## Tooele County Aging Services Newsletter

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# Active Aging December 2020

In best Public Health practice all activities and in-house dining at the Tooele and Grantsville Senior Centers have been canceled until further notice.

We will be providing pick-up meals for Older Adults 60+ years at both Senior Centers (must be registered, registration on site or call 435-843-4110 to register ahead of time):

Monday ....... 11:30 to 12:30 PM

• Tuesday ....... 11:30 to 12:30 PM

• Wednesday ..... 11:30 to 12:30 PM

Thursday ....... 11:30 to 12:30 PM

• Friday ...... 10:30 to 11:30 AM

Details can be found inside this newsletter regarding Meals on Wheels and food services for rural areas of our county.



### Message to our seniors:

It amazes me that we are heading towards the end of December and 2021 is right around the corner. May this holiday season be filled with the simple pleasures of cards and calls from friends and family. While this season looks different than years past, we still can make it a special one. Some simple and nice ideas include: writing a letter to your grandkids, recipe exchange via Zoom, read a bedtime story to grandkids over the phone, reach out to another older adult who may be lonely or send a note to a health care worker or first responder. Make this a season of giving and gratitude: the smallest acts of kindness can be our biggest blessings and gifts.

This year we have missed each and every one of you. We are blessed to work for the wonderful older adults in our community and grateful for your continuous efforts to remain safe. As the new year approaches, we will continue to find new ways to bring activities, adventures and ways to connect. The staff and I would like to wish you all a healthy and happy holiday season and a hope for reconnections in 2021.

-Jamie Zwerin, Aging Services Director

Wear your holiday
sweaters to pick up
your meal from the
drive—thru on Tuesday.
December 22nd!

Santa is coming to the drive-thru!!!

Grantsville: Dec 15th 11:30-12:30

Tooele: Dec 17th 11:30-12:30

Come for a treat and a jolly

old time with Saint Nick!



## DECEMBER MEAL SCHEDULE

Meals available for pick-up only at both Tooele & Grantsville Centers Monday thru Thursday 11:30 am - 12:30 pm Friday 10:30 - 11:30 am

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
-	1	2	3	4
	Sausage Link w/ hot dog bun Oven Browned Potatoes	Baked Chicken w/ gravy Mashed	Roasted Pork w/ gravy Salad	Breakfast Casserole Fruit
	1 otatoes	Potatoes		
7	8	9	10	11
Beef Goulash	BBQ Chicken	Sweet & Sour	Chicken Salad	Pancakes
Salad	Sandwich	Meatballs	Cucumber	Bacon
	Baked Beans	Rice	Onion Salad	Scrambled Eggs
			Virtual BINGO	
14	15	16	17	18
Chicken Fried Steak w/ gravy Mashed Potatoes	<b>Lasagna</b> Salad	Fish Patty Rice Coleslaw	Spaghetti & Meatballs Salad	French Toast Sausage Scrambled Eggs
	Santa comes to Grantsville	Colesiaw	Santa comes to Tooele	ociambled Eggs
21	22	23	24	25
Chicken Parm Patty Spaghetti Salad	Tuna Salad Three Bean Salad Sweater Day!	Enchilada Spanish Rice Beans	HOLIDAY LUNCH Pineapple Glazed Ham Mashed Potatoes	CLOSED! Happy Holidays! No Home Delivered Meals
28	29	30	31	
Chicken Alfredo Cucumber Onion Salad	BBQ Pork Sandwich Baked Beans	Salisbury Steak w/ gravy Mashed Potatoes	Sloppy Joe Potato Salad	

Lunches are served with a fruit, vegetable and milk. <u>Meals are subject to change</u>. If you need a <u>modified diet</u> due to health, ethnic, or religious requirements please contact us in advance. Call Bella Colovich at 435-843-4106.

## **Walk With Ease-Online**

Join this fun 6 week walking program from the comfort of your own home! Walk With Ease is an online walking program with the goal to get you up and moving. Click on the link below, or copy and paste it into your search bar to access a series of videos, provided by St. George Aging Services, that will get you up and walking even in these cold winter months!

https://www.youtube.com/playlist? list=PL3hqy3oMCQfMbKYFRpuU8OUfaUf1b5ygk



## Would you like assistance reviewing your Medicare plan but are home bound?

Give us a call at (435)277-2420 to request a pre-enrollment form.

We'll send you a form to complete. After you return the completed form to us, we will call you with the best options for next year's coverage.



## **MEDICARE**

## **OPEN ENROLLMENT IS HERE.**

This is your chance to look at all of your Medicare plan choices like prescription drug plans and Medicare Advantage plans from private insurers.

