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In the May newsletter I shared the beginning of my garden season and encouraged you to start a tomato plant (or any vegetable) and enjoy the gardening season. Well the time has come to share the fruits of our labor. Now this is a tricky time of year, especially for tomatoes. I have LOTS of plump green tomatoes, just waiting for those precious extra days of sunshine and warm enough nights to turn them from green to yellowish orange to bright red. It's a slow race to see who will win, tomatoes or frost. On September 8th, after lunch at the Steamboat community center, bring in a tomato you grew. Hopefully, they will be bright red, firm and smell like summer in your palm! We will have a guest judge and prizes; our own mini fair contest!

In August I had two new additions to my ranchette, Laura Lee and Wyatt. I now have 6 Nigerian Dwarf goats (4 adults and 2 kids). Goat babies are so cute and amazingly energetic! I love to just sit and watch them hop, here and there, jump and flip; and grow!

I sure am enjoying this in between summer and fall season. I love the cool nights and the smells that are changing, but I am also appreciating the hot days before their gone, and they will be gone before we know it.

I hope you are sharing your summer harvest or getting to enjoy the harvest from our many local farmers.

April Sigman,

RCCOA Executive Director

September 2022

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Routt County Council on Aging is a non-profit organization dedicated to meeting the needs of Routt County's senior citizens since 1977.

The Colorado Tax Rebate gives Coloradans an extra boost. Have you received your \$750?

Many older adults may not have filed their taxes for 2021 because you did not HAVE to. But you are missing out on your \$750 rebate. THERE IS STILL TIME. AARP Tax Aide volunteers are here in the Yampa Valley to provide free, in person IRS-certified assistance.

Mondays, September 12th and October 3rd 1:00 to 5:00 pm Steamboat Springs Community Center No appointments are necessary.

Bring Photo ID, social security card or picture of it, and any tax documents such as W2s or 1099s

For more information check out the following websites getyourrefund.org and GetAheadColorado.org
To contact a local volunteer call 970-736-7080 or email nwtaxaide@gmail.com



COMMUNITY CONVERSTATIONS

Vintage, your local Area Agency on Aging, and our partners are bringing residents and stakeholders together to discuss how to better support active and healthy aging for all in our communities. Join us for both virtual and in-person Community Conversations to share your thoughts on what works well for older adults and what service and resource gaps need to be addressed. Along with geographically and subpopulation-based conversations for older adults, we want to hear from informal and family caregivers of older adults.

Win prizes at each event.

SEPTEMBER 20TH Bud Werner Library 9:00am Haven Community Center 1:00pm

Want to add your ideas but can't make it to an event? Call Erin at 970.455.1067 efisher@nwccog.org

Need A Helping Hand? RCCOA can give you a hand.

Helping Hands- Companion Care and Non-Medical Home Care

A little extra help on a weekly basis. Services are available for a suggested donation of \$15/hour. Companion care, light house keeping, laundry, shopping, and meal prep are examples of non-medical services we provide. Please call Ellyn with questions or to schedule an assessment.

970.879.0633 xt. 4

ALZHEIMER'S \\ ASSOCIATION°

RCCOA hosts the monthly Alzheimer's Association

Caregiver Support Group

The 2nd Tuesday of each month, 10:30am @ the Steamboat Springs Community Center August 9th

For more information contact Angel Hoffman 970.387.6067 | alhoffman@alz.org

Back to School with Ten Tals

One of my favorite projects of 2nd grade is the penpal project we do in conjunction with the RCCOA. For my kids there is authentic practice of the Colorado State Writing Standards, incredible joy and motivation. But don't just take my word for it. Here is what we love, in the words of my students. What I really loved was...

- ~When Pegi gave me a birthday card.
- ~Writing all the letters, it made writing really fun.
- ~I like not knowing what to expect. Every time I opened a letter it was like getting a surprise.
- ~We just got to talk. Nothing else, just talk. That is nice.

Mrs. Chapman

If you are interested in becoming a pen pal with a student in our community please call Ellyn at RCCOA 970.879.0633 xt 4.

Hoping you'll join in, and make a new connection.



Homegrown Sharing

Thursday, September 8th 12:30 pm

It started out as a "tomato contest", but some of our tomatoes might not be perfect! So feel free to share anything you have grown this season and are proud of. Prizes awarded to all participants!



Lunch at the Wyman Museum with Moffat and Routt Seniors

Wednesday, September 14h 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Join us for a free lunch at the Wyman Museum and shopping in Craig after lunch. Please RSVP to Ellyn at least 1 week in advance. 970-879-0633.



Tea and Talk

Thursday, September 22nd 12:30 - 1:30 pm

Share an afternoon tea and discussion.

Discussion centered around Best Friends!

Fall Foliage Tour

Monday, September 18th 12:30 - 3:00 pm

Take in the scenery once again this fall. Destinations will be determined the week of travel, depending on seasonal color change. Transportation provided from the Steamboat Community Center.



