SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Important Dates

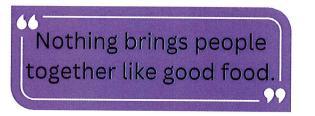
Lunch Entertainment: Jan 7 David Stephens Jan 8 Farnes & Fronske Jan 14 Justin Hillary Jan 15 Neil Fetzer Jan 17 Boyd Murdock Jan 22 Roy McKee Jan 28 Darrell Brown



Monday, Jan 20 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day



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



What is a congregate meal program?

Congregate meal programs provide hot, tasty, nutritious meals to adults age 60 and older in an accessible group setting. The benefits of participating are improved nutrition, dietary variety, social connection, and greater food security. Attending congregate meals on a regular basis gives older adults the chance to meet new people, nurture lasting friendships, and build a solid support network.

In the month of December, we served 1157 meals to 288 people.



Word from the Director

While the mission of the Senior Activity Center is to provide a nutritional meal, we have that and so much more going on. We have activities, classes, and volunteer opportunities available to meet the interests and needs of all that attend the SAC. I encourage you to get involved. Try a new class. Join a different game group. Learn to play billiards. Recently, I overheard someone say, "I love how everyone looks out for each other here." I could not say it better. I see the same thing each day. One individual shared with me, "I was only coming for the free lunch. Instead, I talk to everyone and want to do all the classes." Each member will have a different experience. Studies show social connection assists in lowering blood pressure, depression, and early-onset dementia. Come and enjoy lunch. Stay for the activities, friendships, and boost to your overall health.

Tara Contreras





Senior Activity Center

January 2025 Lunch Menu

Tuesday thru Friday lunch served from 11:30am – 12:30pm *Menu subject to availability



Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1 Happy	2	3 Bingo at 12:45PM Welcome NAACP
	Нарру	Sloppy Joes	Tuna Sandwich
	New Year!!!	Mixed Vegetables	Normandy Vegetables
		Applesauce	Peaches
	CLOSED	Milk	Milk
7 Walk the Block 10:30AM	8 Dance Lessons 1PM & 2PM	Dessert	Dessert
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David Stephens	Farnes & Fronske	Beef Roast	Turkey Noodle Casserole
		Scandinavian Veg	Mixed Veggies
Chicken & Dumplings	Bratwurst	Roll	Tropical Fruit
Green Beans	Saurekraut	Mandarin Oranges	Milk
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Justin Hillary	Neil Fetzer		Boyd Murdock
Turkey Club	Beef Stroganoff	Diana	Meatloaf
	Corn	Pizza Green Salad	Normandy Vegetables
Cranberry Sauce	Mandarin Oranges		Peaches
Milk	Garlic Bread	Pears Milk	Roll
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	Dessert WELCOME AARP		Dessert
21 Walk the Block 10:30AM	22 Dance Lessons 1PM & 2PM Entertainment 11:30AM Roy McKee	23	24 Bingo at 12:45PM
	Chicken Fried Steak	Chicken Teriyaki	Pork Roast
Fry Bread Taco	Mixed Veggies	Rice	Green Beans
Roasted Corn	Mixed Fruit	Normandy Vegetables	Applesauce
Peaches	Roll	Pineapple	Roll
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28 Entertainment 11:30AM Darrell Brown	29 Dance Lessons 1PM & 2PM	30	31 Bingo at 12:45PM
	Sliced Turkey	Spaghetti w/Meatballs	Ham Soup
Chicken Alfredo	Broccoli	Green Beans	Cornbread
Romaine Salad	Apricots	Mandarin Oranges	Green Salad
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A Day Spent With Friends Is Always A Day Well Spent.

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January 2025 Nutrition Article

Happy New Year's friends! With a new year, we often set New Year's Resolutions & goals. Popular resolutions often include losing weight, drinking more water, and eating healthier. Here are a few tips to help you reach some nutritional goals:

- Drinking more water
 - Aim for at least 8 cups of water per day 0
 - Water bottles with labels can help reach intake goals 0
 - 0 Setting timers/alarms for reminders to drink up
- Consuming less salt
 - Rinse any frozen and canned foods, salt is often used as a preservative. Thoroughly rinse under running 0 water a couple of times will help to reduce sodium content
 - Keep the salt shaker off the table! We often salt our food before tasting it. 0
 - Look for sodium substitutes i.e. Seasoning, citrus, herbs (fresh or dry) 0
 - Eating less saturated fat and more unsaturated fat to encourage heart health
 - Saturated fats solidify at room temperature: butter, lard, animal fat
 - Unsaturated fats remain liquid at room temperature: Oils, avocados, etc. 0

Seasonal foods in January?

