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9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Monday through Friday
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## From The Desk Of The Executive Director

Wishing everyone a healthy, safe, and festive holiday season and Happy New Year!

With thanks,

## Courtney Warner

Courtney Warner / Executive Director

#### **CCSC HOLIDAY CLOSURE**

Thursday, **December 23** closing at lpm

Friday, **December 24** closed for Christmas

Thursday, **December 30** closing at lpm

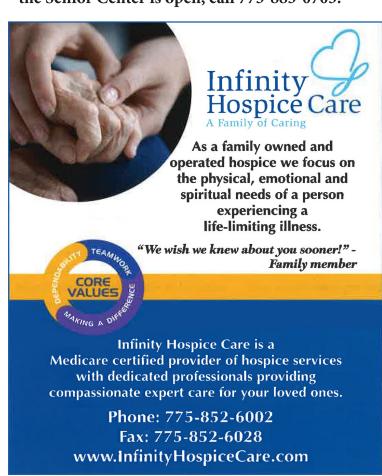
Friday, **December 31** closed for New Years





## 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 lot. 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.



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#### RESOURCE CONTACT INFORMATION

| Nevada State Information Service211                                  |
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| Aging & Disability/CHIP687-4210                                      |
| Alzheimer Association1-800-272-3900                                  |
| Care Chest   |
| Carson City Health & Human Services 887-2190                         |
| Crisis Call  |
| Day Labor 684-0436   |
| Elder Care Law 687-4680  |
| Elder Protective Services 688-2964                                   |
| Energy Assistance 684-0730   |
| FISH   |
| Food Bank  |
| HUD (Nevada Rural Housing Authority) 887-1795                        |
| JAC (Jump Around Carson) 841-7433                                    |
| Medication Management Program,<br>University of Nevada, Reno784-1612 |
| Nevada Legal Services883-0404  |
| 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 Administration  |
| VA Medical Benefits Information 328-1293                             |
| VARN (Volunteer Attorneys for Rural NV) 883-8278                     |
| Weatherization887-1795, Ext. 124                                     |
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## ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

(www.alz.org)

Meets 4th Wednesday of the month, 2:30 to 4 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

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## A Very Merry Christmas Indeed

#### Submitted by Linda (White) Zimmerli

I was Director of Volunteers at a Presbyterian Hospital in Oklahoma City the Christmas of 1989. The Auxiliary had money to bring to the corporate table and that December meeting I proposed adopting a family for the holidays.

Anita (one of my volunteers) had cerebral palsy, and once a week I would drive to her small town on my way to work and pick her up. She loved being around people and looked forward to helping them during their stay in the hospital. She owned a "shack" in the small town of Noble, and her daughter and granddaughter lived with her.

With the budget allowed, I decided to buy hightop tennis shoes and the latest fashion in jeans for the granddaughter. I bought a pair of slippers and a robe for the daughter.

When it came to Anita, luckily I knew our local banker. I went in and asked for the balance on her home. I knew she was down to just under a year left. She had lived in that house all her married life and was struggling after her husband died. She didn't drive and couldn't count, so I would take her for her monthly ritual to the bank and that November she told me she only had 11 more payments to go.

That snowy Christmas Eve morning my staff and I went to Anita's home loaded with lots of goodies. She was so excited to watch her granddaughter and daughter open their gifts.

When she got to hers, she was grinning in anticipation of a new pair of shoes. However, inside *her* shoebox was *the deed to her home*. The look of shock and happiness on her face made for the best Christmas experience I've ever had.

## Don't Judge Too Quickly...

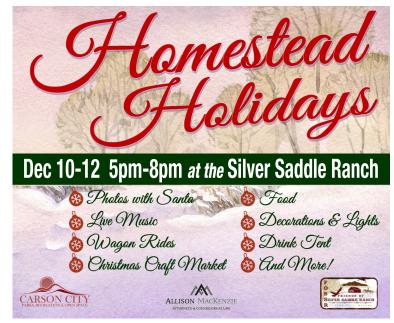
#### Submitted by Corry Steiner

A young couple moved into a new house. The next morning while eating breakfast, the woman saw her new neighbor hanging her wash outside. She said, "Her laundry is not very clean; she doesn't know how to wash correctly. Perhaps she needs better soap powder?" Her husband looked on, remaining silent. Every time the neighbor hung her washing out to dry, the young woman made the same comment.

A month later, the woman was surprised to see nice, clean wash on the neighbor's line and said to her husband, "Look, she's finally learned how to wash correctly. I wonder who taught her this?" The husband replied, "I got up early this morning and cleaned our windows."

And so it is with life. What we see when watching others depends on the clarity of the window through which we look. So don't be too quick to judge others, especially if your perspective of life is clouded by anger, jealousy, negativity or unfulfilled desires.

"Judging a person does not define who they are. It defines who you are."







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## **NOTICE BOARD**



Refreshing your driving skills could reduce your auto insurance costs.\*

Take the AARP Smart D river online course to see how much you could save!

