



Last month the 60th anniversary of Older Americans Month was celebrated. Older adults are changing the landscape of senior centers and challenging the narrative on aging. The theme this year for Older Americans Month is Aging Unbound. The goal is to reflect and explore a wide range of aging experiences and to promote the importance of enjoying independence and fulfillment by paving our own paths as we age.

Here are some ways we can all participate in Aging Unbound:

• Embrace the opportunity to change. Find a new passion, go on an adventure, and push boundaries by not letting age define your limits.

Invite creativity and purpose into your life by trying new activities in your community to bring in more growth, joy, and energy.

- Explore the rewards of growing older. With age comes knowledge, which provides insight and confidence to understand and experience the world more deeply. Continue to grow that knowledge through reading, listening, classes, and creative activities.
- Stay engaged in your community. Everyone benefits when everyone is connected and involved. Stay active by volunteering, working, mentoring, participating in social clubs, and taking part in activities at your local senior center or elsewhere in the community.
- Form relationships. As an essential ingredient of well-being, relationships can enhance your quality of life by introducing new ideas and unique perspectives. Invest time with people to discover deeper connections with family, friends, and community members.

There are many fun classes to choose from at the senior center. This month you will see that we have added a dance class, clay hand building class and stretch & strengthening class. Along with the many social clubs and events provided I hope that you are able to find a connection here at the center. You will see just how fun each are in their own unique way, from Tai chi, clogging, line dancing to yoga etc. I hope you find your happiness and growth. The center welcomes you!

Giselle Madrid, Director



Commodities June 20th 12:45 PM to 3 PM

June 19th: Closed for Juneteenth Holiday

### **Summer Recipe**



serves: 9 Twix Bars

These bars have a delicious shortbread crust, a homemade caramel center, and a delicious chocolate top. They taste just like a twix candy bar!

Ingredients <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup sugar <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cups flour <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> cup butter softened Caramel Layer <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cup butter <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cup brown sugar 2 Tablespoons corn syrup <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cup sweetened condensed milk Chocolate Layer 2 cups milk chocolate chips 1 teaspoon vegetable oil Instructions Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease a 9 x 9 inch pan with cooking spray.

In a small bowl, mix together sugar and flour, and cut the 2/3 cup butter in with a butter knife. Keep cutting it in the mixture until it has formed evenly-sized crumbs.

Press the mixture into the bottom of the prepared pan, and bake for 20 minutes – until the edges start to turn a golden brown.

Remove from oven and let it cool completely.

In a sauce pan over medium heat, combine the 1/2 cup butter, brown sugar, corn syrup, and sweetened condensed milk. Bring to a boil, stirring constantly (you don't want the mixture to burn, so keep stirring). Continue stirring for 5 more minutes, then remove from heat and stir for an additional 2-3 minutes.

Pour the caramel mixture over the shortbread crust. Let it cool (I sped up this process by placing it in the fridge) until the caramel mixture starts to firm.

In a microwave safe bowl, mix together the chocolate chips and vegetable oil. Microwave for 1 minute, and then remove and stir. Continue to microwave the chocolate mixture in 15 second intervals until it is completely smooth.

Pour chocolate over top the caramel layer and let it cool.

Once the chocolate has hardened, cut into squares with a warm knife (that will make them cut cleaner).



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### Resources

#### **Transportation Vouchers**

Clients can be reimbursed for travel costs to doctor apts. and or other medical care. This is a needs based program. Call BRAG to schedule an assessment and see if you qualify for this program that can reimburse friends and family for taking you to your Dr. appts. 752-7242.

#### **Medicare Cost Sharing Program**

Medicare Savings Programs help individuals with some of the out-of-pocket costs for Medicare, including Medicare Part A and Part B premiums, deductibles, copayments and coinsurance. Eligibility for certain Medicare Savings Programs automatically qualifies you for the Extra Help program as well, which helps pay the cost of prescription drugs. Contact Giselle or Colby to see what cost sharing program works best. For an appt. please call 755-1720.

### Extra Help

Do you need help paying for your prescriptions? You could qualify for a federal program that helps pay some or in some cases all of the part D drug plan.

