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SENIOR COMMUNICATOR

Non Profit Organization

Idaho Falls Senior Citizens Activity Center 535 West 21st Street We are a daily center for ACTIVE seniors We are NOT an assisted living center.



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FACEBOOK





DECEMBER 2018

We reserve the right to goof-up occasionally

Senior Communicator Newsletter

New Members

Jeff Jergins * Debbie Shedd * Eva Phillips * Joseph Borg * Warren Rockwood * Al Giedrates Vern Christiansen * Nicolette Parsons * Michael Fuson * Dorothy Carlson Mavis Smith * Louise Newman * John Rueckert

AND FOR ALL OUR NEW MEMBERS... Please don't be a passive member! Get involved...Join in the daily activities. In most cases the daily activities are not created by the Center Management, they were created by members who asked "Can we do this?" Management is concerned with activities only in a support position. Please join us on any Wednesday morning at 8:45 AM for Wednesday Morning Coffee Break and

NEW MEMBER GET-ACQUAINTED!

STAY FOR BINGO AT 9:45 IF YOU WOULD LIKE

Thank You to all of our Volunteers

Senior Hours	308.50
Non-Senior Hour	795.00
Board Member Hour	92.00
Work Detail Hours	108.00
Total Hours	1303.50

We would like to thank the Board Members, Non Seniors and ALL the seniors who keep the SCCC going by keeping all of our activities and programs running.



Thank You!

Monthly Supporters

Bonneville County * United Way
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Eastern Idaho Community Action Partnership

Thank You!

THANKS TO THE MEMBERS WHO HELP US RELIEVE THE PAIN OF THE ECONOMY:

\$0 - \$99 Bill Jenkinson

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Jane Peters

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Thank You!

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On the web at www.hospiceofeasternidaho.com

FREE SKIN CANCER SCREENINGS

A preventative reminder that risk factors for skin cancer include:

- A lighter natural skin color
- Family history of skin cancer
- \bullet A history of sunburns, especially early in life
- A history of indoor tanning
- Skin that burns, freckles, reddens easily

More than 3.5 million skin cancers in over two million people are diagnosed annually. If you have any of these risk factors above and are concerned with a spot on your skin, now is the time to have it checked.



Call to make your screening appointment today!

Daniel Marshall, D.O. | Cameron French, PA-C



During the month of October our capable KITCHEN AND DELIVERY PERSONNEL served 977 meals at the center, and produced and delivered 5956 meals to home-bound seniors through our Meals On Wheels program (Total meals: 6933)

Healthy Eating What kinds of foods do I need to eat as I age?

When you get older, your body begins to need fewer calories, but you need just as many nutrients. Nutrient-dense foods pack a lot of vitamins, minerals, and other nutrients your body needs into a small amount of calories.

Eat more of these nutrient-dense foods

Older adults, along with other Americans, are advised to "eat from the rainbow" of foods rich in nutrients, like these:

- fruits and vegetables (choose a range of types with vibrant colors)
- whole grains, like oatmeal, wholewheat bread, and brown rice
- fat-free or low-fat milk and cheese, or soy or rice milk that is fortified with vitamin D and calcium
- seafood, lean meats, poultry, and eggs
- beans, nuts, and seeds





QUOTE: Anyone can get old, all you have to do is live long enough - Groucho Marx

Weather Closures:

The Senior Center closes when School District 91 or 93 closes for inclement weather. Inclement weather includes temperature or wind chill temperature of 20 degrees below zero and/or weather or road conditions which could be dangerous. On days when the School District is not in session, the Center's Executive Director will decide if conditions warrant closure. As always, all television and radio stations will be notified by 7:00 a.m.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Eastern Idaho Area Agency on Aging: **Idaho Home Choice**

The Eastern Idaho Area Agency on Aging can help individuals who wish to transition from a skilled nursing or other care facility, to community living in an apartment, private home or community setting such as a Certified Family Home. These services are provided under the Idaho Home Choice Program (previously referred to as the "Money Follows the Person Program") through the Department of Health & Welfare. This program allows for more flexibility to transition back home after an extended stay in a facility. For additional information, call the Area



