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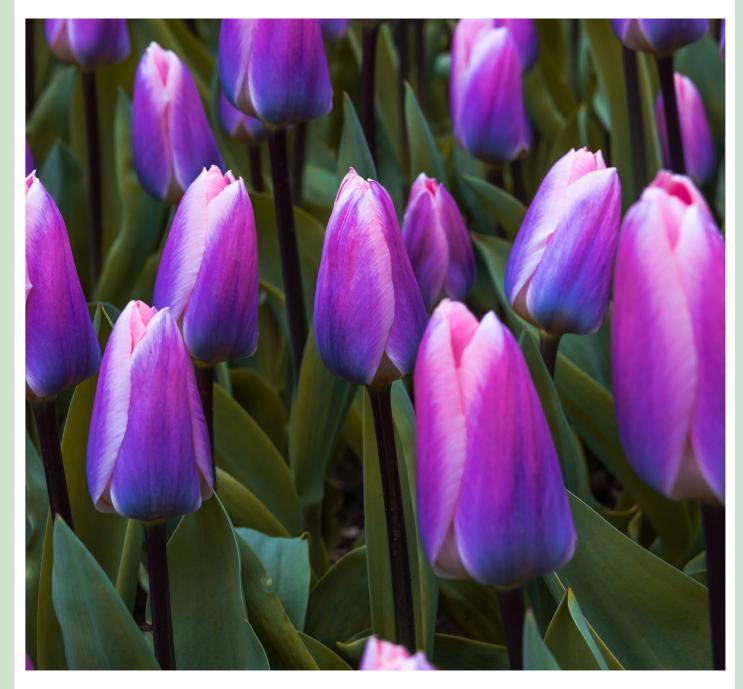




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Spilling the Beans on Caffeine: Is Your Cup of Joe

a Friend ...or a Foe?

Most of us have a relationship with caffeine - whether we love it to love it, or wish we didn't want it. It's in coffee, soda, and tea that we drink (unless we opt for decaf, though even *that* has a little), and we turn to it in times of tiredness for a quick energy boost.

This National Caffeine Awareness Month, we've set out to unearth facts about caffeine that are worth poring over.

First off, if you're wondering what exactly caffeine is, ponder no further. Caffeine is a bitter stimulant substance whose chemical name is trimethylxanthine. It occurs naturally in the fruit, leaves, and beans of coffee, cacao, and guarana plants. Humanmade caffeine also exists and is added to some medicines, foods, and drinks.

When consumed, caffeine is typically absorbed by the human body within 45 minutes. An average 8-ounce cup of coffee has 95 milligrams of caffeine, but can vary. According to the Mayo Clinic, up to 400 milligrams of caffeine per day is safe for most healthy adults. Though, there are different recommendations for pregnant and breastfeeding women, and the American Academy of Pediatrics discourages caffeine for children.

There are both pros and cons to caffeine intake for adults. On the upside, it can increase energy, speed up reaction times,



Did you know? Caffeine can be found in chocolate. It can also be hidden in some yogurt, ice cream, and protein bars! If seeking a non-caffeinated energy boost, consider having some blueberries!

and aid in concentration. Coffee, specifically, is said to have some health benefits, from slowing cognitive decline in older adults to protecting against certain cancers and Type Two Diabetes. As for drawbacks, it may bring on stomach acid release (heartburn), increase blood pressure, and act as a diuretic. It can also interact poorly with some medications. For some with caffeine sensitivity, even small amounts can cause restlessness, sleep issues, and anxiety.

An area where opinions vary is its level of addictiveness. The facts are: it does raise dopamine a little, and can bring withdrawal symptoms if one stops intake.

So...Stick with or skip? For those who enjoy caffeinated beverages or foods, as with anything, it's best to enjoy in moderation. Let us know your thoughts about caffeine in our newsletter post on our facebook.









Special Moments







March 2022 Highlights

March observes Women's History Month, Nutrition Month, and Save Your Vision Month. It celebrates crafting, aviation, and cleaning!

