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## From the Executive Director

COVID-19. How I remember it then and how I deal with it now.

Who can remember how they became aware of the Covid-19 virus? I remember it well. Michigan's basketball team was on the floor warming up for the Big Ten Tournament when officials came out and sent the teams to the locker room. It seemed very strange until everyone was informed that the tournament was cancelled. From that point on life was no longer normal. It became apparent that a virus that no one knew much about became a major concern. On St. Patrick's Day everything started to close and our lives went on hold. You could not leave your home, leave the state of Michigan, or be with your family and friends. Loose was no longer a place where you could come to socialize, exercise, play cards or eat lunch. Senior activities "STOPPED". Through it all, the center continued to reach out to help through phone calls and take out lunches.

Today we have hope through the Covid-19 vaccine. People now can sign up to receive a shot 50 and older. The long range plan is to have the United States population vaccinated by the end of May. This will allow us to enjoy all the activities we once took for granted. Schools will reopen so that children can go back to school. Restaurants will be able to seat 100% of their capacity so we can enjoy our favorite foods. Movie theaters will be a safe place to go and be entertained. Businesses will be up and running, people will go back to work and the economy will again be strong. Sporting events will once again have fans in the stands and we can go and see our favorite teams play in person. For us seniors it means we can leave our home and once again visit our family and friends. I for one have missed my grandsons grow up and have missed so many family activities. We can now travel to our favorite destinations, mine being Walt Disney World in November.

Loose is slowly opening up activities, we now have a full complement of classes where you can come and exercise and visit with friends. We have started book club, woodcarving, and painting with others to come as allowed through social distancing. We are now planning social events and trips, the first one is to Soaring Eagle in Mt. Pleasant on July 22.

So, the light is at the end of the tunnel. In time we will be able to have our lives back and relax and be ourselves. Just understand that you matter to someone and you will soon be part of their lives. I will be with my family, most importantly my grandkids, and working events at the University of Michigan.

Stay strong and get your shot.

All is Well Carl Gabrielson Executive Director Loose Senior Center



- PARTICIPANTS MUST CALL AND PUT THEIR NAME ON THE ROSTER IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN A CLASS.
- MASKS ARE REQUIRED AND MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES!!! (PLEASE PROVIDE YOUR OWN MASK)
- THERE IS A CHECK-IN SCREENING BEFORE ENTERING THE BUILDING

(FOR THE GOOD HEALTH OF ALL, PLEASE BE HONEST WITH YOUR ANSWERS DURING YOUR SCREENING.)

- STRICT SOCIAL DISTANCING WILL BE ENFORCED
- THERE WILL BE NO DROP-IN VISITS AT LOOSE
- IT IS LIKELY THAT LOOSE WILL BE OPEN IN THREE PHASES
- DUE TO SOCIAL DISTANCING GUIDELINES, SOME ACTIVITIES CANNOT RESUME UNTIL ALL RESTRICTIONS ARE LIFTED

### Current Loose Activities

You must call 810 735-9406 and pre-register for each class

### ARTHRITIS FOUNDATION EXERCISE Tuesday 9:30am

Low impact physical activity program proven to reduce pain and decrease stiffness. Includes gentle range-of-motion exercises for every fitness level all in the safety of your home.

### YOGA Fee \$5

Gentle Flow Yoga (Monday 2pm, Wednesday and Friday 9:30am) Strengthen your mind and body through yoga, helping with your balance while strengthening your back, abdominals and legs.

**CHAIR YOGA (Tuesday 2pm and Thursday 9:30am)** Discover the health benefits of yoga while honoring your strengths and limitations. Strengthen your balance and increase your range of motion with the assistance of a chair, a wall or a block to learn a pose or to get deeper into one.

### FIT<sup>®</sup>EVER Thursday 11am Fee \$5

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.

#### LINE DANCE Thursday 12:30 Fee \$5

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.

### LOOSE BOOK CLUB Second Monday 12pm 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!

#### **TAI CHI** modified Yang form Wednesday 11am Fee \$5 The Benefits of Tai Chi include but are not limited to:

Reducing anxiety and depression, Improving quality of sleep, Improving balance and hand/eye coordination, Increasing both upper and lower body strength, Increasing energy while calming the mind, Improving mental clarity and brain focus, Lowering blood pressure,

#### ZUMBA GOLD Friday 11am Fee \$5

A 45 minute class beginning with 30 minutes of low impact dance/ exercise cardio, balance, stretching, toning and brain/movement connection. Gold is a slower paced class that is a fun way for beginners to get moving and active adults to keep moving!

