

DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Friends,

A new beginning. A new building. A new leadership with new ideas. This is the state of Loose as we enter a new year. The Loose Board, volunteers and staff continue to explore new programs and activities to satisfy the needs of our membership. Staff has been expanded to meet the everyday work load. Financial support is in place to secure our financial responsibilities. Committees have taken ownership of the difficult details that need to be researched to make sound decisions for the benefit of Loose.

Now, we prepare to take on the task of a new building. This involves the reviewing and adopting of design standards. Once a design is in place, the next step is construction. And in the end, the decision of scheduling and the use of the new structure. To meet this challenge and fulfill this dream will require strong leadership. This leadership is in place. The Loose Board has appointed its Executive Committee who is charged with overseeing the tasks at hand. They will be responsible for the present and future of Loose.

"A good head and a good heart are always a formidable combination." The appointed Executive Committee has these attributes. Vince Eible, as Treasurer, brings a wealth of knowledge on finance and ability to strengthen our financial portfolio. Vince has taken the time to be active and learn the internal workings of Loose and developed a passion for the members' needs and what we represent in the community.

Alberta Martin is a long standing member of the Loose Center and Board. Her background in a leadership role, in education and the medical field makes her a strong secretary. Her attention to detail plays a big part in the success of our committee decisions. She oversees important issues and understands the impact of the results. Alberta and her husband Donald are very active in Loose programs and truly feel it is their second home.

Ron Wagner is the history of Loose, being a person who started and organized the Center from Day One. A large part of his life is entwined in the legend of the Center. He has held many positions and been part of Loose's success. Ron has stepped up to be the Vice President and also will chair the building and governance committees. Ron's life and this Center have been one since 1996. He continues to give of his time to promote and support Loose.

Ken Wensel has played many roles at Loose. He came as an at large member and quickly became involved in many of the activities. He took on the challenge of interim program director. During that time, he expanded programs and saw the need to hire a fulltime person to meet the needs of the Center's operation. The creation of the staff position of program director helped establish Loose as a leader in senior activities. Ken's background in education and being an active volunteer in the community serves the Center well with his new ideas and fresh approaches to the members. He is committed to Loose and the constant needs of its membership. For these reasons, the Board has appointed Ken as our new president. Under his leadership, Loose is ready for a new beginning.

So, I present to you the new leadership for the "New Loose". It is in their hands that we place our faith for leadership, understanding and sound decisions. It is our job to support them and take their lead. "A good head and a good heart are always a formidable combination."

Carl Gabrielson

Executive Director

At the Loose Annual Meeting held on Thursday, January 10, the Loose Board approved and welcomed the newest Loose Board Member, Mr. Richard Laing. Dick resides in Linden and has for most of his life. He spent the first 13 years of his



life in Ann Arbor and then moved to Linden where he now resides. Dick served in the US Army in the Counter Intelligence Corp in Korea. He then went on to graduate from Michigan State University with a degree in Agriculture and Economics.

Dick brings to the table a career in Investments and finance, a willingness to serve and a love for Loose. Dick has been volunteering with the Loose daily lunch program for many years and also volunteers at Genesys. Welcome Dick, and thank you!

Pictured on the cover: Loose Executive Board (seated), Alberta Martin, Secretary, (Back L-R) Vince Eible, Treasurer, Ron Wagner, Vice President, Ken Wensel, President.

FEBRUARY SPECIAL HAPPENINGS

AARP TAX AID TAX HELP!

This is a free program that helps seniors low to moderate income with special attention to helping 60 and older taxpayers do their taxes. This service begins on Friday, February 8 (by appointment ONLY.) Please call the Loose Center at 810 735.9406 to schedule an appointment.

2012-2013 INCOME TAX TALK

Tuesday, February 5, 12 Noon, Bldg A

Confused about how the Michigan Income Tax changes for 2012 affect seniors? Join us at the Loose Center and hear tax professionals, Laurie Jerome and Ann Walker explain the changes. You will hear about the new tax law and understand how it may

change your income tax. There will be an opportunity for questions. The law affects those who have been getting the Property Tax Credit and those who have pensions. This is an opportunity to see what, if anything, you need to do.





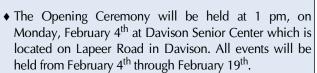
PIZZA LUNCH

Tuesday, February 12, 11:30 am, \$3

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35th Annual Senior Winter Games

The Senior Winter Games Board of Directors is pleased to announce information for the 2013 Genesee County Senior Winter Games!



◆ The Closing Ceremony will once again be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Davison on February 20th. Doors will open promptly at 10am with the program beginning at 11am.

Please contact Loose for additional details.

VALENTINE CATERED DINNER



Tuesday, February 12, 5 pm, \$12 Dinner will be catered by Gi Gi's and entertainment provided by Dan Hays. Dan was here last year and a hit! He has also performed at Mott Community College Lifelong Learning, Flushing Senior

Center, American House, Detroit Tigers Spring Training, Coffee Shops and more. Dan is an accomplished musician, whose easy listening, old classics, country, light contemporary music, gospel and more will surely bless our evening. The menu will include stuffed cabbage rolls, swiss steak, beef stroganoff, mashed potatoes, green beans, assorted salads, relishes, rolls & butter, beverages & dessert.