If you make less than 1,843 a month (\$2,485 for married couples), and your assets are below \$16,000 (\$32,240 for married couples) you may qualify for the "Extra Help" program. It could reduce your prescription costs for generics and for brand-name drugs. Contact Giselle or Colby for an appt. at 755-1720

#### VA Benefit Program

A representative from the VA will assist you with all of your benefit needs. Please call Deborah Crowther at 435-713-1462.

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### **Creative Aging Clay Class**



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### \$15 **Registration Fee**

Mondays: June 12. 26 July 17, 31 August 7, 14 10:00 am-noon

### **Visual Art Classes**

Discover your creative talents in artmaking classes designed for older adults! Participants learn through a series of seven art classes held once a week at the Cache County Senior Citizen Center. All skill levels and abilities are welcome!

To register, please call:

#### CACHE COUNTY SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER

435-755-1720



Nora Eccles Harrison Museum of Art UtahStateUniversity.

In conjunction with:





### Lunch Series | Tuesday Movies



Unless otherwise specified, presentations start at 12:10 in the cafeteria

- June 01 @ 12:45: TED Talk What does it take to change a mind?
- June 05: Nutrition w/ Jenna, USU Extension
   Cooking Demo at 1:00
- June 07: The Evolutionary History of Animals
- June 16: Fathers Day Musical Entertainment: Carl Sorensen
- June 29 
   12:45: TED Talk The best stats you've ever seen





### Movies every Tuesday at 1pm

June 06: Singin' In The Rain (1952, G, 1h 43m)

June 13: The Pursuit of Happyness (2006, PG-13, 1h 57m)

June 20: Food, Inc. (2008, PG, 1h 34m)

June 27: Dungeons & Dragons: Honor Among Thieves (2022, PG-13, 2h 14m)

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# **June 2023**

**Tuesday** 

### Wednesday





<b>5</b> 9:30 Walking Group 11:00 Bingo 12:10 Lunch & Learn: Nutrition with Jenna, USU Extension 12:30 Jeopardy 1:00 Cooking Demo w/ Jenna	<b>6</b> 10:00 Creaciones en la Cocina (taught in Spanish; see pg. 2) 1:00 Movie: <i>Singin' in the Rain</i> (1952)	<b>7</b> <b>11:00 Croquet Tournament</b> 12:10 Lunch & Learn: The Evolutionary History of Animals
<b>12</b> 9:30 Walking Group 10:00 Creative Aging Art Class (1 of 7) 11:00 Rhythm in Motion Dance 11:00 Music Bingo 12:00 - 4:00 AARP Safe Driving	<b>13</b> 10:00 Creaciones en la Cocina (taught in Spanish; see pg. 2) 11:00 Cooking Class: Grilling Kabobs (\$2) 1:00 Movie: <i>The Pursuit of</i> <i>Happyness</i> (2006)	14 Flag Day 11:00 Horseshoe Tournament
19 Closed in Observance of Juneteenth	20 10:00 Creaciones en la Cocina (taught in Spanish; see pg. 2) 11:00 Craft with Jesse (\$2) 12:45 Commodities 1:00 Movie: <i>Food, Inc.</i> (2008)	21 Summer Solstice 12:45 Wii Bowling 10:00 Field Trip: Canoeing! (\$8)
<ul> <li>26</li> <li>9:30 Walking Group</li> <li>10:00 Creative Aging Art Class</li> <li>(2 of 7)</li> <li>11:00 Bingo</li> <li>12:30 Jeopardy</li> <li>1:00 Medicare 101</li> </ul>	<b>27</b> 10:30 Breakfast Club: Emergency Preparedness 10:00 Creaciones en la Cocina (taught in Spanish; see pg. 2) 1:00 Movie: <i>Dungeons &amp; Dragons: Honor Among Thieves</i> (2023)	<b>28</b> 10:00 Rhythm in Motion Dance 11:00 Art with Jump The Moon 2:00 Book Club: <i>Treasure</i> <i>Island</i>