- Citrus fruits oranges, limes, grapefruit, etc.
- · Garlic, green beans, broccoli, and sweet potatoes

Protein Packed Chili

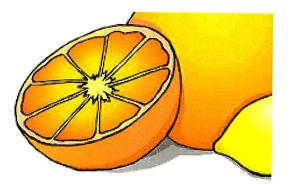
- 1 pound ground beef, drained
- 1 can small red beans, rinsed and drained
- 1 can pinto beans, rinsed and drained
- 1 can kidney beans, rinsed and drained
- 1 can crushed tomato
- 1 can (16 oz) tomato juice
- 1 cup water
- 1 tbsp ground chili powder
- 1 tsp garlic powder (or fresh)
- Salt and pepper to taste

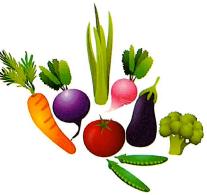
Possible garnish: Corn chips, shredded cheese, onion, mustard, etc.

Brown ground beef, and drain. Return to a large pot and add in the rest of the ingredients. Bring to a low simmer for 10-15 minutes. Turn off, let cool for 5 minutes, and top with desired garnishes.

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! 0
 - 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





January 2025



"Learn as if you will live forever, live like you will die tomorrow." — Mahatma Gandhi

Toilet Talk

Strength Training Builds More than Muscles

Most of us know that strength training (with free weights, weight machines, or resistance bands) can help build and maintain muscle mass and strength. What many of us don't know is that strong muscles lead to strong bones. And strong bones can help minimize the risk of fracture due to osteoporosis.



Osteoporosis should be a concern for all of us. An estimated eight million women and two million men in the United States have osteoporosis. It is now responsible for more than two mil-

lion fractures each year, and experts expect that number will rise.

A combination of agerelated changes, inactivity, and inadequate

nutrition conspire to gradually steal bone mass, at the rate of 1% per year after age 40.

As bones grow more fragile and susceptible to fracture, they are more likely to break after even a minor fall, or a far less obvious stress such as bending over to tie a shoelace.

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The good news is that research shows that strength training can play a role in slowing bone loss, and can even build bone. This is tremendously useful to help offset age-related declines in bone mass. Activities that put stress on bones can nudge bone-forming cells into action. That stress comes from the tugging and pushing on bone that occur during strength training (as well as weight-bearing aerobic exercises like walking or running). The result is stronger, denser bones.

And strength training, in particular, has bone benefits beyond those offered by aerobic weight-bearing exercise. It targets bones of the hips, spine, and wrists, which are the sites most likely to fracture. What's more, resistance workouts - particularly those that include moves emphasizing power and balance — enhance strength and stability. That can boost confidence, encourage you to stay active, and reduce fractures another way: by cutting down on falls.



Strength training will help keep your body strong and prevent falls. Practice strength training at a Fit and Fall Proof® exercise class. Call Michelle at 208-239-5207 for class details.

For more info. on strength training, visit www.health.harvard.edu.



SOLUTION: BOBS UP AND DOWN - THE TOP OF THE PILE

Key Principles for a **Time Saving** Workout

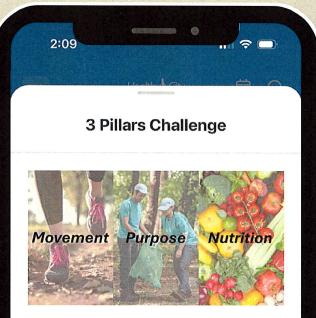
- Focus on multi-joint exercises rather than movements that target a single muscle group. These should have both eccentric and concentric (lifting and lowering, contracting and relaxing) muscle actions.
- Perform a workout that includes at least: 1 leg pressing exercise e.g. squats. 1 upper-body pulling exercise e.g. pull-up or equivalent. 1 upper-body pushing exercise e.g. bench press, push up or equivalent.
- Exercises can be performed with machines and/or free weights based on training goals, availability and personal preferences. Resistance bands can also be used. Calisthenics might be preferred by some, the same principles apply.
 - Bilateral exercises, those that train both sides of the body at the same time, e.g. squat or barbell curl, save time compared to unilateral exercises, say, a single leg or bicep curl. These also allow more weight to be used.





3 PILLARS CHALLENGE

MOVEMENT • PURPOSE • NUTRITION



Duration

🛱 Jan 1, 2025–Jan 31, 2025

Participants

52 friends participating

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Challenge goal

TARGET GOAL Achieve 300,000 steps in 31 days.

