

## 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

Judy H.	6/02
Richard S.	6/02
Jane T.	6/13
Betty M.	6/17
Phyllis J.	6/18
Diane R.	6/19
Joann S.	6/20

## Staff

Samantha S.	6/01
Mark B.	6/03
Katie G.	6/06
Kimberly P.	6/07
Adrienne C.	6/08
Katia M.	6/12
HayLee S.	6/15
Jakob K.	6/15
Amy H.	6/20
Vanity L.	6/21
Danielle A.	6/24
Sherri R.	6/25
Gretchen V.	6/26
Sarah N.	6/28

## Live A Dream

We have a program called Live A Dream where we help residents fulfill their bucket list dreams! Maybe it is something you have never done that you have always wanted to try. Or maybe it is something that you used to do but would like to try it again. We have taken residents on airplane rides, to concerts, and recently turned a resident's life story into a book! If you have a dream that you would like fulfilled please see Life Enrichment!

## 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 have to 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 of the fun for yourself. We'll see you for the next Theme Week!

Let's have a great month!

Yours in Service,

*Marcus Badia*

Executive Director







## INSPIRED LIVING

At the beginning of every month, we hold a meeting with residents called Inspired Living. This meeting is where we get together to discuss our favorite and least favorite activities. We also talk about new activities we would like to try, suggestions for outings, and any new activity equipment needed! Please join us for our Inspired Living activity planning and bring any ideas or suggestions you have!

## CAMPUS IN COLOR

With the sunshine and blue skies, we are back in our courtyards and planting flowers! Every year we have a competition with the other Trilogy campuses where we decorate our courtyards with beautiful flowers and themed décor! Every Saturday we will spend some time outside keeping up our gardens and enjoying the beautiful weather!







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service and quality care for our residents.*

*Our Department Leaders are here  
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*In the event that you need further  
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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:*

Q1: In what sport is "love" a score? Tennis  
Q2: Which candy has the slogan  
"Taste the rainbow"? Skittles  
Q3: Who was the fourth president of  
the United States? James Madison  
Q4: Which state is known as the  
"Granite State"? New Hampshire  
Q5: Which sense do dogs use the most? Smell

*Sport & Activity Word Scramble*

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ANCED

LOFG

PGIOPNGN

CEROSC

IWMS

TIHACI

STINEN

AWLK

OYGA

## Word Search

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ACTIVITIES

ADVENTURE

AGING

BREATHE

EXERCISE

FUN

HEALTH

LAUGH

MENTAL

MUSIC

RELAX

SLEEP

STRENUOUS

STRESS

STRETCH

TENSION