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9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday www.carsoncityseniorcenter.org

From The Executive Director, Courtney Warner

Meals On Wheels Carson City joins in Month-Long <u>March For Meals Celebration</u> with Communities Nationwide

Support will help to fight senior hunger and isolation in Carson City

Meals on Wheels Carson City will be participating in the 18th annual March for Meals – a month-long, nationwide celebration of Meal on Wheels and our senior neighbors who rely on the vital service to remain health and independent at home. Meals on Wheels Carson City's celebration will include various activities throughout the month of March, including a Dine to Donate Fundraiser at Applebee's on March 25 (all day) and Community Champions delivering meals throughout the month of March.

The annual March for Meals celebration commemorates the historic day in March of 1972 when President Nixon signed into law a measure that amended the Older Americans Act of 1965 to include a national nutrition program for seniors 60 years and older. Since 2002, communitybased Meals on Wheels programs from across the country have joined forces for the annual awareness campaign to celebrate this successful public-private partnership and garner the support needed to fill the gap between the seniors served and those still in need.

For more information on how you can participate, contribute or speak out for our Carson City seniors this March, please visit www.carsoncityseniorcenter.org



RESOURCE CONTACT INFORMATION

Nevada State Information Service211
Aging & Disability/CHIP 687-4210
Alzheimer Association1-800-272-3900
Care Chest
Carson City Health & Human Services 887-2190
Crisis Call784-8090
Day Labor
Elder Care Law
Elder Protective Services
Energy Assistance 684-0730
FISH
Food Bank 331-3663
HUD (Nevada Rural Housing Authority) 887-1795
JAC (Jump Around Carson) 841-7433
Medication Management Program, University of Nevada, Reno
Nevada Legal Services
Nevada State Welfare684-0800
Northern NV Center for Independent Living
Retired & Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)
Ron Wood
Sanford Center on Aging784-4774
Senior Companion Program 358-2322
Senior RX
SHIP (State Health Insurance Program) 1-877-385-2345
Social Security Administration1-800-772-1213
Suicide Prevention Lifeline1-800-273-8255
Veterans Administration786-7200
VA Medical Benefits Information
VARN (Volunteer Attorneys for Rural NV) 883-8278
Weatherization

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP (www.alz.org) CARSON CITY

Meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month, 1 to 2:30 p.m. Carson Tahoe Cancer Center Conference Room 1535 Medical Pkwy, Carson City

Meets 4th Wednesday of the month, 2:30 to 4 p.m. Carson City Senior Center 911 Beverly Dr., Carson City

ALZHEIMER'S OFFICE HOURS AT THE SENIOR CENTER

Schedule a free consultation with Heidi Slater, Rural Outreach & Education Associate, first Wednesday or with AnaKaren Lamas, Latino Outreach Associate, on the second Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call 1-800-272-3900 to schedule an appointment.

MINDEN/GARDNERVILLE

Support Group meets the 2nd Thursday of each month, 2 to 3 p.m. Coventry Cross Episcopal Church 1631 Esmeralda Place, Minden

National Alzheimer's Helpline 1-800-272-3900 Available to you 24/7



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SUNDAY BINGO Every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the Month

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• \$6 Regular Game Pack • with \$100 payouts

• \$1 Specials •

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> Doors open at II am Games start at I pm

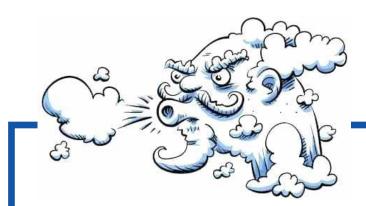
Must be 21 to play Carson City Senior Center 911 Beverly Drive, Carson City

All proceeds benefit Meals-on-Wheels.



