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La Conner Retirement Inn News January 2022 Newsletter



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Here's to You in 2022: Healthy New Year's Resolutions

A new year is a great time to focus on health and look at what great habits you have in place for yourself, and what areas you could improve upon. There's so many ways to approach taking on better habits, from exercise to sleep. These are just a few to consider!

Get Social

Taking part in group activities, being with others, and sharing your feelings boosts overall 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. Others may join you!
- If religious, attend group services.
- Use IN2L with your Life Enrichment Director.

Make Exercise Fun

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, stretching, lifting, bowling, golfing, or chair exercises). Work out with a buddy for motivation and safety. Share your successes!

Hvdrate

Dehydration can affect people of all ages, but especially older adults. Ask your health professional how much water you should get each day, as it varies from person to person. To make hydration fun, in addition to water, try foods like watermelon, spinach, cucumbers, green peppers, and celery. Ways to detect 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



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!

professionals as you head into 2022 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 screens, lights, & large pre-bed meals

Have A Rainbow A Day...

It's true, the saying goes "an apple a day..." but a rainbow is 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 2022! Let us know which of these focus areas spark your interest on our Facebook post on the 1st. Follow your medical professional's advice and speak with them before changing diet, exercise, or medications. This article is for informational use only and should not be considered medical advice.







Special Moments





Happy Birthday!

Dan C: Jan. 27 Arlene S.: Jan. 27 Virginia M.: Jan. 31 Anna L.: Jan. 2 Allie K.: Jan. 9

Those born in January are Capricorn (Jan. 1-19) or Aquarius (Jan. 20-31). Their birthstone is garnet, symbolizing love and was discovered in Ancient Egypt. Their birth flowers are Carnations and Snow Drops. Carnations are among few flowers that can bloom in the cold!

January 2022 Highlights

January observes bath safety, mentoring, and braille literacy. It celebrates oatmeal, soup, hot tea, slow cooking, and Sunday suppers. It's Hobby Month so it's a great time to indulge in and share about hobbies!

01 Bloody Mary Day; Set Resolutions 02 Cream Puff Day; Science Fiction Day 03 Chocolate Covered Cherry Day 04 Spaghetti Day; Trivia Day; Braille Day 05 Whip Cream Day; Bird Day; Keto Day 06 Bean Day; Tech Day; Shortbread Day 07 Bobblehead Day; Tempura Day **08** Argyle Day; English Toffee Day 09 Law Enforcement Day; Apricot Day 10 Bittersweet Chocolate Day; Eagles Day 26 Green Juice Day; Peanut Brittle Day 11 Arkansas Day; Milk Day 12 Pharmacists' Day; Chicken Curry Day 13 Stickers Day; Peach Melba Day 14 Dress Pet Day; Pastrami Sandwich Day 30 Croissant Day 15 Hat Day; Bagel Day 16 Fig Newton Day; Eat Hot & Spicy Day;

17 MLK Jr. Day; Hot Buttered Rum Day 18 Pooh Bear Day; Thesaurus Day 19 Popcorn Day; World Quark Day 20 Cheese Lovers' Day; Buttercrunch Day 21 Granola Bar Day; Squirrels Day 22 Blonde Brownie Day 23 Pie Day; Handwriting Day 24 Compliment Day; Peanut Butter Day 25 Opposite Day; Intl. Irish Coffee Day 27 Chocolate Cake Day 28 Kazoo Day; Blueberry Pancake Day 29 Corn Chip Day; Puzzle Day 31 Artsy Day; Backwards Day; Cocoa Day

Regarding Covid-19:

Safety and comfort of our residents and staff remains our number one priority during the Coronavirus cases that have happened nationwide. We are following mandated health guidelines. Please note that all activities are subject to cancellation per current mandated health guidelines. To read a full list of measures taken. and our current visitor policy, please visit our website.

Cheesy Talk! Jan. 20th is Cheese Lover's Day. For fun, some of us shared our favorite kinds of cheese!

"Mozzarella & Brie" - Shelley "Brie & Havarti" - Allie "Head Cheese" - Elena "Brie" - Kesa "Cheddar" - AL "All of Them!!" - Sharon "Cougar Gold" - Jerry "American" - Dee



RESIDENT **SPOTLIGHT:** Fein

Fein was born in the Netherlands. She grew up in a little town in Holland and never had a desire to attend school much. Fein grew up to have two daughters. After they were grown, she wanted to see the world so she hitchhiked around the world for 50 years to see as much as she could. One of her daughters moved to the US and seeing the opportunities that afforded her, she came here too. Feins philosophy has always been "The world is mine, I want to see it." We are happy your travels led you to us, Fein!

SPOTLIGHT: Kathy

Kathy was born in California then moved to Washington State in 1972 at age 16. Kathy has two children and 9 grandchildren.

She enjoys painting, sewing, crafts, computer projects, and enjoyed gardening for many years.

She and her cat, "Mr. Kitty" live nearby, east of Conway.

Kathy came to work at the Inn as our full-time receptionist in June of 2017. She says it's the best job she has ever had and treasures the many friendships she has made here with staff, residents and their families.

Kathy's advice to everyone is:

Each day... try to make a positive difference in someone's Life... and to always be kind to yourself.

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