SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER

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REQUEST FOR RECIPES RECIPE See Attached Flyer

Important Dates Lunch Entertainment: Dec 5 Justin Hillary Dec 10 Darrell Brown Dec 13 Highland Trouveres Dec 18 Silver Chords Dec 19 Roy McKee Dec 20 Boyd Murdock

Dec 19 11AM-1PM Christmas Dinner/Socks For Seniors Passed Out Dec 24 Christmas Eve Close 1:00PM Dec 25 Closed for Christmas 26-27 Closed Dec 31 New Year's Eve Open Jan 1 New Year's Day Closed Jan 2-3 Open Regular Hours

to all that helped with the Craft Fair. Many hands made lighter work. It was a great event!! Hours of Operation

Hours of OperationMonday9:30AM to 1:30PMTuesday8:00AM to 5:00PMWednesday8:00AM to 5:00PMThursday8:00AM to 5:00PMFriday8:00AM to 5:00PM

Senior Activity Center Board of Directors Election

The winners are ... Ernie Naftzger Darrell Borwn Diane Bilyeu



Thank you to everyone that participated in the election process. Thank you to the nominees, the many volunteers that helped during voting and stayed late to count votes, and to each of you that voted. As members of the Senior Activity Center, your participation in this process is key to our continued success.

Word from the Director

How is it already December? November flew by and I believe December will be very much the same. I want to thank you for an amazing first couple of months. I feel you have all taken me in and made me one of your own. I can't tell you how much I enjoy visiting and getting to know each of you. I appreciate when you take the time to share with me your concerns, suggestions, and especially all the reasons you love the SAC. This place belongs to you. My job is to facilitate in creating an environment that stimulates each of you nutritionally, physically, mentally and socially. It is a challenge to make a great thing even better. I love a challenge. Here is to concluding this year going strong and looking to 2025 with excitement and ready for new possibilities.

Sincerely, Tara Contreras





Senior Activity Center December Lunch Menu





Jnited Way of Southeastern Idaho

*Menu subject to availability

Older Driver Safety Awareness Week

December 6-10, 2024

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 Walk the Block 10:30am	4 Dance Lessons 1PM TBD Line Dancing 2PM	5 Entertainment Justin Hillary	6 Bingo at 12:45pm
Beef Enchilada		Spaghetti w/Meatballs	Biscuits & Gravy
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	Chicken Fried Steak	Pork Roast	Hot Dog
Beef Taco	Potatoes	Mixed Vegetables	Mixed Vegetables
Salad Q	Carrots	Peaches	Tropical Fruit
Pears	Peaches	Roll	Dessert
Quinoa	Roll	Milk	Milk
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SHARE YOUR TREASURED FAMILY RECIPES

The United Seniors Project is collecting recipes from New Knowledge Adventures, Snake River New Horizons Band, AARP, friends and family to create a southeast Idaho cookbook.

We would like to invite you, members of the Senior Activity Center (SAC), to participate and forever commemorate your and your loved one's favorite recipes.

Recipes will be accepted via email or text (i.e., picture) to Deanna Aslett at 208–390–0389 or ddaslett@gmail.com until December 15, 2024. There is also a collection box for recipes across from Marty's office at the SAC.

Don't forget to include your name and contact information. Recipes received "in memory of" will be denoted by a symbol next to the name of that person.



December 2024 Nutrition Article

Winter is here! Along with the holidays, snow, and hot cocoa come many viruses, coughs, and colds. Please help us reduce the spread of germs with proper handwashing. National Handwashing Awareness Week is **December 5-11.** According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the following steps can help keep everyone healthy this winter season

- Wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
 - Singing the song, "Happy Birthday" is at least that long
- Dry your hands using a clean towel or air dry them
- Wash hands before food preparation, before eating a meal, after using the restroom, after sneezing/blowing nose, after leaving a public space, etc

What's in season during December?

- Brussel Sprouts wash clean, slice in half, drizzle with olive oil, salt & pepper. Bake at 375 degrees for 30 minutes on a lined
 - baking pan. Delicious!
- Cranberries, Kale, Green Beans, Broccoli, and Oranges

Easy Citrus Cranberry Sauce

- 1 package of fresh cranberries (usually sold in 2 lb bags), washed clean
- ½ cup granulated sugar Feel free to adjust to preferred taste
- 1/2 cup water
- 1 fresh orange ; juice and peel or zest

Bring water and sugar to a light boil, add cranberries and let sit for about 5 min, just until they begin to burst open. Turn off heat and mix in orange juice and zest. Let cool and enjoy! Store in an air-tight container in the refrigerator for 7-10 days.

