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October 2024

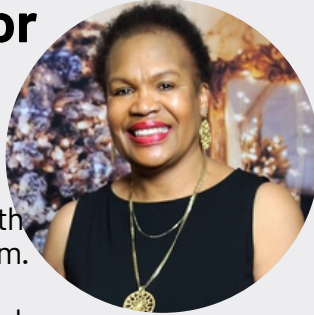
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Volume 3

## From the Director

Dear Members,

Music continues in the month of October featuring Guitarist Michael Powers at the October 18th Green Dolphin Lounge, 6 pm – 9 pm. Cost: \$25 (Lifetime), \$30 (Annual) and \$35 Non-Members and at the door.

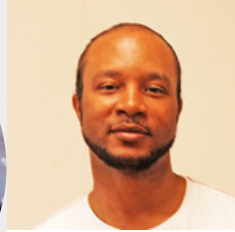


October is turning out to be an exciting month. On Monday, October 28th the CASC will close at 11 am following the Enhance Fitness Class in Des Moines and the morning class of Dancing and Drumming. LueRachelle Brim-Atkins, Principal Consultant, Pronouns: She/Her, of BRIM-DONAHOE & ASSOCIATES will facilitate a CASC staff retreat from 11 am – 5 pm at the center. The Retreat is focused on Team Building.

Several Committees are in full swing, the By-Laws Committee, Annual Meeting Committee and the Holiday Gala Committee.

1. The By Laws Committee has finished their revisions and presented their recommendations to the CASC Board. The revised By Laws recommended by the By Laws Committee and approved by the Board of Directors will be voted on at the Annual Meeting. They will be available for review by the membership by October 14th in the reception area.
2. A second Board Committee is planning the upcoming Annual meeting scheduled for Wednesday, November 13th 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm in the dining hall. Currently there is one vacant board position. Members interested in filling the board vacancy will find the Board Application, Commitment Form and brochure on job duties and responsibilities available on the website, and in the reception area by Monday, October 14th. Materials and Board Application is due back by Friday, November 1st addressed to the Board President, Barbara Peete.
3. A third Committee is planning the upcoming December 14th Annual Holiday Gala featuring Josephine Howell as the vocalist.

—Dian Ferguson, Executive Director



**NEW FACES**  
**JUSTIN BATTISTE**  
Building Attendant

## SPOOKY HALLOWEEN BASH

Wednesday, October 30 | 1:00-4:00 PM

Light Refreshments | Spooky Trivia

Music by DJ Cliff | Prizes for best costume

Spooky Cocktails for sale

FREE TO ATTEND

Come Celebrate with us.  
Register at the Front Office to attend.



Dear Members,

As we continue to enjoy our time together at the Central Area Senior Center, let's prioritize safety for everyone. Here are some important reminders:



- Emergency exits: Familiarize yourself with the emergency exits. In case of any evacuation, follow the exit signs promptly.
- Slippery floors: Be cautious in wet or slippery areas. Report any spills to our staff immediately.
- Personal belongings: Keep your personal belongings secure. We recommend labeling items like walking sticks, bags, and jackets.
- Health precautions: Wash your hands frequently and use hand sanitizers available throughout the center. If you're feeling unwell, take care of yourself and stay home.
- Social distancing: Let's maintain a safe distance from each other. Our seating arrangements are designed to support this.
- Report concerns: If you notice any safety hazards or have concerns, please inform our front desk or any staff member.

Remember, your well-being matters to us. Let's create a warm and secure environment together! 😊  
Stay safe and enjoy your time at the center.  
Warm regards,

—Mديو

Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30 – 5:00 | Thursday: 8:30 – 10:00

**GREEN DOLPHIN STREET LOUNGE**  
Live Music  
3rd Friday's 6-9 pm

**Fri, October 18 | 6:00-9:00 PM**  
**Michael Powers**

*"Michael Powers' music seamlessly and simultaneously honors the past, celebrates the present, and fearlessly reaches into the future!"*

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Advance Tickets Sales: \$25 Lifetime Member | \$30 Annual Members | \$35 General & At Door

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Greetings CASC,



At CASC, let's be aware and vigilant in our effort to use the correct cans for our waste. It really does impact our bottom line.



**Tip 1:** The new plastic take out containers are RECYCLABLE.

- Please put the food waste from the container into the GREEN compost bin. This includes dirty napkins and light beige utensils that we use at CASC.
- Wipe out the plastic container.
- Put the wiped-out container in the BLUE recycle bin.

**Tip 2:** At CASC, we also use a light brown cardboard container for some meals. These cardboard containers are fully compostable and can be put into the GREEN compost bin along with any leftover food inside!

Recycling and Composting is so important to the health of our center and our planet. Will you do your part?

If you have any questions, please leave a message for me or find me around the center. I'm happy to help.

Barbara Peete, Board President

### King County Raises Income Limits for PROPERTY TAX RELIEF

## NEW ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME INCREASED TO \$84,000

#### Qualification details

Your qualification for a property tax exemption is based on your ownership, occupancy, age, and income for the preceding year. For example, a property tax exemption for the current year is based on the prior year's information.

