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## SONNA SINGLETON GREGORY SENIOR CENTER Quarterly Newsletter

#### Inside this quarter's issue:

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elcome Clayton County Senior Services Department enhances the quality of life and dignity of senior citizens. Programs emphasize health and wellness, including screenings, exercise programs, nutrition, education, and field trips.

Located on Anvil Block Road in Ellenwood, the Sonna Singleton Gregory Senior Center is the fourth SPLOST-funded senior center in Clayton County. Expanded features include a lap swimming pool, a state-of-the-art fitness center, a community garden, and a large multipurpose space.

Named in honor of the late Vice-Chairwoman/District 1 Commissioner. Sonna Singleton Gregory. This senior center is one of Clayton County's latest additions to the Department of Senior Services with state-of-the-art features improving the quality of life for our senior population.



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We are extremely proud to have you as a member of the Sonna Singleton Gregory Senior Center family and we look forward to your participation in our programs, events, classes, and more! We welcome you!



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## **CENTER INFORMATION**

The Sonna Singleton Gregory Senior Center provides a variety of experiences to its members that includes educational programming and classes, fitness, aquatic classes, events, dances, health and wellness programs, and socialization.

## OUR STAFF

Center Manager	Latunia Terrell
Program Coordinator	Toni Brown
Administrative Secretary	Yarumey Rose
Health & Fitness Coordinator	Nicholas Wilson
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Congregate Site Coordinator	Mokita Rials
Office Assistant Senior	Aretha Mattox
Office Assistant	Patricia Sims
Office Assistant	Darnell Walters
Office Assistant	Deloris Jefferson
Office Assistant	Mary Jones
Program Aide	Mary Cleveland
Program Aide	Cheryl Jacobs
Program Aide	Constance Scott
Maintenance	Brian Slaw
Maintenance	Claude Dixon
Bus Driver	Harvey Lovett 🔍

#### Senior Center Deputy Administrator

Kendra Shepard, Deputy Administrator, oversees the operations for the Clayton County Senior Centers. Please call (678) 479-5519 for any unresolved issues or concerns.

#### **CENTER CLOSURES**

Thursday, July 4, 2024 (Fourth of July) Monday, September 2, 2024 (Labor Day)



## HOURS OF OPERATION

**Center Hours** Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 8 AM - 5 PM Tuesday: 8 AM - 8 PM **Pool and Fitness Orientation** Tuesday: 2 PM Friday: 10 AM **Open Pool and Lap Swim** Varies monthly depending on Aqua classes **Fitness Center** Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM Tuesday: 8:30 AM - 7:30 PM Registration Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM Tuesday: 8:30 AM - 7:30 PM



# MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



## DAVID MORGAN

David's level of service and volunteerism is admirable and inspiring; however, David's commitment doesn't stop there; he serves on the Sonna Singleton Gregory's Advisory Committee; he heads the Governance Committee. When he's not serving, David's passions include photography, cheering on his Atlanta sports teams and traveling with his wife Gail. David has volunteered a total of 111 hours (woohoo!!). Hats off to David and for all you do! Sonna Singleton Gregory Senior Center would like to Spotlight member, David Morgan. David joined the Sonna Singleton Gregory Senior Center along with his wife Gail Morgan, August 2021. David is a man of strong faith; he has a heart of commitment to his family, and whatever he's set his mind to do. David gets a great deal of joy serving others. One of the ways his commitment to his Faith and Services shows up is through his instruction and facilitation of the class / workshop "Finding Yourself Through Meditation." Additionally, David serves as a Volunteer Instructor for the Sonna Singleton Gregory Photography Class (Flash Mob Camera).



# MEET THE STAFF

Deloris Jefferson began working with Senior Services in November 2021 as an Office Assistant. The social activities are what she enjoys most about her job. Her advice to everyone is to enjoy what you do. Trying to keep track of all the activities for the day and the location of each one has been the most challenging for her. Deloris' proudest moment was Deloris Jefferson her one-year anniversary and celebrating

the dedication of the new Center to the late Commissioner Sonna Singleton Gregory. BUSY, INTERACTIVE, and HELPFUL are the three words she uses to describe Senior Services.