Wear smooth soled athletic shoes, bring a water bottle and exercise bands if you have them. Men and women are invited to attend, all fitness levels are welcome.

### PAINTING GROUP - Monday 9:30am - 11am

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

Must bring and use own materials, there will be no sharing.

### WOOD CARVERS - Wednesdays, 12-1:30pm

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

#### KNITTING/CROCHETING Fridays, 12:30-1:30pm

Our knitting and crocheting group meets every Friday to knit or crochet needed items to donate to local charities. Please bring your own supplies, as there will be no sharing of items.

#### FOOD PANTRY (located at North Door) 9am— 2:30pm

Day old bread and other treats are picked up from VG's (per availability) This generous Loose privilege is on a first come first serve basis and distribution is on the honor system.

### **MORE SERVICES**

Veteran Assistance, Medicare & Food Assistance *Counselors are available via* PHONE or VIRTUAL ASSISTANCE. Call Loose at (810) 735-9406, leave a message and a counselor will contact you.

### Loose Membership Information

Last Name	First Name		Birthday_	
Last Name	First Name		Birthday_	
Street	City/State/Zip			
Home Phone	Cell Phone			
Email				
City or Township	County			
Emergency Contact		Relationship	)	
Home Phone	Cell Phone _			
<i>Ethnicity (for office use only)</i> □African American	□Asian American	□Hispanic	□Native American	□Caucasian

### LOOSE CENTER - LIABILITY WAIVER

I understand that there are risks of injury involved in participating in any Loose Senior Citizen Center exercise class or other exercise program or activity. I voluntarily assume the risk for any harm, injuries, or damages that I may sustain as a result of my participation in any exercise class, program, or activity. I certify that I am in good physical condition and that I am able to safely participate in the exercise class, program, or activity and to safely utilize any of the exercise equipment at the Loose Senior Citizen Center.

I am aware that none of the instructors at the Loose Senior Citizen Center maintain liability insurance coverage for any claims that might be asserted by participants against an instructor for injuries received in participating in a Loose Senior Citizen Center exercise class, program or activity.

I release the Loose Senior Citizen Center, its instructors, officers, directors, employees, volunteers, agents, representatives, successors, and assigns, from any and all liability for injuries, damages, or expenses resulting from my participation in any Loose Senior Citizen Center exercise class, program, or activity. This release is binding on my heirs, assigns, executors, administrators, and representatives.

Print Name:

Signature:

### **PHOTO RELEASE**

I grant to *Loose Senior Center*, the right to take photographs of me and my family in connection with any Loose event. I authorize the *Loose Center* its assigns and transferees to copyright, use and publish the same in print and/or electronically.

I agree that *Loose Senior Center* may use photographs of me with or without my name and for any lawful purpose, including for example such purposes as publicity, illustration, advertising, and Web content.

I have read and understand the above:

Signature

### Membership Donation Payment Form

Check	Credit Card	*This will be destroyed after payment is proces		
Credit Card Number				
Expiration Date	CVV			





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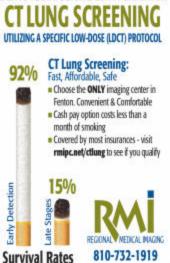


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# **Travel & Trips** Soaring Eagle Thursday, July 22, 2021



DEPARTS Loose Center DEPARTURE TIME 10 AM APPROXIMATE RETURN 6:30 pm

### INCLUDES

- Round Trip Motor Coach Transportation
- \$20 on Players Card *PLUS, earn 600 points on slots*
- PLOS, earn 600 points on siots and receive a bonus \$10 in premium play.
- \$10 Food Voucher
- \$10 Bingo Bucks Voucher
- Receive an additional entry into hourly drawings for every 100 points earned between 7AM - 2:59PM.

### Mask Up, Mask Right



### Need help getting a mask?

Residents can pick up a free mask from partner sites across the state, including most local DHHS offices and Community Action Agencies. Find a distribution site at <u>Michigan.gov/MaskUpMichigan</u> or call the COVID-19 hotline at 888-535-6136.



### LUNCH Pick up at 11:30 am, only \$5

Please call the day before to reserve your lunch. Although if you forget, call the day of, often lunches are available.

Call and Order yours today!