DIABETES & NUTRITION LEARNING

Monday, February 4, 3 pm, Bldg A FREE

We welcome Michelle Di Dio, RD, CDE from Genesys. Michelle's credentials include: Registered Dietitian, Certified Diabetes Educator and Manager at the Genesys Diabetes & Nutrition Learning Center. Michelle Graduated from Minnesota State University with a BS in nutrition and has been certified in diabetes education for over ten years. Michelle will be here to share information on diabetes and nutrition and will hold a question and answer time. Sign up today!

"PEACE OF MIND" SEMINAR

Thursday, February 7, 9:30 am Bldg C

Celebrating life fully means planning your final wishes so your loved ones don't have to. Let us help begin the process through our special "Peace of Mind" seminar. We promise it to be an educational, informative and enjoyable time for learning the full benefit of planning ahead for total "Peace of Mind", in an informal and relaxed setting. Breakfast and door prizes included!

Dinner at the FENTON HOTEL Followed by a Spectacular Performance by "The AMBASSADORS"

Friday, February 8, 2013

Dinner (Fenton Hotel) 5 pm Show (Fenton High School) 7:30 pm \$15 for both Dinner and the Show

Transportation on your own, reserve your spot by 2/1.

DAILY LUNCH AT LOOSE!

Monday through Friday, 11:30 am 60 and over: Suggested donation \$2 Ages 59 and under: \$3.50

GCCARD provides daily congregate lunches at the Center. They are tasty and nutritionally balanced. If you plan on attending, please call the Center at 735.9406, the day before by 12 noon. Sharing a meal with others is a great way to make friends and also get a healthy meal. Menus are available in the office.

PIZZA LUNCH

Tuesday, February 12, 11:30 am, \$3

The County employees have Tuesday, February 12 off because officially, it is a federal holiday; Therefore, there will be no lunches served on that day. Please plan on joining us for a Pizza Lunch which will include pizza, salad, drinks and dessert. Call or stop by Loose and sign up by Monday, February 11.

COFFEE HOUR

Wednesday, February 13, 9:30 am

We have coffee, tea, hot chocolate, doughnuts and a wonderful space so you can come and meet new friends, chat with old friends and catch up with all the happenings. New members are especially encouraged to join us.

POTLUCK DINNER Friday, Feb. 8, 5 pm

Bring your favorite dish to share, along with your own place setting and enjoy the fun and fellowship that goes along with a good old fashioned potluck gathering. The Loose Potlucks are among the best, so don't miss out. We also invite you to stick around after dinner and enjoy one of our many games.



ST PATRICK'S DAY DINNER

WITH THE DIBBLEVILLE DOLLS Tuesday, March 12, 5 pm, \$12

Join us for a night of good old fashioned St. Patrick's Day fun that will

include GREAT food and WONDERFUL

entertainment. The evening starts with a dinner fit for Saint Patrick himself, including Corned Beef Brisket, Cabbage, Sausage and Kraut, Baked Fish, Mac and Cheese, Scalloped Potatoes, Salads, Beverages & Dessert and will end with an evening with the Dibbleville Dolls and Irish themed songs (seems appropriate). Grab a friend and join in on the fun! Sign up today!

DINNER W/ GUEST SPEAKER

Tuesday, April 16, 5 pm, \$12 Shipwrecks of the Great Lakes Mike Heberling, Guest Speaker

Dr. Michael Heberling, President of the Baker College Center for Graduate Studies will give a presentation on Shipwrecks of the Great Lakes. He will cover the Great Storm of 1913 which Great Lakes Shipwrecks claimed 12 ships and 250 sailors



and the Armistice Day storm of 1940 which resulted in the loss of four ships and 66 lives. Dr. Heberling will also discuss the most recent shipwrecks on the Michigan Great Lakes with special emphasis given to the Edmund Fitzgerald. Dinner menu to be determined, watch for details. SAVE THE DATE!

MANICURES

Wednesdays, by appointment beginning at 9 am THE TYPICAL MANICURE WILL INCLUDE

- Polish removal
- Filing and shaping of nails
- Cuticle maintenance
- Refreshing fingertip soak
- Hand massage with lotion
- Polish application
- \$10

Plan on a 1/2 hour process.

Please call Loose to set up your appointment.





ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Tues., March 26, 9:30 am Relaxed rules for seniors.

The 2012 season was a "HIT" and Loose sported the title defending league champs. This year will be even better.

If you are 60 year or older and enjoy playing the game, we want you! The cost for the 12-game season plus playoffs is \$35 per player. Games are held on Wednesdays with practices on Tuesdays at Linden Elementary. Bonus: Golf outing at end of season! Questions? Call Loose at 735.9406.

Most of Loose's fitness classes will be held at Hope Lutheran Church, located at 7355 Silver Lake Road just past the community schools. A detailed map is available at the Loose Office.

ZUMBA & ZUMBA GOLD \$5 per class

Low-impact dance/exercise class with music, includes stretching, balance and easy dance moves. GOLD is a specially designed class for the active older adult or unconditioned person. Wear comfortable clothes and smooth-soled athletic shoes and bring a water bottle.

TAI CHI SIMPLIFIED YANG FORM \$5 per class

Doctor-recommended, increases flexibility, lowers cholesterol, retards Alzheimer's and improves blood flow.

TAI CHI FOR ARTHRITIS \$5 per class

Approved by the Arthritis Foundation, see improvement in Flexibility, Balance, Coordination, Range of Motion, Strength and Confidence.

BODY RECALL \$3 per class

A fitness program of gentle exercise and movement that improves strength and balance while increasing energy and stamina. Men and women are invited to attend.

BIKING BUNCH This activity will reconvene in the spring. If you are interested in the Biking Bunch, please contact the Loose Center at 735.9406.