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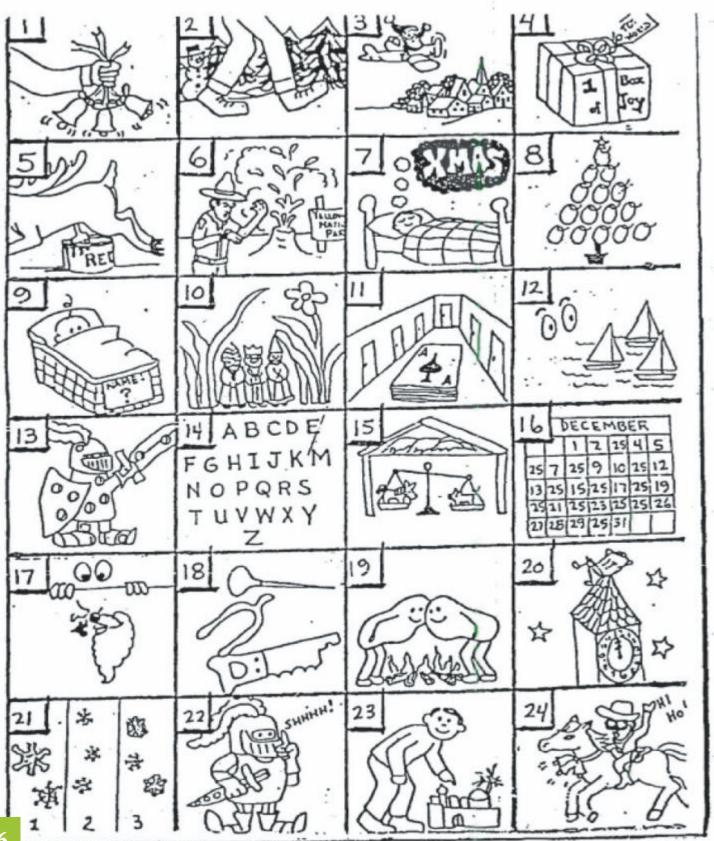
MARK YOUR CALENDAR! SAVE THIS DATE!

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18TH



The Bonneville High School Band will be here at the Center <u>December 18th at 11:30</u> to perform for us. Be sure to come early and enjoy some holiday entertainment; 40 to 60 high school students from the Bonneville High School Band have graciously chosen the Center to perform their beautiful music . You may come and just enjoy the music or enjoy the great lunch our cooks have prepared while you listen. You won't want to miss this special performance of the band.

Can You Name These Christmas Songs?





Christmas According to Linus:

LINUS: And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flocks by night, and lo the angel of



the Lord came upon them and the glory of the Lord shone round about them, and they were sore afraid, and the angel said unto them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a savior, tis Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you. You shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes lying in a

manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly hosts, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

That's what Christmas is all about, Charlie Brown.





AARP DRIVER SAFETY PROGRAM

Third Tuesday Each Month

(Except Dec. & Jan.)

Holiday Reminder

Just a reminder, we will be closed on December 24th and 25th for Christmas. We will, also, be closed January 1st, 2019, for the new year.



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The Board meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month, from 10:30 AM to 11:55 AM All meetings are open to the public



JUST A REMINDER

When you participate in an activity here at the Center, please sign the Sign-In Sheet provided. Most of the grants we apply for require information about how well the Center is being used. It will help the Center, and only take a few seconds.

> Thanks.....your **Board of Directors**

DID YOU KNOW?

When asked about his job, Frosty always replies, "There's no business like snow business." How to respond to: Where do snowmen keep their money? (Answer: In a snow bank.)







Things You Probably Didn't Know About Idaho

(Here are #41-50 from the 50 listed by Kris Norton)

