



Flathead County

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Older Americans Picnic on June 19th

Come celebrate summer with us

Hamburgers and all the picnic accompaniments are offered at the Older Americans Picnic on June 19th at the Flathead County Fairgrounds. The Agency on Aging invites residents of Flathead County who are 60 and older to partake in this **free** annual event to kick off the summer season.

Doors open at 10:00 a.m. and the event will officially begin at 11:00 a.m. with posting of the colors by the Flathead Composite Squadron of the United States Civil Air Patrol.

Food is served from 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and participants are invited to bring a potluck dessert to share.

There will be a special veterans' recognition as well as door prizes, a quilt raffle to benefit Meals on Wheels, and display tables.



Eagle Transit will provide special pick up service at the North Valley Senior and Whitefish Community Centers plus regular Dial-A-Ride service.

For more information, please call 758-5730.

NOTICE: There will be no Meals on Wheels or Social Dining at Meal Sites on Friday, June 19th.

Thank you to our wonderful sponsors!

New West Medicare, Loyal Care, LC Staffing, Professional Therapy Associates, Western States CAT, North Valley Hospital, Home Options and Don K Subaru who have contributed towards the purchase of food and provided door prizes.



ALLEY CONNECTION





Volunteer Recognition

On May 19th, the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) honored its volunteers at the annual Volunteer Recognition Banquet. The keynote speaker was Gary Krueger, County Commissioner and music was provided by Crown of the Continent Choir. This past year, 396 RSVP volunteers contributed 46,450.94 hours to serving 72 community organizations. If you are age 55 or older and would like to learn more about volunteering, please call 758-5712.

Meet Carla



AOA's Receptionist, "Director of First Impressions" Carla Reed will likely be the first person you speak with when calling or visiting AOA.

Carla is at the front desk ready to greet guests, refer them to AOA staff or other agencies for help and to try to answer any and all questions they may have for themselves or their loved ones.

Subaru "Loves to Help" Meals on Wheels

Don "K" Subaru is supporting our Meals on Wheels program during the national celebration of Subaru Loves to Help. Don "K" Whitefish and Subaru corporate will make a donation to the Flathead County Meals on Wheels for every vehicle they sell in the month of June. In addition, they are collecting non-perishable food items at the dealership showroom.



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A Golden Anniversary for America's Health

In 1965, President Johnson signed legislation to establish Medicare for older adults and Medicaid for low-income adults, children, pregnant women, and people with disabilities. Since then, these programs have transformed the delivery of health care in the United States. They have greatly reduced the number of uninsured Americans and have become the standard bearers for quality and innovation in American health care.

Chances are, you or a family member either have Medicare or Medicaid or know someone who does. In fact, about 55 million Americans have Medicare this year and more than 70 million have Medicaid in any given month. Has one of Medicare's many covered preventive benefits helped detect cancer at an early and more treatable stage for you or a parent? Have rehabilitation services provided in a nursing home or in your own home helped you get stronger and return to regular activity after surgery? Has Medicaid helped pay for your parent to live in a nursing home or helped you or your children get treatment for an illness?

As part of the 50th anniversary celebration for these programs, the federal Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services is collecting stories of how Medicare and Medicaid have made a difference for everyday Americans. Please visit Medicare.gov/anniversary/share-your-story to share your Medicare or Medicaid story.