# Senior Sentinel

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### Hours of Operation

Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. On-Site Lunch served: 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., M-F Hidden Treasures Gift Shop: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., M-F

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# **SPECIAL DATES**

- April 1 April Fool's Day 🧹 🗛 🌄
- April 15 Tax Day
- April 18 Good Friday
- April 20 Easter Sunday
- April 22 Earth Day





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# from the Director. Courtney Warner

There is an abundance of new information impacting seniors at the local and national levels. We are working hard to stay informed to help you know what is going on and how we can help you.

We have a handout on the Social Security Windfall to those impacted, have resources if you are impacted by the changes of Medicare providers at Carson Tahoe Health, and have several resources of local apartment complexes, food resources, and more. Please reach out to us if you have any questions and we will work hard to get you answers.

Thank Now

Thank you to the Carson City Elks Lodge No. 2177 for \$1,200 donation to Meals on Wheels. The money came from an annual murder mystery play the Elks Lodge along with the Emblem Club No. 507 held to raise money for worthwhile endeavors.



# VOLUNTEER Spotlight



# HELEN SELDERS

Helen Selders' 30-year career as a nurse in long term care communities provided the inspiration for volunteering at the Senior Center. Over the past 10 years, she has enjoyed greeting and assisting the public at the reception desk and trained other volunteers who would like to do the same. Helen says that her heart is full when she supports elders. Helen and her husband relocated to Carson City in 2014 and appreciates the natural beauty of northern Nevada and living close to her 2 children and their families, including 4 grandchildren. She's an avid reader of historical novels and delights in knitting colorful emotional support chickens because she says knitting keeps her out of trouble.



**KING** Walt Grosman 84





# March Birthdays



Celebrate your birthday with us -1st Friday of each month! Thanks to a generous donor, the Queen & King win \$50 in cash!

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## RESOURCE LIST

Nevada 211 (Nevada Care Connection)
Adult Protective Services 1-888-729-0571
Aging & Disability/CHIP
Alzheimer Association
Care Chest
Carson City Health & Human Services 775-887-2190
Crisis Support Services of Nevada 775-784-8090
Day Labor
Elder Care Law (RSVP)
Energy Assistance Program
Food Bank of Northern Nevada
Jump Around Carson (JAC Transit)
Medicare Assistance Program (MAP)(SHIP) 1-800-307-4444
Medication Management Program
(Sanford Center for Aging)

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Nevada Legal Services
Nevada Rural Housing Authority (HUD) 775-887-1795
Nevada State Welfare Office
Northern NV Center for Independent Living 775-353-3599
Retired & Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)775-687-4680
Ron Wood Family Resource Center 775-884-2269
Sanford Center on Aging
Senior Companion Program 775-358-2322
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Senior RX

# VOLUNTEERS

Are you retired and have checked all the boxes on your bucket list? Are you new to the area and looking to connect with your new home town? Do you enjoy customer service and have professional office experience?

You're invited to learn about volunteer opportunities by contacting Drew. Visit www.carsoncityseniorcenter.org to apply or

Call (775)883-0703, Ext 7980

## ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP www.alz.org

Meets 4th Wednesday of each month 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Carson City Senior Center 911 Beverly Dr., Carson City

We offer a variety of no cost education, support groups, early stage engagement activities, care consultations, respite funding, information and referrals.

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



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# PCOMING Events

# The Pack that Walked like a Man

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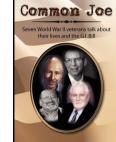
A Chautauqua Presentation





Jesse James Ziegler & Gailmarie Pahmeier

HOW THE BOOK CAME TO BE COMMON JOE



When: Friday, April 18 at 12:30pm Where: Carson City Senior Center Joshua Tree (East End) **About the Event:** An engaging hour with author, Marvin Castagna, as he shares his experience researching and writing "Common Joe," a book about the GI Bill. Free Event. RSVP not necessary.

# Where: Carson City Senior Center Joshua Tree (East End) About the Event: Jesse James Ziegler is currently serving as Poet Laureate for the City of Reno. His first collection of poetry FIVE (2019) was

published and brought to life through their annual new Works Festival. His work has additionally been published by Nevada Humanities, The Mill Valley Literary Review, Strophes and Multhomah University Press. Gailmarie Pahmeier, now Emeritus faculty, taught creative writing at the University of Nevada, Reno. Widely published, in 2015 she was appointed Reno's first Poet Laureate, in 2016 was inducted into the Nevada Writers Hall of Fame. In 2022, she was selected as a Laureate Fellow, Academy of American Poets. Free Event. RSVP not necessary.

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**Barry's Trivia** Question of the Month

by Barry R. Bjorkman Former Advisory Council Chairmar

Q: What do the initials RCMP stand for?

Previous Month's Question & Answer Q. Who was Lemonade Lucy? A. Wife of U. S. President Rutherford B. Hayes.

When: Monday, April 28 at 12:30 p.m.