- 41. New Plymouth is the world's largest horseshoe-shaped town.
- 42. The Church River Of No Return Wilderness has the most wilderness in the lower 48 states with 2.3 million acres of backcountry (and probably the coolest name).
- 43. An excavation of Wilson Butte Cave in 1959 unearthed artifacts that date back to approximately 14,500 years old, making them among some of the oldest man-made artifacts in the country.
- 44. Five historic pioneer trails cross Idaho, including the Oregon Trail and the California Trail. Wagon ruts are still visible along the rugged dirt paths.
- 45. In the 1800's, several sightings of a creature in Bear Lake led to tales of the Bear Lake Monster. To this day, some locals still refuse to go in the water or even go fishing at night.
- 46. Nearly 70 percent of all the commercial trout sold in the United States is found in the Hagerman Valley near Twin Falls.
- 47. Sarah Palin will forever be irrevocably tied to Alaska, but she was born in Sandpoint, Idaho.
- 48. Legend has it that X marks the spot in Beaver Canyon with a treasure hidden and buried by Montana sheriff-turned outlaw, Henry Plummer.
- 49. There are about 40 wineries in Idaho.
- 50. The potato first appeared on an Idaho license plate in 1928. Today, you can identify where most people are from in Idaho based on their Idaho license plate.

NOTE: Idaho became a state on July 3,1890. That made it the 43rd state to become a member of the union of the United States.

Senior Communicator Newsletter

Senior Center Name:	Idaho Falls Senior Center
Month:	December 2018

ALTERN	ATE	CHOICE IS	CONGREGA'	TE ONLY
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3 Monday	4 Tuesday	5 Wednesday	6 Thursday	7 Friday	
Orange Chicken	Beef Tacos	Tuna Casserole	Hot Turkey Sandwich	Hawaiian Pizza	
Bananas	Peaches	Apples	Oranges	Pineapple	
Oriental Blend	Lettuce, Tomato, and Cheese	Peas and Carrots	Mashed Potatoes/ Winter Blend	Green Salad/Tomatoes	
	Taco Shell	Noodles & Muffin	Bread	Pizza Crust	
MILK	MILK	MILK	MILK	MILK	
2nd Choice Cong:Polish Dog	(CAST)	0	0)	- 3

10 Monday	11 Tuesday	12 Wednesday	13 Thursday	14 Friday
Lemon Dill Fish	Mailbu Chicken	Meat Loaf	Breaded Fish	Sliced Ham
Grape Juice	Pineapple	Oranges	Pears	Mixed Fruit
Winter Blend Vegetables	Mixed Vegetables	Green Beans/ Mashed potatoes	Corn	Sweet Potatoes
Muffin	Brown Rice	Whole Wheat Roll	Cornbread	Cornbread Stuffing
MILK	MILK	MILK	MILK	MILK
2nd Choice Cong: Pork Fingers	2nd Choice Cong: Pork Chop	2nd Choice Cong: Grilled Chicken	2nd Choice Cong: Hot Dog	Pie

17 Monday	18 Tuesday	19 Wednesday	20 Thursday	21 Friday
Turkey Tetrazzini	Garlic Pamesan Fish	Teriyaki Chicken	Beef Pot Pie	Pork Chops
Peaches	Bananas	Pears	Oranges	Apples
Green Beans	Tator Puffs	Southwest Blend	Peas & Carrots- Potato	Corn
Corn Bread	Muffin	Wild Rice	Puff Pastry and bread	Bread
MILK	MILK	MILK	MILK	MILK
	0 2nd Choice Cong: Chicken	2nd Choice Cong: Polish Dog		0 2nd Cong: Chicken Nuggets

24 Monday	25 Tuesday	26 Wednesday	27 Thursday	28 Friday
CLOSED	CLOSED	Breaded Fish	Chicken Pita	Salisbury Steak
Server Record	0	0 Pears	Grape Juice	Mixed Fruit
	0	0 Coleslaw	Celery & Onions	Mashed Potatoes/ Gravy
,	0	0 Cornbread	Pita Bread	Muffin
MILK	MILK	MILK	MILK	MILK
	0	0 2nd Choice Cong: Chicken	V. 75 951	0 2nd Choice Cong: Chicken Breast

31 Monday	0 Tuesday	0 Wednesday	0 Thursday	0 Friday
Pork Meatballs Over White Rice &	0	0	0	0
Oranges	0	0	0	.0
Winter Blend Vegetables	0	0	0	0
1/2 whole grain Noodles	0	0	0	0
MILK	MILK	MILK	MILK	MILK
Grill Chicken	0	0	0	0

