

Mission Statement

The **Mount Laurel Senior Center** is to provide a place where the Senior Community of Mount Laurel Township can meet together. They can pursue mutual interests, receive health and educational services and participate in social and recreational activities. These programs will enhance their dignity, support their independence and encourage their continued involvement in and with the community. The Center strives to create a space that feels welcoming, comfortable, safe and accessible.

Rules Of Conduct

- Abusive language and disruptive behavior affecting patrons of the center or staff shall be reason to exclude an individual or group from the building following appropriate and specific warnings.
- No patron or group shall have continual dominance of center facilities or equipment. No person or group shall exclude an individual from being part of any activity. The center director shall address any such behavior.
- If any patron or volunteer has a problem with facility operations, programming or with any other person they shall address this issue with the Center Director.
- All users of the Mount Laurel Senior Center shall be expected to share in the responsibility for its proper use, cleanliness and care. Please treat this building as if it were your own home.

Contact Information for the Community Center

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Hours of Operation:

Monday through Friday
8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

* Please be advised to collect your belongings so that we can close promptly at 4:00 p.m.

How do I find out what's going on at the center?

- Visit the Centers front desk or credenza for publications and flyers
 - Read the bulletin boards around the building
 - Feel free to ask questions

The Mount Laurel Senior Center is a public building owned by the Township of Mount Laurel and is under its jurisdiction. The building is subject to all appropriate local, state and federal rules, regulations and ordinances. The building is operated under the **Parks and Recreation Department** and under the direction of the Recreation Director.

The Mount Laurel Senior Center is open to the public. Senior Citizen age is defined as persons 55 years of age or older. Building use, programs and services are available for such seniors. You must be a Mount Laurel resident to utilize the center. We would prefer that small children be not on the premises for the safety of all. All patrons of the center will be asked to fill out a registration form. The forms will be kept confidential and kept on file at the Center. The purpose of the form is to have vital information in case of an emergency. Please see attached form. The community center is **FREE** to Mount Laurel residents. There may be a cost associated with some programs and services.

General Rules

All programs, services, classes, etc. will fall under the auspices of the Recreation Department. Any fee for such activity shall be collected by the Recreation Department and used for senior services.

No solicitations or private sales may take place in the Mount Laurel Senior Center. Program providers may present information about services, but cannot solicit business. Furthermore, no outside organization can solicit contributions, accept donations, sell items, or conduct fundraising within the building, unless approved by the Director.

- Smoking is not allowed in any part of the building.
- Alcohol is NOT permitted in or around the building.
 - The Senior Center is not a care facility.
- Participants must be physically and mentally independent or be accompanied by an attendant.
 - Staff does not provide personal care, but attendants are welcome.

The use of open flames is not permitted inside the senior center. Exceptions are small flame-producing items such as candles on a cake, and sterno devices to keep food warm.

Decorations must be approved by the center Director and no decorations may be affixed to the walls.

Prohibited items include votive candles, incense, charcoal grills, candle centerpieces and fragrance candles.

No animals are allowed inside the building except for service/care taker animals or for programming needs approved by the center director.

Equipment assigned to the building shall remain on the premises unless arrangements are made through the Recreation Director. Books may be borrowed from the library. Please return so they may be restocked in the proper manor.

The library is wired for Internet usage for all patrons. The public computer(s) are for patron use only and courtesy should be given if there is wait time. No computer shall be used for downloading of inappropriate material and no programs shall be installed without the permission of the center director.