

Life + Style

Summer
July 2024

La Siena
Newsletter



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Community Happenings

7/4

4th of July Celebration

July 4 / 2:00 - 3PM / Pub

La Siena is all set to honor our nation's independence with a patriotic 4th of July celebration in the Pub. Scott Hallock will entertain us with beloved patriotic tunes as we savor delightful food and drinks for an indoor "picnic bbq" We'll be offering fun lawn activities like Bean bag baseball and corn hole.

7/15

Vist to the MIM

Monday, July 15 / 10:00 - 1:30P / Living Room

MIM (Musical Instrument Museum) is a global museum focusing on instruments played worldwide. It houses over 7,500 instruments from 200+ countries, showcasing cultural diversity. After touring the MIM, we will enjoy global cuisine at MIM's Café Allegro with a rotating menu highlighting local produce and flavors.

7/22

Creative Writing with Prof. Roen - Writing about Family Photo's

Monday, July 22 / 1-2:30 / Multipurpose Room

Family photographs offer rich opportunities for writing about family history. Regardless of when and where a photo was taken, it tells a story. In other cases, they may provide insights into the lives of ancestors who lived generations earlier—long before we were born. Please bring one or more family photos—either a physical copy or a mental image. Duane Roen will introduce several writing activities for seeing the the descriptive and narrative details found in those photos.

7/23

Ice Cream Social - Celebrating National Ice Cream Month

Tuesday, July 23 1-1:45 / Bistro

July is celebrated as National Ice Cream Month, providing an ideal opportunity to chill out with a scoop of your preferred flavor. When it comes to serving, would you prefer a dish or a cone? Just decide on that, and we'll handle the rest by providing a variety of delightful toppings – both fresh and sweetened – at our Ice Cream Sundae Bar.

7/30

Why not explore a new realm – the world of Mosaics!

Tuesday, July 30 / 2-4P / Craft Room

Residents will have the opportunity to craft their own mosaic coaster under the guidance of mosaic instructor Deborah Wahl. The session will commence with a short introduction to the history of mosaic art. The project is tailored for beginners, utilizing pre-cut tiles to create a fun mosaic.



Last Month's Wrap-Up

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Celebrations!

Birthdays

Doris F. 7/2

Thomas K. 7/4

Faith C. 7/5

Julia C. 7/6

David R. 7/7

Gary K. 7/7

Lois G. 7/7

Nancy H. 7/8

Ramey H. 7/9

Karalee 7/12

Erika Y. 7/14

Richard Z. 7/15

Ruth E. 7/15

Garnet M. 7/16

Joseph B. 7/19

Karen K. 7/20

Patrick T. 7/20

Kyoko B. 7/23

Seema L. 7/23

Linda R. 7/25

Louise S. 7/25

Rose R. 7/27

Bonnie B. 7/28

Bobby C. 7/29

Know Your Health Numbers: Medical Must-Dos for a Healthy Life

By Celynn Morin



As we grow older, maintaining our health becomes essential to enjoying life with peace of mind and vitality. Regular health check-ups enable us to anticipate potential issues, empowering us to fully enjoy each day. Prevention truly is better than cure. Beyond numbers, the goal is to enhance the quality of life.



Embrace the Tibetan secret to longevity: "Eat half, walk double, laugh triple, and love without measure." Each day is an opportunity to improve your health and spirit. Start small, with a new healthy recipe or a walk in the park. Celebrate your health with regular check-ups, nutritious meals, time spent in nature and with loved ones. Here's to a life filled with health and happiness!

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Key Health Indicators to Monitor

- **Cholesterol:** Keeping an eye on your lipid profile helps maintain heart health.
- **Blood Glucose:** Regular HbA1C tests provide insight into long-term blood sugar levels.
- **Blood Pressure:** Monitoring this can prevent circulatory problems.

Healthy Living Tips

- **Stay Informed:** Keep up with the latest health screenings
- **Eat Well:** A diet rich in various plant-based foods supports overall wellness.
- **Seek Professional Guidance:** Work with healthcare providers who understand lifestyle medicine to personalize your health journey.

Scan the QR Code to access the Wellculator and learn more!



Boost Your Immunity: Essential Nutrients for a Healthy Defense

By: Amanda Archibald

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We are building the framework for a nutritious diet. Each month, we highlight key ingredients crucial for health. In the Spring, we emphasized laying a strong foundation by incorporating foods that bolster cellular defense and detoxification. Now, with this groundwork set, our focus shifts to boosting health by integrating nutrient-dense

foods that enhance immune function. A robust immune system defends against illness by combating invaders such as bacteria and viruses. Essential nutrients like Vitamins A, D, and C, as well as minerals such as zinc, selenium, and Omega-3 fatty acids, play vital roles in supporting this immune response. Below are foods rich in nutrients that will enhance your immune function. Choose your favorites and incorporate them into your daily diet.