December 2018

Community

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		4				4:30p Doors Open 6:00p Community Bings
				6	7	8
2 10:00a Call Us At: 522-4357 Mon-Fri 8:30-4:30 Visit Web Site At IFSCCC.ORG	3 9:00a Zumba 10:00a Rose's Coffee Grp 12:30p Mah-Jongg	9:30a Fit & Fall Exercise 9:55a Rose's Coffee Grp 12:10p EICAP SMP Presentation 12:30p DD Pinochle/Bridge	9:00a Morning Coffee 9:45a Bingo **** 10:00a Vol Fin Cnsl 10:00a Rose's Coffee Grp	9:00a Wood Carvers 9:30a Fit & Fall Exercise 9:55a Rose's Coffee Grp 12:45p Art Class *** 1:00p Zumba	9:00a Beading Group 9:00a Line Dancing 10:00a Rose's Coffee Grp 11:00a Fort Hall (DOW) ** 12:45p Hand & Foot Cards	4:30p Doors Open 6:00p Community Bings
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16	17 9:00a Zumba 10:00a Rose's Coffee Grp 12:30p Mah-Jongg	18 9:30a Fit & Fall Exercise 9:55a Rose's Coffee Grp 11:30a Bonneville HS Band Performance 12:30p DDPinochle/Bridge	9:00a Morning Coffee 9:45a Bingo **** 10:00a Rose's Coffee Grp 12:45p Pinochle	9:00a Wood Carvers 9:30a Fit & Fall Exercise 9:55a Rose's Coffee Grp 1:00p Zumba 3:00p INL Ret Brd Mtg	9:00a Beading Group 9:00a Line Dancing 10:00a Rose's Coffee Grp 12:45p Hand & Foot Cards	22 4:30p Doors Open 6:00p Community Bings
23	24 6:00a CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS	25 10:00a Closed For Christmas	26 9:00a Morning Coffee 9:45a Bingo **** 10:00a Rose's Coffee Gro	9:00a Wood Carvers 9:30a Fit & Fall Exercise 9:55a Rose's Coffee Gro	28 9:00a Beading Group 10:00a Rose's Coffee Grp 12:45p Hand & Foot Cards	29 4:30p Doors Open 6:00p Community Bing
			12:45p Pinochle	12:45p Art Class ***	12.40p Hallo d I out Galdo	
30	31 10:00a Rose's Coffee Grp 12:30p Mah-Jongg					

All of the programs in the Center are run by volunteers
At times the Volunteer may need to cancel the program.
Thank you in advance for your understanding.
Visit our Facebook page for latest Center
activities.

See more info At IFSCCC@ORG

- ** Call for an appointment or to sign up

 *** Due to the increasing cost of supplies, the Eagle
 Rock Art Guild will be requesting \$2 per person per Art
 class to cover Their supply expenses. Classes are
 limited to 12 people. To ensure enough supplies for Art
 Classes, please sign up for them at 522-4357. Dead
 line is Wednesday at 2pm.
- **** Play 16 games of bingo for as little as \$3.50

To Christmas Song Quiz

- 1. Jingle Bells
- Walking in a Winter Wonderland
- 3. Santa Claus is Coming to Town
- 4. Joy to the World
- Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer
- 6. O' Come All Ye Faithful
- 7. I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas
- 8. Oh, Christmas Tree
- What Child is This?
- 10. We Three Kings
- 11. Deck the Halls
- 12. I Saw Three Ships Come Sailing In
- 13. O' Holy Night
- 14. Noci
- 15. Away In a Manger
- 16. The Twelve Days of Christmas
- 17. I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus
- 18. All I Want For Christmas is My Two Front Teeth
- Chestnuts Roasting on an Open Fire
- 20. It Came Upon a Midnight Clear
- 21. Let it Snow, Let it Snow, Let it Snow!
- 22. Silent Night
- 23. O' Little Town of Bethlehem
- 24. Silver Bells

PLEASE Be Considerate

Snacks are put out for programs, but they are for everyone. Please, enjoy these snacks as you are enjoying the programs, but Please, do not take snacks out of the Center as we cannot incur that cost.

Thank you for your understanding.





Come in and sign up for the Fort Hall Trip on the first Friday of every month.

Lincoln Court will pick you up at the Center for \$5.

