green Bears  Whole Baby Carrots	27		29	30	
es Brown Rice Rotini w/Spinach &Chickpeas Cauliflower Potato Mash eens Oriental Blend Vegetables Italian Cut Green Beans Whole Baby Carrots	_	Teriyaki Baked Fish	Vegetable Soup	Salmon Cakes with Dill Sauce	Chicken Parmesan
eens Oriental Blend Vegetables Italian Cut Green Beans Whole Baby Carrots		Brown Rice	Rotini w/Sninach &Chickpeas		Brand with Tomoto So.
The state of the s	¥.		Annual Action to the Control of the same of the	Cauliflower Potato Mash	LEGING MILE I CONTROL PAR
		Oriental Blend Vegetables	Italian Cut Green Beans	Cauliflower Potato Mash Whole Baby Carrots	California Blend Vegeto