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Our mission is to create and sustain comfortable, caring environments for those who depend on us.





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Do It Up Big With Healthy New Year's Resolutions

Heading into a new decade is a great time to reevaluate goals and set new ones! It's a momentous occasion that calls for equally momentous goals. What better way to make a splash—and keep on splendidly splashing—than through healthy living? Embrace new-you success in the '20s!

Note: Each individual should follow their medical professional's advice and speak with them before making diet or exercise changes.

Get Social

Taking part in group activities, being with others, and sharing your feelings boosts overal health. Ways to bring out your social butterfly:

- Attend group activities. Set small social goals each time you take part. Greet and share an observation or compliment.
- Have your hearing and vision tested to ensure that you aren't missing things.
- Practice your favorite hobby in a common area. It will increase the odds another person will approach you or join you.
- If religious, attend group services.
- Use IN2L with your Life Enrichment Director.

Embrace Your Exercise Passion

Being active helps the whole body. Do some thinking about your favorite ways to be active and set small goals for daily activities (walking, dancing, swimming, stretching, lifting, bowling, golfing, or chair exercises). Work out with a buddy for motivation and safety. Mark successes on a calendar or share aloud!

Hydrate

Dehydration can affect people of all ages, but especially seniors. Ask your health professional how much water you should get each day, as it varies from person to person. To help make hydration fun, in addition to water, try hydrating foods like watermelon, spinach, cucumbers,



Goal Idea: Eat more blueberries! Did you know blueberries can: improve brain function, protect the body from unstable molecules, lower blood pressure, and help prevent heart disease? These little blue buddies pack quite the health punch!

green peppers, and celery. Good ways to detect that fluid intake is adequate include rarely feeling thirsty and colorless or light yellow urine.

Prioritize Your Wellness

Reach out to your medical and dental health professionals as you head into 2020 to schedule wellness appointments. Staying on top of your well-being is the best gift you can give yourself.

Sleep Well

Sleep quality can be compromised in many ways. Try these goals to improve your sleep:

- Follow a pre-sleep routine / sleep schedule
- Avoid late afternoon naps or caffeine
- Avoid bright screens and lights, and large pre-bedtime meals

Have A Rainbow A Day...

We know, the saying goes "an apple a day..." but a rainbow is much more fun. When you eat, improve nutrition with a rainbow of different colored foods on your plate at each meal, with many colors coming from fruits and vegetables.

We wish you a healthy year ahead!





A 1920's Recipe to Try in 2020: Lemon Ginger Icebox Cake

This Lemon Ginger Icebox Cake is modified from a *Taste of Home* version that has great reviews. It takes 20+ minutes to prep and chill and it makes 12 servings.

Ingredients: Two cups of heavy whipping cream * Eight ounces of soft cream cheese * Two teaspoons of grated lemon zest * Ten ounces of lemon curd * Two tablespoons of chopped and crystallized ginger * Two packages of thin ginger cookies that are 5 and 1/4 ounces each

Directions: In a big bowl, beat the lemon zest with the cream cheese until creamy. Beat in the lemon curd until it is smooth. Gradually add in cream and beat on medium to high until soft peaks set in. Line the bottom of an eight inch dish with nine cookies. Spread with two thirds of a cup of cream cheese mixture. Repeat for six layers. Sprinkle with ginger. Cover and refrigerate for two hours or more.

Special Moments



January 2020 Highlights

January is Hot Tea Month, Braille Literacy Month, Oatmeal Month, Soup Month, Hobby Month, and Mentoring Month



- **16 Fig Newton Day 17 Hot Buttered Rum Day** 18 Winnie the Pooh Day; Thesaurus Day **19 Popcorn Day** 20 Cheese Lover's Day; MLK Jr. Day 21 Granola Bar Day; Hugging Day **22 Blonde Brownie Day** 23 Handwriting Day; Pie Day 24 Compliment Day; Peanut Butter Day **25 Opposite Day; Irish Coffee Day 26 Green Juice Day; Peanut Brittle Day 27** Chocolate Cake Day; Bubble Wrap Day 28 Blueberry Pancake Day; Kazoo Day 29 Corn Chip Day; Puzzle Day **30 Croissant Day 31 Backward Day; Hot Chocolate Day;**
 - **Inspire Your Heart with Art Day**

Resident Spotlight Gail

Gail is such a lovely person, and a wonderful individual to talk to. She cares so much about others' well being and makes sure that everyone in the room is having a good time when going to activities. Gail has a positive attitude and a knack to always be active in our community. She shows her appreciation with kind words that would make even the toughest of hearts grow two times larger. Gail is such a joy to have in our community. There isn't a time that can be thought of that Gail hasn't had a smile to share with others. Thank you, Gail, for all that you do!



January Birthdays & Our Community Online

Happy Birthday Wishes!

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Staff Spotlight Jeff

Jeffery works in our dietary department here at The Renaissance. Through nominations from his coworkers and his hard work, Jeffery has been nominated for our January staff spotlight. He works hard every day to ensure our residents are getting the best quality of food and are happy with the meals that they are being served. Jeffery is one of the newest members in the kitchen, but has a lot of experience when it comes to cooking. His knowledge shows where it really counts, and that's flavor! Jeffrey goes out of his way to speak to each and every resident to ensure they are being fed just the right amount of food and that their tummies are nice and full. Keep up the good work, Jeffery The Renaissance really appreciates you.

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