Suggestion Box

We have added a suggestion box to the front desk. We encourage you to make suggestions on programs and activities, give ideas on how to make more out of our Center. We are, also, looking for ideas on how to get more new members. All suggestions are Anonymous if desired, and always SUCCESTIONS

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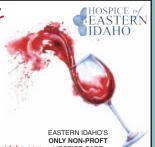
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Instead of a Recipe this month, we share this obituary: Sad News from

Minnesota. The Pillsbury Doughboy died yesterday of a yeast infection and trauma complications from repeated pokes in the belly. He was 75.

Doughboy was buried in a lightly greased coffin.

Dozens of celebrities turned out to pay their respects, including Mrs. Butterworth, Hungry Jack, the California Raisins, Betty Crocker, the Hostess Twinkies and Captain Crunch. The grave site was piled high with many flours.

Aunt Jemima delivered the eulogy and lovingly described Doughboy as a man who never knew how much he was kneaded.

Born and raised in Minnesota, Doughboy rose quickly in show business, but his later life was filled with turnovers. He was not considered a very smart cookie, wasting much of his dough on half-baked schemes.

Despite being a little flaky at times, he still was a crusty old man and was considered a positive roll model for millions.

Doughboy is survived by his wife Play Dough, three children: John Dough, Jane Dough and Dosey Dough, plus they had one in the oven. He is also survived by his elderly father, Pop Tart.

The funeral was held at 3:50 for about 20 minutes. (If you smiled while reading this, please rise to the occasion and pass it on to someone having a crumby day and kneading a lift.)



'Twas The Day After Christmas Author Unknown

Twas the day after Christmas, and all through the house, Every creature was hurting--even the mouse. The toys were all broken, their batteries dead; Santa passed out, with some ice on his head.

Wrapping and ribbons just covered the floor, While upstairs the family continued to snore. And I in my T-shirt, new Reeboks and jeans, Went into the kitchen and started to clean.

When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter, I sprang from the sink to see what was the matter. Away to the window I flew like a flash, Tore open the curtains, and threw up the sash.

When what to my wondering eyes should appear, But a little white truck, with an oversized mirror. The driver was smiling, so lively and grand; The patch on his jacket said "U.S. POSTMAN."

With a handful of bills, he grinned like a fox Then quickly he stuffed them into our mailbox. Bill after bill, after bill, they still came. Whistling and shouting he called them by name:

"Now Dillard's, now Broadway's, now Penny's and Sears Here's Levitz's and Target's and Mervyn's--all here!! To the tip or your limit, every store, every mall, Now chargeaway-chargeaway-chargeaway all!"

He whooped and he whistled as he finished his work. He filled up the box, and then turned with a jerk. He sprang to his truck and he drove down the road, Driving much faster with just half a load.

Then I heard him exclaim with great holiday cheer, "ENJOY WHAT YOU GOT...
YOU'LL BE PAYING ALL YEAR!"



Starting A New Program

We have had some responses from our suggestion box with ideas for new activities..... But we have no names to contact the people who made the suggestions.

The only way we can run these programs is with the help and support of volunteers who run the programs. Over 17,000 hours of volunteer time has been logged for last year. That would be worth 8 full time associates if we had to hire them. If you would like to see a new program, try and rally the troops and get it started, and we will help advertise it for you.

Programs are run by volunteers.

Any new activities are welcomed by the Center.

The Center will work with the volunteer to find space, time, day, and also set up and tear down tables & chairs. The volunteer needs to "round up" his or her own participants to begin the activity. If a new program looks promising to a volunteer we will advertise it on the bulletin board and in the monthly newsletter.

CHECK WITH THE OFFICE !! WE NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS

Suggestions for new activities are:
Organizing a walking group - Garage
sales at

the Center - Ham radio sessions

Telescope sessions - Cake decorating Card games such as Hearts or Euchre



OCTOBER CARD GAMES INFORMATION LUNCH 12:00 Noon CARDS 12:30 pm

Rules are on the bulletin board

All Games have a suggested donation Or a required donation of \$1.00

Players should be registered and at the tables by 12:15 pm

	2ND MONDAY BRIDGE					
	HIGH	2ND	3RD			
9th	Thora Just	Kathleen Keys	Joan Nichols			
	TU	ESDAY BRIDGE				
	HIGH	2ND	3RD			
2nd	Bill Martin	Ann Albin	Ruth Tiffany			
9th	Bob Siedelman	Ruth Tiffany	Bill Martin			
16th	Ruth Tiffany	Kitty Curl	Bill Martin			
23rd	Bill Martin	Linda Delia	Lew Eaker			
30th	Adrienne Winovich	Lew Eaker	Kitty Curl			
	TUESDAY D	OUBLE DECK PII	NOCHLE			
	High	2ND	3RD			
2nd	Joyce	Polly				
9th	Fay	Linda				
16th	Jack	Polly				
23rd	Fay	Katherine				
30th	Barbara	Raelene				