More about the challenge

This is the beginning of a healthier you! Your goal for this challenge is to reach 300,000 steps by the end of January. This comes out to about 10,000 steps per day. Make sure to set

NEW YEAR, HEALTHIER YOU!

JAN 1 - JAN 31

300,000 STEPS

FREE MOVESPRING APP

3 PILLARS CONTENT POSTED EVERY DAY

GRAND PRIZE AND 4 OTHER PRIZES AWARDED AT END OF CHALLENGE





BORED? GAMES!

POCATELLO'S FIRST BOARD GAME CAFE IS NOW OPEN!

THE GAMERY IS BRINGING FUN BACK TO POCATELLO!

COME CHECK OUT YOUR NEW HUB FOR FUN EVENINGS, DATE NIGHTS & GROUP EVENTS!

WE HAVE OVER 100 GAMES WITH MORE BEING ADDED REGULARLY!



COLLEGE LIFE HACK: STUDY BREAKS & CHEAP DATES AT THE PERFECT STUDENT HANGOUT FOR ONLY \$4!

PLAY YOUR WAY! CHOOSE THE \$5 DAILY PASS OR GO ALL-IN WITH OUR MONTHLY PASSES! STUDENTS PLAY FOR \$4!

> The Gamery: A Board Game Cafe 611 Wilson Ave Suite 3A Pocatello, ID 83201

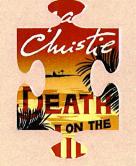
MONDAY - CLOSED TUESDAY - CLOSED WEDNESDAY - 4PM-10PM THURSDAY - 4PM-10PM FRIDAY - 4PM-11PM SATURDAY - 4PM-11PM SUNDAY - 12PM-6PM

National Puzzle Day Event

MPL Exploration Center Thursday, January 30th 6pm-8pm

If you enjoy jigsaw puzzles and solving mysteries, come join us for a puzzle mystery night.









Marshall Public Library is accessible to persons with disabilities. Program access accommodations may be provided with two (2) days' advance notice by contacting Skyler Beebe at sbeebe@pocatello.gov; 208.234.6248; or 5815 South 5th Ave, Pocatello, Idaho.



NUTRITION GUIDE FOR WOUND HEALING

HOW DOES NUTRITION HELP WOUND HEALING?

Consuming an adequate amount of calories, protein, fluid, vitamins, and minerals helps promote wound healing.



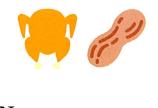
The best source of these nutrients is **FOOD**. Choose fruit, vegetables, whole grains (oatmeal, whole-wheat bread/crackers, brown rice), milk or milk alternatives, beans/legumes, and meat or meat alternatives.

PROTEIN

Building blocks for body tissues (muscle, skin, bones, cartilage)

Eat a source of protein at every meal and snack.

Examples of protein sources: Cottage cheese, eggs, chicken, fish/seafood, turkey, pork, beef, yogurt, milk, soy products (soy milk, tofu, tempeh), nuts, seeds, beans



Dietetic Solutions

CALORIES

During the healing process, our body needs extra calories (energy).

If your appetite is poor, eat small, frequent meals and/or snacks between meals.

Increase your calorie intake by adding calorie dense ingredients to foods:

Nut butter, cheese, whole milk, fullfat yogurt, cream, gravy, butter, oil, jam, jelly, mayonnaise, nuts, seeds, dried fruit, or cream-based dressing/dip



FLUID

Allows for nutrients consumed in foods and oxygen to travel to areas of the body

Fluid needs are individualized. Most adults need 9-12 cups fluid/day (1 cup from caffeinated beverages).

Recommended beverages Water, milk (or nutritional supplement drinks), 100% fruit or vegetable juice, soups, unsweetened tea

VITAMINS & MINERALS

Vitamin A, Vitamin C, and zinc help your body repair damaged tissue and fend off infections. Eat a variety of fruits, vegetables, grains, dairy, and protein sources to meet your vitamin & mineral needs.



Finger Foods Diet



What are finger foods?

Finger foods are food items that can be easily picked up with and held in the hand without falling apart.

Who may benefit from finger foods?

Finger foods are often helpful for people with impaired cognitive function or motor skills. This may include those with hypermobility, a tendency to not be still/seated for long periods of time, or difficulty with the use of regular or adaptive utensils for self-feeding.



Various disease states may increase pacing, agitation, and limit focus, which can affect meal times. These disease states can include Alzheimer's Disease, Parkinson's Disease, and Dementia.

