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

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Early Detection Factors Into Improved Cancer Statistics

Perhaps unbelievable, but true, some of the best news of the last decade comes from recent statistics regarding cancer.

Both the rate of new cancer diagnoses and the rate of mortality due to cancer have decreased over the last 10 years. This is exciting news, and early detection has played a vital role in decreasing these stats.

Early diagnosis can also have a more personal benefit of empowering us with knowledge about our health and giving us the opportunity to stall, stop, or receive needed support. February is National Cancer Prevention Month; read on to learn more about the importance of early detection, and some lifestyle choices that may lead to a cancer diagnosis.

Remember, to talk with your medical provider about the best test type and frequency of testing as it varies depending on risk factors and general health.

Early Detection for Men

Men are suggested to get screening for colon, prostate, and lung cancers. Testing for colon cancer generally is suggested starting at age 45, prostate at 50, and lung at 55.

Early Detection for Women

Testing for cancers such as breast, cervical, colon, and lung are recommended for women. Regular pap smears beginning at age 30 help doctors monitor for cervical cancers throughout aging. Starting at an



age range of 45 to 54 years, women are encouraged to receive annual mammograms to test for breast cancer. Colon cancer testing should start at age 50. Typically, testing for lung cancer is suggested starting at age 55.

Risk Factors & Lifestyle

While even living the healthiest life, someone can be diagnosed with cancer, but there are some lifestyle choices that can increase overall risk and evidence to suggest that a healthy lifestyle may not only decrease risk, but increase the likelihood of remission if diagnosed. Cancer risks can be reduced by avoiding tobacco, maintaining a healthy weight, engaging in regular physical activity, following a healthy diet with at least 2.5 cups of fruits and vegetables daily, limiting alcohol intake, and protecting skin.

Help do your part to continue the downward trend of cancer statistics and increase your chances of a cancer-free life by living a risk-reduced lifestyle and talking to your doctor about suggested cancer screenings at your next appointment.

Special Moments - National Hat Day!



This month, join us for our...

Valentine's Party with Linda Wheeler On February 13, 2020 2 PM - 3 PM Located in Building 950

You are also welcome to attend...
Our Residents' Birthday Party
On February 28, 2020
10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Located in Building 950

Our Thoughts On...

what we love about Valentine's Day!

"Unconditional love"

- Amanda

"Candy & flowers, even if you have to buy them yourself!"

- Virginia

"Valentine's cards!"

- Elizabeth

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February 2020 Highlights

February is Black History Month, Heart Month, Hot Breakfast Month, Library Lover's Month, Bake for Family Fun Month, and Embroidery Month.

01 Baked Alaska Day; Read Aloud Day

02 Groundhog Day; Tater Tot Day

03 Foodservice Pride Week Kicks Off

04 Thank Mail Carriers Day; Soup Day

05 Nutella Day

06 Frozen Yogurt Day

07 Periodic Table Day; Send Cards Day

08 Boy Scout Day; Kite Flying Day

09 Pizza Day; Bagel and Lox Day

10 Clean Computer Day; Umbrella Day

11 Inventors' Day; Make a Friend Day

12 Plum Pudding Day

13 Cheddar Day; Radio Day

14 Valentine's Day; Book Giving Day

15 Gumdrop Day; Hippo Day

16 Almond Day

17 Random Acts of Kindness Day

18 Battery Day; Wine Day

19 Chocolate Mint Day

20 Love Your Pet Day; Cherry Pie Day

21 Caregivers Day; Sticky Bun Day

22 Cook a Sweet Potato Day

23 Banana Bread Day; Tile Day

24 Tortilla Chip Day

25 Fat Tuesday; Clam Chowder Day

26 Ash Wednesday; Pistachio Day

27 Chili Day; Strawberry Day; Toast Day

28 Floral Design Day; Tarter Sauce Day

29 Leap Day!

Happy Birthday Wishes! Visit us Online:

Lyle K. 2/1 910

Edna P. 2/3 950

Lee C. 2/14 920

John M. 2/21 920

Dorothy V. 2/27 920



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Resident Spotlight: Florence S.

We are happy to shine the spotlight on our newest resident, Florence, this month!

Florence was born in Duluth,
Minnesota, and has six children. She
used to work as a bookkeeper, desk
clerk, and loved cooking as a
homemaker. Florence also devoted
many hours to her Lutheran church
and would often be asked to play her
violin at services. Florence has been
having a great time getting to know
her new neighbors. Her sense of
humor and smile light up our days!

We are honored to welcome Florence and look forward to building wonderful memories together!





Staff Spotlight: Elizabeth D.

Elizabeth is one of our amazing Life Enrichment Assistants who has been with us almost 4 years now. She shared that both of her grandmothers had Alzheimer's which sparked her empathy and compassion for those with this heart breaking disease, and opened the door to her volunteering at senior communities as a teenager. Through volunteering, she realized her gift for arts and crafts and utilized her talents to make a difference in others' lives. She said that the most rewarding thing about her job is seeing others laugh and enjoy their day, and when residents and families tell her how much she is appreciated! We are so proud to have Elizabeth as part of our team and look forward to seeing her grow as a Life Enrichment Assistant. We thank her for all her continued hard work and dedication to Farmington Square!

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