Where: Carson City Senior Center Nevada Room (West End)

**About the Event:** There is probably no one more intimately tied to the

Carrying a pack that often weighed over 80 lbs., the "crusty" Člyde

Sierra Nevada Mountains than Norman Clyde. Yet to this day, he remains virtually unknown outside the world of alpine climbing. Clyde achieved over 130 first ascents of some the Sierra Nevada's most challenging peaks.

participated in over a hundred search and rescues missions. Local historian

and author David Woodruff assumes the character of this larger-than-life paragon in an entertaining 60-minute Chautauqua performance. Free

> Where: Carson City Senior Center Tahoe Room (East End) About the Event: Med Talk with Jessica Anderson, Physical "Anti-Inflammatory Lifestyle" - Diet and Lifestyle changes to address chronic inflammatory conditions. Free Évent. RŠVP not necessary.

When: Tuesday, April 8 at 1:30pm

Therapist at Carson Tahoe Health, for a presentation on an

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# BOOSTING BONE HEALTH

By Chelsea Minifie, RD, LD, CDCES, Nutrition & Diabetes Education, Carson Tahoe Health

As we age, it's important to take extra care of our bones, as they can become more fragile and prone to fractures. One of the best ways to support strong, healthy bones as a senior is through proper nutrition. Calcium is a key nutrient for bone health because it helps to keep bones strong. Foods like milk, cheese, yogurt, and leafy greens such as spinach and kale are all rich in calcium. Vitamin D also plays a vital role, as it helps the body absorb calcium. Seniors can get vitamin D from foods like fatty fish (such as salmon), egg yolks, and fortified dairy or plant-based milk. Spending some time in the sun can also help the body produce vitamin D naturally.



In addition to calcium and vitamin D, magnesium is another mineral that supports bone strength. Foods like nuts, seeds, whole grains, and leafy vegetables provide magnesium. Eating a variety of these foods helps ensure your body gets all the nutrients it needs to support healthy bones.

Maintaining an active lifestyle with weight-bearing exercises, such as walking, dancing, or light strength training, can also help keep bones strong. If you are at risk for a fall, or maybe its just been awhile since you've exercised, check in with your provider first before starting any new exercise routines. These activities help improve bone density and reduce the risk of osteoporosis. Lastly, reducing excess sodium and caffeine in the diet can help protect bones, as too much salt and caffeine can weaken bone health. By including these bone-boosting foods and habits in your daily routine, you can support bone strength and overall health as you age.

Carson Tahoe Health Nutrition Educators can be reached for questions at 775-445-8607 or @ diabetes.nutrition@carsontahoe.org.

# Tuesday's Chair Yoga with Wanda has moved to Thursday's at 2:30pm

ATRICK'S DAY



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# **NOTICE BOARD**



Saturday, April 5 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Admission \$10 per person Live music with Don & Nadine

# Tai Chi

Thursday's 1-2 p.m.

Show up to the 1st Thursday of each month to enroll.

\$5/class

AARP Driver's Safety Class

2025 Classes: May 5, July 7, November 3 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Tahoe Room

\$20 AARP Member, \$25 non-member payable day of class (cash or check)

Register at Reception

Binday, April 13 Sunday, April 27 Doors open at 11 a.m. Games start at 1 p.m. Must be 21 to play All proceeds benefit Meals on Wheels!

DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP 2nd Wednesday 1-2 p.m.

Hosted by Carson Tahoe Health Chair Yoga with Wanda Thursdays 2:30-3:30pm

> Nevada Room \$5/class



Share your comments in the Suggestion Box located at the main and east entrances.

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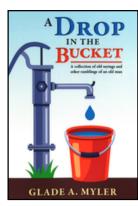
# UPCOMING Events

RSVP not necessary.

# ANECDOTAL WRITINGS & POETRY

Committee

When: Friday, April 11 at 12:30pm Where: Carson City Senior Center Joshua Tree (East End) **About the Event:** Author and Poet, Glade Myler, shares his latest book "A Drop in the Bucket." A collection of old savings and writings. Free Event.



Engage with Kitchen Manager, Kaleb, to preview next month's menu, give input and enjoy a tasting! New menu ideas start here! Meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 10 a.m., in the Zephyr Room (west end).

## Next meeting: April 8, 10 a.m.

Free one-on-one instruction tech help with: Emailing, FREE TECH Smartphone use, MS Office & more. Sorry, no repair service available. No appointment necessary. See the Activity Calendar for current schedule. Tech Help meets in the Case Manager's Office (east end).



HELP

In the Carson City Senior Center Lobby

# Thursday, May 1 & Friday, May 2 9am to 2pm

A selection of earrings, necklaces, belt buckles, pocket watches, holiday jewelry, pins & more! A fundraiser for Meals on Wheels.

# **Donations Wanted!**

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  Mail (\$20.00/year) Mail or drop off cash or check to our Finance Office with your mailing address.

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