Wii BOWLING

Organized Wii play is held on Thursdays, open play is available when there is no schedule conflict. If you are interested in Wii bowling, please contact the Loose Office at 735•9406.

PLEASE CHECK THE MASTER CALENDAR FOR HOLIDAY CLOSINGS.

BEACHBALL VOLLEYBALL A fun, indoor activity meant to improve your level of fitness. Open to men and women. Join us at 5 pm for a more gentle game, no spiking or aggressive play. Or, join us at 6 pm for a more aggressive game.

YOGA \$5 per class

GENTAL FLOW YOGA Become aware of your body as you gently flow from one pose to another making adjustments as you go. Learn how to hold the pose to increase your strength and concentration.

CARDIO YOGA Keep the flow going and get a great workout for your heart and mind. Feel the movements of your body as you control your breathing, all the while going at your own pace.

CHAIR YOGA Discover the health benefits of yoga honoring your strengths and limitations. Strengthen your balance and increase your range of motion with the assistance of a chair, a wall or just a block to learn a pose or to get deeper into one.

LINE DANCE \$3 for one or both classes

Exercise your body & mind by dancing to lively, upbeat music. Line Dancing is a fun way to dance socially without a dance partner. Many dancing styles are covered and fun is had by all. Drop-ins welcome!

GOLF AT SHIAWASEE SHORES

This program resumes in the spring.

Fítness Class Schedule

MONDAY

HOPE LUTHERAN

9:30 am **Yoga (flow)** 5:00 pm **Zumba**

LINDEN ELEMENTARY 5:00 pm Volleyball

TUESDAY

HOPE LUTHERAN

9:15 am Tai Chi 10:30 am Body Recall 12:00 pm Beg. Line Dance 1:00 pm Adv. Line Dance 5:00 pm Yoga (flow)

LOOSE CENTER

9:30 am **Chair Yoga** 10:30 am **Zumba Gold**

WEDNESDAY

HOPE LUTHERAN

9:30 am Yoga (flow) 11:00 am Hope Walking Club 4:00 pm Tai Chi for Arthritis 5:00 pm Zumba

<u>THURSDAY</u>

HOPE LUTHERAN

9:15 am Tai Chi 10:30 am Body Recall 2:30 pm Tai Chi for Arthritis

4:30 pm Zumba

6:30 pm Beg Line Dance 7:30 pm Adv. Line Dance

LOOSE CENTER

9:30 am Chair Yoga 5:00 pm Cardio Yoga

During these cold winter days keep *MOVIN...* Try ZUMBA GOLD!

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FRIDAY HOPE LUTHERAN

9:30 am Yoga (flow) 11:00 am Hope Walking Club

SATURDAY

HOPE LUTHERAN

9:00 am **Yoga (flow)** 10:15 am **Zumba**



"ANYONE CAN PAINT" Class Minimum: 6

Monday, February 11, 12-2 pm \$20, Bldg C

Steve Wood (award-winning artist) combines painting tips and techniques with humor and encouragement, providing a relaxing, enjoyable experience for beginning to intermediate painters. By the end of class, participants will have completed an 11"X14" acrylic painting. Please call and register.

HAPPY STAMPERS GROUP

Monday, February 25, 1 pm, Bldg C, FREE

If you like to use rubber stamps to make greeting cards, this group is for you. We can always use new ideas, so come, bring your supplies, ideas, share time with those who share the same interest and be inspired. You will work on your own projects and "show and tell" to motivate and encourage others.

WOOD CARVERS

Wednesdays, 12 - 2 pm, Bldg A, FREE

Loose wood carvers have an immeasurable amount of knowledge for their craft/hobby and LOVE to share. If you have thought about taking up this craft, please feel free to stop by and learn from the best.

YARN RECYCLERS

Fridays, 10 am, Bldg C, FREE

We are always in need of those who would like to help with the lap robes that are donated to local vets, nursing homes and those with other special needs. Our knitters and crochet group meet every Friday to knit or crochet needed items.

PAINTING GROUP

Mondays, 10 am, Bldg C, FREE

The Loose Center is the perfect place for painters of all levels to come and meet and work on their projects. We have a wonderful volunteer instructor available to help. The group that meets regularly is very excited to share. So, pack up your project and bring it to the Center and take the time to relax and work.

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

During the winter months, Loose has an inclement weather policy. When the Linden Schools are closed

due to weather conditions, the Loose Senior Citizen Center will be closed. Local television and radio stations will list the latest school closings or feel free to call Loose for updates in scheduling.



SCRAPBOOKING

Tuesday, February 19, 1 pm, Bldg A, FREE

Whether you have pictures from a recent event or they've been in storage for years, set this time aside to meet other Scrapbookers for conversation, inspiration and fun! Bring your photos, scissors or paper trimmer and adhesive of choice. Workshop is open to beginner and experienced scrappers.

LOOSE LAPGHANS

Fridays, 1 pm, Bldg A, FREE

The Lapghan group meets to work on a variety of projects, many of which are donated to local charities. Come and join in on the current project or bring your own. Stuck on a project? Stop by! There is help to get you going again.

LOOSE THREADS

Tuesdays, 10 am, Bldg A, FREE

Anyone is welcome to join this talented and dedicated group who are currently working on a quilting project. Also, feel free to come and work on your own projects in a setting that is conducive to good company and a common quest to share time and talent with others, or meet regularly and receive personalized instruction.

