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January is...

Glaucoma Awareness Month National Blood Donor Month National Soup Month National Braille Literacy Month National Hobby Month



Above: Lester spreading Christmas Cheer at The Gathering Place. Right: Home Delivered Meals Volunteers Judy and Lynn decorating cookies before heading out on a meal route.

Below: Our cookie decorating table was a hit! Plenty of sprinkles for all.





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From Our Director

Happy New Year!

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas celebration! My family celebrated Christmas on December 10th at the Great Wolf Lodge with my three children and their families. It was the best weekend for all of us to be together and we all enjoyed the waterpark. We shared many laughs and had tons of fun. The bonus was Santa was at the lodge with many opportunities to spend time with him. It was truly a memorable time with my family.

As the New Year begins, I would like to share with you some snippets from our service summary for fiscal year 2022.

- Delivered 73,910 meals to homebound clients and served **16,969** Congregate and Curbside Meals to **907** people at The Gathering Place Senior Center. Combined we provided **90,879** meals, which was a *RECORD*!
- Provided **3,550** service hours through the Homemaker Program, despite staffing shortages.
- Provided **16,754** bus rides to seniors through Benzie Bus, which was a *RECORD!*
- Provided **1,489** RN visits for assessments, medication management & in-home foot care, which was a *RECORD*.
- Provided 1,231 snowplows to 149 clients.
- Provided **586** appointments were made for the footcare clinic, which was a *RECORD!*
- Provided **3,151** Shelf-Stable food boxes, Fresh Produce Bags, BACN Bags and Commodities delivered, which was a *RECORD*!
- We assisted 187 individuals were guided through the Medicare/Medicaid maze with assistance in Part D
 Prescription coverage, choosing the right Medicare Supplemental Insurance, annual paperwork and documentation for Medicaid for a savings of over \$92,628
- Provided **1,304** lawn mows to **125** clients, which was a *RECORD*!
- A total of 11,240 hours provided to 124 in-home service clients for their care, despite an ongoing shortage of staff
- Our 137 volunteers provided 11,353 service hours resulting in a savings of \$136,236 to the agency.

A Few Other Key Accomplishments:

- Board of Directors approved the 5-Year Strategic Plan. The Strategic Focus Areas are to broaden and deepen the services we provide, align with our mission; enhance our communications, marketing, and engagement capabilities and strengthen and deepen our physical, financial, and operational capacity.
- Collaborated with Benzie Bus on the new Non-Emergency Medical Health *Rides*. This program addresses the critical need of vulnerable Benzie County Seniors having transportation access to their medical appointments either in Benzie, Grand Traverse, Leelanau, Manistee, and Wexford Counties.
- The Jamie Gray Group and Crystal Lake Golf Course sponsored the Inaugural Golf Charity Event for Benzie Senior Resources. The Golf Outing was held on Sunday, June 12th and was a success with a total of \$4,500 raised. A huge thank you to Jamie Gray and her team along with Dave Stapleton of Crystal Lake Golf Course.
- The Walk-A-Thon Fundraiser was held on August 6th. The weather was a little warm but with a nice breeze blowing off Crystal Lake. The participants and friends of the Walk-A-Thon raised just over \$23,200.

Are you thinking about your New Year's Resolution? Most likely it includes taking better care of yourself through exercise, nutrition or maybe increasing some brain power! Have you considered volunteering? It makes the perfect New Year's Resolution because it offers great outcomes for **YOU!** One of the many benefits of volunteering is creating new connections in your community. It presents opportunities to meet new friends and strengthen relationships between those who volunteer together. Also, volunteering helps to lessen depression, increase self-

confidence and make a healthier you both physically and mentally. Volunteering can be as little as a few hours a month to several days a week. It is a fun and easy way to develop your interests and find and enjoy your passions.

In closing, I want to wish a Happy New Year to all our wonderful seniors!! All of us here at BSR are so excited to begin the New Year! We are looking forward to continuing our work to make the lives better for all of our seniors in Benzie County.