Animals

AARDVARK ALLIGATOR BABOON **BARRACUDA BEAR BISON CAMEL CHIMPANZEE** CHINCHILLA **COBRA** COUGAR **CROW DONKEY DOVE EAGLE** ELK **FERRET FOX GECKO GOAT GOPHER HAMSTER HAWK HERON HIPPOPOTAMUS JACKAL JELLYFISH KIWI LEOPARD**

LION

LLAMA MACAW **MEADOWLARK** MINK MOOSE **NIGHTINGALE** OTTER **PANTHER** PARROT **PEACOCK PELICAN** PIG **PORCUPINE** QUAIL RACCOON **RAVEN REINDEER ROADRUNNER** SALMON SLOTH SWAN **SWORDFISH TIGER TORTOISE TROUT** TURKEY **VULTURE** WOLVERINE WOODPECKER **WREN**

Find and circle all of the words that are hidden in the grid. The remaining letters spell the name of an additional animal.

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Sudoku

Sudoku is easy to play and the rules are simple. Fill in the blanks so that each row, each column, and each of the nine 3x3 grids contain one instance of each of the numbers 1 through 9.

No extra hints this month, but I bet you have gotten better and don't need extra help.

Complete and submit these puzzles for a free RCCOA lunch.

The Second Annual RCCOA Golf Tournament September 12th, 2022 @ the Steamboat Golf Club

A special thank you to our 2022 sponsors!















Contact Jean Levine if you have any questions hillsideph@msn.com 970.879.6091

PLEASE MAKE YOUR DONATION TODAY!

Donations will benefit the nutrition, transportation and recreation programs of RCCOA.

Name:	
(Please print name as you would like it to appea	er in RCCOA publications)
Mailing Address:	
City, State, Zip:	
Email Address:	
Phone Number:	
Gift Amount:	THANK YOU!

We happily accept cash or checks payable to RCCOA or donate online www.rccoaging.org

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CURRENT SERVICES OF RCCOA



Eat and Greet

Join us at one of our three dining sites!

The recommended donation for meals is \$3.00 for those 60 and better. Space is limited. Reservations required 24 hours in advance 970.879.0633 xt. 4. See menu and days of service on page 10. Lunch is served at noon.

Meals on Wheels

Any senior 60 years and better can receive a hot, delicious meal delivered to their door. The recommended donation for meals is \$3.00 for those 60 and better.

Reservations required 1 week in advance 970.879.0633. Frozen meals are also available. Meals are delivered around noon.

Steamboat Springs: M, T, Th, F

Oak Creek: M,W,F Hayden: T, Th

North Routt: Tuesday (frozen meals)

Need A Ride? Call Us.

RCCOA is providing transportation to meal sites and activities, medical appointments, grocery shopping or other errands. Reservations are required 48 hours in advance. Contact Ellyn for information or a reservation. 970.879.0633 xt. 4

Grocery Shopping

Need a ride to the grocery store? Call us 48 hours in advance to request a reservation or provide us with your shopping list and we are happy to shop and deliver things to you. We are also available to pick up and deliver your Rx. Please allow 48 hours for shopping and delivery. We will present a receipt and collect payment upon delivery. Call 970.879.0633 for more information.

Helping Hands

Non-medical home care services and companion care

Available for people who need a little extra help on a weekly basis. Companion care, light house keeping, laundry, shopping, and meal prep are examples of non-medical services we will be providing. Services will be provided for a suggested donation of \$15/hour. Please call Ellyn with questions or to schedule an assessment. 970.879.0633 xt 4



Do You Need to Borrow Medical Equipment?

RCCOA has wheelchairs, walkers, canes, toilet riser seats, shower transfer chairs, new O2 tubing and miscellaneous other supplies available to borrow for FREE. Call for information or to pick up. 970.879.0633.

Bingo and Bridge

Join us for Bingo Fri. at 12:30 in Steamboat Springs, Mon. Wed. Fri. in Oak Creek.

There are many Bridge sessions at the Steamboat Community Center. Call Sharon for more information, 303.588.9856 or email bridgeinsteamboat@gmail.com. Call Penny for information about social bridge on Mondays 970.871.1750.



AGING WELL

SEPTEMBER 2022

FITNESS CLASSES

\$3 SUGGESTED DONATION PER CLASS, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED. NO ONE IS TURNED AWAY DUE TO INABILITY TO DONATE.

SOUTH ROUTT

STEAMBOAT SPRINGS

Movement & Exercise

Tai Chi/ Arthritis Exercise Association Fitness Class Mondays, 10:45 - 11:45 am Oak Creek Community Center

Arthritis Exercise Association Fitness Class Wednesdays, 10:45 - 11:45 am

Oak Creek Community Center

Arthritis Exercise Association

Mondays, 10:30 - 11:30 am Steamboat Community Center

Tai Chi/ Arthritis Exercise Association Fitness Class Tuesdays, 10:30 - 11:30 am Steamboat Community Center

Yoga for Arthritis Wednesdays, 10:30 - 11:30 am Steamboat Community Center Movement & Exercise
Thursdays, 10:30 - 11:30 am
Steamboat Community Center



SENIOR WELLNESS

DROP-INS WELCOME! DONATIONS APPRECIATED

South Routt Community Center 10:30 am - noon 4th Monday of the month

The Haven Community Center 10:00 - 12:30 pm 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month

Senior wellness checks are offered on a donation basis. Visits include weight and blood pressure check, medication review and consultation with a nurse. Drop-ins are welcome.

