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# The Arbors Bulletin

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### **Explore Paths to Improved Eye Wellness**

Follow your medical professional's advice and speak with them before changing diet, exercise, or supplements.

August is Eye Exam Month and in observance, we've gathered some insight for eyesight! It can be frustrating to experience changes to eyes which result from an array of factors. Luckily, there are many ways to address eye health.

One of the best ways to stay on top of eye health is to have annual eye exams. Practicing precautionary measures through lifestyle is also important. People with diabetes, high blood pressure, or medications that affect eyes have increased risk for vision problems.

Some lifestyle recommendations from the National Eye Institute include having a diet leafy greens; maintaining a healthy weight; wearing glasses, goggles, and safety shields as appropriate; avoiding smoking; reducing eyestrain from screens by looking 20 feet before you for 20 seconds every 20 minutes; and cleaning hands often to avoid infections.

Knowing family eye history, and being educated about vision issues and symptoms that may affect seniors is also helpful toward eye wellness.

#### Four Eye Issues That Can Affect Older Adults:

- Dry eye is a common issue for seniors, in which not enough tears or quality tears are made, and poor vision may result.
- that causes central (not side) vision loss. The macula of the eye allows people to see fine details and colors, so when it is affected, activities like reading, watching movies, and recognizing faces could be challenging



Did you know? UV rays can negatively affect your eye's surface tissue, cornea, and lens. When in the sun, protect your eyes with sunglasses that have 100% UV or UV400 protection.

- Cataracts are cloudy areas in the eye lens rich in fruits and vegetables—particularly dark, (usually in both eyes, to different degrees) that can cause blurry vision, poor contrast awareness, dulled colors, and glare sensitivity.
  - Glaucoma is a group of issues which damage the optic nerve and in time can take away side vision. While glaucoma is often painless with no symptoms, older adults are at risk for it.

With all that in mind, there are many ways to help vision conditions, per the American Optometric Association. Some optometrists have rehabilitation programs to help with low vision for daily routines. Prescription devices are also available, like spectacle-mounted magnifiers for close-up tasks; hand-held or spectacle-mounted telescopes for near and far • Age-related macular degeneration is an issue vision; handheld and stand magnifiers to assist with short-term reading; and video magnification that enlarges items on video.

> Let us know if this information has been helpful for you in the comments section of our newsletter Facebook post on the first.





### Special Moments









Those born in August are either Leo (Aug. 1-22) or Virgo (August 23-31). The birthstone for August is peridot. The birth flower for August is the gladiola. August babies are said to be natural leaders and teachers who thrive in the spotlight. They can often be described as charismatic.

## August 2021 Highlights

August is Eye Exam Month, Wellness Month, and Sun Safety Month. It celebrates peaches, paninis, golf, catfish, sandwiches, and goat cheese!

01 Mahjong Day; Sister Day; Colorado Day 02 Coloring Day; Ice Cream Sandwich Day 03 Watermelon Day; National Night Out Day **04 Chocolate Chip Cookie Day** 05 Oyster Day; Work Like a Dog Day; IPA Day 06 Root Beer Float Day; Water Balloon Day 19 Aviation Day; Potato Day; Hair Bow Day **07 Mustard Day; Disc Golf Day** 08 Froyo Custard Day; Zucchini Day; Cat Day 21 Senior Day; Spumoni Day; Geocache Day 09 Book Lovers' Day; Rice Pudding Day 10 S'mores Day; Connecticut Day 11 Son & Daughter Day; Kinetic Sand Day 12 Vinyl Record Day; World Elephant Day 13 Intl. Left Handers' Day; Prosecco Day 14 Creamsicle Day; Bowling Day 15 Lemon Meringue Pie Day; Honey Bee Day 28 Bow Tie Day; Cherry Turnover Day 16 Tell a Joke Day; Airborne Day 17 Black Cat Day; Thrift Shop Day 18 Fajita Day; Ice Cream Pie Day 31 Trail Mix Day; Intl. Bacon Day

20 Radio Day; Lemonade Day 22 Pecan Torte Day; Be an Angel Day 23 Sponge Cake Day; Cuban Sandwich Day 24 Maryland Day; Waffle Day; Peach Pie Day 25 Banana Split Day 26 Cherry Popsicle Day; Dog Day 27 Pots de Crème Custard Day; Just Cuz Day 29 Chop Suey Day; Lemon Juice Day 30 Toasted Marshmallow Day; Beach Day

**Regarding Covid-19:** Resident and staff safety and comfort remains our number one priority during the Coronavirus cases that have happened nationwide. It is important to communicate our plans to mitigate risk in our community. We are following mandated health guidelines. All activities are subject to cancellation per those current guidelines. To read our measures taken, and our current visitor policy, please visit our website.

#### **August 9th is Book Lovers Day!**

Our residents and staff shared their favorites!

"Witcher" - Trevor

"The Help" - Lisa

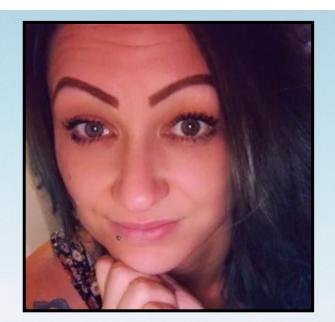
"Life's Golden Ticket" - Viki

"The Pillars of The Earth" - Gail

"The Bible" - Mary

"A Tale of Two Cities" - Wendy

"Water the Bamboo" - Stand Up Team



**Staff Spotlight:** Melissa

Our spotlight this month shines on Med Tech Melissa. She is someone who has compassion for others because of her understanding and empathy of what others are going through. Melissa embraces the opportunity to fully immerse herself in having a positive connection with the residents, with kind and considerate interactions. She respects our residents and is an advocate for their optimal quality of care. With a listening ear, eyes, and heart, she forms close, caring relationships with all here, who know they can depend on her for support. Her three children are her world and motherhood is the biggest and most important adventure in her life. Melissa creates beautiful blankets and many other items with her talented crocheters skill. She is very artistic and also creates beautiful paintings. We are fortunate to have Melissa as part of our Arbors family.



**Resident Spotlight:** Scott

Scott grew up in Foster City, CA, where his parents taught him the importance of hard work and independence. He eventually moved to Lake Tahoe. Visiting friends often in Incline Village, Scott fell in love with the area and bought his home in Kings Beach - only 5 blocks from the beach and a short drive to ski slopes of Squaw Valley. Skiing is Scott's greatest passion, and his friends took him on some of the most difficult courses of Squaw Valley. He loved teaching skiing to kids as a junior ski program instructor at Squaw. Scott worked for 20 years for the Tahoe City Public Utilities District, with responsibility for Parks and Recreation. He maintained parks, the community center, and supervised community service workers. He is very proud of the accomplishments of his two stepdaughters and son. Scott is thankful to have spent most of his life living and loving all the great outdoor adventures of Lake Tahoe. We are so excited to have Scott at Arbors.

Arbors Memory Care Monthly Activities						
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