01 Peanut Butter Day; Music Therapy Day 02 Banana Cream Pie Day; Read Day 03 Cold Cuts Day; World Wildlife Day 04 Marching Music Day; Pound Cake Day 05 Employee Appreciation Day 06 Dentists' Day; Oreo Day; Dress Day 07 Cereal Day; Flapjack Day 08 Intl. Women's Day; Oregon Day 09 Barbie Day; Meatball Day **10 Blueberry Popover Day; Bagpipe Day 11 Oatmeal Nut Waffles Day; Plumbing Day** 12 Girl Scouts Day; Plant a Flower Day 13 Coconut Torte Day; K9 Veterans Day 14 Child Craft Day; Spider Day; Chip Day **15 Pears Helene Day; Health Care HR Week** 16 Artichoke Hearts Day; Panda Day

17 St. Patrick's Day
18 Lacy Cookie Day; Sloppy Joe Day
19 Certified Nurses Day; Poultry Day
20 Spring Begins; Ravioli Day; Corn Dog Day
21 French Bread Day; Puppetry & Poetry Day
22 Bavarian Crepes Day; West Virginia Day
23 Chip Dip Day; Puppy Day; Tamale Day
24 Cheesesteak Day; Chocolate Raisins Day
25 Swedish Waffle Day; Physicians' Week
26 Nougat Day; Spinach Day
27 Spanish Paella Day; World Theatre Day
28 Black Forest Cake Day; Food on Stick Day
29 Vietnam Vet Day; Nevada Day; Piano Day
30 Doctors' Day; Park Walk Day
31 Crayon Day; Tater Day



Spring forward! Sunday, March 13, set your clocks forward one hour!

Regarding Covid-19:

Safety and comfort of our residents and staff remains our first 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: ashley-pointe.com.

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Visit our facebook at: Facebook.com/ AshleyPointeSeniorLiving

March 12th celebrates Plant a Flower Day!

We're sharing our favorite flowers!

"Hydrangeas" - Shirley
"Tulips" - Lois
"Red Roses or Daffodils" - Cheryl
"Hollyhocks or Sweet Peas" - Marilyn L
"Gardenias" - Virginia
"Yellow Roses" - Marjorie
"Orange Lilies" - Kim M
"Daffodils" - Cathy



Staff Highlight: Dolores

Dolores was born in Hawaii, but has lived most of her life in Lake Stevens. She is married to Travis. her high school sweetheart, and they are parents to two little girls: Harlow, 9, and Irie, 6. Their family also includes a St. Bernard named Millie. Dolores enjoys gardening and caring for her 50+ houseplants including pothos and snake plants. She also loves to read. A favorite getaway was a family mountain trip to Central Washington. She likes shrimp fajitas at Ixtapa, a local Mexican restaurant, and for dessert: a classic chocolate chip cookie. Dolores is excited to work here at Ashley Pointe, and we're happy to welcome her!



Resident Highlight: David

David was born in Texas, but has lived in many states including Oklahoma, Louisiana, and California. He is one of six siblings. He worked for the City of San Jose in Recreation. Before coming to Ashley Pointe, David lived on San Juan Island for 27 years. He loves the natural beauty of the state of Washington. He also enjoyed a visit to northern New Mexico. He especially loves to be creative, and is a gifted craftsman: rug hooking, basket weaving, felting, silk painting, and quilting are some of his hobbies. David enjoys Cajun food and for dessert, he likes pie: apple, cherry, or pecan. We're glad to welcome David!

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All activities subject to change per mandated health guidelines.		Mardi Gras 10:00 Morning Exercises 11:00 Mardis Gras Fun 12:45 Bus Outing: Fred Meyer-Senior Discount Day 3:30 Skip-Bo 4:30 Jazz Music & Visiting 6:00 History Movie	3:00 Happy Hour:	 10:00 Morning Exercises 10:30 Food Forum with Chef Kim 11:00 Words W/I a Word 1:00 Storytime 1:30 Bingo 3:00 Craft Project with Lauren 	 10:00 Chair Yoga 11:00 Table Topics Conversation Game 1:00 After-lunch Walk 2:30 Skip-Bo 3:30 Manicures & Music 6:00 Comedy Movie 	 10:00 Morning Exercises 11:00 Train Your Brain 1:00 Yahtzee 2:00 Rummikub 3:00 IN2L: TRAVEL 4:00 Coloring 4:30 Pre-Dinner Visiting
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