What is one thing you cannot resist? CHOCOLATE Where is your favorite place to be? ON AN ISLAND Where is the best place you've traveled to and why? HAWAII; THE ISLAND WAS SO TRANQUIL AND HAD SUCH A FRESH SMELL

Any favorite line from a movie? ALL MY LIFE! (COLOR PURPLE)



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If you could learn to do anything, what would it be? PLAY THE PLANO If you won the lottery what is the first thing you would do? I WOULD BE DEBT-FREE AND THEN FORM A FOUNDATION

When you have 30 minutes of free time, how do you pass the time? NAP What was the first concert you attended? TEDDY PENDERGRASS What chore do you absolutely hate doing? VACUUMING, HAVE HAD AN **iROBOT FOR YEARS** 

If you could meet anyone, living or dead, who would you meet? MAYA *ANGELOU* 

RI	CLASS EGISTRATION	Summer II	Fall I	Fall II
	Registration Dates	7/29/24-8/16/24	9/9/24-9/27/24	10/21/24-11/8/24
	Class Dates	8/12/24-9/13/24	9/23/24-10/25/24	11/4/24-12/12/24
	Break Week	9/16/24-9/20/24	10/28/24-11/1/24	12/16/24-1/10/25

## ACTIVITIES

Gullah Geechee	Wednesday, 7/17/24  1 PM - 2PM	FREE
Introduction to Choir	Thursday, 7/18/2024   3 PM - 4 PM	FREE
Pilates	Monday, 7/19/2024   10 AM - 11 AM	FREE
Preparing for Retirement	Thursday, 7/25/2024   11 AM - 1 PM	FREE
Music Workshop	Saturday, 7/27/2024   10 AM - 1 PM	FREE
First Aid CPR	Thursday, 8/8/2024   10 AM - 2 PM	\$20
Hypertension Awareness	Thursday, 9/5/2024   2 PM - 3 PM	FREE
Preparing for Disasters and Emergencies	Friday, 9/13/2024   10 AM - 11 AM	FREE
SNAP 101	Wednesday, 9/18/2024   10 AM - 11 AM	FREE
Medicaid/Medicare 101	Thursday, 9/19/2024  2 PM - 4 PM	FREE

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Empowerment and Holistic Health Fair	Saturday, 8/3/2024   11 AM - 2 PM	FREE
A Night in Paris	Friday, 8/30/24   2 PM - 4 PM	FREE
Literacy Day Book Fair	Friday, 9/6/24   2 PM - 4 PM	FREE
National Senior Center Month	Friday, 9/20/24   2 PM - 4 PM	FREE
Sun Set Pool Party	Thursday, 9/26/2024   2 PM - 4 PM	FREE
Jazz on the Lawn	Friday, 10/4/2024   5 PM - 8 PM	FREE



TRIPS		
Mall of Georgia	Tuesday, 7/2/2024   10 AM - 3 PM	\$5
Penelope's Peaches Orchard	Tuesday, 7/16/2024   9 AM - 3 PM	\$5
Governor's Mansion	Tuesday, 7/23/20224   9 AM - 3:30 PM	\$5
College Hall of Fame	Tuesday, 7/30/2024   11 AM - 4 PM	\$19
Lake Lanier	Tuesday, 8/6/24   10 AM - 4 PM	\$39
Sweet Water Creek	Tuesday, 8/20/20 <mark>24  </mark> 8: <mark>30 AM -</mark> 3:30 PM	\$5

## AQUATIC CLASSES

Aqua Fit	Tilda Pittman	Mondays   10 AM - 11 AM	\$15
Aqua Fit	Tilda Pittman	Tuesdays   10 AM - 11 AM	\$15
Aqua Fit	Tilda Pittman	Tuesdays   6 PM - 7 PM	\$15
Aqua Sculpting	Beatrice Lynn	Thursdays   11:30 AM - 12:30 PM	\$15
Aqua Zumba Janice Rodriguez		Wednesdays   10 AM - 11 AM	\$15
Swim Lessons Beginner	Warren St. James	Tuesdays   1:15 PM - 2:15 PM	\$17.50
Swim Lessons Intermediate	Warren St. James	Tuesdays   2:30 PM - 3:30 PM	\$17.50
Aqua Tai Chi	Warren St. James	Tuesdays   3:45 PM - 4: :45 PM	\$17.50
Aqua Cardio	Jasmine White	Mondays   1 PM - 2 PM	\$10

## EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

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	Expressions with Crafts Mary Cleveland		Thursdays   1 PM - 2 PM	FREE
Chronic Pain		Rosalene King	Tuesdays   2:30 PM -5 :00 PM	FREE
Loom Knitting Zaida Arce		Wednesdays   2:30 PM - 3:30 PM	\$10	
	Quilting Beginner	Susan Mathieson	Tuesdays   10 AM - 12 :00 PM	\$20
Quilting Intermediate		Susan Mathieson	Tuesdays   1 PM - 3 PM	\$20
Spanish 101		Francis Candida	Mondays   2 PM - 3 PM	FREE
Spanish 2		Francis Candida	Mondays   3:30 PM - 4 :30 PM	FREE
	Food Talk Better You	UGA Extension	Tuesdays   1 PM - 2 PM	FREE
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## FITNESS CLASSES

Crucial Cardio	Nicholas Wilson	Mondays   2:30 PM - 23:30 PM	\$10
Strength & Power	Nicholas Wilson	Tuesdays   8:30 AM - 9:30 AM	\$10
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Line Dance	Paulette Braggs	Mondays   2:30 PM - 3:30 PM	\$15
Line Dance	Paulette Braggs	Wednesdays   8:30 AM - 9:30 AM	\$15
Core and More	Nicholas Wilson	Thursdays   10 AM - 11 AM	\$10
Tai Chi	Warren St. James	Wednesdays   3:45 PM - 4:45 PM	\$20
Zumba	Charla Armstead	Tuesdays   6 PM - 7 PM	\$15
Cardio Kickboxing	Nicholas Wilson	Mondays   10 AM - 11 AM	\$10
Faith through Fitness	Beatress Lynn	Thursdays   10 AM - 11 AM	\$20
Silver Soul Sliders	Cheryl Jacobs	Thursdays   2 PM - 3 PM	\$10
Yoga For Mobility	Nasirah Denisse	Mondays   3 : <mark>45 PM - 4 :45 PM</mark>	\$20





The Advisory Board acts as an advocate for seniors, and assists in publicizing all Senior Center activities including but not limited to, acquiring financial and/or in-kind donations for activities and programs.

BONGO The Advisory Board hosts BINGO the first and third Tuesday of each month from 4 PM - 6 PM.

## VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

Sonna Singleton Gregory is on the move and doing great things on behalf of our center. If you would like to be a volunteer, please contact our Volunteer Coordinator at 770-347-0340. Thanks for all you do!



## **CLUBS & GROUPS**

The Sonna Singleton Gregory Senior Center offers a variety of clubs for our members to join. Register online at www.myactivecenter.com to participate.



### **AVAILABLE CLUBS & GROUPS**

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## SONNA'S TALENT SHOWCASE



### SONNA'S TALENT SHOWCASE

Sonna's Talent Showcase was an event where members had a chance to share various performance talents. Members showcased talents of theatre, musical, oratorical and physical expressions. There were line dancers, poets, saxophonist, musicians, songstresses and many more. The atmosphere was nostalgic as participants entertained the audience. Among the performers were Bernie Tolbert who played the saxophone. Linda Jones recited an original piece of her own. Joanne Lindsey blew the audience away with her sultry voice. Rose Noble graced us on the keyboards and Maryann Hudson silenced the audience with an acapella number. Last but not least was the Center Comedian, Francina Camp, who left us speechless. It was a evening to remember and fun had by all.





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### **CLAYTON COUNTY SENIOR SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

# SENIOR NUTRITION PROGRAM



## Free. Nutritious Meals. Socialization. Education.

The Senior Nutrition Program (SNP) is funded through the Older Americans Act. (OAA). This program works to reduce food insecurity, hunger, and malnutrition; enhance socialization; and the promote health and well-being of older adults.

### Interested participants must meet the following requirements:

- Clayton County resident age 60 years and older.
- Must participate in at least 15 minutes per month of Nutrition Education at the Senior Center.
- Must be ambulatory

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- Must be cognizant, if not caregiver required.
- Voluntary contributions encouraged.
- Meals provided by Piccadilly.
- Transportation is NOT provided.

#### For more information, contact the Senior Nutrition Program Coordinator at your local senior center.

Frank Bailey Senior Center 6213 Riverdale Rd. Riverdale, GA 30274 678.479.5505

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**Senior Services** 

2300 Highway 138 Jonesboro, GA 30236 770.477.3499

J. Charley Griswell Senior Center

Sonna Singleton Gregory Senior Center 3215 Anvilblock Rd. Ellenwood, GA 30294 770. 347. 0340



## Clayton County Aging Program We Care Like

Clayton County Aging is funded through a Federal grant administered through the Atlanta Regional Commission. (ARC). Congress passed the Older Americans Act (OAA) in 1965 in response to a concern by policymakers about a lack of community social services for older persons. The law also established the Administration on Aging (AoA) to administer newly created grant programs to address the special needs of older Americans

## for more info www.claytonseniors.com

## **Our Services**

We are the Gateway to Community Resources!