SEEKING BLOOD PRESSURE TAKERS

Help Wanted!

If you can take blood pressure and are willing to share one day per month or be available on an as needed basis, we need you! Please contact the Loose Center.

LUNCH WORKERS NEEDED (still)

We have many wonderful, dedicated members who have worked for years in our lunch program. Recently, a number of circumstances have changed and we are in need of a few dedicated people who will commit to about one hour, one day a week with this wonderful program. If you are willing to help and willing to secure a TB test, please contact the Loose Office.

COMPUTER CLASSES, GAMES AND OTHER GOOD STUFF

Loose classes are especially tailored to the needs of senior citizens. Class sizes are small and the instructor, Kelly O'Connell, well versed in the subject. COMPUTER CLASSES ARE HELD @ THE LOOSE CENTER in



Bldg. A. You must bring your own computer or all classes will be projected to the screen, so students can opt to observe and take notes.

FACEBOOK Wed., February 6 & 13, 4-6 pm, \$20

You will be introduced to the basics of social networking, get you into Facebook for some hands-on learning and generate plenty of discussion about the advantages and disadvantages of this popular website.

SKYPE Wed. February 20, 4-6 pm, \$10

Learn to communicate with other SKYPE users free of charge: SKYPE allows users to send and receive text messages, talk and have video calls. Too much fun!

COMPUTER HELP Wed. February 27, 4-6 pm, FREE MS WORD (MS WORD, WORKS, OPEN OFFICE) Wed., March . 6, 13, 20, 27, 4-6 pm, \$40, Bldg A There are so many tricks to word processing programs

There are so many tricks to word processing programs and this class will cover many of them, such as creating documents, saving files into folders, toolbars, shortcuts, clip art, labels, envelopes and much more.

Kelly is also available for one-on-one instruction. Call Kelly at 810.964.6455 for information.

EUCHRE TOURNAMENT

FRIDAY, February 22, 5 pm, \$5 Entry Fee GREAT Prizes, Food & Drink, 50/50 Raffle

GAMES

POOL PLAYERS Bring a friend and play anytime.

BRIDGE Mon. & Wed., 9 am - 2:30 pm

BOARD GAMES Friday, 10 am

CHICAGO BRIDGE Tues. & Fri., 1 - 4 pm

CHESS Wed., 12:30 pm

DOMINOES Wed., 12:30 pm

HAND AND FOOT is on break, check with office.

MAH JONGG Tues. & Thurs. 3 pm

PINOCHLE Mon. & Wed., 12:30 pm

EUCHRE Tues. & Thurs., 12:30 pm, Sat., 10 am

CARDS & MORE Thurs., 10:30 am

JIGSAW PUZZLES Browse through our puzzle selection located in **Building A**; take them out on loan or if you have puzzles that you would like to donate, they will find a home at Loose.

100SE BAND

Wednesdays at Loose, 2 pm, Bldg. C

We have a very talented piano player/director all ready and excited about the possibilities. It's a great time to dust off, tune up and beef up your skills on the old instrument. It will be fun, join us!



The choir practices on Mondays at 3 pm at the Loose Senior Center. Our choir director, Gary Daniel and accompanist, Ramona Deese are accomplished and dedicated musi-

cians. The choir rehearses and works to prepare for many special events and is currently working on Irish music. They will be going out into the community and sharing their talent locally with those who can use some good, old fashioned cheer. A very welcoming group; maybe it is time to give it a try.



Mondays 7-8:30 pm

The interest in Karaoke is growing and we aim to please those who are interested. Join us for the FUN!

VOLUNTEER PROGRAM



The Loose Center will be forming a Volunteer Program for those who wish to be part of every day activities and programs. This group will commit to meet every month to outline and organize the details for special events or happenings at Loose. Our first meeting will be March 21, 2013 in Build-

ing C at 9:30 am. If you see yourself as a self-starter and are willing to take on a leadership role in our new Volunteer Program, join us for our first meeting which includes a light breakfast and a chance to be on the ground level of this new exciting program. Please contact Melinda or Carl for further details.



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WRITE YOUR LIFE STORY

Friday, February 8 & 22, 10 am, Bldg C

Join us on the 2nd and 4th Friday of each month as we share anecdotes and memories of our lives. There are plenty of helpful tips and class discussion that makes putting our memories in writing fun.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

Every 4th Tuesday, 2 pm, Bldg A

The Loose Senior Center is home to an Alzheimer's Support Group. Support Groups are the heart of the Alzheimer's Association and are attended by families, caregivers and friends of persons with Alzheimer's disease as well as other related dementia disorders. The group welcomes new persons at all times and particularly encourages attendance by those who have newly diagnosed Alzheimer's patients.

AARP SAFE DRIVING

March 4 & 5 (Mon. & Tues), 12 - 4 pm, Bldg A \$12/person for AARP members \$14/non-members.

The AARP Driver Safety Program is the nation's first and largest refresher course for drivers age 50 and older. In class there will be discussion, laughter and sharing on Road Rules, Safe Driving, talking to a friend or relative about their driving. (You must be on time and in attendance both days.) Please call or stop by the Loose office to register for this class. (Please make checks payable to AARP)

RAW FOOD LUNCH

Wednesday, March 6, 12 noon, \$5 (special one time deal limited to 10)

Learn the benefits of eating more raw or living Foods, adding more enzymes and vitamins which will help with anti-aging, clarity, energy and much more! Lunch will include an entrée, juice, desert (ice cream). Caution; some of these foods are nut-based. This class is taught by Christine Shreve, Certified EFT Coach. Christine has studied healthy eating guidelines and the body's natural ability to heal itself for many years, at first as a hobby. Christine has studied and practices eating raw food and is finding that the combination of Tapping and eating more raw food is greatly helping with weight loss.