Take care, Douglas

January Menu Our meals meet 1/3 of the recommended daily allowance nutrition requirements (RDA)

January Me	enu Our meals meet 1/	$^{\prime}3$ of the recommended da	aily allowance nutrition	requirements (RDA)
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
HAPPY NEW YEAR	Whole Wheat Blueberry Pancakes Freshly Scrambled Eggs Savory Sausage Links Oven Baked Spiced Apples	4 Classic Chicken Parmesan Italian Style Green Beans Pesto Infused Cauliflower Soft Baked Breadsticks Fresh Cut Oranges	5 New Orleans Bourbon Chicken 'N Rice Japanese Vegetable Blend Steamed Broccoli Florets Stoneground Wheat Bread	6 Hearty Three Bean Chili Capri Vegetable Blend Oyster Crackers Classic Fruit Cocktail
9 Spanish Rice with Beef & Bacon Fire Roasted Corn & Black Beans Steamed Cauliflower Florets Stoneground Wheat Bread Apricot Halves	10 Hearty Turkey Tetrazzini Scandinavian Vegetable Blend Green Bean Blend Stoneground Wheat Bread Cranberry Applesauce	Cornmeal Dusted Catfish Oven Baked Potato Italian Vegetable Blend Stoneground Wheat Bread Diced Peaches	Homemade Meatloaf with Gravy Herbed Mashed Potatoes California Vegetable Blend Stoneground Wheat Bread Classic Applesauce	Slow Roasted Beef Herbed Mashed Potatoes Key West Vegetable Blend Stoneground Wheat Bread Fresh Banana Birthday Cake Bites
Chicken Bacon Carbonaro over Pasta Sicilian Vegetable Blend Steamed Sweet Peas Soft Baked Breadsticks Fresh Plums	17 Cheddar & Chive Encrusted Cod Crispy Smashed Potatoes Southern Style Succotash Stoneground Wheat Bread Fresh Grapes	18 Deluxe Pizza Italian Style Green Beans Steamed Sweet Corn Soft Baked Breadsticks Fresh Banana	Homemade Cheesy Stuffed Peppers European Vegetable Blend Green Bean Blend Stoneground Wheat Bread Fresh Cut Oranges	20 Classic Homemade Lasagna Italian Style Green Beans Pesto Infused Cauliflower Soft Baked Breadsticks Pineapple Tidbits
23 Roasted Turkey with Herbed Stuffing Herbed Mashed Potatoes Venetian Vegetable Blend Multigrain Dinner Roll Bonnie's Famous Cranberry Sauce	Grand Rapids Style Wet Burrito Authentic Refried Beans Oven Baked Peaches Tortilla Chips with Fire Roasted Salsa	25 Hand Rolled Swedish Meatballs Herb Buttered Potatoes Normandy Vegetable Blend Stoneground Wheat Bread Diced Pears	26 Citrus Chicken over Rice Caribbean Vegetable Blend Steamed Spinach Stoneground Wheat Bread Fresh Banana	Caribbean Style Roasted Pork Whipped Sweet Potatoes Malibu Vegetable Blend Sweet Hawaiian Rolls Tropical Fruit Blend
30 Savory Sausage Cassoulet Key West Vegetable Blend Steamed Sweet Corn Stoneground Wheat Bread Apricot Halves	31 Homestyle Shephard's Pie Steamed Sweet Peas Steamed Cauliflower Florets Stoneground Wheat Bread Classic Applesauce	Meal price is a \$4.00 suggested donation for age 60 and older Under 60 is \$7.50 Caregivers under 60 are \$4.00	Menu is subject to change based on product availability	We accept cash, Visa, Mastercard and Discover. Personal Checks also accepted made out to BSR

Pigeon Forge Trip

Pigeon Forge and Smoky Mountains Show Trip

When: May 15-20, 2023—6 days and 5 nights

Cost: \$715 based on double occupancy

Included:

* 7 meals—5 breakfasts and 2 dinners

* Shows! See Smith Morning Variety Show; Magic of Terry Evanswood; Soul of Motown & Country Tonite

* Admission to Dollywood

* Guided tour of The Great Smoky Mountains National Park

* Free time to explore Historic Downton Gatlinsburg





Stop by Benzie Senior Resources for a full trip itinerary and to sign up today!

Only \$144 deposit is needed to get on the list.

55 OR OLDER, UNEMPLOYED AND LOOKING FOR WORK?

For more than 50 years, AARP Foundation Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) has provided people over age 55 with opportunities to fill entry-level and mid-level positions in their local communities.

HOW IT WORKS. SCSEP trainees are placed in a variety of community service activities at nonprofit organizations, public facilities like day care and senior centers, libraries, schools and hospitals. Participants work an average of 20 hours a week and are paid the highest federal, state or local minimum wage.