Brett M. Weeks, Aud Doctor of Audiology Mark Weeks, MCD CCC Audiologist

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Winter Weather Ahead

Plan ahead as cold weather may interfere with the Senior Center's daily operations. The Senior Center is prepared with ice melt and snow plows to improve conditions in our parking lots. Use caution when on sidewalks and in the parking lot when driving and entering/exiting your vehicle. In the event of extreme winter conditions, the Senior Center may close and will have a recording on our voicemail announcing the closure. If the Senior Center is closed, Meals on Wheels will not be delivered. All seniors receiving Meals on Wheels will be notified by phone of the closure and be instructed to consume the provided shelf-stable meal. For more information or to verify the Senior Center is open, call 775-883-0703.



DON'T FALL VICTIM! Below are top FRAUDS targeting seniors across the nation. Hear directly from the Detectives working these types of cases on Tuesday, March 3 at 1pm at the Carson City Senior Center.

Social Security Administration Impostor Scam

Social Security Administration imposters contact prospective victims by telephone and falsely claim that the victim's Social Security number has been suspended because of suspicious activity, or

because it has been involved in a crime. They ask to confirm the victim's Social Security number, or they may say they need to withdraw money from the victim's bank and to store it on gift cards or in other unusual ways for "safekeeping." Victims may be told their accounts will be seized or frozen if they fail to act quickly.

Perpetrators often use robocalls to reach victims. Victims may be told to "press 1" to speak to a government "support representative" for help reactivating their Social Security number. They also use caller ID spoofing to make it look like the Social Security Administration is calling. With such trickery, perpetrators convince victims to give up their Social Security numbers and other personal information. Social Security Administration imposters operating from abroad often use U.S.-based money mules to receive victim payments and transmit proceeds to perpetrators.



Tech Support Scam

Fraudsters make telephone calls and claim to be computer technicians associated with a wellknown company or they may use internet pop-up messages to warn about non-existent computer problems. The scammers

claim they have detected viruses, other malware, or hacking attempts on the victim's computer. They pretend to be "tech support" and ask that the victim give them remote access to his or her computer. Eventually, they diagnose a non-existent problem and ask the victim to pay large sums of money for unnecessary – or even harmful – services. Tech Support Scams operating from abroad often use U.S.-based money mules (including legitimate-seeming businesses registered in the U.S.) to receive victim payments and transmit proceeds to perpetrators.

Refund Scheme: After victims make payments, perpetrators often call back and offer refunds to victims, claiming their tech support services are no longer available. Perpetrators claim to send refund money to the victim's bank account but falsely claim that too much money was refunded. Perpetrators then induce victims to send payments (often through stored-value cards such as gift cards), purportedly to reimburse the tech support company for its "over-refund." Victims have lost hundreds or thousands of dollars to this refund scheme.



Lottery Scam

Fraudulent telemarketers based in Jamaica and other countries are calling people in the U.S., telling them that they have won a sweepstakes or foreign lottery. The fraudulent telemarketers typically identify themselves as

lawyers, customs officials, or lottery representatives, and tell people they have won vacations, cars or thousands - even millions - of dollars. "Winners" need only pay fees for shipping, insurance, customs duties, or taxes before they can claim prizes.

Victims pay hundreds or thousands of dollars and receive nothing in return, and often are revictimized until they have no money left. Lottery Scams operating from abroad often use U.S.-based money mules to receive victim payments and transmit proceeds to perpetrators.

IRS Impostor Scam

IRS Imposter Scams are aggressive and sophisticated phone scam targeting taxpayers. Callers claim to be employees of the IRS, but are not. They use fake names and bogus IRS identification badge numbers.



Victims are told they owe money to the IRS and it must be paid promptly through a wire transfer or stored value card such as a gift card. Victims who refuse to cooperate are threatened with arrest, deportation, or suspension of a business or driver's license. IRS Imposter

Scams operating from abroad often use U.S.-based money mules to receive victim payments and transmit proceeds to perpetrators.

