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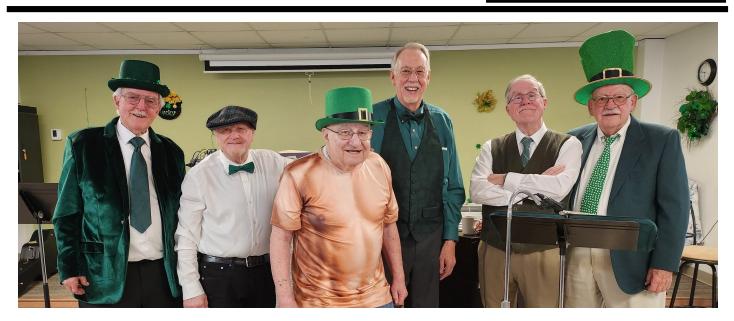


Your senior millage tax dollars at work!

Engage!

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WE HAD A WONDERFUL TIME ON ST. PAT'S DAY. THANKS TO JON MOORE & ALA CARTE!

Leading in services, information, & assistance for quality lifestyles & healthy aging.

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The Monroe Center for Healthy Aging is committed to improving the quality of life and health of older adults in



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Carry-Out Meals are available.

"The Monroe Center is the place to be – for fun, fellowship, & support."

Monthly Menu

Watch "Off Your Rocker" on MPACT

Tuesdays at 5pm and Thursdays at 4pm

Comcast: Channel 21 or Charter: Channel 187

You may also watch it on-line at MPACT's website www.mpactstudio.org



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From the Director's Desk

"Isn't it nice to think that tomorrow is a new day with no mistakes in it yet?



~ L.M. Montgomery

May is Older Americans Month! It's a time to celebrate us — our accomplishments, our longevity, the impact we've made in our world. Successful aging, after all, is who we've become and thinking positive about getting older.

Society often depicts us older folks as fragile, losing it, slow, and possibly helpless. I guess they haven't walked a mile in our shoes. Sure, our bodies lose muscle mass and we might not be as strong as we once were, but we're not afraid to ask for help. And our brains sometimes take a bit longer to make a connection. But that's okay. We still have a lot of wisdom, perspective, and life experience to offer. And our life expectancy is growing. At age 75, statistics say we have 11 (men) and 13 (women) more years ahead. That's more than life expectancy at birth which is 76 for men and 81 for women. At the Monroe Center, we're making the most of those bonus years! I see lots of vibrant, engaged people enjoying life every day who are making healthy choices. Way to go.

May 28th is National Senior Health and Fitness Day. It's a day for us to celebrate at the Center. Bring a friend who hasn't been here before and you both enjoy a complimentary lunch. We'll have the salad bar open where we can enjoy eating the rainbow. And we're offering a plant based main choice as a alternative. We hope you'll join us.

A project being undertaken by the directors of services funded by the senior millage is a community needs assessment. The number of older adults is continuing to increase as the last of the baby boomers have become seniors and as longevity increases. We want to better understand what people are thinking. We are partnering with the University of Michigan StatCom graduate students to provide expertise with this project, and we're asking all older adults (age 55+) in Monroe County to complete a survey. While paper copies are available, we encourage the use of the electronic format. A QR code and computer links are available at the Center and on page 11 of this newsletter. Please participate and spread the word.

Thanks for being in this journey together. We're making a difference.

~ Sandie

News to Note . . .

- Bingo is on Tuesdays!
 Card sales at 1:30 p.m.

 Sunday Bingo—May 4
- Monday Massages & 1st-Wednesday of the month with JoAnn — 10:00 to 1:00
- May 2 Women's Bible Study
 3:00 p.m.
- May 7 May Birthday
 Celebration during lunch
- May 1 Israel Presentation
- May 14 —Trivia Night at 5:00 p.m. Prizes!!
- **May 8** Let's Talk Health with Maurine at 4:30
- May 8 —at 11:30 Library in Motion Delivery
- May 11 Mother's Day
- **May 13** Class of '58
- May 14 Movie "The Unbreakable Boy: 1:30 p.m.
- **May 15 —Craft—** Furry Friends—3:00 Please sign up.
- May 13 MHS Class of '67 Breakfast 3rd Wed.
- **May 22** Writing Group at 2:00 p.m.
- May 22 —ProMedica Health Odyssey— Heart Failure
- May 22 Book Club at 1:00 Ride of Her Life by Eliz. Letts
- May 24 Men's Bible
- May 28— Health/Fitness Day
- May 28 Voting Program
- May 29 Blood Drive 10-3:00
- **May 30** \$2 Soup & Sandwich Day
- **May 30** —Game Night 3:00