No Nativity Scene in Washington, DC this year

The Supreme Court has ruled that there cannot be a Nativity Scene on Capitol Hill this Christmas season.

This isn't for **any** religious reason.

They simply have **not** been able to find Three Wise Men in the Nation's Capital.

A search for a Virgin also continues.

There was **no** problem, however, finding enough asses to fill the stable.

	WEDNE	SDAY PINOCHL	
	HIGH	2ND	3RD
3rd	Barbara Thornton	Nancy Roadhouse	Gene Milburn
10th	Gene Milburn	Gary Magnusson	Janet Patterson
17th	Nancy Roadhouse	Bill Martin	
24th	May Jones	Janet Patterson	Shirley Nelson
31st	Jim Stoddard	Barbara Thornton	Teressa Wessel
	FRIDAY HAND 8	FOOT 3 OR 4	HANDED
	HIGH	2ND	3RD
5th	Marge Harris Bill Peacock	Marge Henderson Eleanor Vonasek	
12th	Bill Peacock Don Harris	Steve Parker Marge Henderson	
19th	Steve Parker Marge Henderson	Don Harris Marge Harris	
26th	Marge Henderson Bill Peacock	Linda Linford Steve Parker	
	FRIDAY HAND &	& FOOT 4 OR 6 I	HANDED
	HIGH	2ND	3RD
5th	Gary Mickelson Steve Parker Jeni Eborn	Don Harris Wava Bott Bernice Shirley	
12th			
19th	Bill Peacock Wava Bott Bernice Shirley	Jeni Eborn Marge Harris Don Harris	
26th	Gary Mickelson DeAnna Anderson Bernice Shirley	Tink Cariker Marge Harris Don Harris	



Grandparents Corner

EICAP GRANDPARENTS RAISING GRANDCHILDREN SUPPORT GROUP

A support group for individuals who are in need of information, resources and support regarding a variety of issues including: medical, legal, behavior and school issues. They meet on the 4th Tuesday of every month from 12:00pm – 1:30pm at EICAP 935 E.

Lincoln Road, IF, 83402,
Phone: 208-522-5391.





Medicare Information

- To learn about Medicare eligibility or to apply, visit www.ssa.gov/medicare/mediinfo.html or call Social Security at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778).
- If you do not sign up for Medicare Part B (medical insurance) when you are first eligible, or if you cancel Part B and then get it later, you may have to pay a late enrollment penalty for as long as you have Part B.
- Starting in April 2018, Medicare will begin mailing new Medicare cards. Your new card
 will have a new Medicare number that is unique to you instead of your Social Security
 number. Visit www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount to make sure Social Security has
 your current mailing address.
- For questions about Medicare coverage and billing, visit www.Medicare.gov or call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227) (TTY 1-877-486-2048).
- The Extra Help program may help pay the costs of a Medicare prescription drug plan for people with limited income and resources. Costs include premiums, deductibles, and co-payments. You can apply online at www.ssa.gov/medicare/prescriptionhelp or call Social Security at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778).
- The Medicare Savings Programs may help pay for Medicare premiums and other out-of-pocket costs for people with limited income and resources. You can start the application process when you apply for Extra Help or you can contact your State or local medical assistance (Medicaid) office.

Need Health Insurance Or Know Someone Who Does?

sit www.HealthCare.gov or call 1-800-318-2596 (TTY 1-855-889-4325) to learn more.