*Feel free to add your own "mix-ins" i.e. raisins, cinnamon, ginger, etc.

FREE NUTRITION COUNSELING

Free MNT (Medical Nutrition Therapy) services available in person, or via telephone with our registered dietitian Vanessa (habla español), services also available in Spanish. Ask your center staff for details today!

Please reach out to our site for help with the following:

- New medical diagnosis i.e. cancer, diabetes, difficulty swallowing, weight loss, altered taste, fatigue, etc.
- Food resources Food banks, pantries, programs, etc.
- Menu planning and recipe ideas
 - Budgeting

December 2024

"Christmas isn't a season. It's a feeling." ~Edna Ferber

Toilet Talk

Seasonal Affective Disorder

Many people go through short periods when they feel sad or unlike their usual selves. Sometimes, these mood changes begin and end when the seasons change. Many people feel "down" or have the "winter blues" when the days get shorter in the fall and winter and feel better in the spring when longer daylight hours return.



In most cases, SAD symptoms start in the late fall or early winter and go away during the spring and summer, known as winter-pattern SAD or winter depression. Other people experience depressive symptoms during the spring and summer months, known as summerpattern SAD or summer depression. Summer-pattern SAD is less common.

What are the signs and symptoms of SAD?

SAD is a type of depression characterized by a recurrent seasonal pattern, with symptoms lasting about 4–5 months out of the year. The signs and symptoms of SAD include those associated with depression as well as disorder-specific symptoms that differ for winter-pattern versus summer-pattern SAD.

Symptoms of depression can include:

 Persistent sad, anxious, or "empty" mood most of the day, nearly every day, for at least 2 weeks

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- Feelings of hopelessness or pessimism
 - Feelings of irritability, frustration, or restlessness
- Feelings of guilt, worthlessness, or helplessness
- Loss of interest or pleasure in hobbies and activities
- Decreased energy, fatigue, or feeling slowed down
- Difficulty concentrating, remembering, or making decisions
- Changes in sleep or appetite or unplanned weight changes
- Physical aches or pains, headaches, cramps, or digestive problems that do not have a clear physical cause and do not go away with treatment
- Thoughts of death or suicide or suicide attempts

For winter-pattern SAD, additional symptoms can include:

- Oversleeping (hypersomnia)
- Overeating, particularly with a craving for carbohydrates, leading to weight gain
- Social withdrawal (feeling like "hibernating")

For summer-pattern SAD, additional symptoms can include:

- Trouble sleeping (insomnia)
- Poor appetite, leading to weight loss
- Restlessness and agitation
- Anxiety

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• Violent or aggressive behavior For more info., visit the National Institute on Mental Health.

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Ways to Combat Seasonal Affective Disorder

1. Try Light Therapy

Light therapy involves sitting near a special light box for about 20 to 30 minutes a day. This treatment has been clinically proven to improve symptoms of SAD.

2. Be More Active

Engaging in regular physical activity can boost mood and energy levels. Low-impact activities like walking, swimming or water exercises, tai chi, or yoga are especially beneficial for seniors.

3. Use Mindfulness and Relaxation Techniques

Practices such as meditation, tai chi, yoga, and deep breathing exercises can reduce stress and improve mood.

4. Seek Help from a Healthcare Provider

If you're experiencing symptoms of SAD, consult a healthcare professional. Early intervention can prevent symptoms from worsening.





SOLUTION: NOEL - LAST CHRISTMAS - WHITE CHRISTMAS





POW*MIA Awareness Association Wreaths Across America Saturday, December 14

10 am Brady Chapel Mountain View Cemetery Pocatello

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2024-25 Season of Note







A Winter's Evening with Ryanhood'

DECEMBER 14, 2024

Irish Christmas in America

DECEMBER 17, 2024

Mat and Savanna Shaw Christmas

DECEMBER 19, 2024

Shows start at 7:30 PM • Stephens Performing Arts Center



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