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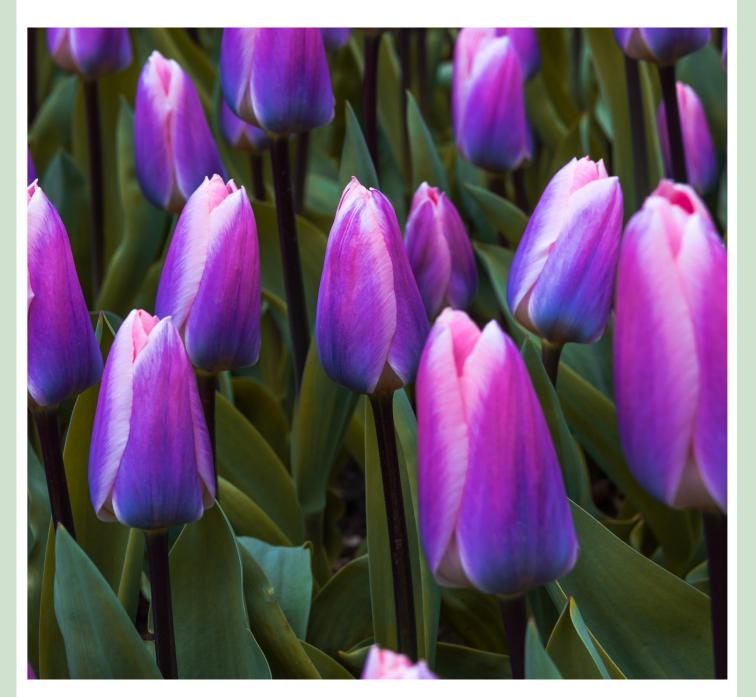
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Our mission is to create and sustain comfortable, caring environments for those who depend on us.



The Renaissance Reader

March 2022 Newsletter



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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.

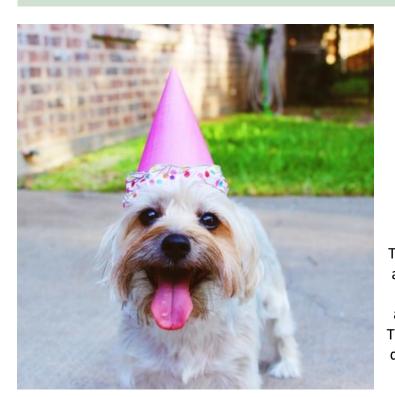


Special Moments









Happy Birthday!

Charlie: March 3

Matt: March 8 Laura: March 9 Dana: March 10 Lisa: March 18

Delores: March 5 Christine: March 4 Mary Ellen: March 6 **Robert: March 12**

Those born in March are Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20) and Aries (March 21 - April 19). The birthstones for March are

aguamarine and bloodstone (which is dark green). The birth flowers for March are the daffodil and jonquil. March babies are said to have a sunny disposition!

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

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

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



Staff Spotlight:

This month we would like to recognize one of our wellness coordinators, Maddox! Maddox has been a wonderful addition to our team. She is always so helpful and kind towards our team and our residents. Her kindness helps make the residents feel at home and deeply cared for. Thank you, Maddox, for providing a safe and happy place for our residents!



Resident Spotlight: Marsha

This month we would like to recognize one of our residents, Marsha. Marsha always has a smile for everyone that walks into the room. Marsha was a CEO of L.A. Department of Water and Power and very respected in her community. Marsha enjoys music therapy, pet therapy, bus rides and church service. Thank you, Marsha, for sharing your contagious laughter and energy among our community!

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: assistedlivingcda.com.



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A Message from our Executive Director

We are getting closer and closer to spring everyone. I know we are all looking forward to warmer weather and being outside more. We had a fantastic month at the Renaissance the last month including some fun valentine's day events and parties. We are moving forward with spring in mind and getting past, hopefully soon, some of the COVID restrictions that we had as a community. I want to give a special introduction to our new Business Office Director Gina Allen and new Admin. Assistant Manjit Dada. We are very happy to be part of the family here and please introduce yourself when you have a chance. This month we are planning a fun St. Patty's day party, live entertainment, and some fun events so please look for those on the calendar.

"Perfection doesn't come from belief or faith. Talk does not count for anything. Parrots can do that. Perfection comes from selfless work."

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