### **June 2023**

Thursday	Friday	<b>Daily Activities</b>	
<b>1</b> 10:30 Sit & Be Fit w/Darrell 11:15 Card-making w/ Brenda 12:45 TED Talk: <i>What does it</i> <i>take to change a mind?</i>	<b>2</b> 11:00 Stretches and Strength Training 11:00 Blood Pressure 1:00 Technology Assistance	8:30-2:30 Computers 8:30 Fitness Room 8:30 Library 12:00-1:00 Lunch 8:30 Pool Tables 8:30-2:30 Quilting	
<b>8</b> 10:30 Sit & Be Fit w/Darrell 1:00 Technology Class: Safe Web Browsing	<b>9</b> 11:00 Stretches and Strength Training 1:00 Technology Assistance	<u>Monday</u> 9:30 Walking Group 11:00 Bingo 12:30 Jeopardy 1:00 Tai Chi <u>Tuesday</u> 8:30 Ceramics 10:30 Tai Chi 11:00 Creative Writing	
15 10:00 Field Trip: Poppies and Sydney's in Mantua (\$7) 10:30 Sit & Be Fit w/Darrell	<b>16 Father's Day (celebrated)</b> 10:00 Sewing: Project of the Month (\$3) 11:00 Stretches and Strength Training 11:00 Blood Pressure <b>12:10 Father's Day</b> Entertainment: Carl Sorensen	11:00 Creative Writing 12:30 Mahjong 1:00 Movie <u>Wednesday</u> 11:00 Line Dancing 1:00 Bobbin Lace Group 1:00 Bridge 1:00 Tai Chi	
<b>22</b> 10:30 Sit & Be Fit w/Darrell 10:45 Poker 12:30 Craft and Chit Chat with Colby (\$1)	<b>23</b> 10:00 Open Sewing (\$3) 11:00 Stretches and Strength Training 1:00 Technology Assistance	<u>Thursday</u> 8:30 Ceramics 10:00 Bingocize 11:00 Chair Yoga 12:30 Mahjong 2:30 Clogging <u>Friday</u>	
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### **Debunking the Myths of Older Adult Falls**



Myth 1: Falling happens to other people, not to me.

Reality: Many people think, "It won't happen to me." But the truth is that 1 in 4 older adults fall every year in the U.S.

Myth 2: Falling is something normal that happens as you get older.

Reality: Falling is not a normal part of aging. Strength and balance exercises, managing your medications, having your vision checked and making your living environment safer are all steps you can take to prevent a fall.

Myth 3: If I limit my activity, I won't fall.

Reality: Some people believe that the best way to prevent falls is to stay at home and limit activity. Not true. Performing physical activities will actually help you stay independent, as your strength and range of motion benefit from remaining active. Social activities are also good for your overall health.

Myth 4: As long as I stay at home, I can avoid falling.

Reality: Over half of all falls take place at home. Inspect your home for fall risks. Fix simple but serious hazards such as clutter, throw rugs, and poor lighting. Make simple home modifications, such as adding grab bars in the bathroom, a second handrail on stairs, and non-slip paint on outdoor steps.

Myth 5: Muscle strength and flexibility can't be regained.

Reality: While we do lose muscle as we age, exercise can partially restore strength and flexibility. It's never too late to start an exercise program. Even if you've been a "couch potato" your whole life, becoming active now will benefit you in many ways—including protection from falls. falling.

Reality: Taking any medication may increase your risk of falling. Medications affect people in many different ways and can sometimes make you dizzy or sleepy. Be careful when starting a new medication. Talk to your health care provider about potential side effects or interactions of your medications.

Myth 7: I don't need to get my vision checked every year.

Reality: Vision is another key risk factor for falls. Aging is associated with some forms of vision loss that increase risk of falling and injury. People with vision problems are more than twice as likely to fall as those without visual impairment. Have your eyes checked at least once a year and update your eyeglasses. For those with low vision there are programs and assistive devices that can help. Ask your optometrist for a referral.

Myth 8: Using a walker or cane will make me more dependent.

Reality: Walking aids are very important in helping many older adults maintain or improve their mobility. However, make sure you use these devices safely. Have a physical therapist fit the walker or cane to you and instruct you in its safe use.

Myth 9: I don't need to talk to family members or my health care provider if I'm concerned about my risk of falling. I don't want to alarm them, and I want to keep my independence.

Reality: Fall prevention is a team effort. Bring it up with your doctor, family, and anyone else who is in a position to help. They want to help you maintain your mobility and reduce your risk of falling.