WHO'S ELIGIBLE? Seniors must be age 55 and older, unemployed and seeking work and meet the income qualification to apply. Program participants receive support services that include Individual Employment Plan (IEP) development, specialized training to prepare for job placements and assistance in securing future employment.

For more information or to find out if you qualify, contact the AARP Foundation SCSEP program office at 231-252-4544.

My Senior Center—Have you noticed this screen at our front desk at The Gathering Place? It's a system called myseniorcenter and it's a way for us to save paper and collect data for our grants and reports. Don't worry! We are not replacing our incredible desk volunteers.

Some of you already have your keycard and have learned how to check-in. Please let our desk volunteer know if you don't have one and we'll have it

ready for you the next time you visit. And if you volunteer as a meal delivery driver or in any other capacity you also need one! Everyone must scan their keycard for all activities, lunches and volunteering. Thank you!





January Calendar of Events				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 Hupt New YEAD	3 10:30 The Melody Makers 11:30-1:30 Lunch 3:30 Chair Yoga	4 8:30 In Motion w/ AnnMarie 11:30-1:30 Lunch 12:30 Bingo	5 11:30-1:30 Lunch 1:30 BUNCO	6 9:30 BUNCO 11:30-1:30 Lunch 1:00 Wii Bowling 1:30 Crochet & Knitting Circle
9 10:00 Stretch & Balance 11:30-1:30 Lunch 1:30 Euchre 1:30 Healthy Living for Your Brain	10 10:30 The Melody Makers 11:30-1:30 Lunch 3:30 Chair Yoga	11 8:30 In Motion w/ AnnMarie 11:30-1:30 Lunch 12:30 Bingo	12 10:30 Blood Pressure/ Blood Sugar Clinic 11:00 TAI CHI w/ Naomi Hyso 11:30-1:30 Lunch 12:00 Music with AnnMarie and Michael 1:30 BUNCO	13 9:30 BUNCO 11:30-1:30 Lunch 1:00 Wii Bowling 1:30 Crochet & Knitting Circle
16 10:00 Stretch & Balance 11:30-1:30 Lunch 1:30 Rock Painting	17 10:30 The Melody Makers 11:30 –1:30 Lunch NO CHAIR YOGA	18 10:00 Healthy Snacks w/ MSU Extension 11:30-1:30 Lunch 12:30 Bingo 1:30 Higgins Hearing & Audiology Chat 4:30 Board of Directors Meeting	19 10:00 Snowman Craft 11:30-1:30 Lunch 1:30 BUNCO	20 9:30 BUNCO 10:00 Hearing Clinic (at BSR office—appointment required) 11:30-1:30 Lunch 1:00 Wii Bowling 1:30 Crochet & Knitting Circle
23 10:00 Stretch & Balance 11:30-1:30 Lunch 1:30 Basic Knitting Class w/ Sandy 1:30 Euchre	24 10:30 The Melody Makers 11:30-1:30 Lunch NO CHAIR YOGA	25 8:30 In Motion w/ AnnMarie 11:30-1:30 Lunch 12:30 Bingo 5:00 Dinner 6:00 Produce Bingo	26 11:30 Music w/ AnnMarie & Michael 10:00 Book Group 11:30-1:30 Lunch 1:30 BUNCO	27 9:30 BUNCO 11:30-1:30 Lunch 1:00 Wii Bowling 1:30 Crochet & Knitting Circle 5:00-9:00 Ol' Time Gathering
30 10:00 Stretch & Balance 11:30-1:30 Lunch 1:30 Knitted Scrubbie with Sandy 1:30 Euchre	31 10:30 The Melody Makers 11:30-1:30 Lunch NO CHAIR YOGA	Let our New Year's resolution be this we will be there for one another		Do you have a talent that you would like to share as an activity at The Gathering Place? Call Susan at

231.525.0601.

Staff Milestones/ Clinics

Staff Birthdays



Douglas Durand, January 4th. Happy Birthday to our Executive Director! Doug is a dedicated grandpa and dad. He enjoys planning special outings for his family and can answer any question you may have about Disney.



Sharon Parker, January 13th. Sharon is so loved and appreciated by her clients. She takes great care giving them all the attention they need. She has a GREAT sense of humor that rubs off on most everyone she meets.

