



### **Protect Yourself & Others from the Flu**

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recognizes National Influenza Vaccination Week from December 5 to 11 to highlight the importance of flu vaccination.

National Influenza Vaccination Week is a call to all Americans 6 months and older to get their annual flu vaccine if they have not already. Flu remains a significant public health concern, and this week will serve to remind people that there is still time to get a flu vaccine—the only vaccine that protects against flu—to prevent flu illness and potentially serious complications.

For many people, the seasonal flu is a mild illness. But sometimes, the flu can be serious or even deadly.

#### The flu:

- Is linked to serious infections like pneumonia
- Can make existing health problems worse (for example, long-term heart or lung disease)
- Can lead to hospitalization or death

Flu vaccines can help prevent people from getting sick with the flu — and lower the risk of hospitalization and death caused by the flu.

The flu spreads easily from person to person. So when you get a flu vaccine, you don't just protect yourself. You also protect everyone around you.

Flu vaccines are safe and effective – and there's still time to get vaccinated.

Every year, flu vaccines are updated to better match the four flu viruses that research indicates will circulate during the season.

While it is ideal to get a flu vaccine before flu starts spreading in your community (usually in October each year), getting vaccinated later is beneficial anytime flu viruses are circulating. Getting vaccinated now can still provide protection against flu because flu activity is still elevated, and activity most commonly peaks in February, and significant flu activity can continue into May.

Go to your doctor or local pharmacy to get your flu vaccine, encourage your loved ones to get their flu vaccine, and learn more about the benefits of getting vaccinated against flu.

Learn more here: https://www.cdc.gov/flu/ prevent/vaccinations.htm





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### **Upcoming Events**

December 6 @ 11:00am Silver & Secure Vendor Table

December 7 @ 10:00am **Brunch Bingo** 

December 7 @ 1:45pm **Book Club** 

December 8 @ 12:00pm Arts & Crafts Series: DIY Christmas **Stockings** 

> December 12 @ 12:35pm Bunco

> December 13 @ 12:00pm Christmas Cookie Swap

> December 13 @ 12:30pm Ugly Sweater Bingo

December 14 @ 1:30pm Arts & Crafts Series: Floral Arranging

> December 16 @ 11:00am Christmas Luncheon

December 21 @ 12:30pm Cinema at the Center: The Polar Express

**December 26- January 2 Center Closed for Christmas** & New Year's



December has the clarity, the simplicity, and the silence you need for the best FRESH START of your life. ~Vivian Swift



### Note From the Center...

#### By DeLisa Leopold, Executive Director

#### It's a Wonderful Time of the Year

The holidays are upon us! There is hustle and bustle all around as many prepare for special gatherings, holiday guests and baking those oh so delicious Christmas cookies. In the mix of it all, it is a wonderful time to look back at the year we have had as a community. This time of year also brings in a spirit of giving. Our Angel Tree was once full of tags and is now becoming bare, which means our Meals on Wheels clients will also have a wonderful Christmas.

We have been blessed by the efforts and support of many to have successful fundraisers, inhouse and community events

and outreach programs. Our dedicated volunteers have given us many hours of their time. Our members have enthusiastically participated in our social and health & wellness activities and we as an administrative team have settled into new roles/duties.

We are looking forward to celebrating the holidays with the BSBAC community and hope everyone joins in on the holiday themed events we have planned. We wish everyone a holiday season full of family, friends, and fun!

Thank you all for making this an amazing year! We appreciate you!



### **December Weekly Activity Schedule**



9:00am Library 9:00am Visiting/ Socializing 9:00am Ride the Bus 10:00am Dominoes 9:00am Wood Carving 10:00am Men's Fellowship

**11:30am** Fellowship Meal

12:35pm Bunco (2nd & 4th Mon) 1:00pm Bridge Foursome (1st & 3rd Mon)



TUFSDAY

9:00am Library 9:00am Visiting/ Socializing 9:00am Open Games 9:00am Ride the Bus 10:00am Mexican Train - (Dominoes) 11:00am Mah Jong

**11:30am** Fellowship Meal

**1:00pm** Bingo



#### WEDNESDAY

9:00am Library 9:00am Visiting/ Socializing 9:00am Bridge 9:00am Ride the Bus 10:00am Brunch Bingo (1st Wed)

11:30am Fellowship Meal

12:00pm Knitting/ Crochet/Sewing 1:45pm Book Club (1st Wed) 1:45pm Arts & Crafts Class (2nd Wed) 2:00pm Spanish 2:00pm Caregiver Support Group (3rd Wed)



