June 2020

**Featured this month**

**Center Update**
The Senior Center remains closed through July 31. Canceled classes have been refunded and staff will reach out to you once programs can resume. Staff is checking the main office phone messages and email, so please contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

**Let’s Play Bingo!**
Senior Center staff invite you to an exciting hour of virtual bingo using Zoom **Friday, June 12 at 1:00 p.m.** To register, contact the Senior Center at 530-757-5696 or email seniorservices@cityofdavis.org no later than June 11. Center staff will provide you with a link and password.

**How to Play:**
Visit the Davis Senior Services page to download/print a blank bingo card or create your own 5 X 5 square board at [https://www.cityofdavis.org/city-hall/parks-and-community-services/senior-services](https://www.cityofdavis.org/city-hall/parks-and-community-services/senior-services). Fill in the spaces with your own set of lucky numbers. Follow the key below to make sure your letters and numbers are in the right column. The first person to cover five of those squares in a vertical, horizontal, or diagonal row shouts “BINGO!” and staff will verify the numbers. Small prizes will be awarded and mailed to the winners.

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**Origami Art!**
Learn how to make whimsical creations with paper! Senior Center co-worker and artist Tom Vinik will demonstrate how to make origami art using a dollar bill or similar shaped paper. This class will be taught through Zoom on **Tuesday, June 23 at 1:00 p.m.** All ages welcome and no experience needed. Tom has taught origami at the public library and the local elementary schools and has showcased his art at the Davis City Hall, Post Office, Public Library, Veterans Memorial Center, Senior Center, the Governor’s office at the State Capital, and the Mayor’s Office in San Francisco. To register, contact the Senior Center at 530-757-5696 or email seniorservices@cityofdavis.org by Friday, June 19.
Resources

- **City/County Websites**
  Follow the City on Facebook, check the City website at [www.cityofdavis.org/coronavirus](http://www.cityofdavis.org/coronavirus), the Yolo County website at [www.yolocounty.org/coronavirus](http://www.yolocounty.org/coronavirus), and most importantly, sign up to receive emergency notifications at: [http://www.yolo-alert.org/](http://www.yolo-alert.org/).

- **Friendship Line**
  Phone: 800-971-0016
  Provides crisis intervention and check-ins.

- **KDRT 95.7 FM**
  Email: [info@davismedia.org](mailto:info@davismedia.org).
  Local radio station providing COVID-19 community reports Tuesdays & Fridays from 12-12:30 p.m., repeating at 5:00 p.m. both days.

- **Information & Assistance**
  Phone: 211 or 833-544-2374
  Provides health, social and mental health resources.

- **Meals on Wheels**
  Phone: 530-747-5870
  Provides meals to existing customers.

- **Well Connected**
  Phone: 877-797-7299
  Free program offering phone activities.

- **Yolo Food Bank**
  Phone: 530-668-0690. email: [https://yolofoodbank.org/](https://yolofoodbank.org/). Coordinates the distribution of food from a network of growers, distributors, wholesalers, grocery stores and more.

Pictured on the front page is center volunteer Leanne Friedman.

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**Senior Citizen Commission**

The Senior Commission will meet via Zoom on **Thursday, June 11 at 2:30 p.m.** The agenda with directions to log on will be posted by June 8 on [https://www.cityofdavis.org/city-hall/commissions-and-committees/senior-citizen-commission](https://www.cityofdavis.org/city-hall/commissions-and-committees/senior-citizen-commission), or call 530-757-5696 for details.

**Davis Community Transit**

In following Unitrans and Yolobus, DCT is operating fare free until further notice. We are encouraging customers to only go out for essential trips and ask that customers consolidate their trips as much as possible. DCT is expanding the shopping assistance program allowing up to four bags to the customer’s door on any trip. In accordance with county guidelines, DCT now requires all drivers and customers to wear acceptable facial covering while onboard the bus.

**How to Support the Senior Center**

**Donate by mail:** make check payable to either **“Davis Senior Services Endowment Fund” or “Davis Senior Services Improvement Fund”** and mail to:

**Yolo Community Foundation**

P.O. Box 1264
Woodland, CA 95776

**Donate online:** go to [www.sacregcf.org](http://www.sacregcf.org). Click on “donate.” For more information, contact Maria Lucchesi at the Davis Senior Center, 530-757-5696.