Tai Chi for Arthritis and Fall Prevention 11:00 a.m. on January 12th at The Gathering Place

Led by Naomi Hyso from Michigan State Extension this is a program to improve health and wellness. Tai Chi is a graceful, low impact form of exercise that can improve balance, strength, mobility, and quality of life. It can also reduce stress, risk of falls, and help manage pain from arthritis. Modifications will be provided for those who want to attend seated or standing. • Increases strength • Increases balance and posture • Prevents falls • Improves mind, body, and spirit • Reduces stress and increases relaxation.

NO COST TO ATTEND!



Candice and Ken with Higgins Hearing and

Audiology will be at The Gathering Place on Wednesday, January 18th at 1:30 p.m. to talk about how hearing affects our overall wellness.

Hearing Clinic at Benzie Senior Resources Administration office Friday, January 20th from 10:00 a.m.—noon. They will be doing ear check-ups, cleaning hearing aids, checking for too much wax, etc. Call 231-525-0600 to schedule an appointment.

Staff Anniversaries

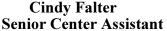


Susan Glass, 4 years
Susan is our Senior Center
Coordinator at The Gathering Place.
Her dedication to finding the best for
our seniors never waivers. She enjoys
creating whether it's quilting or
canning and is a phenomenal maker of
jams! Susan loves spending time with
her adult children and granddaughter.

WELCOME TO OUR STAFF!

Lori Cook Home Health Aide









Benzie Senior Resources has partnered with Benzie Bus to offer Health Rides for Benzie seniors age 60 and older. Personalized,

door-to-door rides to medical appointments and procedures. Fees are income-based and are on a sliding scale. Call us for more information at 231.525.0600.

Healthy Snacks

January 18th at 10:00 a.m. at The Gathering Place.

Presented by Caitlin Lorenc from Michigan State
Extension. What is the difference between a snack and a
treat? A snack you can have every day, and a treat is
something you look forward to having on occasion. Join
this presentation to learn about: • Making tasty snacks that
are great for your health • Types of snacks to help keep
you satisfied for longer • Making your own grab-and-go
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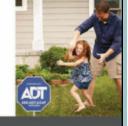
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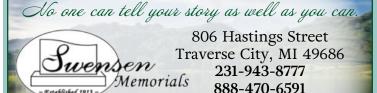
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Bulletin Board

Book Group List for The Gathering Place Book Club. Meet last Thursday of the month at 10:00 a.m.

January—Isadore's Secret by Mardi Link February – Tattooist of Auschwitz by Heather Morris March—The Stranger in the Lifeboat by Mitch Albom April – Being Mortal by Atul Gawande May – The Four Winds by Kristin Hannah June – Long Bright Winter by Liz Moore July – It's All Relative by AJ Jacobs August–The Moviegoer by Walker Percy September – The Red Wheelbarrow by Briony Stewart October – The Waves by Virginia Woolf November-Saving Arcadia by Heather Shumaker December-A Woman is No Man by Etaf Rum

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Are you a Veteran? Need benefit help? Call Karen Korolenko, Director at Benzie County Department of Veterans Affairs. 231.882.0034 or Email kkorolenko@benzieco.net.

OL' TIME GATHERING is back! The last Friday of each month. January 27th at The Gathering Place. Dinner and dancing! Entrée served at 5:00 p.m. Feel free to bring a packaged snack or food that has been made in a bakery or restaurant to share. No homemade foods permitted. You must sign up in advance. Call 231.525.0601 to register or stop by the desk at The Gathering Place. Donations are accepted. Doors close at 9:00 p.m.

> Healthy Living for Your Brain and Body ALZHEIMER'S \\ \ ASSOCIATION

Melissa Thompson with the Alzheimer's Association will share information on how certain behaviors affect our brains and bodies. When? January 9, 2023 Time? 1:30 p.m. Where? The Gathering Place Who? All are welcome Cost? No charge **BRING A FRIEND!**

When Benzie Central Schools close for inclement weather, we will remain open for lunch at The Gathering Place. We will serve soup and salad—not our menu meal. When Benzie Central Schools are closed, we will NOT deliver meals. Our homebound seniors will have extra frozen meals to heat up for these days and they will still get a phone call from our staff to check in on them. They also have a 5-day supply of shelf stable foods.

Free Computer Help

The Darcy Library in Beulah Thursdays 12:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m. Use your computer or one at the library. Questions? Call Carol at 231.882.4037

Benzie Bus passes are no longer necessary to ride the bus. You must be 60 or older and a resident of Benzie County. Call 231.525.0600 and we'll get you on the list. Drop your old pink bus passes at either Benzie Senior Resources or The Gathering Place. You can also mail them to us at: BSR, 10542 Main Street, Honor, MI 49640. Thanks!

