

**Director's Report submitted by
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- The month of August was a very quiet month for us here at The COA. However it was a very difficult month as far as how many clients that passed away. This is the heart breaking part of my job.
- All monthly bills paid on time.
- All monthly reports written and submitted on time.
- All monthly meetings attended.
- I was given a two week notice from Karen Collins, one of my MART Drivers. She is moving on to a new job after 9 years here with us. Her last day was August 23, 2017. Her position was posted and filled by the end of August. I am once again blessed to have found a young man who is going to be wonderful addition to my staff. The 60+ers love him and he loves them.
- Our Louisa Ratcliffe is retiring after 17 years here with me. She is an outstanding TEAM player and will be missed DEEPLY. Her position was also posted and will be fill by Michael Murphy for her 30 hrs and he will remain 10 hrs on MART. Once again I am so blessed.
- I do have one more position posted for a part time MART person and this is now posted outside. So we shall see how this goes. I have not had to regroup in years but changes is good!
- Monthly newsletter written and out into the community before the beginning of the new month. New drop off locations have been added around town and new businesses have bought ads to help support the printing of this newsletter. Our new newsletter printer is wonderful!!! I am so excited this changes has taken place. It is so much more professional and full of helpful ads. ;-)
- Our Annual Mexican Fiesta was a huge success once again. This has become such a fun event. Happy Jack's does a fantastic job with the food and we decorated and had hats for all. FUN FUN FUN!! Until next year!
- We had 2 BBQ's this month for our home cooked meal and everyone loves them. It is so much fun to do something different twice a month. My staff and I love doing this. Looking like it will become a summer time tradition for home cooked meals. We are thinking about having a couple throughout the fall also.
- Our Police Liaison Officer Matt Callahan keeps in check with my department almost daily. It is comforting to know we have such GREAT support from my local PD :-). We are so lucky to have him on our TEAM!!

He is so in tune to our 60+ers Thank YOU!! My department is so lucky to have him on board. Great team player!!

- Our weekly shopping trips have grown in number. We travel to Walmart, Hannafords and Market Basket weekly in the late afternoon once all doctor's appointments are completed!! This is such a benefit for all those attending. It is also very cost effective with transportation being only \$2 each way.
- Many, many events and activities are in place for the next four months. A lot for everyone!!
- As I begin this new year I am working to create plans for a "NEW HOME" for The Center!! My goal before I retire in 5 years or so is to have this DONE! The 60+ers in this town deserve it, NEED IT and so does the COA staff. The space we are now located in we have OUT GROWN!!!! So the time HAS COME!!!!
- This COA offers so much for so many. We may appear to be small but we are mighty in ALL WE DO!!!! We try to offer all of our events, activities, and functions at NO COST or a very, very small charge! We are very proud of this fact. Keep an eye on our monthly newsletter or better yet STOP BY and check us out!!!!