

June 2022

## **Tending to Your Mental Health**

As we continue to move through life, it can be easy to get overwhelmed. Family members move to new cities, friends can become harder to reach, and day-to-day activities can become more strenuous. And as our physical health begins to change, our mental health follows – often paving the way for stress to poke its head back into our lives.

Dr. Michelle Dosset, an internal and integrative medicine specialist at the Benson-Henry Institute for Mind Body Medicine, had studied the effects of stress on seniors. In her research, she attributes aging cells to increased levels of stress. Here's what she had to share with Harvard Health Publishing:

"Normally when we're stressed, our brains get flooded with stress hormones, the midbrain takes over, and the front of the brain—which controls concentration, attention and decision-making—works

less well. Restorative sleep helps to flush stress hormones from the brain. However, many older adults have sleep problems. Stress may make it more difficult to fall back asleep, and the inability to clear these stress hormones from the brain during sleep means that the cognitive effects of stress can worsen over time." Provided by Healthline, here are some steps that you can take towards relieving stress:

- Exercise.
- Reduce your caffeine intake.
- Have a laugh.
- Take a yoga class.
- Listen to relaxing music.
- Take a deep breath.

To support these steps, our community offers specialized programming to combat stressors and keep our residents engaged in fun, fulfilling ways. With our *Lifelong Learning* program, rather than worrying about your health,



you can take a course on it. If you're wanting to improve your palate, talk to one of our chefs about adjusting your diet. Finally, our *BrainFIT* program can help you maintain everyday intellectual performance while lowering your chance of Alzheimer's and other forms of dementia. Talk to a member of our team today to learn more about how *BrainFIT* coursework can help you!

### Happy Birthday!

Residents	
Phyllis M.	6/06
James B.	6/13
Betty H.	6/14
Janet M.	6/15
Phyllis L.	6/18
Margaret O.	6/28
Staff	
Alicieah Q.	6/01
Allen L.	6/01
Shyita C.	6/03
Monisha S.	6/03
Haley C.	6/05
Dawn B.	6/06
Amber H.	6/09
Madison O.	6/13
Shannon C.	6/18
Ella M.	6/22

#### Taste of Town

Taste of Town will be Wednesday June 15th. We will feature food from Olive Garden! Come hungry!

#### Sunday Brunch

Sunday Brunch will be held Sunday the 12th. Due to COVID restrictions we are only allowing 2 family members to attend. Thank you all for being understanding. We look forward to seeing you all there!

# Summer Outings:

Be sure to check your calendars for the summer outings! We have big plans for the season, we hope you all enjoy them.



## Executive Director Corner

Welcome to June! Summer is finally here,

which means it's time to break out the sunscreen, grab an ice-cold lemonade, and get ready for a season of celebration. I'm always a fan of our summertime cookouts, so I'm especially excited to see what we cook up on the grill this year.

As the weather continues to get warmer, there has never been a better time to participate in our *Out and About* program. With Out and About, we're proud to offer our residents field trips, bus tours, sports outings, and more up to two times per week! Talk to any member

of our team today to learn more about our next outing.

Finally, I must once again thank every one of you who participated in and/or helped organize our recent Lucille's Ball Theme Week. Our friends and families have been loving what we've shared of the event across our Facebook and Twitter pages, and I highly encourage you to check out our social media pages to see all the fun for yourself. We'll see you for the next Theme Week!

Let's have a great month!

Yours in Service,

Kelly Kaase

**Executive Director** 

#### **HAPPY HOUR**

We enjoyed Peep-tini's for our Easter Happy Hour











# CRACKER BARREL OUTING

One of our resident's favorite lunch spots"







### LEGACY SPOTLIGHT

Our resident's had a great time making their Legacy tree.

#### Meet Lana P.



I have been working in long term care for approximately 2 and a half years.

My dream vacation would be a Mediterranean cruise to see Greece and Italy."

# Smile of the Month

These two lovely ladies always have smiles on their faces, especially during happy hour!"



# MOTHER'S DAY BRACELETS





These bracelets turned out beautiful!"



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#### Stay in the Loop **y f**

Keep up with latest campus news and happenings by following us on your favorite social networks!

We strive to provide the best customer service and quality care for our residents.
Our Department Leaders are here to solve any concerns you may have.
In the event that you need further assistance with any unresolved concerns, we encourage you to call or email our Compliance Hotline: 800-908-8618, ext. 2800; or comply@trilogyhs.com

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### **Monthly Trivia & Activity Corner**

All trivia answers will be printed in our upcoming month's newsletter!

Question 1: Which sea separates Great Britain from Ireland?

Question 2: Who is the composer behind "Moonlight Sonata"?

Question 3: Which animated character famously exclaims "D'oh!"?

Question 4: What is the most populated city in the United States?

Question 5: How many years are in a millennium?

Flip the page for last month's trivia answers:

21: In what sport is "love" a score? Tennis 2Q2. Which candy has the sologan "? Skittles "Taste the vainbow"? Skittles EQ3: Who was the fourth president of the United States? James Madison Q4: Which state is thonward as the "Granite States? Wew Hampshire "Granite States stonew Hampshire".

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