

**Director's Report submitted by
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- The month of September once again flew by for all of us!!!!It was another busy, fun, active month for all at the COA. Also we are seeing NEW faces among us which usually happens this time of year!! This is a great thing!!!
- We had a very successful Luncheon presentation from the Stewart Medical Dietary Department. It was very informative and was NOT OVER our folks heads which always makes me very happy!! Also there were helpful handouts for all and they brought a delicious healthy lunch.
- Our home cooked meals are becoming more and more popular. The food is prepared by us on site and served directly to our gang. These meals are so awesome that I am looking at adding a day, so I am looking at having these meals served Wed. Thur. and Fri. it excites me to see how many people are so happy with our cafe :-). And to think 19 years ago when I first became Director there was only two lunch days a week from the MOC food service. We have come along ways!!!!
- Our dining out evenings have become very popular.....we now have two places in town our gang loves to go, we drive folks with our van and many meet us there with their own cars. It is fun to watch new friendships forming, laughter and smiles!! Thank you Tiny's and Markoh's for taking such good care of us!!
- All monthly bills paid on time.
- All monthly reports written and submitted on time.
- All monthly meetings attended.
- Loaves and Fishes is now back into their new refaced building and our clients are also back on the regular schedule we use to service them every Friday!
- Our Annual Trip to Wright's Chicken Farm in RI. was full, and it was a FANTASTIC TRIP. Everyone had a blast and a full tummy!!! One of our favorite outings.
- We had to cancel our trip planned to Foxwoods for the month of October!! Our number dropped off and we could not meet what the travel company required to go. we are going to revisit this trip in the Spring.
- The Halloween Luncheon planned with our Police Department is filling up. We have been holding this event for years and each year it gets bigger and more fun!!

- We will be hosting another Veteran's Breakfast in November with the help of Brookhaven Hospice. We will be cooking up a delicious FREE breakfast for all those attending, along with guest speakers and awards given to our veterans. Once again we have been given donations from ClearPath of Deven's of winter coats, gloves etc. I am so excited to be joining forces with this agency to help our senior vets and their families!! **This is a special event and we are hoping for a great turn out!!**
- Our Senior/Dollar Store is always a huge hit for everyone. It is most helpful for those that cannot afford to shop in a regular store. This store does not MAKE money it is self sufficient and we use the money to keep it stocked!! Thank you Jean and Ericka for being so creative in keep this store freshly stocked with everything folks love!!
- Our Luncheon at River Court of West Groton was a bit smaller than we had planned due to a transportation issue on River Courts part. We did how ever have 10 folks that drove over and enjoyed their event.
- Just a reminderWe will be doing "Thanksgiving ALONE" once again here at The Center. We cook on Thanksgiving so NO ONE is ALONE. It is such a wonderful time for everyone and MY FAVORITE HOLIDAY!!
- It always seems like time just flies by us here, seeing we are always planning months ahead for our events and activities. We just planned our Christmas Luncheon, yuppers!! We are always so far ahead with our planning and this is why we wonder why the months are going so quickly!!
- We have a trip planned to Mystic CT for a Christmas Light Tour and Shopping. This is something new and I am sure it will be wonderful!!
- We have begun once again celebrating Birthdays here at The Center. The last Friday of every month we have a special surprise for everyone and celebrate that moths birthday babies.
- So keep your eye on our month Newsletter, Action Unlimited and Cable TV as well as our Town Website for all of our coming events and activities.