



THE MEADOWS
OF LEIPSIC

A Trilogy Senior Living Community

Messenger

November 2019



Smart 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

11/01	Kenny B.
11/05	Milton H.
11/11	Helen M.
11/12	Barb B.
11/12	Richard W.
11/16	Margie S.
11/18	Agnes N.
11/23	Juanita E.
11/24	Alice B.
11/25	Betty G.
11/26	Arnold R.
11/27	John N.
11/29	Mary P.

Staff

11/01	Kim S.
11/08	Danielle W.
11/11	Mike S.
11/27	Lisa S.
11/28	Ava B.



Executive Director Corner

Happy November!
I hope that October was

good to you, and I hope you're ready for all that November has in store. Now that I'm already hearing the occasional Christmas Carol on the way in to work, I'm finding it hard not to get excited about the weeks ahead. If you're also noticing yourself getting lost in the tune of a favorite song, I highly encourage you to check out our *Music to My Ears* program, where you can participate in musical activities up to three times a week.

Around this time of the year, we hear a lot about family. In honor of National Family Caregivers Month, we especially like to remember our loved ones who never question helping us when we need it, and who continue to keep us warm with their love

and support. This year's theme for the month is "Caregiving Around the Clock," which acknowledges the struggles that family caregivers face, and seeks to provide them with the tools necessary to deliver the best care possible. Talk to any member of our team about the multitude of resources we provide for family caregivers, as well as our Long-Term and Short-Term care options that can lift some of the weight off of their shoulders.

Thank you to everyone who works so compassionately to make our community a home for all that we serve. I hope that you have a great November, and I look forward to spending the holiday season with you!

Yours in Service,

Stephanie Keaton
Executive Director

From Our Kitchen to Yours

If you would like to submit a family recipe to be printed in our monthly newsletter, please notify or drop the recipe off in the kitchen.

Senior Exec. Club

Senior Executive Club will be held on Tuesday, November 19, 2019. We will be meeting in the Lilac House. The Guest Speaker, Bingo and appetizers will start at 12:30pm with the lunch meal being served at 1:00pm. Hope to see you there!

Taste of Town

Taste of the Town will be held on Friday, November 22, 2019. If you have any suggestions, please contact, Director of Dining Food Services.

Family Night

We had so much fun during our Grandparents Sleepover Event. It was an enjoyable time to share with our grandchildren. Everyone enjoyed the magic show and balloon animals with Andrew Martin.





Volunteer News

The 3rd and 4th grade from St. Mary's stopped by The Meadows of Leipsic and read to our seniors. It has been a pleasure hearing your stories and reading books!

Thanksgiving Family Brunch

*Sunday, November 17, 2019
from 11:30am-1:00pm.* RSVP's are very much appreciated due to the number of people who attend this event. RSVP's are very much appreciated to the number of people that attend this event. Just a reminder: Each resident can have up to 2 guests at no additional cost. Each additional guest will be charged \$10 for the meal. Thank you. We will be having a bake sale and all proceeds go to Special Olympics. Hope to see you there!

Northwest Ohio Retreat

We had an amazing time with the Northwest Ohio Retreat at Sauder Village. It consisted of all North Ohio Trilogy campuses. The 1920's theme "Ain't Misbehavin" Friday Night Dinner was a blast and the live band had everyone moving and grooving. The next day followed with a tour into Sauder's Village and a great lunch at The Barn Restaurant.



Smile of the Month

We all love spending time with our furry friends! Thanks Michelle W. for bringing in your fur baby and putting a smile on the residents face!





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service and quality care for our residents.
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to solve any concerns you may have.
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assistance with any unresolved concerns,
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'Smart Eating'

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• **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.

Word Search

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BLUEBERRY
BRAIN
DELICIOUS

EATING
FOOD
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GRAINS

HEALTHY
MEAL
NUTS
SALMON

SEEDS
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VITAMINS
ZESTY