#### THURSDAY

9:00am Library 9:00am Visiting/ Socializing 9:00am Cards 9:00am Ride the Bus 10:00am Canasta HF 12:00pm Poker

**11:30am** Fellowship Meal

1:00pm Mindful Meditation 2:00pm Table Tennis



9:00am Library 9:00am Visiting/ Socializing 9:00am Ride the Bus

**11:00am** Fellowship Meal

12:10pm Bingo



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December 2022 Center Meal Menu



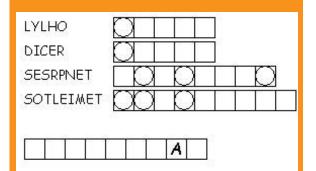
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5 Turkey & Rice Soup Green Salad Cornbread Dessert	6 Egg Rolls Fried Rice Edamame Beans Dessert	7 Pizza Green Salad Dessert	8 Cheeseburger Soup Green Salad Brownies	9 Green Salad Potato Salad Chicken Salad Dessert
12 Sub Sandwiches Chips Dessert	13 Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce Salad Garlic Bread Dessert	14 Frito Pie Fruit Dessert	15 Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Dessert	16 Holiday Potluck Luncheon
19 Beef Noodle Casserole Salad Dessert	20 Chef's Choice Dessert	21 Ham & Cheese Sliders Cole Slaw Dessert	22 Turkey Chili Green Salad Cornbread Dessert	23 Chicken Pot Pie Dessert
26 CENTER CLOSED Christmas	27 CENTER CLOSED	28 CENTER CLOSED	29 CENTER CLOSED	30 CENTER CLOSED

Fellowship Meal is served Mon-Thurs@ 11:30am, Fri@11:00am (LUNCH IS SERVED FOR A 1/2 HOUR IN THE CENTER) Suggested Donation \$4 (Donations help make our fellowship meals possible) Menus are subject to change



## Mumbo Jumbo

Unscramble each of the clue words. Take the letters that appear in boxes and unscramble themfor the final message.



### Bamboozles

The object is to try to figure out the wellknown saying, person, place, or thing that each bamboozable is meant to represent. *(Solutions below)* 



# CHRISTMAS WORD SEARCH

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### Commonyms

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- 2. Eiffel Water Watch
- 3. Surfing Waves TV's Toothpaste
- 4. Calendar Stone Fruit Tombstones
- 5. The Scale The Legend The Key
- 6. Shepherd Sheet Music White House
- 7. Turkey Teddy Bear Xmas Stocking
- 8. Porkey Wilber Arnold
- 9. Volleyball Office with Computers -Fisherman
- 10. Tapestry Braided Area

### Nov. Answers

- . Things you raise
- 2. Sticks
- 3. Chairs
- 4. Dogs
- 5. Purples
- 6. Boats
- 7. They are stuffed
- 8. Shells
- 9. Boxes
- 10. Bombs





BAMBOOZLES SOLUTIONS: 1) The odds are overwhelming; 2) Vanished into thin air; 3) Shop online; 4) Close quarters; 5) He's getting under my skin; 6) Part-time job. MUMBO JUMBO SOLUTION: Holly, Cider, Presents, Mistletoe; Final Message: CHRISTMAS

# **December Health & Wellness Schedule**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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It's important to keep working out during the holidays in order to burn calories and to boost your sluggish circulation during the winter months.

# Health & Wellness Class Descriptions



#### **ACTIVE AGING STRENGTH**

This class helps improve strength. The instructor will take you through a variety of exercises for a complete workout. Get comfortable using circuit equipment as well as resistance bands, medicine balls, free weights, etc.

#### **BALANCE & STRENGTH**

This class is recommended for members with concerns about balance and loss of upper and lower body strength. Focus will be on functional fitness as well as balance and strength. **\*Free to all members\*** 



#### **BALLET BARRE**

The exercises build gradually, are safe and can be performed by anyone. Muscles become toned and lengthened, posture is improved, and movement becomes more graceful as the student becomes more aware of his/her body.



#### **CHAIR YOGA**

Chair yoga is a gentle practice in which yoga postures are performed while seated and/ or with the aid of a chair. Benefits include improved strength & energy, improved flexibility & balance, and improved concentration.

#### EASY PACE

Beginner to intermediate aerobics that includes cardio, marching in place, and basic arm and leg movement patterns. Improves muscle strength, flexibility, endurance, coordination, and balance.



