

DEMENTIA CAREGIVER RESOURCES, INC.

THE DEMENTIA DETAILS DISPATCH MAY2020

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SUPPORT GROUPS – CANCELLED for MAY



We hope to resume groups in JUNE:

JUNE 2 & 16 - Grand Villa Largo 6:00 PM

750 Starkey Rd. Largo 33771 (727)586-0108

JUNE 3 - Grand Villa Clearwater 6:00PM

2750 Drew St. (East of 19) (727)799-2177

JULY Support Groups

JULY 7 & 21 Grand Villa Largo **6:00 PM**

JULY 1 Grand Villa Clearwater **6:00 PM**



What is the difference between ELOPEMENT and WANDERING?

Elopement, in which the confused person leaves an area and does not return, is considered the most dangerous type of **wandering**. People who **elope** are typically distinguished from those who merely **wander** by their purposeful, overt, and often repeated attempts to leave the premises. **Definition of ELOPEMENT:** An act or instance of leaving a safe area or safe premises, done by a person with a mental disorder or cognitive impairment. There are many reasons why a person who has **Alzheimer's** might **WANDER**, including: Stress or fear. Your loved one might **wander** as a reaction to an unfamiliar or over-stimulating environment, a loud noise, or a situation he or she doesn't understand.

Sean W. Scott
Elder Law Attorney

"Digital assets" is a broad term that includes a range of electronic records -- from social media accounts, to digital photos, to email, to online financial accounts. You can pass some types of digital assets through your will, but pre-planning is the best way to make those wishes known. As a general rule, all digital assets that you own and that have a monetary or tangible value will be included in your estate when you die. Examples include:

- Funds in a PayPal account
- Funds owed to you by an online store like Amazon or Etsy
- Digital music or photos that you own
- Some airline miles

To make an appointment for a free consult, Call: (727)539-0181

Visit: <http://www.virtuallawoffice.com/>



If someone calls you on the phone, saying they're from **Medicare**, and asks for your Medicare number or other personal information – **JUST HANG UP** **MEDICARE WILL NEVER:**

- Call to "verify" Medicare numbers
- Call to sell you anything
- Visit you at your home
- Call you to enroll you in a Medicare program over the phone, unless **you called them** first.

Guard your Medicare card and number like you would a credit card; and check the claim statements for suspicious activity.



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FEDERAL BENEFITS for VETERANS, DEPENDENTS and SURVIVORS

The 2019 version of this booklet is available to print in a PDF format. It is full of important information for veterans and their dependents and survivors:

https://www.va.gov/opa/publications/benefits_book/2019_Federal_Benefits_for_Veterans_Dependents_and_survivors.pdf

P. 23 offers helpful information for those who may know or have a Loved One who is the widow of a veteran. She may be eligible (and did not know), for VA tax free benefits to enable her to have a better quality of life.



The loneliness and isolation are proving to be the most problematic during our Safer at Home. The best things you can do for yourself and your community during the **Covid-19 pandemic** is to isolate yourself, wear your mask, and spray, wash and sanitize. Stay Strong, please!

I ate 11 times
and took 5 naps
and it's still today.

AARP FREE BENEFIT

The National Hearing Test is an accurate, validated hearing screening test, developed with funding from the National Institutes of Health. This confidential screening is taken over a telephone to help you determine if you need a complete hearing evaluation. It has no financial connection with any hearing products/services.

<https://www.aarp.org/benefits-discounts/all/national-hearing-test/>

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WE ALWAYS NEED USED INK CARTRIDGES



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