

## from the Executive Director

Dear Friends,

Carl is taking a break (albeit well deserved) this month from his article in the newsletter. So I am happy to be able to share a few thoughts and insights with you. You may have noticed that the past few newsletters have been VERY small. The state of affairs puts us in limbo and we just don't know. So, we are working hard to communicate in other ways. Please check out our Loose Facebook Page it is the easiest way to pass along info quickly. We also are keeping the Website updated www.loosecenter.org, so feel free to peruse that. There are some great pictures on the website that will send you down memory lane (a good place to go on many days).

Another key and effective way we are communicating is by doing mass calls. If you see a call from Massachusetts, it very likely could be us putting out an informational call to you. Why Massachusetts you ask, well that is just how some technology works...from afar. So please give the Massachusetts number a chance...you just might hear something really good on the other end.

In the meantime, check out the front cover of this newsletter... how fun, don't you think? All the images on the Loose Newsletter are very old images that are just so intriguing. This cover is from the 1933 era and is a picture of a painting of Amelia Earhart by Howard Chandler Christy. Earhart disappeared in 1937, but in this picture, she is just beautiful and her sitting next to the water reminds me of the joy that comes from being outside, near the water, in the woods, working in the garden, taking a walk, all the things that are healthy for us, especially in these days. My mother (who is 98 and still doing well) loves the woods. I remember a longtime ago when she was walking with me and my young daughters and she said to the girls, "Let's go walk in the woods and see if we can find some salamanders." Sure enough, the first log she kicked over there was a salamander. What fun and what a great memory. Let me ask you, "What are your wonderful outside memories?" ♥ How about this? Ponder your memories and then send them to us. We would all love to read and enjoy them and even share them if it is ok with you. Email them to us at *Iscc@loosecenter.org* or snail mail them to Loose. In a time such as this, we can still find much joy in sharing with and reaching out to each other.

To all of you, I give my best to you and am thankful for the many memories we have shared together. May they continue as we trod through this time.

Much Peace,

Melinda

Melinda Elmore-Hajek Loose Program Director



## **Current Loose Activities**

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

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#### YOGA \$5 fee

**Gentle Flow Yoga** Strengthen your mind and body through yoga, helping with your balance while strengthening your back, abdominals and legs.

**CHAIR YOGA** 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.

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**BIKING BUNCH Wednesdays @ 9 am.** Meet in the Loose parking lot for an 8-10 mile ride around Linden. If you are interested in the Biking Bunch, please contact the Loose Center at 810•735•9406, leave your name and contact information: phone number and/or email address. Ride leader Ann Walker will get in touch with you about riding events.

**LOOSE BOOK CLUB** 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!

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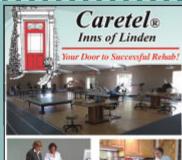


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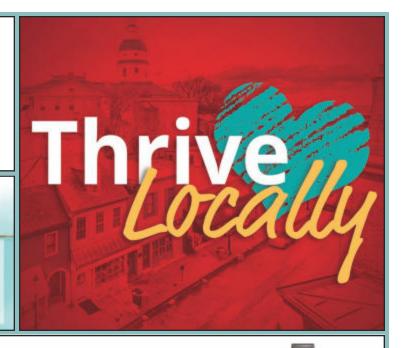




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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:30 Groove 11:30 Lunch <i>Egg Salad</i> 2:00 Yoga 2:00 Arthritis Exercise <i>via ZOOM</i>	9:30 Arthritis Exercise 11:30 Lunch BBQ Chicken 2:00 Chair Yoga	9:00 Biking Bunch 9:30 Yoga 11:00 NO Tai Chi 11:30 Lunch Chicken Noodle Soup	9:30 Chair Yoga 11:30 Lunch <i>Tacos</i>	Have a wonderful LABOR DAY weekend!
HAPPY  ABORE	9:30 Arthritis Exercise 11:30 Lunch Hamburgers 2:00 Chair Yoga	9:00 Biking Bunch 9:30 Yoga 11:00 Tai Chi 11:30 Lunch Spaghetti w/Meatballs	10 8:00 Board Meeting 9:30 Chair Yoga 11:30 Lunch Ham & Swiss Sandwich	11 9:30 Yoga 11:30 Lunch <i>Baked Fish</i>
9:30 Groove 11:30 Lunch <i>Brats</i> 12:30 Book Club 2:00 Yoga 2:00 Arthritis Exercise <i>via ZOOM</i>	9:30 Arthritis Exercise 11:30 Lunch <i>Lasagna</i> 2:00 Chair Yoga	16 9:00 Biking Bunch 9:30 Yoga 11:00 Tai Chi 11:30 Lunch BBQ Chicken	17 9:30 Chair Yoga 11:30 Lunch <i>Tacos</i>	9:30 Yoga 11:30 Lunch Sweet & Sour Meatballs
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