Romance Scam

Millions of Americans use dating sites, social networking sites, and chat rooms to meet people. And many forge successful relationships. But scammers also use these sites to meet potential victims. They create fake

profiles to build online relationships, and eventually convince people to send money in the name of love. Some even make wedding plans before disappearing with the money. An online love interest who asks for money is almost certainly a scam artist. Romance Scams operating from abroad often use U.S.-based money mules to receive victim payments and transmit proceeds to perpetrators. Sometimes, perpetrators of Romance Scams convince victims to serve as money mules, receiving illegal proceeds of crime and forwarding those proceeds to perpetrators. For example, Romance Scam victims often are induced to receive payments and/or goods such as technology equipment procured through fraud and to forward those payments and goods directly or indirectly to perpetrators.

www.justice.gov/elderjustice/senior-scam-alert

Learn more at our Triad Seminar on Tuesday, March 3 at 1pm

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Join us to learn about research in the areas of diet and nutrition, exercise, cognitive activity and social engagement, and use hands-on tools to help you incorporate these recommendations into a plan for healthy aging. Tuesday, April 21 1 - 2 p.m.

Carson City Senior Citizen's Center, Joshua Tree Room, 911 Beverly Dr. Carson City, NV 89706

Registration requested by April 15, call 800.272.3900.

Visit **alz.org/CRF** to explore additional education programs in your area.

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Kiwanis of Carson City Pasta Feed

Saturday, April 4, 2020, 1:00 - 4:00pm Carson City Senior Center

Tickets \$6.00 (Kids under 5 eat free)

Free BINGO with great prizes!

Pre-sale tickets sold at the Carson City Senior Center; also available at the door.

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Carson Follies 2020 Presents

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AUDITION (ALL AGES)

Thursday, March 5, 6–8pm & Tuesday, March 10, 6–8pm At the Carson City Senior Center, 911 Beverly Drive Contact Toni VanCleave (775) 720–0205



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You don't need to spend a fortune to be physically active. In fact, you can be active in many ways without spending any money. You don't need special exercise equipment other than comfortable walking shoes. Here are a few ideas to help get you moving for free!

Close to home

- Get your garden or yard in shape, and you'll shape up, too. Yard work such as mowing, raking and digging can keep you active at home.
- Make your own weights from household items —soup cans, or bottles of water.
- Rather than driving, walk when doing errands.

In your community

- Try out free demonstration exercise classes at your local senior center or fitness center.
- Participate in community-sponsored fun runs or walks.
- Join a basketball or baseball league that plays at your community center.
- Ask if your local mall currently has a mall walking program.

In the great outdoors

- Go for a hike in a park.
- Learn about trees and plants while exploring a local arboretum.

https://go4life.nia.nih.gov/be-physically-active-without-spending-a-dime/

GET FIT FOR FREE

Exercise is key to healthy aging.

Physical activity can make your muscles stronger, increase your heart rate, improve your balance, and stretch your muscles, just to name a few benefits.

Try all 4 types of exercise for the most benefits: **endurance, strength, balance, and flexibility.** Not sure how to get moving?

Here are some ideas that don't cost a dime.





Join a local recreational sports league.



Walk or roll with friends or family at the mall or around your neighborhood.







Nevada matters. Be counted.

WHEN	March 12 th to April 30 th
ноw	Go to census.nv.gov to fill out your form OR to your local public library

- 1. Money Back To Your Community. Nevada could receive more than \$20,000 over ten years for every man, woman and child who is counted in the 2020 Census. This funding helps pay for education, affordable housing, healthcare and infrastructure in YOUR city and county.
- 2. Easy To Fill Out. There are three ways you can ensure you get counted: online, over the phone, or on a paper mail-in form.
- 3. Don't Give Our Fair Share Away. Every Nevadan not counted means we lose our share of federal funding to other states.
- 4. We've Always Done It This Way. The Census is part of U.S. history. We've been doing it since 1790.
- 5. One-Person-One-Vote. The Census ensures fair and equitable representation through elected officials.
- 6. It's Our Civic Duty. The Census is mandated by the U.S. Constitution to count EVERYONE living in the United States.
- 7. It's Our Future. The results of the 2020 census will help shape Nevada's future for the next ten years we cannot afford to miss the opportunity to be counted.