Please Remember to Scan



Happy May Birthdays

Janice Adams	Diana Hammack	Evonne Loop	Millie Rieger
Carolyn Alston	Elizabeth Harrington	Walter Love	Dennis Rohmyer
Mary Ball	Kathy Hartwig	Frank Lucas	Patti Rousselo
Sue Bastien	Mary Ann Hill	Kathleen Maloche	Jess Sortor
Thomas Beck	Elaine Hudkins	Jill McBee	Sue Stadler
Bob Bess	John Hughes	Jane McDonald	Mitzi Straub
Gregg Blankley	Violet Ingram	Shirley Mell	Chris Sturn
Robert Bomyea	Mark K. Kenney	Al Miller	Scott Suttles —"50"
Charlene Calkins	Russell Kiebler	Joyce Miller	Peter Sucura
Joe Costello	Mary Kohlman	Dean Mink	Brenda Swathell
Karen Davis	Barbara Kozicki	Bill Minney	Jayne Van Belle
Adam Emmendorfer	Marg Kreps	Charlotte Moore	Sue Vandevelde
Don Faulhaber	Jerry Kuehnlein	Dale Morgan	Jim Wells
Rick Gagne	Linda Lamb	Roxanne Morris	Jan Wood
Daniel Gautz	Martha Leonard	LeRoy Peters	Clint Worrell
Constance Goolsby		Richard Peters	Carol Yount

Birthday Celebration! — May 7

We'll have cake and ice cream and music with Bonnie, Jim, George, and the gang. Members celebrating a May birthday enjoy a complimentary meal on Wed., May 7.

Cake sponsored by Huron Valley PACE

"Success is like
reaching an
important
birthday and
finding you're
exactly the same."

~Audrey Hepburn



April Birthday Celebration Attendees

RECENT DONATIONS

in memory of Paul Wagner

Reah Kohler

in memory of Rebecca Estes

Carol Gawlinsky

in memory of Dave Duvall

Mable Kehres Association

in memory of Michael Brooks

Mable Kehres Association

in memory of Jimmie Bates

Mable Kehres Association

Individual Donations generate 5% of our annual budget (\$35,000)

Your support helps to ensure we maintain a balanced budget.

Thanks!

in memory of Jean Moore

Kurt & Becky Livingston

in memory of Jack and Elaine Champion

Dennis Richardville

in memory of Margaret Howerton

Joyce Kipf-Trowbridge

Thanks to Hospice of Northwest Ohio for sponsoring the April Birthday Cake.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Ruth Beck

Debra Deszell

Laura Dye

Jean Ann Geiger

Christine George

Charlotte Goins

Danquole Janukaitis

Janice Kirch

Kathryn Kopke

Daniel and Frances Longsworth

Donna Melvin

Dale and Virginia Navarre

Kojo Quartey

Deborah Shaul

Linda Tyree

Report on the 50/50 Raffles at Bingo

\$ 404 — January

\$ 382 — February \$386.50 — March

Thanks to **Mikie**, **Val**, & **Debbie** for selling tickets and to the **buyers**!

Food Donation Goal: \$2,000

January — \$150.24

February — \$224

Cheri's Quote of the Month

"Garden as though you will live forever."

~ William Kent

Memorial Leaves are available for \$10 each.

Order at the Front Desk

With sympathy ...

Paul Wagner 3/2
David Duvall 3/2
Karen Smeltzer 3/3
Jimmie Bates 2/20
Jane Karau 3/31
Ruby Lanni 4/02

Deep in our hearts you'll always stay loved and missed everyday



MAY 2025 "What's Going On" at-a-Glance

Monroe Ford Retirees — Monday, May 5 — 8:30 a.m. Breakfast 11:00 a.m. Lunch — Salaried

BINGO

Bingo is held on Tuesdays

Card Sales at 1:00. Bingo at 1:30

Sunday Bingo is May 4

Card Sales at 1:30. Bingo at 2:00

Please be kind. We're all human.
Our callers are Volunteers!



