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# The Upside Of Aging

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Our office reopened to the public **June 29** by appointment only. To enter our building, all customers are required to wear a mask and answer COVID-19 screening questions (see back of newsletter). There is a hand sanitizing station in our lobby and masks are available if you do not have one. Our staff will also be wearing masks. Reminder: our doors will be locked between 12-1pm.

We ask that only two customers come into the building at a time to accommodate safe social distancing. We will be sanitizing surfaces to keep our clients and staff safe.

You may continue to pay your invoices by mail, online, or by dropping your payment in our drop box. Call us to schedule an appointment, to order taxi vouchers/BATA passes or with any questions or concerns at 231-922-4688.



## Change in Leadership at the Commission on Aging

Grand Traverse County Deputy Administrator Chris Forsyth is providing temporary oversight of the Commission on Aging due to the recent resignation of its director. He is excited to help lead a dedicated staff that provides excellent care and assistance to our senior citizens!

Chris, together with County Administrator Nate Alger, will be working with other community leaders to ensure that the Commission on Aging continues to provide a great public service to our community for many years to come!

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## \* \* \* REMINDERS \* \* \*

- > The 2019 tax filing deadline has been extended to **July 15, 2020**
- > The Commission on Aging will be closed **Monday, September 7** for the Labor Day holiday
- > The **90 over 90 Celebration** has been cancelled until **May 2021**
- > The **AARP Driver's Safety** course previously scheduled for September 2020 has been cancelled

### COVID-19 Screening Questions

Anytime a client or visitor comes into our building or a COA worker goes to a client's home they will be asked these questions by COA staff:

1. **In the past 24 hours, have you or anyone in your household experienced any of the following symptoms:**
  - A fever of 100.4 Fahrenheit or higher
  - An atypical cough (a cough unusual for you)
  - Chills or repeated shaking with chills
  - An atypical headache
  - Atypical muscle pain
  - A sore throat
  - A new loss of taste or smell
  - Atypical shortness of breath
2. **Have you or anyone currently in your household had CLOSE contact (within approximately six (6) feet for a prolonged period of time) with an individual diagnosed with COVID-19 in the past 14 days?**
3. **Have you or anyone currently in your household traveled via airplane internationally or domestically in the past 14 days?**

### August Staff Birthdays and Anniversaries

#### Birthdays

Suzanne B - 08/07  
 Alicia S - 08/07  
 Marsha J - 08/09  
 Kristine L - 08/16



#### Anniversaries

Jenny R - 08/01 - 4 yrs  
 Clarissa F - 08/14 - 6 yrs  
 Karen Z - 08/14 - 25 yrs

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