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Dear Friends,

I sure have missed you all! I trust this letter finds you well in the midst of challenging times. I know the recent pandemic has presented challenges and changes alike for all of us. However, challenges can be viewed as opportunities and change can be viewed as stepping stones to make things better and I want to make you aware of a few changes here at the senior center.

You may or may not know that currently, those of you who have paid membership dues, are paying to the Germantown Area Senior Citizens, Inc. (GASC), which is a private organization. **The GASC operates independently of the senior center.**

The Germantown Senior Center, has not collected dues or had a membership in the past. With that being said, the Corona Virus outbreak has given us an opportunity to re-evaluate ways we can improve our relationship with you as a participant. The vital importance of having a **Germantown Senior Center Membership** and resulting list of members has come to our attention.

The senior center will be establishing a membership as a requirement for all participants. This will allow us to establish better ways to track and communicate with our members. One example would be utilizing a "One Call" calling system to notify all members of closings, updates, or changes to scheduled events. The membership form is attached.

I am thankful for the 20 years of service by the GASC members both past and present, but I am looking forward to establishing a new beginning with the senior center membership and the opportunities it presents.

Please review the membership application and call the center at (937) 855-4191 if you have any questions. We encourage you to send in your membership dues at your earliest convenience so we can establish our membership list.

I look forward to hearing from you,

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Director

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