- Information & Assistance Specialists
- \* Case Managers
- Transportation Services
- \* Home Delivered Meals (Meals on Wheels)
- \* In-Home Services





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#### Nakia Vaughn

Kaiser Permanente Medicare specialist

### 470-352-7929 (TTY 711) Nakia.R.Vaughn@kp.org



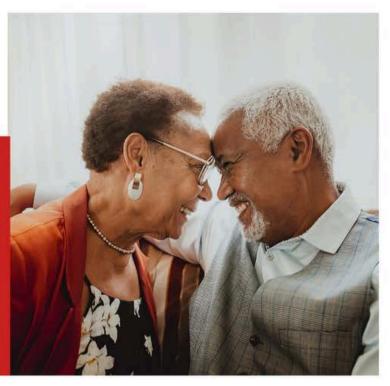
\* Every year, Medicare evaluates plans based on a 5-star rating system.

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**Clayton County Senior Services** 

## 2024 Senior Farmers Market Schedule

July 12, 2024– Aging Program

877 Battle Creek Rd. Jonesboro, GA 30236

July 24, 2024– J. Charley Griswell Senior Center

2300 Hwy 138 SE Jonesboro, GA 30236

August 2, 2024– Flint River Community Center

153 Flint River Rd. Riverdale, GA 30274

August 9, 2024– Kinship Resource Center

849 Battle Creek Rd. Jonesboro, GA 30236

August 21, 2024-Sonna Singleton Gregory Senior Center

3215 Avilblock Rd. Ellenwood, GA 30294

August 30,2024– Frank Bailey Senior Center

6213 Riverdale Rd. Riverdale, GA 30296

**\*\*Must be 60 or older and a Clayton County Resident\*\*** 

## **CENTERS' INFORMATION**

	OFFICE NUMBER	LOCATION			
SENIOR SERVICES CENTERS		200			
For Seniors 55+ FRANK BAILEY SENIOR CENTER	(678) 479-5505	6213 Riverdale Road, Riverdale			
J. CHARLEY GRISWELL CENTER	(770) 477-3499	2300 Highway 138, Jonesboro			
SONNA SINGLETON GREGORY SENIOR CENTER	(770) 347-0340	3215 Anvil Block Road, Ellenwood			
INTERGENERATIONAL CENTER					
For Caregivers, Grandparents, and Youth - Teens					
KINSHIP CARE RESOURCE CENTER	(770) 473-5788	849 Battle Creek Road, Jonesboro			
FLINT RIVER COMMUNITY CENTE	R				
Flint River Community Center For Youth, Teens, Adults, and Seniors	(770) 347-0370	153 Flint River Road, Riverdale			
AGING PROGRAM For Seniors 55+					
Aging Program	(770) 603-4050	877 Battle Creek Road, Jonesboro			
Our mission is to deliver services and programs that promote					

Our mission is to deliver services and programs that promote independence, dignity, and enhance the quality of life while providing a safe and caring environment for older adults, relative caregivers, youth, teens, adults, and families.





## SENIOR SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

Director Assistant Director Deputy Administrator of Senior Centers Deputy Administrator of Finance Office Manager Administrative Secretary Administrative Coordinator Office Assistant, Senior Signature Events Coordinator Tori Strawter-Tanks Melissa Myers-Bristol Kendra Shepard Tonette White Mai Toussant

Mai Toussant Darius Booker Toni Freeman Christie Essien Brandi Rocker



The Director and Assistant Director of Clayton County Senior Services Department are responsible for ensuring the Clayton County Aging Program, Senior Centers and Intergenerational Centers are operating effectively and efficiently. We accomplish this goal by hiring passionate, competent, and dedicated leaders to directly oversee facilities, services, and programs.

If you have any issues or concerns while participating in our services or programs please reach out to the Center Manager or Administrators whose contact information is included in the staffing section of this newsletter.

In the event your issues or concerns are not resolved please reach out to the Assistant Director of Clayton County Senior Services Department who oversees the Aging, Cultural Arts, and Senior Center Deputy Administrators.

The Director of Senior Services has an open-door policy that encourages open communication, feedback, and discussion about any matter of importance to members and clients. Therefore, if your issues or concerns are not resolved on the aforementioned levels please feel free to reach out to the Director who is ultimately responsible for the entire Department.





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