Please help us keep our files up-to-date.

Provide us with your PICTURE, updated contact information and emergency contact information.

LOOSE BOOK CLUB

Monday, February 11, 1 pm , Bldg A

This well read and energetic group meets once per month to explore and discuss a variety of literature. New folks, visitors and guests are always welcome. Come and join us.

ENERGY MEDICINE returns

Thursday, March 21, 2- 4 pm \$30, Limit 6, Bldg C Eliminate stress and negative emotions that can lead to diseases of the body, by using Energy Intervention Techniques. These simple techniques will keep your body balanced and your energy healthy. Offered bi monthly; EFT Meridian Tapping to eliminate stress and negativity, Energy Medicine Exercises involving Meridian Points & Chakras for body balancing by Christine Shreve, Certified EFT Coach.

IDENTITY THEFT

Wednesday March 27, 10 am, Bldg C

The Attorney General's Senior Brigade Presentation will share how to recognize and avoid identity theft, how thieves steal and what they do with your identity, how to protect yourself and what to do if you become a victim.

SUNSHINE GREETINGS

Our Sunshine Greeting Team, Janet Green and Marcia Brasher would like everyone to know they are ready and willing to share greetings from Loose with those folks who might need a pick-me-up, are facing surgery, suffering a loss, homebound, recovering from surgery and any number of other reasons. If you know someone who would benefit from a card, please contact the Loose office at 810·735·9406 or email lscc@looseseniorcenter.org so the ball can start rolling and sunshine can be spread.

GREETING CARD SPECIAL Purchase BEAUTIFUL, all occasion cards during February for the small price of 5 cents each. Many of these cards are unique in shape and may require additional postage, BUT given the savings you receive at the Loose Card Shop, overall it is a deal. What the heck, live life on the edge, throw caution to the wind and stock up today.

MASSAGE THERAPY Mondays, 9 am

\$5 for 7-minute session or \$10 for 15-minute session

Certified Massage Therapist Donna Roberts will treat you to some great stress relief through massage. Massage increases blood flow, reduces muscle tension and leaves you feeling great! Walk-ins accepted or call for an appointment.

FREE VISION SERVICES

Thursday, April 11, 2013, 10 am - 1 pm

- Vision Screens
- Adjustments and cleaning of glasses
- Affordable frames to try on
- Literature on Macular Degeneration & Glaucoma
- Discount cards for all uninsured
- Free one-year frame warranty with appointment Sponsored by Riverfront Optical

PODIATRIST

Tuesday, February 12, by appointment, Bldg A

Dr. Koehler practices at Holly Foot & Ankle Specialists and will be accepting appointments at Loose. Services will include toenail trimming, corn and callous removal, diabetic foot care, and more. Billing will be made to Medicare. Please bring a list of all your medications and your insurance cards. Call Loose to set up your appointment.

FREE HEARING CLINIC

February 15, 9 am (by appointment)

Hearing Tests and Evaluations, Hearing Aid Check, Hearing Aid Cleaning by Hear Clear, David Wizgird, BC-HIS. If you have a hearing aid issue or hearing difficulties, David will be happy to assist you. Call the office for an appointment.

FREE BLOOD PRESSURE AND BLOOD GLUCOSE TESTS

1st Tuesday of each month, 11 - 12 noon (BP only) 2nd Wednesday of each month, 9 - 10 am 4th Monday of each month, 11 am - 12 pm

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)

Mondays, 6:00 pm , Bldg C For information, please contact the Loose Center at 735-9406.

WATCH REPAIR

2nd Wed. of each month, 10:30 am - 1 pm, Bldg C

Specializing in battery replacement and/or adjustment, meet Angela Waldowski who has over 30 years of experience in the trade. *There is a cost for most repairs, please inquire prior to the service.*

PLEASE CALL THE CENTER TO SCHEDULE RIDES FOR LOOSE RELATED EVENTS.

WEEKLY SCHEDULED VAN DESTINATIONS

Please call ahead to schedule a ride for the following:

Monday – VG's on Silver Parkway, Fenton 12:15 pm departure, return 2:15 pm, \$4 roundtrip

THURSDAY – Farmers' Market

11:15 am departure, return 2:30 pm, \$4 roundtrip

FRIDAY – Meijer on Hill Road

12:15 pm departure, return 2:15 pm, \$4 roundtrip

For more information, call the Loose office at 735.9406 or the MTA at 780.8965.

MTA/LOOSE TRANSPORTATION

Our partnership with the MTA allows us to offer transportation services to you at a discounted senior fare. If you need a ride to any Loose event, please call the office at 735.9406. Roundtrip transportation fee is \$4. A monthly pass is available for \$35 and can be purchased through the MTA. The pass provides unlimited access to MTA services, 7 days a week. Please call Loose if you have any questions regarding the MTA/Loose transportation program.

REMINDER: Transportation to and from Loose can be scheduled through the Loose office. If you need a ride to a Loose event, please call the Loose office **at least one day** in advance. Rides cannot be guaranteed when scheduled the day of the event.

TRIP RESERVATIONS ARE NOT GUARANTEED UNTIL PAYMENT IS RECEIVED.