Health Odyssey May 22, 2025

11:30 a.m. Lunch

12:00 Program

Topic: Heart Failure by Heart Failure Clinic

Please sign up: 734.241.0404

Registration includes the complimentary lunch for those who attend the program.

Please be kind. No talking during the presentation.

After the events, watch presentations on-line at MPACT's website www.mpactstudio.org

HOSTED BY Mikie Kunich

Wednesday, May 14th 5:00 to 6:30 p.m.

TRIVIA

Free of charge.

Prizes Awarded!

Get a Team Together limit of five people per team. Ages 12+

May 14th Movie

"The Unbreakable Boy"

1:30 pm



When Scott and Teresa learn that their son, Austin, is autistic and has brittle bone disease, they initially worry about his future.

However, with Scott's

growing faith and Austin's incredible spirit, they become unbreakable as they find joy, gratitude and courage in the most trying times.

Rated General Audiences

Complimentary popcorn.

Women's Coffee Hour with Maurine

Thursday, May 8 at 4:30 Let's talk about health!

(June — Summer break)

Exercise Classes

Chair Yoga — Tuesdays & Thursdays at 10:15 with Cheri

Balance Class— Tuesdays & Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. with Helen Mondays & Wednesdays at 3:00 with Sandie

Balance Machine

Ask at the Front Desk if you'd like to learn how to use the Balance Machine



EnhanceFitness®

Mon.—Wed.—Friday at 10:00

Line Dancing — Mondays at 1:00

Movin' & Groovin' — Mondays & Wednesdays at 9:00 with JoLynn

Massages with JoAnn

Mondays & the 1st Wednesday of the month from 10:00 to 1:00

— \$1 per minute



Drumming & Yoga with Betsy or Kathy Fridays 8:45 to 9:45



Silver Sneakers Insurance is accepted at

Courageous Rehab

1507 North Telegraph **734-735-2421**

Women's Bible Study with Clara Friday, May 2, 20245 at 3:00 p.m.

Men's Bible Study — will return in September



Fun with Yarn For all Ages!

Fridays at 12:00 noon

- Drop in and meet the new knitters and crocheters.
- We have supplies and offer tutoring.
 It's fun and easy!
- Choose your project crochet a granny square; knit or crochet a pair of slippers or a water bottle or cellphone tote.
 - Or bring your own needlework.
 - Stop by to chat or watch.

Questions? Contact Maxine at 734-241-0404

We are always grateful for donations of yarn and patterns.

Craft May 15 — 3:00 p.m.

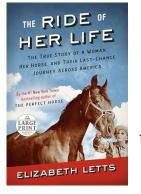
Furry Friends
Please sign up at the Front Desk.

MONROE CENTER BOOK CLUB

May 22, 2025 - 1:00 p.m.

Ride of Her Life

by Elizabeth Letts



The triumphant true story of a woman who rode her horse across America in the 1950s, fulfilling her dying wish to see the Pacific Ocean.

Up-Coming Selections:

June: The Lighthouse Keepers Daughter July: Faith Bass Darling's Last Garage Sale August: Rules of Civility



Rummage Sale: May 8 & 9, 2025

Thursday: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Friday: 8:00 a.m. to Noon

Donations are welcome. (No Clothes, please)



Monroe Democratic Party will present on voting requirements.

(No politics involved.)

May 28, 2025 1:00 p.m.





American Red Cross Blood Drive

Thursday, May 29

10:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Please sign up at the Front Desk or online at:

https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/donation-time?zipSponsor=48161

Music by Dave Manning and Friends

Complimentary lunch for those who donate.

Carey Damitio from the Michigan Secretary of State office will also be here to help fill out paperwork for handicap stickers, voter's registrations and other items.



Wednesday, May 28th National Senior Health & Fitness Day

LET'S CELEBRATE OUR LONGEVITY!

- Bring a guest (someone who has not been to the Center before) and you both eat for free.
 - Salad Bar is Open at Lunch.
- Choose the Plant-Based Option from the Main Choice Selection and eat for free.
- Blood Cholesterol Tests available from 9:00 to 11:00 Must sign up — Remember to fast.

CAMP by Cajie D'Cunha

Thursday, May 1, 2025 1:00 p.m.

In August 2023 a team of eight US volunteers visited Israel to do a conversational English Summer Camp for Arab-Israeli high school students. After the camp, they visited many of the historical and religious biblical sites.

Cajie D'Cunha, who is with Monroe County Community College and a volunteer at the Center will share his experience of the visit with plenty of pictures.