LET'S ADD THESE IMMUNE ENHANCING INGREDIENTS TO OUR BASIC TOOLBOX

Animal Protein

Beef Liver
Lamb Liver

Seafood

Herring
Macrel
Sardines
Shrimp

Vegetables

Bell Peppers
Carrots
Dandelion Greens
Potatoes
Winter Squash

Fruits

Cantaloupe
Cherries (Acerola)
Grapefruit
Kiwi
Lemons
Limes
Papaya



Challenge: Identify which foods you currently enjoy and which foods you would be willing to add to your diet.

The Power of The Lift in Daily Life

By Amanda Archibald & Celynn Morin

Think about how many times you perform a lift every day:

Organizing and Cleaning:

Moving furniture, lifting storage boxes, and handling household objects especially if placing them onto shelves.



Travel and Recreation:

Handling luggage when traveling, lifting grandchildren or lifting equipment for hobbies, like golf bags or coolers in the Summer.



Social Activities: Various tasks like putting away books for the Library Committee or setting up chairs and tables for the Event Set-Up Committee



Proper lifting techniques can significantly reduce strain and prevent injuries that would otherwise make these daily tasks quite difficult and painful for you.

"The Lift" isn't about fancy moves or high-energy antics. It's about improving your quality of life and preventing painful and debilitating injuries in a practical way.

Explore simple and effective strategies in Module Six of our FUNdamental Fitness Program. Spend 10 minutes with Darryl as he guides you through this fundamental movement and start enhancing your daily life today.

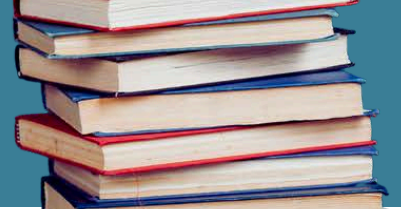


Scan the QR code to get started!

Some basic tips to prevent sprains and strains related to daily movements:

- **Lower Back Strain:** When lifting objects, always bend your knees and hips instead of your waist. Keep the load close to your body while lifting to reduce strain on your lower back.
- **Shoulder Injuries:** Before starting any physical task that involves your shoulders, gently warm up with light movements and stretching. This prepares your muscles and joints for activity, reducing the risk of injury.
- **Knee Injuries:** Strengthen your leg muscles with exercises like gentle squats and leg lifts. Strong legs provide better support for your knees during daily movements and activities.
- **Hernias:** Picking up heavy objects without using your core muscles properly can lead to hernias, where internal tissues push through a weak spot in your abdominal wall.

Mind



Write Your Story: Writing Retreat

Join us for an enriching experience as we set pen to paper to capture the cherished moments of our lives for our loved ones. Writing not only preserves our memories but also enhances our mental clarity, reduces stress, and fosters emotional well-being. Through this creative process, you'll delve into topics such as love, friendship, and happiness. This event is more than just a writing session—it's a journey of reflection and connection. Share your stories, impart your wisdom, and create a lasting legacy that will be treasured for generations. Embrace the power of writing to celebrate your life's journey and to connect with your loved ones in a meaningful and enduring way.

Body



ZestFit: Tour De Zest

We all know that movement is medicine and that physical activity enhances our well-being. What better way to honor and celebrate our bodies than with a thrilling movement competition? Join us for the fourth annual Tour De Zest, where teams will engage in a dynamic array of movement activities, accumulating points in a spirited quest to claim the coveted trophy. This is more than just a competition—it's a vibrant celebration of community, vitality, and the joy of movement.

Soul



Summer Afternoon Tea

Experience a delightful Summer Afternoon Tea, where you can unwind and savor an exquisite selection of fine teas, celebrated for their calming and health-boosting properties. Enjoy a variety of delectable treats in a picturesque setting, creating the perfect ambiance to relax and catch up with friends. Savor the flavors of summer while reaping the benefits of tea, including improved mental clarity and reduced stress. This serene afternoon promises a blend of delightful company and refreshing indulgence. We look forward to welcoming you to this summer soiree.

A Word from our Executive Director

July is one of my favorite months. Two very important births in my life happened this month. As a great man once said, "History began on July 4th, 1776."

I personally, get to celebrate the birth of my oldest child who made me a father this month. My little Emersyn, or Emmy as many of you know her, will be eight years old this month. She has grown so much over the past years and it is so much fun to be her father. She loves coming to visit me here at work so she can see all of you.

-Jonathan



Staff Directory

Jonathan Burningham, Executive Director

Sherri Miller, LPN, Director of Assisted Living

Francisco Villalba, Executive Chef

Victor Alvarado, Dining Manager

Deborah Wahl, Zest Director

Carlos Verdin, Maintenance Director

Ramona Valdez, Housekeeping Director

Cheryl Marino, Business Manager

Theresa Tsaninos, HR Coordinator

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