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For local assistance call Tooele County Aging Services (435) 277-2420



## **Give Yourself Peace of Mind with an Advance Health Care Directive**

Life is full of surprises. Some are wonderful, like an unexpected phone call from a long-lost friend.

Other surprises though, like a sudden illness or a pandemic, can be cause for worry. One way to ease these worries is to make sure we are prepared for what comes our way.

Having an advance health care directive is a great way to make sure you are prepared for illness or incapacity. A health care directive is a document that allows you to nominate an agent to make health care decisions on your behalf in the event you are unable to make them for yourself. There are many benefits to having a health care directive, including:

- · Choosing your decision maker and specifying what decisions they can make for you;
- · Expressing your wishes for end-of-life care; and
- · Avoiding a guardianship proceeding.

Make sure you select someone you trust as your agent, and discuss your wishes and preferences with them in advance. Also, be sure to give a copy of your directive to your healthcare providers so they are aware of your wishes. You are free to revoke or change your directive at any time if your preferences change.

You can get started on your healthcare directive by visiting https://ucoa.utah.edu/directives/ for a copy of the health care directive form as well as additional information on filling it out.

Remember, a health care directive is not a Do Not Resuscitate (or POLST) order. Give yourself peace of mind, and complete your advance health care directive today.



If you would like to view the Tooele County Senior Online Art Gallery, please click on the link below or copy and paste it into your search bar. Enjoy some amazing art from our seniors!

https://tooelehealth.org /senior-art/

### INTERESTED IN MAKING THIS WINTER CRAFT?

CONTACT THE TOOELE SENIOR CENTER AT (435) 843-4110 OR THE GRANTSVILLE SENIOR CENTER AT (435) 884-3446 FOR A CRAFT KIT AND INSTRUCTIONS.



We are doing

Virtual BINGO on Thursday,

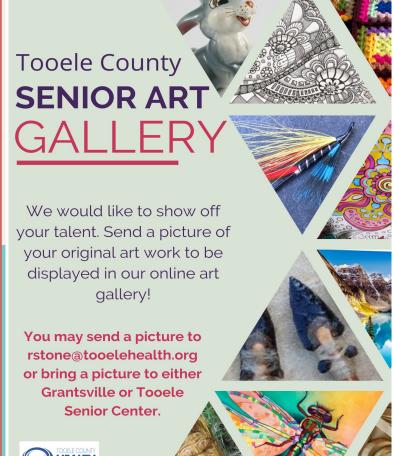
December 10th @ 2:00 p.m.

All seniors interested call

(435) 843-4110 before Tuesday,

December 8th to reserve a spot, space is limited. Get the link sent to your email so you can play from home!





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### Message to our seniors:

With the Thanksgiving holiday behind us, we are quickly approaching the holiday season! This is a wonderful time of year when we can reflect on the blessings that we receive. Through this difficult year it has been tough to find the blessings at times, but they are there. I am grateful for my many "senior" friends. A few weeks ago, I joined your ranks as an official "senior". I am thankful that I am part of a group of individuals who I look up to and admire. I am also grateful to the many veterans in our community for their service to our country. Although we weren't able to celebrate Veterans Day like we have in the past, I took a moment on that day to stand at our Veterans Memorial Park and observe the statues there to remind all of us of the sacrifice each one of you have made.

As I reflect back on the many difficult experiences this past year, I am grateful for each one of them. They have made me stronger. They have given me the inspiration to do more. I follow the examples of each one of you as you also struggle to keep going. This pandemic will end. The time when the senior centers will open again and you can visit face to face with your friends. I look forward to that time.

Many thanks to the caregivers who were able to attend the "drive up" event. I am so very grateful for your service. I am also grateful to the staff of the Tooele County Aging Services, led by Jamie Zwerin, who continue to serve each one of you to the best of their ability. I wish each of you a wonderful holiday season! Much love and respect!

Mayor Debbie Winn

## How to donate wisely and avoid scams



#### Look up a charity's report & ratings:

- give.org
- · charitywatch.org
- guidestar.org
   charitynavigator.org



Never pay by gift card or wire transfer. Credit card and check are safer.



Watch out for names that only look like well-known charities.



Search the charity name online.

Do people say it's a scam?



Ask how much of your donation goes to the program you want to support.



**Donating online?** 

Be sure where that money is going.

Federal Trade Commission • ftc.gov/charity

Family, Caregivers, and Friends are encouraged to join us

Meetings are the 3rd Friday of each mouth at 1 pm

**CONTACT HAL MEYER (435) 840-3683** 



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## CDC Has Information For Older Adults at Higher Risk

8 out of 10 COVID-19 deaths reported in the U.S. have been in adults 65 years old and older. Visit CDC.gov/coronavirus for steps to reduce your risk of getting sick.