#### **LINE DANCING**

Line Dancing is choreographed to a variety of music with repeating series of steps that are performed in unison. Learn some fancy footwork while challenging your mind to memorize these fun sequences.

#### RESTORATIVE YOGA

A therapeutic style of yoga which utilizes props to make it easier for the body to get into certain poses. The focus of this class is relaxation, renewal, effortlessness, ease and a completely supportive environment.

#### 🦿 YOGA/YOGA MIXED

Slow flowing class of gentle stretching and physical postures using breath to connect mind and body. This is an excellent way for improving flexibility, balance and great for de-stressing.



#### ZUMBA/ZUMBA GOLD/SEATED

Zumba is a dance-fitness class that is set to zesty Latin music like salsa, merengue, mambo, etc. Zumba Gold modifies the moves and pacing to suit the needs of the active older participant.

#### **ZUMBA TONING**

Zumba Toning is perfect for those who like Zumba, but want to put extra emphasis on toning and sculpting to define those muscles. The challenge of adding resistance by using toning sticks (or light weights), helps you focus on specific muscle groups, so your muscles stay engaged.



"Exercise not only changes your body, it changes your mind, your attitude, and your mood."



# 🔥 Activity Center Happenings 💐

Our **2nd Annual Clay Shoot** is in the books. Thank you to all our shooters, sponsors, donors, and Good Bull Ranch for helping us to have a fantastic event! We had a record number 23 shooting teams, which included veteran, EMS, and youth teams.





Thank you to Gilman Subaru of San Antonio for lending one of their Subarus for our Stuff the Trunk Event and Meals on Wheels delivery. We collected so many items for our Meals on Wheels clients and area seniors. Thank you to the community for their generous donations. We truly appreciate your support! #SubaruShareTheLove









#### ANNUAL THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON

Thank you to everyone that joined us for our Thanksgiving Luncheon last Friday. It was a great day of fellowship and tasty food. Thank you to the students from Bracken Christian School and Living Rock Academy for helping out in the kitchen and serving, and Japke Gosselin for playing the accordion.









































We had such a great time at our Halloween Potluck luncheon and our Halloween Bingo! There were so many great costumes!





















Wednesday, Dec. 21, 2022 @ 12:30pm

#### COME ENJOY A MOVIE, SNACKS & FELLOWSHIP



Late on Christmas Eve, after the town has gone to sleep, a boy boards the mysterious train that waits for him--The Polar Express. When the boy arrives at the North Pole, Sonta offers him any gift he desires. The boy asks only for a bell from the harness of Santa's reindeer. On the way home, the bell is lost. Christmas marning, the boy finds the bell under the tree, & when he shakes it, the bell makes the most beautiful sound. His mother admires the bell, ... for, you see, only a true believer can hear the sound of the hell

















MEALS ON WHEELS DELIVERS THE SUPPORT THAT KEEPS SENIORS IN THEIR HOMES, WHERE THEY WANT TO BE.



"I am so grateful for the volunteers – people who have it in their heart to help. They don't have to do it, but they do."

A MARTHA MEALS ON WHEELS CLIENT

Over the last 14 years, Subaru and its retailers have helped the Meals on Wheels network deliver NEARLY 4 MILLION MEALS to seniors in need across the country.

You can help that number grow. WHEN YOU BUY OR LEASE A NEW VEHICLE during the 2022 Subaru Share the Love® Event, SUBARU OF AMERICA WILL DONATE \$250 to the purchaser's choice of participating charities from November 17, 2022 through January 3, 2023. We hope you'll choose Meals on Wheels!