8. Nevada Matters. Be Counted. Help Your **Community.** You are important and being counted means helping maintain and improve roads, education, health care, and public safety where you live.

Provided by the 2020 Nevada Statewide Census Complete Count Committee

census.nv.gov

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Barry R. Bjorkman Former Advisory Council Chairman Q: Whose advertising slogan was: "The most expensive television in America, and darn well worth it" ..?

LAST MONTH'S QUESTION AND ANSWER

O: When the United States of America was formed, which of the thirteen United Colonies chose to become Commonwealths instead of States?

A: Massachusetts, Virginia and Pennsylvania.

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Meals on Wheels Carson City

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Applebee's will donate 15% of your check when you dine at

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Wednesday, March 25, all day

Donation percentage excludes tax and gratuity. Valid only at the above specified location during specified hours. Must present flyer in order for organization to receive credit for purchase.

Flyers are not to be distributed in the restaurant or within the perimeter of the parking lot. Doing so will result in a voided event.



Maggie Means Business

Maggie Marin seems to be everywhere at the Senior Center: in the dining room, in the library, and even, years ago, at people's homes as a Meals on Wheels driver. Currently, singlehandedly she manages our library, and she helps at the dining room check-in counter. Keeping the library collection organized and fresh comes naturally to Maggie - when she sets her mind to do something, she follows through.

As a child, Maggie foretold her future, telling her mother, "When I grow up, I'm going to work for the state, retire, and then help the elderly." As an adult, she started her State career when a temporary position in Special Projects opened up, staying on as a permanent employee with the Carson Welfare Office. In 1969, she was promoted to Clerical Supervisor and moved to Reno. Maggie spent 33 years working for the state and retired at the young age of fifty-two. "When computers came in, Maggie went out," she is quick to say.



Having accomplished both working for the state and retiring, Maggie tackled her third goal by volunteering at the Senior Center. She volunteered for just about everything in the dining room, including serving as a hostess. Then Maggie set a new goal: work for another eight years, contributing enough to Social Security so her Medicare premiums would be paid. When an opening came up for a Meals on Wheels driver, Maggie got the job! She drove all the routes and filled in any time she was needed. As she had told her supervisor when she took the job, she worked the time it took for her premiums to be paid. She stayed with the Senior Center, volunteering to help older folks just as she predicted years ago.

Maggie, who is of Mexican and Indian descent, was born and raised in Carson City along with

five siblings. Her living family consists of her son and her sister in Carson and her brother in Oakland. It wasn't until she started working that she travelled out of the area. Once she started travelling, she just kept going. At first she travelled for work and to state and national bowling tournaments. Later she joined the Silver Sierra Adventures travel club and visited Hawaii, Alaska, Mexico, Canada, Puerto Rico, the Caribbean and even the Panama Canal. She especially likes cruising, but she is quick to take shorter land-based trips that appeal to her. One of her regular house and pet sitting jobs resulted in a trip to Poland.

In addition to travelling, Maggie still enjoys bowling, and she swims every day, getting up at 6:30 so she can make it to the pool for an 8:00 class. We are thrilled she has time to fit volunteering at the Senior Center into her busy schedule.

Are you interested in joining our volunteer corps? Please contact Pam Ray, Activities and Volunteer Coordinator, at 883-0703 or PRay@carson.org.

March 2020

COMPUTER LAB SCHEDULE

The computer lab will be **closed** to the public on **Mondays** and **Wednesdays** from **11:30am through 4:00pm starting Monday, February 3 and continuing through Monday, April 13.**

During this period, AARP Foundation Tax-Aide Volunteers will use the lab to conduct free tax preparation and counseling to the public.