Myth 10: I don't need to talk to my parent, spouse, or other older adult if I'm concerned about their risk of falling. It will hurt their feelings, and it's none of my business.

Reality: Let them know about your concerns and offer support to help them maintain the highest degree of independence possible. There are many things you can do, including removing hazards in the home, installing safety features like grab bars or walk-in bathtubs, finding a fall prevention program in the community, or setting up a vision exam.

Myth 6: Taking medication doesn't increase my risk of

### **Field Trips**

## Join us for a Field Trip!



Thursday, June 15th Leaving from the Senior Center at 10:00am \$7 bus fee.

Call 435-755-1720 to register

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5	Chef's Choice	6 <b>Tuscan Chicken</b> Couscous Sautéed Zucchini Fresh Fruit	7 Honey Mustard Ham & Cheese Sandwich Cucumber Salad Grapes	8 Hot Dogs Carrot Salad Honeydew Chips Strawberry Delight	9 Caesar Chicken Salad Fruit Cup Cookie
	<b>BBQ Sandwich</b> 3 Bean Salad Pineapple Tidbits Chips	13 Shells w/ Mushroom Marinara Italian Veggies Pears Garlic Bread	14 <b>Turkey Sandwich</b> on Ciabatta Bread Mixed Fruit Broccoli Salad Cookie	15 Breaded Fish Rice Pilaf Cucumber Dill Salad Peaches Lemon Pudding	16 Hamburger w/ Fix'ns Potato Salad Watermelon Frozen S'mores Happy Father's Day
19	Closed in observance of Juneteenth	20 <b>Pork Chop</b> w/ Mushroom Gravy Mashed Potatoes Asparagus Grape Salad	21 Chef's Choice	22 Cheddar Cheese Breakfast Bake V8 Mixed Fruit	25 Broccoli Cheese Casserole w/ Ham Mandarin Oranges & Pineapple Mixed Veggies Wheat Roll
	Drange Chicken Brown Rice Peas & Carrots Iandarin Oranges	27 Chef's Choice	28 BBQ Riblets Mac & Cheese Cole Slaw Melon Cookie	29 Taco Soup Tropical Fruit Green Beans Chips	30 Chicken Salad Sandwich Grape Salad Pineapple Fluff Chips

### **Outdoor Events**



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### **Medicare Savings Programs**

Dear Marci

Dear Marci,

What mental health care does Medicare cover? I have anxiety and depression, and my primary care provider recommended I see a therapist or psychiatrist.

-Josefina (Cleveland, OH)

Dear Josefina,

Medicare covers both inpatient and outpatient mental health care. And Medicare prescription drug plans cover medications used to treat mental health conditions, but be sure to check the formulary to ensure the brands and dosages you take are included.

Medicare Part B covers outpatient mental health care, including the following services: Individual and group therapy Substance use disorder treatment Tests to make sure you are getting the right care Occupational therapy Activity therapies, such as art, dance, or music therapy Training and education (such as training on how to inject a needed medication or education about your condition) Family counseling to help with your treatment Laboratory tests Prescription drugs that you cannot administer yourself,

such as injections that a doctor must give you An annual depression screening

Be sure to ask any provider you see if they take your Medicare insurance before you begin receiving services. If they don't, you will likely be responsible for the full cost of the care. Psychiatrists are more likely than any other type of physician to opt out of Medicare, meaning Medicare will not cover any of the cost of the care from those doctors. Additionally, not all non-medical providers (like psychologists or clinical social workers) are Medicare-certified. If you need a list of providers

near you who accept Medicare, you can go to www.medicare.gov/care-compare.

Medicare Part A covers inpatient mental health care that you receive in either a psychiatric hospital (a hospital that only treats mental health patients) or a general hospital. Your provider should determine which hospital setting you need.

If you receive care in a psychiatric hospital, Medicare covers up to 190 days of inpatient care in your lifetime. If you have used your lifetime days but need additional mental health care, Medicare may cover your care at a general hospital.

Medicare Part D covers most prescription drugs used to treat mental health conditions. You may have Part D coverage through a Medicare Advantage Plan or through a stand-alone Part D plan. All Part D plans must cover at least two drugs from most drug categories and must cover all drugs available in certain categories, including antidepressants and antipsychotic medications.

