



November 2019



# **Gmart Eating:** Your Guide to Brain Food this Thanksgiving

The brain is the most significant organ in our body. Without it, we wouldn't have any of the unique thoughts and memories that make us who we are. As we continue to age, it is important to exercise the brain as if it were a muscle. In fact, studies have shown individuals who keep their brains healthy are less prone to certain forms of dementia, like Alzheimer's disease. Their brains form what is called a "cognitive reserve" to help protect from this disease. Simply put, an active mind is a healthy mind!

There are many things you can do in order to help keep your brain

healthy. Make sure to get plenty of sleep and physical activity, continue to learn and explore new things, keep an active social life, and include brain food in your diet. This Thanksgiving, consider incorporating some of these brain foods into your meal. Some of these might seem untraditional for a Thanksgiving dinner, but they'll help you build up your cognitive reserve!

• *Blueberries* - These sweet, juicy berries have been shown to protect the brain from oxidative stress. Oxidative stress happens when there is an imbalance between the production of oxygen and the body's ability to purify that oxygen. Studies

have also shown that blueberries increased the motor ability and learning ability of aging rats, making them equal to young rats. It is recommended that you eat at least one cup of blueberries daily.

• Wild Salmon - Many kinds of fish, including salmon, have Omega-3 fatty acids which are crucial to brain function. Omega-3s also contain anti-inflammatory substances. It is recommended that you eat four ounces of fish containing Omega-3's at least three or four times a week.

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### Happy Birthday!

#### Residents

Sharyn H.	November 02
Marilyn P.	November 02
Sophie T.	November 05
Mildred U.	November 06
James S.	November 20
Odella D.	November 21
Robert R.	November 21
James J.	November 21
Marguerite L.	November 22
Brunhilde B.	November 25
JoAnn T.	November 28
Staff	
Brent K.	November 04
Teresa O.	November 04
Jen S.	November 06
Debbie S.	November 13
Mechelle N.	November 25

#### Volunteer News

November 28

Brooke T.

We are always looking for volunteers that would like the opportunity to enhance the lives of others as well as their own. It can be something as simple as talking with a resident, playing cards, putting a puzzle together, calling bingo, painting fingernails or going on an outing. Also, the Life Enrichment Department is in need of a variety of magazine donations. Please contact Deidre or any other member of the other Life Enrichment team at 740-452-3000 for information.



# Executive Director Corner

Happy October, everyone! Now that

Fall is in full swing, I'm taking every opportunity available to enjoy the outdoors.
There's something especially

comforting about the sound of leaves crunching beneath my feet, and the smell of fresh pumpkins being carried by a cool breeze. There's so much to appreciate about this time of the year, and we can't wait to celebrate it with you.

On October 24th, we'll be arriving at the next destination in our "Party in the USA" Theme Year – Nashville Boot Scootin' Boogie! We recommend that you start looking for a dance partner now, because before you know it, it'll be time to honky tonk the night away! Hold on to your hats for more information about this hoedown as we get closer

to the Theme Week. In the meantime, don't hesitate to talk to a member of our Life Enrichment team about any questions that you might have. They'll be more than happy to see you!

Speaking of Life Enrichment, now is the perfect time to get involved with our Out and About program. If you're wanting to stretch your legs and experience some of the Fall magic for yourself, then look no further. With Out and About, we offer our residents field trips, bus tours, sports outings, and more – up to two times per week! Talk to any members of our team about what we have planned for this month so that you can jump on board.

See you around, and have a great month!

Yours in Service.

Jacqueline (Altier Executive Director

#### **Out and About**

This past month we have enjoyed outings to Fish and Picnic at a private spot on Buckeye Lake as well at the Farm/ Der Dutchman in Amish Country where we got to see/ pet some friendly animals and enjoy traditional Amish Cooking



Faye and at Leonard Buckeye Lake



Pat at Buckeye Lake



Crystal and Millie on the Farm



Whole Gang Der Dutchman

#### LIVE A DREAM

This past month we granted 4 live a dreams! Take a look at Pat S. who wanted to get her ears pierced. Anita M. dream was to go ziplining and she did it like a boss! Her whole family joined her and inspired a total of 7 people to zip. Also, Jerry M. and Eleanor M. received a special visit from the Red's Mascot "Mr. Redlegs." They were both gifted tickets to a Red's game for them and their families to enjoy



Pat's Ears Pierced



Anita and Family



Anita and Bobi



Eleanor and Mr. Redlegs



Jerry and family at reds game



Jerry M. and Mr. Redlegs

# More from Out and About

#### Taste of Town

Taste of Town will be on Monday, November 18th at noon. We will be enjoying Honey Baked Ham this month.

#### Sunday Brunch

Sunday Brunch is Sunday, November 24 at noon. The first two guest are complimentary and each additional guest is \$7.00 a person. Please R.S.V.P. to the front office with the number of guest that you will have joining you. Hope to see you there!

#### **Holiday Meal**

Join us for a delicious Holiday Dinner on November 21st followed by entertainment with the Marlings.

#### Did You Know...?

That you can read the monthly newsletter on-line. Please follow the campus link oaksatnorthpointe.com.

The Private Dining Room, Recreation Room and Activity Room can be reserved for family parties and community groups. Please contact a member of Life Enrichment for details.

Happy Hour is weekly at 3:00pm on Fridays by the clock tower!

The Trilogy Foundation grants Live a Dreams to residents wishing to relive an experience or engage in something they have always wanted to try. See a member of Life Enrichment for details.



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#### Stay in the Loop **y f**

Keep up with latest campus news and happenings by following us on your favorite social networks!

We strive to provide the best customer service and quality care for our residents.
Our Department Leaders are here to solve any concerns you may have.
In the event that you need further assistance with any unresolved concerns, we encourage you to call or email our Compliance Hotline: 800-908-8618, ext. 2800; or comply@trilogyhs.com

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## 'Smart Eating'

- *Nuts and Seeds* Nuts and seeds are a great source of Vitamin-E, and the more Vitamin-E you have, the greater your chances of avoiding cognitive challenges in later years. Try to eat an ounce a day of your nuts or seeds of choice. There are plenty of different flavors and options for both of these brain healthy foods!
- Avocados Are you a guacamole fan? Then you have avocado to thank! However, they aren't just good for a zesty green dip; they also have lots of mono-saturated fat, which helps increase blood flow. Increased blood flow helps keep a healthy brain. They also lower blood pressure, which helps prevent hypertension-a risk factor in the decline of cognitive abilities. You should eat 1/4 or 1/2 of

an avocado as a side dish with one of your main courses.

• Whole Grains - Whole grains can reduce the risk of heart disease because they increase blood flow, which in turn helps the brain. Try eating a 1/2 cup of whole grain cereal, or a slice of whole grain bread daily.

Hopefully, this list gives you plenty of options for healthy eating. If not, there are many other tasty foods to assist you in keeping your mind sharp. Also, if you have a loved one who calls our campus home, you can rest assured that they too will receive all of the delicious brain nutrients that they need. Our chefs are well trained, our ingredients always fresh, and the health of our residents is always our top priority.

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