Loose Senior Citizens Center (LSCC) acts only as an agent for the independent suppliers that provide hotel accommodations, transportation, sightseeing activities, or other services connected with these tours. All such services are subject to the terms and conditions of those suppliers. LSCC, its employees, agents, directors, representatives, and assigns are not responsible for any injury, damages, expenses, or losses of any kind sustained by any person as a result of participation in these tours.

NOTE: All persons traveling to Canada must have a passport or an enhanced driver's license. All casino packages are subject to change without notice. Proper identification and Social Security Card required to collect prizes over the amount of \$1,199. Call for information about travel insurance or any other questions.

To avoid waiting lists or finding out that a trip has been canceled, sign up early. Travel programs have registration deadlines. At deadline time, the trip will be canceled if we do not have enough committed travelers.



Wednesday, February 13, 10:30 am, Bldg C

Financial Advisor Katie Rozen will be discussing a variety of relevant financial topics including today's market, investment strategies, living in retirement, and ways to protect what is important. Investment Perspective will follow the Coffee Hour on 2nd Wednesday of each month.

ONE-ON-ONE FINANCIAL HELP

Tuesday, February 12, 1:00 pm, Bldg A

Financial Advisor Katie Rozen will be available for free financial consultations at Loose Center the 2nd Tuesday of each month. This service is by appointment only. To schedule an appointment, call Loose Center at 735.9406.

LEGAL ADVICE

3rd Wed. of the month, 9:30 am -12:30 pm, Bldg C

Attorney Sharon Miner will be at the Loose Center to offer free consultations on estate planning. This service is by appointment only. To schedule an appointment, call the Loose Center at 735.9406.

CONSUMER FRAUD ASSISTANCE

1st Wednesday of each month, 10 am -12 noon, Bldg C

If you are having any problems with a place of business or question whether you have been scammed, call for an appointment or stop and talk with a representative from the office of the Genesee County Sheriff Consumer Fraud Division. Their mission is to protect the citizens of Genesee County by gathering, processing, and investigating consumer complaints, attempting to resolve them.

AMVETS

1st Thursday of each month, 10 am -12 noon

Nathan Pierpont is here to meet with veterans and/or their families to answer questions about compensation, pension, widows' pension, education, burial, medical or any other VA related matter. Drops-ins are welcome!

COMMODITIES SUPPLEMENTAL FOOD PROGRAM (CSFP & TEFAP)

2nd Tuesday, 9-10:00 am

Loose Center is a distribution site for emergency food assistance program. For more information, please call Loose at 735.9406.

MICAFE The Michigan's Coordinated Access to Food for the Elderly (MiCAFE) project makes it easier for seniors to get the food they need to live healthy lives through the Food Assistance Program. This program helps low-income households buy the food they need and maintain their health and independence. The assistance is provided through the Bridge Card that can be used just like cash at most grocery stores. For more information or to schedule an appointment, contact the Center at 735.9406.

COUPON CLUB

2nd Wed. of each month, 3:15 pm

Join others who enjoy saving money and making the most of the resources available. Bring a friend, your coupons and the excitement that comes with getting a good deal.

DISPOSAL OF THE AMERICAN FLAG

American flags that are tattered or torn can be placed in a plastic bag and dropped off at the Senior Center. We will make sure it gets disposed of properly.

CARE CLOSET If you have need for some medical equipment, please contact Loose at 735.9406. Equipment is loaned without conditions. If you have equipment to donate, feel free to drop it off during business hours.

AARP TAX-AIDE Consider volunteering as a Tax Assistance Counselor or a Leader Coordinator. To join our team of volunteers, call the Flint/Genesee Area District volunteer coordinator at 248.634.1216, toll free 1·888·OUR·AARP (1.888.687.2277), or use the online registration form on our website at www.aarp.org/taxaide.

MEDICARE/MEDICAID/FOOD STAMP ASSISTANCE (MMAP)

Our MMAP Counselor, Ann Walker, will be available to see Medicare beneficiaries Fridays by appointment only. The Michigan Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program is a free service that can help you make health insurance decisions. MMAP's mission is to educate, counsel and empower Medicare beneficiaries and those who serve them so they are able to make informed health choices. If you need assistance, call the Center at 735.9406 to schedule an appointment or call MMAP at 1.800.803.7174, ext 247.

Please remember to call and register and then sign in for all Loose events. It helps with planning and funding.

UPS STORE DISCOUNT CARD

Receive 10% discount on UPS Shipping, Copies, Color Copies, Signs and Banners, Rubber Address Stamps and more. Stop by the Loose office for a discount card.

SUNSHINE GREETINGS If you know someone whose spirits would be lifted by receiving a card or note, please stop by or call Loose and tell us their name. A card will be sent ASAP by our Sunshine Greeting volunteer.

FREE BREAD Volunteers pick up day old bread each Monday and Wednesday from VG's. It is available on a first come, first served basis.

FREE MAGAZINES Members drop off magazines in Building C. We have many of the latest popular magazine titles for you to enjoy. Feel free to take them home.

FREE WiFi (wireless Internet) Both buildings A & C have secured wireless Internet. Stop by the office for the password.

FREE LENDING LIBRARY The library is located in the Activity Center. Come and browse and take a book with you. Donated gently used books are always welcome. Drop them off in Building C.

MEMBERSHIP Loose Senior Citizen Center is open to anyone 50 years of age and older. Anyone participating in Loose Center activities, programs or services is considered a member. *No annual membership fee for Genesee County residents.* Members living outside of Genesee County pay an annual fee of \$25 due January 1st.

A REMINDER to our out-of-county members.

The annual membership fee of \$25 per person is due for 2013. If you have not paid your membership, please mail your payment or stop by the Loose Office to pay in person. Thank you!

THE LOOSE COMMUNITY ANGELS

The Community Angels are a group of senior citizens from the Loose Senior Citizen Center whose mission is to help those community organizations who are helping those in need. If you are interested in becoming a Loose Angel, call or stop by the Center and indicate your interest. Watch for our Angels in the community supporting community organizations/agencies with their charitable causes.

SCHOLARSHIPS are available to low-income seniors for assistance to participate in many Loose Center programs. You may qualify for transportation to Loose programs, educational classes or health and wellness programs. Income guidelines are available in the office.

WE SAVE...

ALPINE and VG'S will donate 1% of the total cash register receipts turned in. Please remember to turn in the whole receipt. Partial receipts often have the vital information torn or cut off making them useless. Thank you!

SPARTAN STORES will donate \$20/1,000 UPC labels. Drop them off at the Loose Center office.

GREETING CARDS

All of our greeting cards were destroyed in the fire. If you have **new** greeting cards that you are not going to use, help us rebuild our selection and drop them off at the Loose Office. Our volunteer will recreate a sales area and cards will be sold for .25 or 5/\$1.

RECYCLING We receive cash for paper. Drop your newspapers, magazines, office paper, school paper, catalogs and junk mail in the green and yellow Abitibi bin in the parking lot.

CELL PHONES We are collecting used cell phones. Please drop them off at the Center in the drop box.

EYE GLASSES Deposit your used glasses in the Lions box located in Building C.

FUNDING The Loose Center is funded in part by the Genesee County Senior Millage, the Southern Lakes Regional Metropolitan Parks and Recreation Millage, a Community Development Block Grant from the City of Fenton, the Harding Foundation and donations from individuals.

RUMMAGE SALE Due to storage restraints, we will not be collecting rummage until further notice. Please consider passing your donations along to another worthy organization.

PLEASE REMEMBER...We welcome you to call in your reservation for any of our activities, **but until payment is received we cannot guarantee your spot.**

POLICY ON THE USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS ON LOOSE PROPERTY

No person, at any time, shall smoke or use tobacco products on Loose property, except in the privacy of their own vehicle.

"The mission of the Loose Senior Citizens Center, Inc. (the Corporation) is to provide and coordinate responsive programs and services which enhance the dignity, support the independence, and offer stimulating and meaningful opportunities for adults age 50 and older living in the Southern Lakes region."

This newsletter is funded through Genesee County Senior Millage Funds. Your tax dollars at work!









JOIN LOOSE @ THE WHITING

Details available at the Loose Center

Fri., Feb 1	"Shrek The Musical"	\$57
Sat., Feb 9	Rick Springfield	\$50
Thur, Feb 21	"Rock of Ages"	\$55
Tues., Mar 19	Blue Man Group	\$64
Sat., Apr 20	Flying Karamazov Brothers	\$35
Fri, Apr 26	"The Addams' Family"	\$59
Sat, May 18	"Beauty and the Beast"	\$59

Tickets on hold are released one month before the performance, PLEASE REGISTER EARLY!

TRIPS @ A GLANCE

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	February 1	"Shrek the Musical"	\$57	
	February 6	Windsor Casino	\$17	
	February 8	Dinner & Show	\$15	
	February 8	FIA Faculty Concert	\$5	
	February 9	Rick Springfield	\$50	
	February 21	"Rock of Ages"	\$55	
	February 24	Arizona, Sedona & Tucson	\$1,999	
	February 26	Greektown Casino	\$27	
	March 6	Red Wings vs Oilers	\$62	
	March 18	Soaring Eagle & "Celtic Crossroads"	" \$30	
	March 19	Blue Man Group	\$64	
	March 20	Ethnic Dine Around	\$63	
	March 21-22	Kewadin Casino	\$115	
	April 5-11	Spring Southern Swing	\$1,485	
	April 10	FireKeepers Casino	\$30	
	April 19	FIA Faculty Concert	\$5	
	April 25	Windsor Casino	\$17	
	April 29	Turkeyville "Steel Magnolias"	\$76	
	May 6	Soaring Eagle & "Frankie Avalon"	\$30	
	May 11	Williamsburg	\$1339	
	June 9-14	Branson	\$1099	
	June 11	All Things Detroit	\$64	
	June 20-21	Kewadin Casino	\$115	
	July 12	Tall Ships Bay City	\$79	
	July 19-27	South Dakota's National Parks	\$1,569	
	June 26-27	"Wizard of Oz" Toronto	\$399	
	July 19-27	South Dakota's National Parks	\$1569	
	August 6-12	Canadian Rockies	\$2,899	
	August 18	Detroit Princess	\$77	
	September 1-2	Mackinaw Bridge Walk	\$184	
September 4-10		Yosemite	\$2,599	
	September 29	Cape Cod	\$1,299	
	November 14-25	Hawaii Cruise	\$3899	
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Detailed flyers are available at the Loose Center. Please note: A reservation is made only when a deposit has been received.

LIFELONG LEARNING FOR SENIORS

\$8 (includes transportation - departs 8:15 am)

An opportunity offered by Mott Community College. Enjoy great speakers who will inspire and refresh, along with a wonderful continental breakfast. Takes place in the Regional Technology Center Auditorium.

February 8 THE WATERFALLS OF MICHIGAN

A visual feast, join us as we take you on a journey to some of the hidden majesties of our state.