I hope this helps!



### Life is very short,

so break your silly egos, forgive quickly, believe slowly, love truly, laugh loudly and never avoid anything that makes you smile.



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### Fraud



Medicare Fraud Prevention Week focuses on the actions everyone can take to prevent Medicare fraud, errors, and abuse. Medicare Fraud Prevention Week starts on June 5, or 6/5, because most people become eligible for Medicare when they turn 65. Medicare Fraud Prevention Week is hosted by the Senior Medicare Patrol, known as the SMP.

The SMP is a national program to educate Medicare beneficiaries about Medicare fraud, errors, and abuse. Learn how you can protect yourself and your loved ones company in question and ask them about potential from Medicare fraud by joining us every day of Medicare Fraud Prevention Week from 6/5 through 6/11 for a different message on the national social media platforms or by connecting with your local SMP in your state.

#### Why is This Week Important?

Medicare loses an estimated \$60 billion each year due to fraud, errors, and abuse, though that number is impossible to measure. Every day, issues related to these problems affect people across the country, often costing them time, money, and well-being.

Medicare-related errors contribute to this annual loss even though errors can be honest health care billing mistakes. However, repeated errors by a doctor or provider could be considered a red flag of potential fraud or abuse if not corrected.

When people steal from Medicare, it hurts us all and is big business for criminals. Some common examples of fraud, errors, or abuse could include:

Charging for services or supplies that were not provided Misrepresenting a diagnosis, a person's identity, the service provided, or other facts to justify payment Prescribing or providing excessive or unnecessary tests and services

Falling prey to consumer scams or health care fraud may mean that your Medicare number has been "compromised" as a result of medical identity theft. Stealing from Medicare leaves less available funds for those needing services now as well as those needing Medicare in the future.

If you are a **Medicare beneficiary**, start the week by learning how to read your Medicare statements! Read your Medicare Summary Notice (MSN) or Explanation of Benefits (EOB) in the paper form that is mailed to you or go online to Medicare.gov and review claims digitally.

Remember the three steps from the SMP: Prevent, Detect, Report!

**Prevent:** Learn how to read your MSN. You can also call your SMP or go to their website to learn how to best protect yourself and your loved ones from health care fraud, errors, or abuse.

•Detect: When reviewing your MSN or EOB, look for services, products, or equipment you didn't receive, double charges, or items your doctor didn't order.

Request and use a My Health Care Tracker from your SMP to compare appointment information you recorded with what is printed in your MSNs and/or EOBs.

If you find items of concern, call the doctor or mistakes. Call your insurance company if you still have auestions.

•**Report:** Call or email your local SMP if you believe that you have experienced health care fraud, errors, or abuse or if you would like to request a My Health Care Tracker.

Caregivers, help by educating yourself and your clients or loved ones on how to prevent and detect health care fraud, errors, and abuse. Be on the lookout for things like boxes of knee braces (known as durable medical equipment, or DME) lying around the house. This is a common scam and may mean your client or loved one has been a victim. Remind your clients or loved ones to never give out their Medicare number or other personal information over the phone.

**Families**, help by talking to your loved ones about protecting their Medicare number just as they would a credit card number. Encourage them to check their Medicare statements for fraud, errors, or abuse and never give out their Medicare number over the phone for any reason. Help your loved ones create a Medicare.gov account to access their Medicare claims online or remind them to open and review their statements when they come in the mail every three months. You can also register their phone number on "do not call" lists and go to optoutprescreen.com to opt out of marketing mailings.

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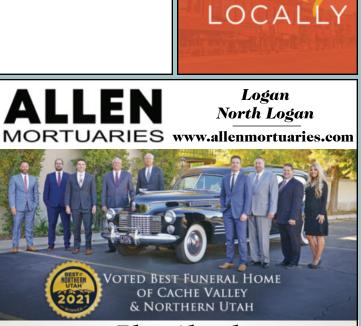
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### **Adult Coloring**



How many four- and five-letter words can you make from the letters in the phrase ICE CREAM CONE? (Note: We found 56 four-letter and 38 five-letter words.)

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