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**Senior Center Staff**

**Maria Lucchesi** - Community Services Supervisor

**Lisa DeAmicis** - Information & Assistance Coordinator

**Michael Cirelli** - Program Coordinator

**Libby Wolf** - Office Assistant
Instructor Spotlight!

Lucy Cain Sargeant, MFA, has taught beginning and intermediate watercolor at the Senior Center since 2017. In 1991 she retired from her position as staff illustrator, assistant art director/illustration for Sunset Magazine. In 1999 she earned her MFA in painting from San Jose State University (SJSU) and subsequently worked as studio faculty for the School for Art and Design at SJSU. Her work has been showcased in exhibitions, national magazines, gallery shows and collections across the country. Lucy is originally from Buffalo, New York. She moved to Davis in 2011, and she started teaching at the Davis Art Center. Visit our website at https://www.cityofdavis.org/city-hall/parks-and-community-services/senior-services to see her YouTube videos on painting techniques custom created for center participants.

Tax Refund and Exemption Deadline Approaches

June 30 is the last day to apply for a full refund of the City of Davis park maintenance and open space protection taxes. The refund is available to qualified low-income homeowners. It is a refund, not an exemption from the tax, which appears on your property tax bill. The maximum household income is $32,375 for a one-person household, $37,000 for a two-person household. Applications for the low-income refund program, LIRP, are available online at www.cityofdavis.org (enter LIRP in the search bar), call the city finance department at 530-757-5607, or email at Financeweb@cityofdavis.org, and an application will be emailed to you. Additionally, Measure G Tax Exemption Forms can be found at https://www.djusd.net/departments/business_services/tax_exemptions. The deadline to file for the Measure G, H, and CFD#1 tax exemptions through DJUSD is June 15, 2020. If you have questions about these exemptions, call the School District Business Services at 530-757-5300 x122.

Eskaton Offers Check-Ins

Eskaton, a regional nonprofit senior living and aging services provider, offers a Telephone Reassurance Program for isolated seniors. Trained volunteers can place calls seven days a week, 365 days a year to older adults who live alone. The calls serve as a wellness check and provide an opportunity to socialize. Please contact Christie Hebditch at 916-334-1072. or email Christie.Hebditch@eskaton.org

Grocery Stores with Reserved Shopping for Seniors:

- Davis Food Co-Op: Monday – Sunday 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. https://davisfood.coop/blog/
- Nugget Market: Tuesday/Thursday 6:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m. https://www.nuggetmarket.com
- Safeway: Sunday/Tuesday/Thursday 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. https://www.safeway.com/faq/covid-19-faq.html
- Save Mart: Tuesday/Thursday (Grocery) 6:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. (Pharmacy) 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. https://www.savemart.com/keeping-you-safe
- Target: Tuesday/Wednesday 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. https://corporate.target.com/about/purpose-history/our-commitments/target-coronavirus-hub
- Trader Joe’s: Monday – Sunday 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. https://locations.traderjoes.com/ca/davis/182/
The Davis Travelaires are looking forward to again offer excursions. The office will reopen after the Senior Center reopens, which is currently projected for August 1. We are currently planning for three trips in late 2020 and early 2021:

- **Taste of New Mexico**, October 9 – 14, 2020
- **Mississippi River Cruise**, departing April 18, 2021
- **Panama Canal Cruise**, February 8 – 23, 2021

More information about these trips can be found on our website, [https://www.davistravelaires.org/](https://www.davistravelaires.org/). If you do not have access to the internet, call us to get more information or request trip flyers by mail. We are working remotely and can be reached by email at DavisTravelaires@gmail.com or by phone at (530) 753-4159.

While leisure travel is currently discouraged, you may find it necessary to take a trip for essential purposes. If so, the CDC (Centers for Disease Control) suggests checking to see if COVID-19 is spreading either in your community or where you are going and confirming whether you will be required to quarantine for 14 days after you arrive at your destination or upon your return home.

The pandemic situation is rapidly evolving. If you have access to the internet, check the CDC website, [https://www.cdc.gov/](https://www.cdc.gov/), for the most up-to-date information.

We look forward to getting back on the road again.

Sincerely,

Davis Travelaires Board of Directors

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