March 8 CHARLES STEWARD MOTT FOUNDATION

This will be a special chance to gain knowledge and appreciate this extremely generous Foundation that has done so much for Flint over the past eight decades.

You must sign up & pay, prior to the event, by Wednesday noon.

FLINT INSTITUTE OF MUSIC FACULTY CONCERTS

Hear talented Flint School of Performing Arts faculty artists perform an amazing range of music from Beethoven to Broadway to the Blues in this exciting concert series. Receptions follow all concerts. Concerts begin at 7 pm and are free. The cost for transportation is \$5. Transportation leaves Loose at 6:15 pm.

February 8 Brittany DeYoung, Harp **April 19** Roger Jones, Piano

FLINT INSTITUTE OF ART ART À LA CARTE

A series of informative programs focusing on the arts. It is offered free of charge on Wednesdays at 12:15 pm. Programs last approximately one hour. Visitors are encouraged to bring lunch. Coffee, tea and cookies are provided. Leave Loose at 11:15 am, Cost \$4

2/6 Harlem Renaissance2/13 Colors Straight Up

2/20 Martin Scorsese Presents the Blues2/27 William Kentridge: Anything is Possible

2013 FLINT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Buy season tickets for the 2013 season for \$43.50 (includes, special seating and 2 bonus tickets that can be used for any other Flint Institute of music events, such as Holiday Pops, "Nutcracker", etc) or half-off seating on

available seats. Don't wait, call Loose today for more information.

CONCERTS

Saturday, February 16, 8:00 pm Saturday, March 16, 8:00 pm Saturday, April 13, 8:00 pm



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Join Loose Senior Center Thursday, March 7

INCLUDES

Roundtrip Motorcoach Transportation Ticket to the Game 7:30 pm Detroit Red Wings vs the Edmonton Oilers Water and Snacks on the Bus DEPARTS K-Mart Owen Rd. Fenton, 5 PM APPROXIMATE RETURN 11:30 PM



NEW DATE Payment Due February 7

BRANSON Springtime Musical Extravaganza June 9-14, 2013, \$1,099 double

INCLUDES TRANSPORTATION PLUS

- 5 Nights Lodging, 5 Breakfasts & 3 Dinners
- Kickback receptions @ Drury Hotel
- Sightseeing Tour of Ozark Mountains
- 5 GREAT BRANSON SHOWS
- Sightseeing Tour of St. Louis ... and MORE!

ETHNIC dine around

Wednesday, March 20, \$63

Featuring appetizers at Original New Parthenon Restaurant, main course at The Polonia Restaurant



and dessert at Shatila Bakery, transportation and a wonderful afternoon.

This trip would be great with a friend.

Spring Southern Swing

April 5-11, 2013, \$1,485 double Featuring a Master Gold Tournament Practice Round

INCLUDES TRANSPORTATION

- 6 Nights Lodging
- 6 Breakfasts, 1 lunch & 2 Dinners
- Tour of Savannah
- Tour of Biltmore House & Gardens
- Masters Practice Round @Augusta Natl. Golf Club
- Opportunities for golfing in Savannah & Atlanta
- Optional Tour of the Coca Cola Museum

TURKEYVILLE featuring "Steel Magnolias" Monday, April 29, 2013, \$76

Includes Transportation: Turkey Lunch Buffett and a wonderful performance of "Steel Magnolias".



WILLIAMSBURG

May 11-17, 2013

INCLUDES TRANSPORTATION

- ♦ 6 Nights Lodging
- ♦ 6 Breakfasts & 4 Dinners
- American Mountain Show, Luray Caverns
- "Monticello", St. John's Church
- Yorktown Victory Center, National D Day Memorial
- Virginia Dare Dinner Cruise ... and MORE!

Per Person Price \$1,339 double/\$1,789 Single



Tuesday, June 11, 2013, \$64

INCLUDES TRANSPORTATION PLUS

- •Tour of Detroit American
- •Coney Island Lunch
- •Guardian Building Tour
- •Cliff Bells (dessert & coffee)

"THE WIZARD OF OZ" in

June 26-27, \$399 (double) **INCLUDES TRANSPORTATION PLUS**



- 1 night @ Holiday Inn Express
- Top Price Ticket for "Wizard of OZ"
- Sightseeing Tour of Toronto
- 1 Breakfast & 1 Dinner and much more!

Friday, July 12, \$79 **INCLUDES TRANSPORTATION**

Two-Hour Saginaw River **Lunch Buffet Cruise** aboard the Princess Wenonah. From this



vantage point, we'll experience the grand spectacle.

Free Time at the Maritime Festive (admission included)

November 14-25, 2013

Includes: Roundtrip Air-Detroit-Honolulu

- 2 nights @ Sheraton Princess Kajulani
- 7 Night Cruise on Pride of America
- And much much more!

Detailed information available at Loose.

Inside Stateroom - \$3899

Outside Stateroom - \$4649 Balcony Stateroom - \$4859 oose Senior Citizen Center 707 N. Bridge Street Linden, MI 48451 (810) 735-9406 PRSRT STD U.S. Postage PAID Flint, MI Permit No. 6



Coming in March!



Representatives from Shoreline Travel and Bianco Travel along with Loose Travel will be set up and ready to share detailed information with you about upcoming travel opportunities. Be sure to join us for the fun which will include prizes, snacks and more.



demonstrating their skills on Saturday

at 2:30 pm. Be sure to stop by the

Loose Center Booth and say, "HI"!