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## KUDOS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

SASi would like to thank the following individuals for their generous support last month.

Ryan Ely, who is a gymnast with S.T.E.P. Training Center, used her summer community volunteer time to raise funds for our Seats for Seniors campaign. Ryan was able to raise a whopping \$225 for our fundraiser! Thanks so much to Ryan and all the gymnasts at S.T.E.P. for their commitment to our community.

Barbara Carpenter for her generous donation of a beautiful entertainment center.

Elk Electric- for installing our new ceiling fans.

Payton Ezell for painting and general handy man duties.

Custom Design Contracting- Paul Beaudoin for installing our new blinds.

Lou Rigould- for volunteering to clean up around the prop

Lastly, SASi would like to thank its board of directors for another awesome, if not demanding year. We know that it has been a year of change and challenges but their guidance and leadership has helped us weather the storm of COVID-19 and staff turnovers. As we thank them for another wonderful year, we look forward to the future of SASi as we get ready to hold our annual SASi Board of Directors Election. This year, we have two directors who will be on the ballot for re-election, Leslie Marshall and Marshall Roberts. If you're interested in running for a board position, please send in your Letter of Intent to Cherie or Alice by Friday, 9/11. Elections will be held from 9/14-9/18 at the senior center.



#### **Executive Director's Corner:**

Alice Wallace, Interim Executive Director

#### Senior Centers: Delivering Vital Connections!

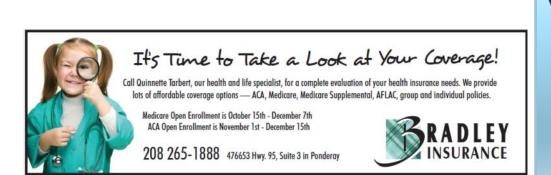
While we have been limited in the last month as to what goes on at the Sandpoint Senior Center does not mean we haven't been planning on the future of opening up to activities. This year's 'Delivering Vital Connections' theme was chosen to highlight how senior centers deliver vital connections to support older adults aging well. Preventing social isolation is vital and a core senior center mission. While the delivery methods have changed during the pandemic, centers have succeeded in continuing to provide knowledge, programming, and resources. During senior center month we want to plan for our reopening to activities and its vital role in your community, promoting positive image of aging, and creating interest among prospective new participants.

Our key words this celebration is *Mind, Body, Spirit, Community*. They are important reminders to take a holistic approach. During your celebration we want to share programs that connect to:

- Mind: Maybe Offering a class, start a creative writing class or a meditation group.
- **Body:** Deliver a new evidence-based program health class for losing those pesky extra pounds we have put on during the virus days.
- Spirit: Develop a gratitude journaling group or a volunteer led wellness call program
- **Community:** Create a community virtual a letter writing campaign to our service members.

We will be working on the promotion of this in the next weeks to come and will be ready as soon as Governor Little gives the word for the state up to proceed back to ??????

Alice



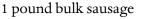
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#### SASi Spotlight

September is National Senior Center Month so we thought we'd spotlight all of the wonderful things SASi has to offer. Despite the fact that we've had to close our doors to activities, SASi is working hard to provide ways we can virtually connect and stay engaged. That's why we have a link on our website to Highway61.co, a virtual senior center where seniors can get together to play games or visit as well as links to tour famous museums and national parks. SASi has also started a new campaign to buy ergonomic chairs made specifically to keep seniors comfortable while they engage in activities. Finally, SASi continues to meet the nutritional needs of our seniors every day by preparing, packaging and delivering roughly 2300 meals per month. As always, our focus is to address social isolation and food insecurity, and with our community's support, we can continue to do so.

#### BAKED APPLES FILLED WITH SAUSAGE Ingredients



2 tablespoons brown sugar

1 teaspoon ground cinnamon

1/4 teaspoon grated lemon rind

1/4 cup chopped figs

brown sugar, ground cinnamon, grated lemon rind, or chopped figs

#### Instructions

Preheat the oven to 375 degrees F. Brown the sausage in a large skillet. Wash the apples and cut a slice from the tops. Scoop out the flesh, leaving shells ½ inch thick. Cut the flesh from the cores and chop it. Add the chopped apple, brown sugar, cinnamon, lemon rind, and figs to the sausage and mix well. Fill the apple shells with the mixture. Sprinkle the tops with brown sugar, cinnamon, grated lemon rind, or chopped figs. Place in a baking dish, cover, and bake until tender, about 40 minutes. Serve with hot biscuits and a green salad.

Interested in being a pen pal? Then contact the senior center to sign up and become a pen pal with a senior in Pennsylvania.



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The DayBreak Center is currently closed. However, if you need respite or caregiver services, please contact us at:

208.263.6860

#### SASi's Kudos Korner



Pam Allen
Joe King
Lloyd Wallace
Alice Wallace
Nikki Klein

Have you moved or changed phone numbers?

PLEASE make sure we have your correct information!

Do you need crutches, a walker or a bath seat? We have numerous items available for check-out! Bring us your gently used wheelchairs and bathroom supplies! Support Groups for Families, Caregivers and Friends of those with Dementia, Alzheimer's and memory challenges meet on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 1 - 2pm at the SASi Conference Room. However, due to COVID-19, we are meeting outdoors in the courtyard of the Daybreak Center at the exact same time on the same days.