Brain Aerobics

with Tracy Sudduth Monday's at 9:00 a.m.

Crosswords and Sudoku available daily.

THINGS TO KNOW:

- The first row outside of the Center is reserved for guests of the Center. The Monroe Center reserves the right to tow cars that are in violation.
 - Please remember that **the**Center is scent free.
- Gift Certificates may be used for food purchases or Bingo only.

MUSICIANS WANTED FOR TUESDAY JAM SESSIONS!

Dave Manning, Dean Mink, Bruce Freimark, and a few other musicians are getting together on Tuesday afternoons at 2:00 p.m. in the conference room.

You're invited to join in the fun.
Bring your instrument

Medical Closet

The Monroe Center has a "medical closet" available to anyone who might benefit from an assistive device. What's available is based on what we have on hand, but it makes sense to call to inquire.

Items that we currently have:

- Low-vision reading machine
 - Shower chairs
 - Wheelchairs
 - Walkers with wheels
 - Walkers without wheels
 - Bedside commodes
 - Canes

Call to inquire: 734.241.0404

St. Mary's Rosary Makers

St. Mary's Rosary Makers meet at the Monroe Center for Healthy Aging on the first Tuesday of every month at 9 a.m.

This group is open to everyone.
Rosaries are sent to the missions.
Supplies and instructions are provided, and you are able to keep the first rosary you make for yourself.

Diamond Art

The group of ladies who do Diamond Art is in need of frames for their masterpieces.

Donations of frames are appreciated.

Member Game Night
May 30 —
3:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Bring a team. Bring a game. Come alone and join a group. Fun and fellowship!!

EUCHRE HAS
RETURNED
TUESDAYS AT
11:00 A.M.
FRIENDLY PLAY.

Calling All Writers

May 22, 2025



Are you interested in crafting your life history? Join Betsy Bradley on the **fourth** Thursday of the month at 2:00 p.m.

> We continue to work on important life milestones.

- * Schools attended
- * Engaged and Married
- First child
- * Special vacations

- * First Pet * Other things that made your life real

~ Betsy Bradley

FROM THE VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR:

Are you looking for something to fill your spare hours? We could use a few more energetic people who'd like to be servers for our meals — especially evenings and weekends. Come talk with me.

Volunteering is good for our health and keeps our brains active!

Volunteers — Watch for your invitation to the annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner on May 21, 2025.



~ JoAnn (Mikie) Kunich



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- Immediate Staffing

Contact: Emily Ferguson **Director of Operations** 567-316-6745

After 15 years of service, Linda Guyor has retired. We wish her the very best on her new chapter. Come back to visit!

RSVP Monroe County





RSVP is a volunteer network for people 55 and over. Use the skills and talents you've learned over the years (or develop new ones) while serving in a variety of volunteer activities right here in Monroe County.

If you would like to volunteer with us, call Beth or Jo Anne at 241-0408.



MONROE CENTER TRAVEL

The Center is offering trips in 2024. See the flyers at the Center for more details or call Maxine at 734.241.0404 on Wednesday or Friday mornings.

Hollywood Casino — Toledo, Ohio — Tuesday, May 27, 2025 \$39 per person includes \$20 in casino incentives. (Provide valid email address to receive incentives.) Departs Elevate Church in Monroe

Caesars Windsor — Monday, June 16, 2025 \$30 per person includes \$15 in casino play. Departs from Elevate Church.

Alaska — Queen Elizabeth — August 21 to 28, 2025
Departs Seattle, sails to Sitka Alaska, Glacier Bay National Park, Ketchikan, Victoria,
British Columbia, returning to Seattle. \$2,250 to \$3,248 per person, double occupancy.
Includes roundtrip airfare from Detroit. Additional \$114 per person government fees.

Currently two traveling from Monroe.

Canada & New England — Norwegian Cruise Line — October 5—12, 2025 New York, Rhode Island, Maine, Nova Scotia \$2,215 to \$2 578 pp double occupancy Includes roundtrip airfare from Detroit. Currently, four people are traveling from Monroe.