#### You must meet four requirements to qualify:

##### Ownership and Occupancy

You own and occupy your house, mobile home, condo, or co-op. It is your principal residence and has been your principal residence for more than 6 months.

##### Age or disability

You are at least age 61 by December 31 of the preceding year. Or you are veteran with a service-connected disability or disabled. You might also qualify if your deceased spouse or registered domestic partner had an exemption at the time of death and you were at least age 57 that year.

##### Income

For an exemption on your 2024, 2025 and 2026 property taxes, your household income, after deduction of qualified expenses, is \$84,000 or less. Household income includes income received by you, by your spouse or domestic partner, and by a co-owner who lives with you. Remember to subtract qualified expenses.

For more information, contact King County

- [Exemptions.Assessments@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Exemptions.Assessments@kingcounty.gov)
- Call them at 206-296-3920
- Visit the Tax Exemption website:
- <https://senior-exemption.kingcounty.gov/intro>







# CASC CARE COMMITTEE

Established June 29, 2022



### Committee Members:

- Joan Ervin
- Barbara Peete
- Louise LaDay
- Vicky Chappell
- Genevieve Benjamin

### Staff:

Anthony Cryer

Our goal is to take care of our members by recognizing hard times or illnesses they might be experiencing. We want our members to know that their Senior Center cares. In case of sympathy, we send out cards to members of their families. Since a few of our members are home bound, we mail a "Thinking of You" card a few times a year. We send out "Get Well" cards to people who are experiencing illnesses.

### September Love

- 45 Birthday Cards
- 5 thinking about you
- 7 calls

We depend on you to forward information to our staff representative Anthony Cryer or to any committee members. It is important that we care for membership through thick or thin.

There is a CARE BOX in the Lobby to notify us of who needs a card.

## THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS



Volunteers are a valued part of the Center. Your continued dedication and giving of your time show how much you care about your community and this Center. Thank you so much for your willingness to participate in worthwhile programs and events we sponsor here at the CASC. Thank you so very much! You are appreciated!

**Oveta Hunter, Volunteer Coordinator**

# Seniors Vote

**Our Democracy depends on our Vote.**  
**We have a voice!**

**Tuesday, Nov 5, 2024**

Thank you to the CASC Current Events Discussion Group for their work on voter information and resources. They will continue to set up a table in the CASC lobby to distribute voting information and answer any questions you have about out voting, and local and national issues that impact us all. The table is set up on various days throughout the week. Please contact the CASC front desk for more information.

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## STAFF

Dian Ferguson, Executive Director  
 Abdinasir Mohamed, Bookkeeper  
 Anthony Cryer, Social Worker  
 Anthony Herts, Chef  
 Arianna Toussaint, Database Team  
 Cynthia Hobbs, Admin II  
 Francis Gyan, Database Team  
 Jada Berteaux, Operations Director  
 Justin Battiste, Building Attendant  
 Mdigo Ksimbo, Administrative Director  
 Oveta Hunter, Volunteer Coordinator  
 Ronnie Jones, Outreach Coordinator  
 Twanda Hill, Publicity & Marketing  
 Zu Bin Yuan, Special Projects

5:30 pm Doors Open  
 6:30 pm Dinner  
 8:00 pm Music  
 9:15 pm Dessert Auction  
 9:45 pm Raffle  
 10:00 pm Good Night

Invitations forthcoming by mail.  
 RSVP by December 1, 2024 using  
 enclosed reply card. or call the  
 Front Desk at 206.726.4926

\$135 Lifetime Members | \$160 Annual Members | \$185 Non Members  
 \$225 Gala Special (Gala Ticket, Annual Membership,  
 One photo by Flyright)

### Ticketless Event.

**Reservations will be held at the door by individual names.**

**After Five Attire and/or Formal Attire**

## CASC Programs

- Beginning Bridge
- Party Bridge
- Social Bridge
- Le Etta King Bridge (Sanctioned)
- Bid Whist
- Central BINGO!
- Dominoes
- Enhanced Fitness
- Quilting
- Book Club
- Green Dolphin Lounge, Live Music
- Midweek Matinee
- POCAAN Mobile Clinic
- Seniors Dancing and Drumming Grooving 2 Health
- Sliders Line Dancing
- Trivia
- Walking Group
- Current Events Discussion
- Independent Computer Lab

If you would like more information about CASC's programs, please stop by the Front Desk for a program calendar or call 206.726.4926 for class times, fees and other information. Pick up a complete packet with class times, fees and details at the Front Desk.

## BOARD

Barbara Peete, President  
 Sylvester Hill, Vice-President  
 Bruce Baker-Harvey, Treasurer  
 Elaine Williams, Secretary  
 Cliff Holland  
 Gertrude Peoples  
 Joan Paulson  
 Dr. Juana Royster  
 Winona Holland Hauge

**Board Meetings - 4th Tuesday**  
 Members are welcome to attend

**Membership Meetings** are  
 the 3rd Wednesday at 1:15 PM.

Hours  
 Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri 8:30am-5:00 pm  
 Thu 8:30 am - 10:00 pm  
 Sat - Special Class  
 Programs and Events  
 Sunday - Closed or by  
 Appointments Only



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