If someone is constantly getting up during meal times, needs reminders to sit down, has difficulty using utensils, refuses help with meals, tries to eat regular foods with their hands, and/or if they have shown weight loss, finger foods may be beneficial.



How are finger foods helpful?

Finger foods can help improve independence, increase food/nutrient intake, reduce the risk of malnutrition, and decrease frustration at mealtimes.

Easy Finger Foods

- Breadstick, dinner roll, or toast
- Muffins and pastry items
- French toast, pancakes, or waffles cut into strips
- Snack cakes
- Soft cookies
- Cheese cubes, slices, or string cheese
- Ice cream sandwiches
- Milk beverage in a cup with a straw
- Smoothies in a cup with a straw
- Yogurt drinks and squeeze pouches
- Burgers and sandwiches cut into quarters
- Chicken nuggets/tenders
- Fish sticks
- Hard-boiled egg
- Pizza cut into bite-sized pieces
- Quesadilla cut into bite-sized pieces
- French fries, potato wedges, tater tots
- Soup in a mug
- Ziti and small pasta with sauce for dipping
- Cooked vegetables in bite-sized pieces
- Fruit bite-sized pieces with liquid drained

HIGH-CALORIE FOODS

THAT HELP PROMOTE WEIGHT GAIN

Nut Butter **Dried Fruit or Nuts** Add to bananas, apples, crackers, yogurt, Add dried fruit to oatmeal or cereal. Add nuts pancakes, waffles and oatmeal. to salads. **Olive Oil or Butter Chia, Pumpkin and Flax Seeds** Add seeds to oatmeal, cereal, vogurt, salads, Add olive oil or butter to vegetables, potatoes, pasta, meats, beans, salads, and soups. soups, or homemade granola bars. Avocado Jams, Jellies, Apple Butter, Honey or Maple Syrup Add to salads, toast, sandwiches or eggs. Pair guacamole w/ vegetables or chips/crackers. Add to food of choice. Full-Fat Yogurt, Cottage Cheese, Cheese, Chicken or Tuna Salad **Cream Cheese or Milk** Enjoy chicken or tuna salad sandwiches or pair Use whole milk, whipping cream, or half and half in with crackers. Choose tuna packed in oil. coffee. Add cheese to pasta, salads and sandwiches. **Grains or Starch** Hummus or Cream-Based Dip Enjoy a sweet or white potato or 1/2 cup of brown Dip chips, crackers, or vegetables. rice, guinoa, pasta, or mashed potatoes with your meal. Add granola to yogurt or milk. **Cream-Based Soups** Smoothie or Milkshake Smoothie: Fruit, spinach, whole milk, Greek yogurt, nut Add half and half, Greek yogurt, sour cream, or butter, chia seeds / Milkshake: Whole milk, ice cream, nu whole milk to broth-based soups. butter, chocolate syrup

Snack Ideas

Greek yogurt w/ berries and granola Cottage cheese w/ fruit or tomatoes Homemade peanut butter crackers Homemade granola bars Apple slices w/ caramel dip Grilled cheese sandwich

Bananas w/ peanut butter Bagel w/ cream cheese Chicken or cheese quesadilla



PREBIOTICS & PROBIOTICS HEALTHY GUT = HAPPY DIGESTION

HOW TO LESSEN AND IMPROVE THE SIDE EFFECTS OF ANTIBIOTICS

Antibiotics help treat infections. You may experience some side effects when you take antibiotics: poor appetite, altered taste, difficulty swallowing, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea.

Antibiotics destroy bad bacteria and good bacteria in your gut. In order to build up your immune system and decrease the risk of antibiotic-associated side effects, you need to replenish your good bacteria in the gut by eating foods and drinks containing probiotics and prebiotics.

It is best to take probiotics a few hours after antibiotics to prevent antibiotics from killing the good bacteria in the probiotics.

PROBIOTICS

LIVE, HEALTHY BACTERIA

Yogurt * Greek yogurt* *(higher in protein)* Kefir Sauerkraut Kimchi Kombucha *(fermented tea)* Tempeh Probiotic supplement

*look for yogurt with live active cultures [S. Thermophilus, L. Bulgaricus, L. Acidophilus, Bifidus, L. Casei, L. Plantarum, Bifidobacteria]

PREBIOTICS FOOD FOR PROBIOTICS TO FEED BACTERIA IN YOUR GUT

Bananas Oatmeal Brown rice Whole-grain dry cereal Quinoa Raw garlic Onions Leeks Soybeans Artichokes

