

# **New Year's Resolutions for Seniors**

New Year's resolutions can be a big undertaking - especially considering how big we often dream. Whether we want to travel the world, learn a new language, or break an old habit, ambitious resolutions can sometimes be difficult to achieve. Rather than trying to make change happen all at once, we encourage you to take each day one step at a time, and make small, deliberate changes wherever you feel they are needed. Provided by HealthinAging.org, here are just a few of the best recommended Healthy New Year's Resolutions for seniors.

#### Practice healthy eating habits.

Variety is the spice of life – especially when it comes to food. In later life, fruits, vegetables, whole grains, fish, low-fat dairy and healthy fats become especially important, as calorie intake typically needs to be lessened. Collard greens, oranges, carrots and cantaloupes are a great source of nutrition, and chicken and turkey are excellent substitutes for highfat meats. Last but not least, don't forget about the value of calcium and Vitamin D! Yogurt, cheese, and low-fat milks will help you keep your bones strong, your body able, and your confidence in tip-top shape.

Get enough sleep. You might think that you don't need 7-8 hours anymore, but believe it or not, you do! A healthy sleeping pattern is vital for anyone looking to make a positive change – especially seniors. Try to avoid taking naps so that you get plenty of rest come nighttime.

Exercise your brain. An active mind is a healthy mind, so look for any and all opportunities to increase your cognitive reserve! This can take many forms, and is oftentimes achievable through your simple, day-to-day interactions with others. Reminisce with a friend about when

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# Happy Birthday!

Eugenia C. January 05

Beverly C. January 08

## **Sunday Brunch**

Please plan to join us for our Sunday Brunch January 12th. It is required to RSVP for our Sunday Brunches so we can best serve each guest. There are two seating times for Brunch-11:00am and 12:00pm. Each guest will need only \$10.00 for a wonderful meal. Please talk to Jill, CSS, for more details.

### Volunteer News

What would we do without our volunteers? They enrich our lives with every moment, gesture, and kind word they offer. Whether it's for an hour, once a month, weekly, or more, your time would be so valued here. We have enjoyed volunteers playing cards with us, visiting residents in their rooms, painting fingernails, calling Bingo, leading discussion/religious groups, and showcasing their talents such as music, art, exercise, and/or other hobbies. Contact our Life Enrichment Team and we will find you a meaningful volunteer role. We LOVE our Volunteers!

## Transportation

We can gladly set up transportation for your loved one for an appointment if needed. We offer transportation through our campus on Mondays and Wednesdays. Families are highly encouraged to attend. If you want transportation arranged for you please stop by a nurses station and fill out a Transportation Request form for them to hand into the LED Rachelle.



# Executive Director Corner

Happy January, and welcome to a new decade!

I'm excited to be kicking off 2020 with warm memories of holiday celebrations shared with you, and I hope that you're starting to get excited about all that this year will have in store. With everything that we have planned over the course of the coming weeks and months, from Theme Dinners to community outings, to Live a Dreams and Lifelong Learning courses, it's safe to say that The Roaring Twenties are back and better than ever.

Around this time of the year, you probably hear people talking about their New Year's resolutions – and more often than not, how difficult it can be to follow through with them. Rest assured, if you have a goal that you want to achieve, a special passion that you want to pursue, or a resolution that needs tending to, we're here to support you every step of the

way. Have you been meaning to get back in touch with your inner writer, but don't know where to begin? Our Artisans program offers opportunities for creative expression twice weekly, and is the perfect starting point for any aspiring artist. If you're wanting to stretch your actual muscles as opposed to your writing ones, our Vitality program meets up to three times a week, and includes wellness options such as strength training and yoga. Of course, if you're not looking to make any immediate changes, that's fine too - we like you just the way you are!

From everyone on our campus team, we sincerely thank you for joining us for the start of yet another new year. We couldn't be more excited about getting to spend this next chapter of our lives with you, and we hope that you feel the same way.

Yours in Service,

Tim Reardon

Executive Director

## **Out and About**

Outing days are our favorite days! We went on some very exciting outings this past month and are looking forward to many more this month. We are always looking for new ideas also so if you have any please let us know! Contact any member of our Life Enrichment team not only to share your ideas but to reserve your spot for outings. Our 14-passenger bus goes twice per week and spots are filled based on a first come, first serve basis, so sign up in the Assisted Living Activity Room today!



### More from Out and About











#### Live a Dream

Here at Novi Lakes, we want to show our love by treating individual residents to special days or special events. In the past year we have been able to grant two dreams! Sometimes a "dream" isn't something especially noteworthy or fantastical but something small and personally meaningful. We are looking for residents that have a potential "dream" they wish to be granted! In the past, we have thrown special anniversary dinners, taken people on hot air balloon rides, plane rides, professional baseball games, and swimming at a local therapy pool, to a special wedding, and many more! If you or someone you know is interested in living out a wish, please let any Life Enrichment staff members know!

### Did You Know...?

We offer a Resident Trust Fund account right here in our Business Office, where residents can safely hold and manage money for spending just like a bank account. As many of our residents enjoy going on outings, this is a wonderful and easy way for them to have spending money nearby. Please see our Business Office Manager, Alveeta, for details!

The Private Dining Room can be reserved for family events and meetings as long as it doesn't interfere with normal dining times.

Happy Hour is weekly at Simmons Ice Cream Parlor from 3-4pm.



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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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## 'Resolutions'

you met your spouse, or challenge a staff member to a quick game of cards. Talk to a loved one about their favorite book, then ask them to bring it by so that you can read it for yourself. The possibilities are limitless, which makes this a great and flexible! - goal to work towards.

**Speak up when you feel down or anxious.** Nobody should have to face their problems alone, and nobody should feel alone in their experiences. Studies have shown that as many as 1 in 5 seniors exhibit signs of depression or anxiety; including feelings of sadness, irritability, guilt, and remorse. If you or someone you know is displaying signs of anxiety or depression, encourage them to open up to family, friends, or a

member of our team. It can make all the difference.

Dedicate your time towards tackling smaller goals like these, and you will be well on your way towards achieving some of your larger goals for 2020! Of course, if you need help getting started on your New Year's resolution, we will be more than happy to help you. Contact a member of our team today to get started on your goals for this year!



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