Caregivers Nook

EICAP Caregivers Support Group
A support group for individuals who are caring for loved ones and are in need of information, resources, and support. We cover a range of topics like self care, family relationships, Health and fitness, grief and end of life, daily care and respite, and safety topics. We meet on the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month from 12:00-1:30 at EICAP 935 E. Lincoln Rd. I.F. (208) 522-5391





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DECEMBER - DID YOU KNOW?

December is known around the world as a family time of celebration honoring cultures, religions and traditions that have been with humanity for hundreds of years. Here is a mix of the weird and wonderful facts about this magical month!



- 1. An almanac prediction states that if snow falls on Christmas Day, Easter will be warm, green and sunny.
- 2. The name December comes from the Latin *decem* for "ten", as it was the 10th month in the Roman Calendar.
- 3. The term Yuletide comes from a Norse tradition of cutting and burning a tree to bring in the Winter Solstice. This was to last through 12 days later known as the 12 days of Christmas.
- 4. December 12th is Poinsettia Day.
- 5. Saint Nickolas, who would eventually be called Santa Claus, was originally the patron saint of children, thieves and pawnbrokers!
- 6. December 28th is considered by some to be the unluckiest day of the year.
- 7. The first artificial Christmas tree was made in Germany, fashioned out of goose feathers that are dyed green!
- 8. Spiders and spider webs are considered good luck on Christmas.
- 9. Common decorations on a Christmas tree each have their specific meanings. Candles the light of the world, the Star at the top is a reminder of the first Christmas night and Candy canes are to represent the Shepherd's cane.
- 10. "Jingle bells" was composed in 1857, and not for Christmas it was meant to be a Thanksgiving song!
- 11. In 1647 Oliver Cromwell, English Puritan leader, banned the festivities of Christmas for being seen as immoral on such a holy day. Anyone who was seen celebrating was arrested! The ban was lifted in 1660.
- 12. An ancient legend states that forest animals can speak in human language on Christmas Eve!

Lifespan Tip Sheet for Older Adults



- Select high-fiber foods like whole-grain breads and cereals, beans, vegetables, and fruits.
- Have three servings of vitamin D-fortified low-fat or fat-free milk, yogurt, or cheese every day to help keep your bones strong as you age.
- Drink plenty of water or water-based fluids.
- Ask your health care provider about ways you can safely increase your physical activity.
- Fit physical activity into your everyday life. Take short walks throughout your day
- Stay connected with family, friends, and your community





CHANGES COMING 2019

In the past, the Senior Center had a "suggested" donation and a charge for non-seniors (those under 60). We stopped due to receiving Idaho Food Bank Food to help lower food costs. At the end of 2018, the Center will no longer receive food from the Idaho Food Bank; it is not cost effective any longer. The Center will have a "suggested" donation of \$5 for seniors 60 and over and their spouse. The Center will re-implement a charge of \$6 for those under 60. This is a necessity to keep our doors opened for the future. Approximately 18% of our budget is covered by federal funding, the balance is all of our responsibility. Average donation is \$1.79. We need at least \$3 per meal to not lose money. For seniors, donations will still be confidential and is still only a "suggestion."

DEAR SANTA	
I WOULD LIKE A	
BIG FAT BANK	
ACCOUNT AND	
A SLIM BODY	
THIS YEAR.	
PLEASE DON'T	
MIX THE TWO	
UP LIKE LAST	
CHRISTMAS.	
THANKS!	



PROGRAM DONATIONS FROM CENTER FOR THE MONTH OCTOBER	
Beading	29.30
Bingo Wednesday & Saturday	982.82
Bingo Wednesday & Saturday (Bev)	23.50
Bridge-2nd Monday	11.00
Bridge	50.00
Bridge—(Bev Only: Both)	14.00
Double Deck Pinochle	55.00
Fit & Fall Exercise	119.00
Hand & Foot	47.00
Hand & Foot (Bev Only)	1.00
IREA Membership Meeting	50.00
Country Line Dancing	68.92
Mah-Jongg	17.00
Origami	2.00
Pinochle	64.00
Pinochle (Bev Only)	7.00
Pool	258.48
Spanish Class	19.00
Tai Chi	26.90
Rose's Gentlemen's Group	143.00
Wednesday Morning Coffee	11.00
Woodcarvers	25.00
Zumba	58.40
Congregate lunch (Beverage only)	18.34
Other	1040.41
Total	3152,07



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