Director's Report submitted by Karin Dynice-Swanfeldt October 2016

- October began with many cases involving our elders and our Police Lesion, Officer Callahan. Once again I am very lucky to have such an involved Officer working so closely with us to help out our clients and their families. Just when you think you have solved one issue two more pop up. So sad what is out in our community behind closed doors. There are so many out in our community that need help and will not ask for it. But we are here to HELP!
- Our trip to Wright's Chicken Farm was a HUGE SUCCESS. Buckingham bus once again provide excellent service!! Everyone had a blast!!! 52 happy 60+ers.
- All monthly bills paid on time.
- Directors Report were submitted to the BOS on time every month.
- All monthly reports written and submitted on time.
- Monthly newsletter written and out into the community before the beginning of the new month.
- Attended all committee meetings
- Our Meals on Wheels (MOW) program is still very busy helping so many folks out in our community that cannot get out of their homes.
- Our Homecooked meals are very popular twice a month here at The Center. Louisa and the rest of the staff do an awesome job preparing "comfort food" type meals for all to enjoy! We are looking forward to some hearty dishes for the cold winter months ahead.
- This month and into next month we are busy with our SHINE Program, with the open enrollment for health insurances. We have a Councilor here who services our 60+er for FREE on all their insurance problems. She is such a gift and we are so lucky to have her on board.
- The Fuel Assistance Program began this month here at The Center. We allow this program to use our space in order to service our clients. I have watched this program grow and grow over the many years I have been here. So sad.
- Once again this month we were hit with being short staffed due to illness and staff losing family members. However we never close our doors, no matter how short staffed I am on staff. We are always here to do our job and do it with quality and a SMILE!!!
- Our Halloween Pizza Party with the Ayer Police Department was a HUGE, HUGE success. It is always AWESOME to work together with another

- town department. We had over 60 folks in attendance and almost the whole Ayer PD on site. Pictures can be seen on our town website. A great time was had by ALL.
- Our Christmas Luncheon with Sean Patrick's is set and FULL with a waiting list!!!!. I also have our DJ lined up. This is always a good time. Louisa does a great job with the raffles also.
- Our gift shop is ROCKING and here at The Center for the upcoming holidays. It looks great. Everything is affordable and lovely for those who want to give but do not have the funding to go out to the stores to do so. All money that comes in goes right back into the shop so we can keep everything affordable.
- Our Dollar Store is stocked and ready here at The Center. This is a true dollar store with everything you could want or need for a dollar. Most helpful for those who cannot get out or for those who do not drive. Also all money coming in goes right back into the Dollar Store to keep it stocked.
- I am in the process of planning my Thanksgiving for those Alone. I cook for those who have no one and it is held on Thanksgiving Day here at The Center. It is always such an awesome day for ME and those who come.
- I have two trips planned to the Christmas Tree Shoppe in NH for those who do not drive. This is always a blast. They all also get to go out for lunch after shopping.
- I have been busy working with the Master Plan group and the housing subcommittee. This is an awesome group of folks all working for the betterment of our town. Here is to the future of AYER so glad I am a part of this.