2026 Cruises:

- January Mexican Riveria out of Los Angeles 8 days on Royal Princess https://grandamericantours.com/princessroyalmexriv-glp
- May Best of Greece 9 days on Celebrity Infinity https://grandamericantours.com/celeb-infinity-greek-isle
- May Alaskan Cruise, Land & Rail (Anchorage, Mt. McKinley, Denali, Whittier) 11 days on Island Princess https://grandamericantours.com/princessislandak-ct-ab3-k
- August Iceland 8 days on Celebrity Silhouette
 https://grandamericantours.com/celeb-silhouette-iceland

Member Highlights ...

- **Cell Phone Help?** We've had a few inquiries about having someone available to help with cell phones. Ryan Jewell has indicated that he could help by appointment. If you'd like some assistance, please sign up at the Front Desk.
- **Scan Cards.** Please use them. When? **Every** time you come in to the Center, and **every** time you leave. This process records the time you entered, when you left, and calculates the time you spent here. This number is used to calculate the amount of millage funding we receive each month.
- 2025 Community Needs Survey for those 55 years and older: https://umich.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8JnkR1ybMSKykHI





It's time to get rid of your unused and expired medication.

Drug Take Back is part of Health Check — See pg. 15

Friendly Poker Games (See Kevin)

Thursdays at 10:00 a.m.

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Hand & Foot — Fridays

We need players. Let us know if you'd like to be part of a group.

Pinochle Winners

March 10 — Joan Milam

March 12 — Nancy Dale

March 14 — Pat LaRoy

March 15 — Gary Miller

March 17 — Joan Milam

March 19 — Cindy Prusaitis

March 21 — Al Miller

March 22 — Al Miller

March 24 — Joan Milam

March 26 — Joan Milam

March 28 — Barb Crumm

March 29 — Luther Conner

March 31 — Pat LaRoy

April 2 — Barb Crumm

April 4 — Luther Conner

April 6 & 9— Al Miller

Thanks to Gary Miller for running the Pinochle Games!



Ask the Pharmacist!

with Jennifer Sell, RPh, Director of Pharmacy Services ProMedica Monroe Regional Hospital

For this month's newsletter, I wanted to address the topic of lowering cholesterol levels using medications and methods that are not statin-based.

I think it is important to note that the HMG-CoA reductase inhibitors, which we know as "statins", are highly effective at lowering cholesterol. They tend to be first line therapy for lowering cholesterol levels and helping to reduce cardiovascular risk. And while these drugs are very effective, there may be occasions where adequate cholesterol control has not been achieved or they cause side effects to the degree that a patient may not be able to tolerate them.

There are a number of medications that can be given without a statin to reduce cholesterol levels or that can be added to statin therapy to help further reduce cholesterol levels. Also, making dietary changes and a maintaining a healthy lifestyle that includes adequate exercise are also great non-statin ways to help reduce and control cholesterol levels.

The non-statin medications to help control and reduce cholesterol levels include:

- Ezetimibe this drugs blocks cholesterol absorption in the small intestine and helps to reduce LDL levels
- Gemfibrozil this drug is called a "fibrate" and it targets triglyceride levels; it can be combined with a statin or Ezetimibe to reduce total cholesterol levels, but when given alone, will only help to reduce triglyceride levels.
- Cholestyramine this is a bile acid sequestrant that attaches to bile acids in the liver to help remove cholesterol from the body
- Omega-3 Fatty Acids these are available over-the-counter, but in higher strengths, still require a prescription. These are typically added to a statin versus being given alone.
- PCSK9 Inhibitors These are a new class of drugs that are given by injection and are usually only considered when statins and Ezetimibe have not reduced cholesterol levels adequately.
- ACL Inhibitors These are newer oral medications that help to lower LDL cholesterol and can be given with or without a statin, but do need to be paired with a low-cholesterol diet to be most effective.

Some foods that can help to tackle high cholesterol levels include:

- Nuts/grains
- Fatty fish, like salmon
- Avocados
- Fruits (especially berries!)
- Vegetables
- Legumes

Stay well my friends! Talk soon!

~ Jennifer



Monroe County Library in Motion Pick-Up

May 8 — 11:30 a.m.

FRENCHTOWN-DIXIE BRANCH LIBRARY DEMENTIA PPORT GROUP econd & Fourth Wednesday **OF THE MONTH** From 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm This is an informal, unmoderated support group for current and former caregivers of loved ones with dementia to give voice to their frustrations, concerns and moments of joy during this journey we are on with this disease. Frenchtown-Dixie Branch Library 2881 Nadeau Road, Monroe MI (734) 289-1035 **Drop-In Advice for Laptops, