



Spring Event: Wednesday, May 25, 2022
Fall Event: Wednesday, October 26, 2022

2022 Event Theme: *“Exercise Your Way to a Better Day!”*

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29th Annual National Senior Health & Fitness Day® Set for Wednesday, May 25th

New Fall Event for 2022: Wednesday, October 26th

On Wednesday, May 25, 2022 *National Senior Health & Fitness Day®* will celebrate its 29th anniversary as the nation’s largest older adult health and wellness event. On this date, more than 1,000 organizations across the U.S. will host local events for 100,000+ older adults across the country on the same day.

This year marks the introduction of a second *National Senior Health & Fitness Day* event in the fall—set for the last Wednesday in October – Wednesday, October 26th. There will be two *National Senior Health & Fitness Day* events every year—Spring and Fall—and local groups may register to host one or both events.

Each year a contest is held to select a theme for the upcoming event. The winning theme for both the 2022 Spring and Fall events — *“Exercise Your Way to a Better Day!”* — was submitted by Nancy Draves of Cheyenne, Wyoming. Ms. Draves submission was selected from among a thousand entries, and she won a \$250 prize for her entry.

Organizations interested in hosting local *National Senior Health & Fitness Day* Spring or Fall events must register every year in order to legally use the event name and logo, which are federal trademarks. Local groups that register are given the license to legally use the event name and logo, along with access to the official event website, which features all of the materials and resources they need to plan and host a successful *National Senior Health & Fitness Day* event. Registration also includes a number of additional benefits: a free subscription to the official event e-newsletter, the license to purchase official event promotional items; and more. The 2022 event

registration fee is \$35 per location, but there are a limited number of free event registrations available courtesy of one of the 2022 national sponsors.

Examples of local organizations that host *National Senior Health & Fitness Day* events include senior centers, retirement communities, park and recreation districts, Ys and health clubs, Area Agencies on Aging, hospitals and health systems, health plans, health care providers, service organizations, houses of worship, and many more.

Types of activities held across the country during the event include mini-health fairs, exercise demonstrations, health presentations, screenings, and fitness walks. Google “*National Senior Health & Fitness Day*,” to see the variety of local senior health and wellness events held during this event. For more event and registration information, please visit <https://fitnessday.com> .

National Senior Health & Fitness Day is organized as a public/private good health partnership by the *Mature Market Resource Center* (MMRC), a 33-year old national clearinghouse for professionals who work with older adults.

Older adults at all levels of physical fitness are encouraged to participate in *National Senior Health & Fitness Day*,” says Patricia Henze, National Senior Health & Fitness Day executive director. “Our goals for Senior Day are to make exercise fun, to increase awareness of the benefits of a regular exercise program for older adults, and to encourage all older adults to take advantage of the many health and fitness programs offered in their communities, as well as on the Internet.”

Note To Editors:

For more event details, please contact Patricia Henze at 1-800-828-8225, weekdays, 8-6 Central time. E-mail: info@fitnessday.com. The event website: <https://fitnessday.com>. Please note: the 800 number is for professional use, not for consumer publication. Thank you.

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