810-735-9406

### April 2021 Menu

			1 Baked Fish Scalloped Potatoes Vegetable Juice/Dessert	2 Center Closed
5 Sloppy Joe Coleslaw Chips Fruit/Dessert	6 Broccoli Cheese Soup Ham Slider Fruit Dessert	7 Pulled Pork Baked Beans Coleslaw Fruit/Dessert	8 Goulash Vegetable Dinner Roll Juice/Dessert	9 Turkey Sandwich Coleslaw Chips Fruit/Dessert
12 Pepperoni French Bread Pizza Tossed Salad Fruit/Dessert	13 Tomato Soup Grilled Cheese Fruit Dessert	14 Coney Dog Tossed Salad Chips Fruit/Dessert	15 Fundraiser Lunch	16 Shepherds Pie Tossed Salad Dinner Roll Fruit/Dessert
19 Hamburger Bakes Beans Cottage Cheese Fruit/Dessert	20 Chicken Noodle Soup Tossed Salad Dinner Roll Fruit/Dessert	21 French Toast Casserole Sausage Cottage Cheese Fruit	22 Cabbage Rolls Mashed Potatoes Vegetable/Dinner Roll Fruit/Dessert	23 Meatball Subs Cottage Cheese Chips Fruit/Dessert
26 Chicken Bites Tater Tots Pasta Salad Fruit/Dessert	27 Bean Soup Ham Slider Fruit Dessert	28 Tacos Chips Fruit Dessert	29 BBQ Chicken Thigh Baked Beans Pasta Salad Juice/Dessert	30 Mystery Lunch!

### **Springtime Fundraiser** April 15th 12:00-2:00pm

Drive up and pick up a full course meal for TWO...

**INCLUDES** Teriyaki Chicken Thigh, Fried Rice, Egg Roll, Mixed Vegetable, Dessert & Beverage All for \$25 -or-

\$15 for a Single Dinner



EMAIL lscc@loosecenter.org

WEBSITE www.loosecenter.org A variety of Books/Puzzles and Food Pantry items are available from 9 am - 2:30 pm just inside the North door at Loose. Please feel free to stop by and see what we have. Available as long as supplies last.

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
All Activities are subject to change or be cancelled. Operation of the center's activities are based on the orders set forth by the Health Department and Governor's Office.		1 9:30 Chair Yoga 11:00 Fit 4 Ever 11:30 Lunch <b>Baked Fish</b> 12:30 Line Dancing	2 Center Closed	
5 9:30 Painting 11:30 Lunch <b>Sloppy Joe</b> 2:00 Yoga	6 9:30 Arthritis Exercise 11:30 Lunch <b>Broccoli</b> <b>Cheese Soup</b> 2:00 Chair Yoga	7 9:30 Yoga 11:30 Lunch <b>Pulled</b> <b>Pork</b> 12:00 Woodcarving	8 8:00 Board Meeting 9:30 Chair Yoga 11:00 Fit 4 Ever 11:30 Lunch <b>Goulash</b> 12:30 Line Dancing	9 9:30 Yoga 11:00 Zumba 11:30 Lunch <b>Turkey</b> Sandwich 12:00 Knitting
129:30CSFP9:30Painting11:30Lunch PepperoniFrench Bread Pizza12:00Book Club2:00Yoga	<ul> <li>13</li> <li>9:30 Arthritis Exercise</li> <li>11:30 Lunch Tomato</li> <li>Soup &amp; Grilled Cheese</li> <li>2:00 Chair Yoga</li> </ul>	14 9:30 Yoga 11:30 Lunch <b>Coney Dog</b> 12:00 Woodcarving	15 9:30 Chair Yoga 11:00 Fit 4 Ever <b>12:00—2:00 Fundraiser</b> 12:30 Line Dancing	16 9:30 Yoga 11:00 Zumba 11:30 Lunch <b>Shepherds</b> <b>Pie</b> 12:00 Knitting
19 9:30 Painting 11:30 Lunch <b>Hamburger</b> 2:00 Yoga	20 9:30 Arthritis Exercise 11:30 Lunch <b>Chicken</b> <b>Noodle Soup</b> 2:00 Chair Yoga	21 9:30 Yoga 11:00 Tai Chi 11:30 Lunch <b>French</b> <b>Toast Casserole</b> 12:00 Woodcarving	22 9:30 Chair Yoga 11:00 Fit 4 Ever 11:30 Lunch <b>Cabbage</b> <b>Rolls</b> 12:30 Line Dancing	23 9:30 Yoga 11:00 Zumba 11:30 Lunch <b>Meatball</b> <b>Subs</b> 12:00 Knitting
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Friends, when Loose officially opens, we ask that you wait 30 days before you drop off ANY donations. This will include magazines, books, loan closet equipment etc.

"Loose programs and/or services are fully or partially funded by Genesee County Senior Millage funds and Southern Lakes Parks and Recreation Millage Funds. YOUR TAX DOLLARS ARE AT WORK."







## May Fundraiser coming May 20th

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