FOOT CARE

AVAILABLE BY APPOINTMENT \$20 PER APPOINTMENT, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED. NO ONE IS TURNED AWAY DUE TO INABILITY TO PAY.

Northwest Colorado Health:

Please call 970-871-7676 to make an appointment with a Foot Care Nurse.

SEPTEMBER EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES, cont.



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
29	30	31	1	2 Bingo –Stmbt 12:30
AARP Tax Aid		Bingo –S.R. 12:30	Knitters Circle-	Bingo –S.R. 12:30
			Stmbt 1:30	
5	6	7	8	9
Labor Day	0	,	How did your	Bingo –Stmbt 12:30
		Bingo –S.R. 12:30	tomatoes grow?	Bingo –S.R. 12:30
All Sites Closed			Knitters Circle-	
			Stmbt 1:30	
12	13	14	15	16
		Bingo –S.R. 12:30		Bingo –Stmbt 12:30
AARP Tax Aid	Alz Support Group –Stmbt 10:30	Shuttle to Craig	Knitters Circle- Stmbt 1:30	Bingo –S.R. 12:30
RCCOA Golf	5tm5t 10.50	Lunch at Wyman	Stillot 1.50	
Tournament		Museum		
19	20	21	22	23
	20	21	Tea and Talk –	Bingo –Stmbt 12:30
		Bingo –S.R. 1:00	Stmbt 12:30	Bingo –S.R. 12:30
			Knitters Circle-	
			Stmbt 1:30	
26	27	28	29	30
20	2 '	20	20	Bingo –Stmbt 12:30
Fall Foliage Tour		Bingo –S.R. 12:30	Knitters Circle- Stmbt 1:30	Bingo –S.R. 12:30

See page 3 and 4 for details about scheduled activities. See page 8 for a complete list of Aging Well classes and services.



ROUTT COUNTY SENIOR EAT and GREET



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Steamboat & South Routt	Steamboat & Hayden	South Routt	Steamboat & Hayden	Steamboat & South Routt		
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY		
29 Bacon Cheeseburger Sweet Potato Fries Broccoli Lettuce, Tomato ,Onion, Pickle Dessert	30 Spinach Mushroom Frittata Potato Leek Soup Carrots Dessert	31 Salisbury Steak Rice Pilaf Mixed Vegetables Tossed Salad Biscuit Orange Sherbet	1 Salisbury Steak Rice Pilaf Mixed Vegetables Tossed Salad Biscuit Orange Sherbet	2 Chicken Wedge Salad Crackers Mixed Fruit Dessert		
5 Labor Day ALL SITES CLOSED	6 Chicken Broccoli Alfredo Roasted Red Peppers Garlic Bread Caesar Salad Banana Strawberry Rhubarb Cobbler	7 Roast Beef Mashers Green Beans Biscuit Tossed Salad Strawberry Shortcake	8 Roast Beef Mashers Green Beans Biscuit Tossed Salad Strawberry Shortcake	9 Ham Salad Sandwich Carrot Salad Peas Pineapple Sugar Cookie		
12 Meatball Sub Fries Tossed Salad Apple Blond Brownie	13 Mahi-Mahi Yams Corn Hush Puppy Cole Slaw Orange Pecan Pie	14 Mahi-Mahi Yams Corn Hush Puppy Cole Slaw Orange Pecan Pie	15 Oven Fried Chicken Mashed Potatoes Gravy Broccoli Roll Tossed Salad Apple Crisp	16 Pizza Salad w/ Garbanzos & Craisins Peanut butter Bar		
Sweet-n-Sour Pork Fried Rice Sesame Broccoli Egg Roll Asian Cabbage Salad Peanut Butter Cookie	20 Bean & Cheese Burrito Spanish Rice Squash Mexican Salad Pineapple Cake Banana	Flank Steak Mashed Potatoes Cauliflower Roll Tossed Salad Strawberries Raspberry Sherbet	Flank Steak Mashed Potatoes Cauliflower Roll Tossed Salad Strawberries Raspberry Sherbet	23 Turkey Club Sandwich Tossed Salad Chips Mandarin Orange Brownie		
26 Chicken Tacos Refried Beans Spanish Rice Salad Applesauce Cake	27 Meat Loaf Mashers Green Beans Garlic Bread Tossed Salad Fruit Cocktail Chocolate Chip Cookie	28 Meat Loaf Mashers Green Beans Garlic Bread Tossed Salad Fruit Cocktail Chocolate Chip Cookie	29 Beanie Weenies Potato Wedges Tossed Salad Coleslaw Strawberries Rice Crispie Bars	30 Clam Chowder Lima Beans & Tomatoes Crackers Tossed Salad Ambrosia Salad Banana		

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