Call Facilitator, **Jan Griffitts 208.290.1973** 

or **DayBreak 208.265.8127** for more info.

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Activities at our Center

Good News! The center is now open for congregate meals, but seating is limited. Please call the center to reserve your spot. For those who are unable to join us for a meal, please know that we will continue to offer home delivered meals.

We all want things to get back to normal but we need to use good old common sense. Everyone's first priority should be to keep loved ones, friends and neighbors (and ourselves) safe. There are flowers enough in the summertime,
More flowers than I can remember —
But none with the purple, gold, and red
That dye the flowers of September!
— Mary Howitt (1799-1888)



## Happy Birthday

John Kroker 9/5

Tom McGhee 9/21

Kris Mendenhall 9/5

Gayle Williams 9/26

Daniel Hailey 9/5

TJ Ford 9/11

Marchelle Fritz 9/11

Caroline Morley 9/15

Val Griggs 9/20





You matter! Get counted. Look for the 2020 census to arrive this month. It is vitally important that you get counted. You can complete the census the traditional way, on paper, or for the first time ever, you have the option to complete the census online. CSC is here to help regardless of how you choose to complete the census.

#### QUOTE of the day:

Drink water from the spring where horses drink. The horse will never drink bad water.

Lay your bed where the cat sleeps.

Eat the fruit that has been touched by a worm. Boldly pick the mushroom on which the insects sit.

Plant the tree where the mole digs.

Build your house where the snake sits to warm itself.

Dig your fountain where the birds hide from heat. Go to sleep and wake up at the same time with the birds – you will reap all of the days golden grains.

Eat more greens – you will have strong legs and a resistant heart, like the beings of the forest. Swim often and you will feel on earth like the fish in the water.

Look at the sky as often as possible and your thoughts will become light and clear.

Be quiet a lot, speak little – and silence will come in your heart, and your spirit will be calm and full of peace.

-- Mike Merchant

## Joke of the month

First it was, alcohol kills Covid. Then heat may kill Covid. Now direct sunlight may kill Covid. So if you see me outside in my yard drunk, naked and laying in the sun, Mind your own business.

I'm conducting important medical experiments.

## Grandparents Day September 13th



Marian McQuade hoped

to establish a national day that would honor grandparents, and in 1970 she began a campaign to do so. McQuade raised awareness about senior citizens throughout the 1970s. In 1978, President Jimmy Carter declared the first Sunday after Labor Day to be National Grandparents Day. Each year, the president issues a proclamation to keep the tradition going.

Grandparents Day has both an official flower and song. The official flower is the forget-menot, and the song is Johnny Prill's "A Song for Grandma and Grandpa." Both were chosen by the National Grandparents Day Council.

Happy Grandparents Day!

#### **SUDOKU**

Complete the grid so each row,
Column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders)
Contains every digit from 1-9.
For strategies on solving Sudoku, visit
Sudoku.org.uk

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3							5
			1	4	6		

Wise Advice from a Farmer's Wife



Whenever you return a borrowed pie pan, make sure it's got a warm pie in it.

Invite lots of folks to supper. You can always add more water to the soup.

There's no such thing as woman's work on a farm. There's just work.

Make home a happy place for the children. Everybody returns to their happy place.

Always keep a small light on in the kitchen window at night.

If your man gets his truck stuck in the field, don't go in after him.

Throw him a rope and pull him out with the tractor. Keep the kerosene lamp away from the milk cow's leg. It's a whole lot easier to get breakfast from a chicken than a pig.

Always pat the chickens when you take their eggs. It's easy to clean an empty house, but hard to live in one.

All children spill milk. Learn to smile and wipe it up. Homemade's always better'n store bought.

A tongue's like a knife, the sharper it is the deeper it cuts.

A good neighbor always knows when to visit and when to leave.

A city dog wants to run out the door, but a country dog stays on

the porch 'cause he's not fenced-in.

Always light birthday candles from the middle outward.

Nothin' gets the frustrations out better'n splittn' wood. The longer dress hem, the more trusting the husband. Enjoy doing your children's laundry. Someday they'll be gone.

You'll never catch a runnin' chicken but if you throw seed

around the back door you'll have a skillet full by supper.

Biscuits brown better with a little butter brushed on 'em.

Check your shoelaces before runnin' to help somebody.

Visit old people who can't get out. Someday you'll be one.

The softer you talk, the closer folks'll listen.

The colder the outhouse, the warmer the bed.

#### Trivia Question:

What was the name of the new company formed when Nash-Kelvinator and Hudson Motor Car Co. merged?

A. Chrysler B. General Motors C. American Motors

Answer below

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And a million dollars for a new building?! Thank you so much!

C. American Motors



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\$8.00 pays for a meal and \$10.00 pays for an hour of care at DayBreak. Unless specified, donations are split equally for operating expenses, the food program and the DayBreak Center. Please join us in thanking the above donors who give monthly, yearly and spontaneously to help us keep our doors open!!

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