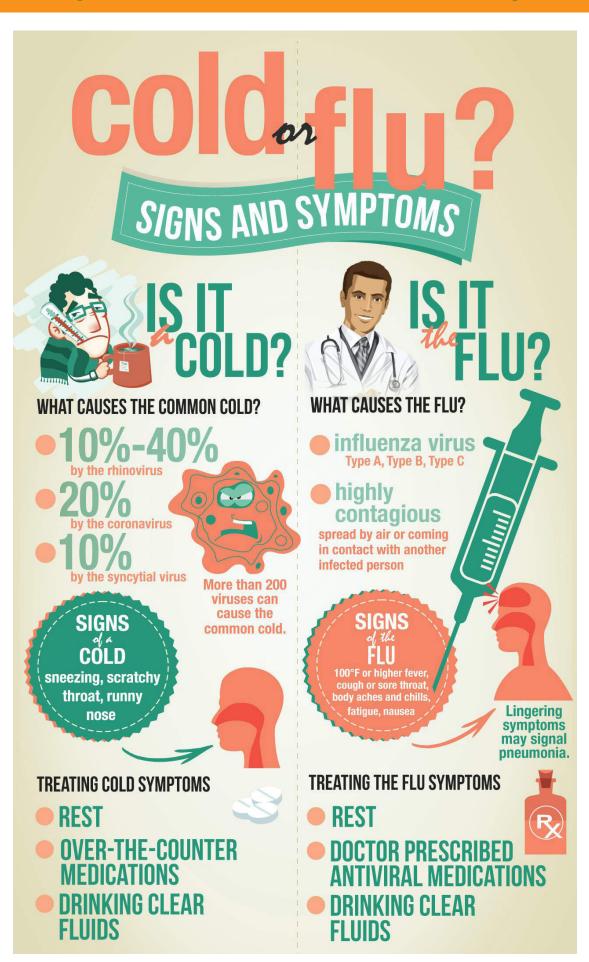


LEARN MORE AT WWW.MEALSONWHEELSAMERICA.ORG/SHARETHELOVE. Based on data available in 2021 – Information data sources available at www.MealsOnWheelsAmerica.org/Facts





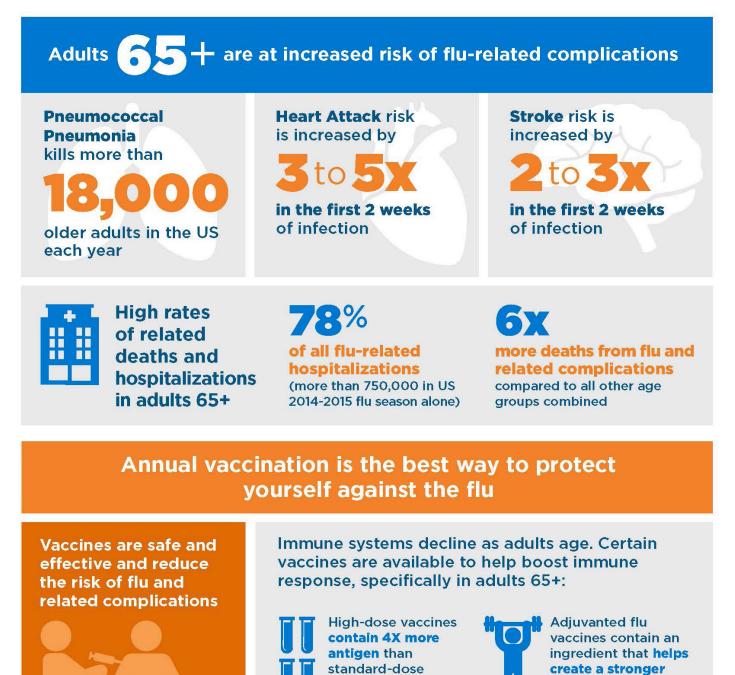
News You Can Use







### Flu in Adults Age 65 Years and Older What Are the Risks?



vaccines

If a specific flu vaccine is not available in your area, **don't delay!** Vaccination with any available influenza vaccine is recommended and will still provide protection.

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## What's Cooking



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### **Beet, Goat Cheese and Walnut** Salad

(per cup slices, raw)

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Step out of your usual salad rotation with this elegant, tasty salad topped with beets, goat cheese and walnuts.

#### INGREDIENTS

Beets

✓ Cholesterol-Free ✓ Gluten-Free

Contains phytonutrients and anti-

oxidants which may help to reduce

✓ Low-Sodium ✓ Fat-Free

✓ Good Source of Fiber

inflammation in the body

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- 1 10 oz. package arugula
- 2 small beets cooked, sliced
- 4 counces goat cheese
- 4 tablespoons chopped walnuts
- 4 tablespoons balsamic dressing



#### INSTRUCTIONS

1. Top arugula with beets, cheese, walnuts and dressing. Mix well.

#### NUTRITION

Calories: 141kcal Saturated Fat: 1g Sodium: 171mg Vitamin A: 38IU

Carbohydrates: 6g Polyunsaturated Fat: 5g Potassium: 179mg Vitamin C: 2mg

Protein: 2g Monounsaturated Fat: 1g Cholesterol: 0.5mg Fiber: 2g Calcium: 20mg

Fat: 12g Sugar: 4g Iron: 1mg

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