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National Glaucoma Month

Glaucoma

What is it?

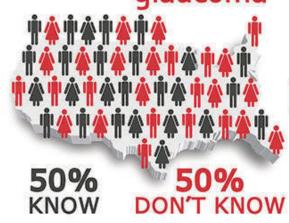
Glaucoma is a group of diseases that can damage the optic nerve. There are often no symptoms in its early stages. Left untreated, it can lead to vision loss & blindness.

Most common form: Primary open-angle



What are the numbers?

2.7 million people in the U.S. have glaucoma



By 2030, 4.2 million people in the U.S. will have glaucoma Who's at higher risk?

African Americans 40+

Everyone 60+ especially Mexican Americans

with a Family history of glaucoma

What to do?



Get a comprehensive ment of cataracts. dilated eye exam every 1-2 years

Foods to maximize your eve health.

- 1. Carrots contain betacarotene, which the body uses to make vitamin A. Vitamin A is important to the health of your eyes. Low vitamin A levels can lead to dry eye, corneal scarring, night blindness and vision loss.
- 2. Dark green leafy vegetables like kale, spinach and broccoli are rich in the antioxidants lutein and zeaxanthin, which are present in high concentrations in the retina.
- 3. Orange and red fruits and vegetables like red peppers, oranges, strawberries, broccoli, and kiwi contain vitamin C, another antioxidant, which may help prevent the develop-
- 4. Fish, especially salmon, are packed with omega-3 fatty acids. Omega-3 fatty acids help promote Source: National Eye Institute, 2013 the visual health of the retina and can help prevent dry eyes.
 - 5. Oysters are loaded with zinc, which may be able to slow the progression of age-related macular degeneration. Zinc is also found in turkey, eggs, peanuts and whole grains.

Other things you can do to protect your eyes:

- -Quit smoking
- -Wear sunglasses
- -Wear protective eyewear
- -Schedule regular eye exams

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THANK YOU!

Benzie Senior Resources extends our sincere appreciation to the following churches, groups, and individuals for their help with our annual Christmas Gift Bags for those in need. Once again, Christmas cheer and smiles were delivered throughout Benzie County.



Items for the bags were donated by the generous congregations of Blaine Christian Church • Trinity Lutheran Church • St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church • First Congregational Church of Frankfort • Frankfort United Methodist • First Congregational United Church of Christ of Benzonia • Cornerstone Assembly of God • Crystal Lake Baptist Church • St. Phillips Episcopal Church

The following individuals and families donated a variety of items and/or made special gifts:
Gayle & Jeff Rayle; Jennifer, Alan, & Hunter Rose; Roger Pataky; Lori Dougherty; Martha Heinzman
Bernie (she said just Bernie); Mary Hoyt; Germaine Jados; Kathi Houston; Patti & Mel Adams; Bill & Laura
Ward; mMary & Kris Dykstra; Barb Pracher; Kathy Karafa; Sarah Webb; Diane McKeen; Joan Peck; Gail Ramey;
Marianne Samper; Pat Hudson; Maggie VanHaften; Marsha Behm; Wendy Hedeem; Patti & Joe Perkette.



Thank you to Nancy, Leo, Ingrid, Jan, Paul, and Dawn for passing out lists of items that the customers of Family Fare could purchase and a special thank you to AJ at Family Fare in Benzonia for letting us hang out at the store all day on December 7th!

Thank you to Judy, Lynn, Cindy, Susan, Ryan, and Cathy for sorting and assembling the gift bags.

And finally, thank you to those angels who discreetly dropped off items for the bags or

provided monetary donations to purchase the extra items needed. If we missed your name, please let us know. We would very much like to thank you. With everyone's generosity and support, we assembled and delivered 250 gift bags!