All Seniors and taxpayers with low to middle income may use these services by calling the receptionist at 775-883-0703 to make an appointment. For more information, please see the article to the right of this one entitled "Free Tax Return Preparation".

VOLUNTEER NEEDED TO ASSIST AT THE SENIOR CENTER DURING TAX SEASON

Do you love meeting new people? AARP Foundation Tax-Aide Volunteers will be providing **free tax preparation services** at the Carson City Senior Center on **Mondays and Wednesdays from February 3 through April 13.** We need a Client Facilitator to assist by welcoming taxpayers, help organize their paperwork and manage the overall flow of service. Client Facilitators normally work from 11:30am to 3:30pm. We will provide training and support. Our volunteers learn new skills while joyfully helping others.

If you are interested, or have any questions please call Pat Eckman at (775)782-3176, or you may send an email to: pateckman@ aol.com with your contact information.



FREE TAX RETURN PREPARATION

by Patricia Eckman, AARP Tax Aide Local Coordinator

The AARP Tax Aide Foundation will offer **<u>FREE</u>** Tax Return preparation and counseling at the Carson City Senior Center.

Trained and certified volunteer tax preparers will conduct this <u>NO FEE</u> service on Mondays and Wednesdays beginning Monday, February 3 through Monday, April 13.

The hours of service will be from **Noon to 4:00 PM** and will be available to all seniors and taxpayers with low to middle income. Special attention is given to individuals 60 years of age and older.

NOTE: if the taxpayer or any member of the taxpayer's household purchased health insurance through the Nevada Health Link or the federal HealthCare.gov site, the taxpayer must bring all forms 1095-A to his/her appointment. Taxpayers are also required to present valid government photo IDs and Social Security cards.

<u>Appointments are required</u> and can be made now by calling the receptionist at 775-883-0703 between 9am - 2pm.

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Saturday | 50% OFF entire store

MANAGER - JAMES PAINTER (775) 301-6676

HOURS: 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. • Tues-Sat

<u>Donations needed:</u> small appliances, dish ware, pots, pans and furniture. Please tell friends and family that we are in need of donations and would be happy to pick up the items! All proceeds help to feed our homebound seniors.

FREE PICKUP of donated items!

Health Benefits of CBD Thursday, March 12 11:30am presented by RISE Zephyr Room

The Carson City Senior Center neither endorses nor sponsors the organization or activity.



Dance with Live Music with the Grumpy Old Men!

March 6, 2020 • 7:00pm-9:00pm • Tickets \$10

Participants encouraged to bring a store-purchased snack to share.

NEW 2020 SCHEDULE – MORE DANCES!

1st Friday of each month, Grumpy Old Men, 7-9, \$10 admission 2nd Friday of each month, Don & Nadine, 6-9pm, \$5 admission

Social Dancing Classes

Thursdays at 1-2pm Joshua Tree Room \$5.00 per week Instructor: Earl Case

BIBLE STUDY Two Sessions Wednesdays 10am-11am Fridays 1pm-2pm

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TRIAD PRESENTATION

Common scams, exploitations and elder abuse from the eyes of the Sheriff's Office Fraud Unit

Tuesday, March 3, 2020 • 1pm Presented by Carson City Sheriff's Office Detective Josh Chaney

SAVE THE DATES:

Healthy Habits for your Brain and Body by the Alzheimer's Association on April 21 • 1-2:30pm

> Carson City Volunteer Fair April 29 • 4-7pm

Frauds & Scams by Nevada Law Attorney Lora Myles on May 5 • 1-2pm

Dance with Live Music with Don & Nadine!

March 13, 2020 • 6:00pm-9:00pm • Tickets \$5

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Lunch is served between 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Mon-Fri Suggested donation: 60 & older - \$2.25

Hidden Treasures Gift Shop 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Mon-Fri

Thrift Store 10 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., Tues-Sat *Newsletter Submissions:* Send by the 10th to SeniorCenterNewsletter@carson.org

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