Visit: www.aarpdriversafety.org

In-person courses tentatively to start in early 2022 – check back mid-January (pending COVID inflection rates)

## CARSON CITY SYMPHONY PERFORMANCES

Not quite ready for Carnegie Hall players will perform during lunch

Thursday, December 16 11-12pm Dining Room

You're welcome to listen without having lunch



#### **MEDICARE TODAY**

#### FIND THE RIGHT MEDICARE COVERAGE PLAN

#### **Open Enrollment Until December 7**

It's crucial to ensure your Medicare coverage fits your needs and provides access to high-value care. Access to prescription drugs is important, and many beneficiaries rely on Medicare Part D plans for their medications. Beneficiaries can ensure they have a Part D plan that works for them during Open Enrollment.

To <u>sign up or change your plan</u>, call 1-800-Medicare (1-800-633-4227) or visit www.Medicare.gov

For <u>local assistance</u>, find your State Ship at www.ShipHelp.org

Determine eligibility for Extra Help, a program within Medicare that assists with Part D prescription drug plan costs. To qualify or to apply, you must complete an application at www.socialsecurity.gov/extrahelp or call 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778

For more information on Medicare, Medicare Part D enrollment and how to choose a Part D plan, visit www.medicaretoday.org • www.seniorsspeakout.org

#### **CRIBBAGE**

Looking for cribbage players to start a group. Contact Courtney to sign up (775) 883-0703

## Dance with Live Music

#### at the Carson City Senior Center

Kick up your dancing shoes and enjoy the live music of Dan & Nadine at the Carson City Senior Center, 911 Beverly Dr, on **Friday, December 3, 6-9pm**. Doors open at 5:45pm. Admission is \$10.00/person, open to all ages. Light refreshments served included with admission. Dances are the 1st Friday of each month!





## **SUNDAY BINGO** December 12, 26, 31

\$3 Early Bird pack \$50 Payouts \$6 First Buy-In Pack, \$5 each additional Pack \$100 Payouts

**\$1 Specials:** \* Double Action, Starburst, Progressive, Bonanza, Letter X Progressive **\$2 Blackout:** 

\* \$120 Payout or \$500 Progressive

Doors open at 11am | Games start at 1pm

Must be 21 to Play

All proceeds benefit the "Meals on Wheels" program

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**Exciting news!** For the 14th year running, the Meals on Wheels network is participating in the 2021 Subaru Share the Love Event. Over the past thirteen years, Subaru and its retailers have helped Meals on Wheels to deliver more than 2.5 million meals nationwide to seniors in need. We're incredibly grateful to Subaru and its Retailers for supporting our organization and the seniors we serve.

Many seniors are struggling to stay independent and healthy. One in four lives in isolation, one in seven might not know from where their next meal is coming. This is simply unacceptable, which is why Meals on Wheel Carson City provides the nutritious meals, friendly visits and safety checks to the seniors of Carson City. This vital support keeps seniors in their own homes, where they want to be.

This November 18, 2021, through January 3, 2022, for every new Subaru vehicle purchased or leased, Subaru will donate \$250 to the customer's choice of participating charities. Meals on Wheels is one of four charities participating. Through this event, Meals on Wheels Carson City will receive a share of the donation from Subaru vehicles sold.

You might not be in the market to purchase a new car, but if you are, please look into the Subaru Share the Love Event to learn more. If you're not shopping for a new vehicle, you can still help by spreading the word to your family and friends. A few quick and easy ways to do that are as follows:

Please help spread the word! Share our posts about the Subaru Event on Facebook at www.facebook.com/carsonseniorcenter or on Twitter @CCSeniorCenter or Instagram @carsoncityseniorcenter

This holiday season, help ensure our senior neighbors are not forgotten. If you purchase or lease a new Subaru, please select Meals on Wheels as your charity of choice.



Barry's
Trivia Question
of the Month
DECEMBER

by Barry R. Bjorkman
Former Advisory Council Chairman

Q: What are the only two states in America with perfectly straight borders on all four sides?

PREVIOUS MONTH'S QUESTION & ANSWER

Q: Where was the HAL-9000 built?

A: Urbana, Illinois



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Guests age 50 and up, get in the game every Wednesday from 8am - 8pm

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#### **THRIFT STORE SALES**

#### THIS MONTH'S SPECIALS:

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Wednesday | Senior Day 50% OFF
Thursday | Kitchen Items 50% OFF
Friday | Boutique 50% OFF
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.

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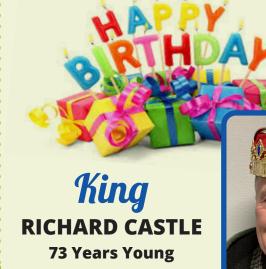
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### NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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#### **SENIOR CENTER**

(775) 883-0703 • FAX: (775) 883-2869 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Mon-Fri

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

Second Wind Thrift Store

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

Newsletter Submissions:
Send by the 10th of each month to
SeniorCenterNewsletter@carson.org

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