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January Birthdays

Rosemary Johnson	1	Heather Wright	13	Alice Cooper	23
Max Kracht	2	Lorie Richmann	14	Janet O'Brien	23
Russell Bailey	3	Sharon Francik	15	John Raz	24
Sheryl Bradley	3	Valerie Richardson	15	Ken Moore	25
Jane Chavalia	3	Esther VanHammen	15	Dino Perez	25
Linda Hammond	3	Leon Rogers	16	David Sorenson	25
Carol Harrison	4	Donald Voight	16	Myra Carol	26
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Kelly Robert	5	Jean Voight	18	Richard Lutz	27
Sharon Cicansky	6	Randy Gilbert	19	Shirley Royston	27
Rodney Hunt	6	Denise Holmquist	19	Frances Bentley	27
Maris Ziemelis	6	Dan Ingersoll	19	James Foster	28
Colin Bohash	8	John Lewis	19	JoAnn Boylan	29
Shirley Henning	8	Keith Mead	19	Jeff Hopkins	29
Mary Lou Kuerth	8	Eleanor Comings	20	Sue Meredith	29
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David Moross	9	Robert Klepac	20	Shirley Covey-Huseman	30
Grace Ronkaitis	10	Jay Peregrine	20	Jeffie Lynch-Jones	30
Bevery Wenger	10	Catherine Bishop	21	Linda Joy	30
Gretchen Amstutz	11	Christine Danks	21	Anita Valenti	30
Bud Middleton	11	Verona Gatrell	22	Doug Coster	31
Beverly Poynor	11	Craig Meredith	22	Carolyn Gaylord	31
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Judy Fast	12	George Payne	22	Martha Nix	31
Jeanne Parlette	12	Lawrence Wright	22		
Michelle Bigger	13	Thomas Bishop	23		

FOOT CLINIC

Wednesdays at Benzie Senior Resources Office, **BY APPOINTMENT**.

Please call 231-525-0600 to schedule yours. We don't charge a fee, but donations are appreciated.

Essential Estate Planning

Benzie Senior Resources offers Essential Estate Planning by appointment only. Meet with an estate planning attorney for free to review, update and/or create an estate plan. Call 231-525-0600 to schedule your appointment.

If we forgot your birthday we are truly sorry. Please remind us for next year. If you'd like your name removed from the birthday list, please let us know.

Anniversary Dates and Stories Wanted

We'd love a picture and a chance to share your story. Where did you meet? Where did you go on your first date? Email us at: bousamrad@BenzieSeniorResources.org or call Dawn at 231.525.0601. Mail the form to: Benzie Senior Resources, 10542 Main Street, Honor, MI 49640. ATTN: Dawn

Name	_ Anniversary Date
☐ Yes, I'd love to share my story you! Please call me at ☐ I don't want a story but please share my anniversary date.	

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Upcoming 2023 Little River Casino Trip Dates:

January 18 February 15 March 15

April 19

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Leave The Gathering Place at 8:30 a.m. Trip fee is \$10. The dates are on Senior Day so after 10:00 a.m. if you get two points you can go to the kiosk machine to win Little River credits. Sign-up sheet is at the front desk at The Gathering Place or call 231.525.0601.



Donation Information

Giving is not just about making a donation. It's about making a difference.

Benzie Senior Resources is an independent 501 c-3 nonprofit organization. We depend on donations to sustain our programs and we need **your** support to continue providing reliable and professional services to the seniors of Benzie County. Traditional funding sources are failing to keep up with the growing needs of the rapidly increasing population of people over age 60. Your donation will help us continue our important work!

We are dedicated to supporting older adults and the friends, family and community who surround them. No matter the age or situation, we have professional, reliable services to help keep Benzie seniors living independently—with dignity—in their own homes. You can be assured we will continue to be good stewards of all tax-deductible gifts. If you would like to designate your gift as a Legacy or Memorial Gift, please call or email us with your wishes. If you have any questions, please feel free to call us at (231)525-0600 or toll free 888-893-1102, or email at info@BenzieSeniorResources.org.

Legacy Giving: Planned gifts are a thoughtful way to remember Benzie seniors. Please consider us in your estate planning or have your attorney add an addendum to your will. Your bequest to Benzie Senior Resources will benefit many seniors and help us to continue vitally needed services for years to come.

Memorial Gifts: Tribute gifts can also be made in memory of a loved one or in honor of an individual to commemorate a birthday, anniversary, end-of-year holiday or special occasion. Benzie Senior Resources will send a card acknowledging your gift to the one you have honored, or to surviving family members of the one you have remembered.

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Donor Privacy Policy—Benzie Senior Resources (BSR) does not sell or distribute donor information. Be assured your information is secured and protected, and used only by BSR when processing your donation and supplying you with BSR information.





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project by assembling these very special bags! Volunteers Lynn, Judy, & Cindy, and staff Ryan, Cathy, and Susan spent many hours organizing and stuffing them with treasured gifts.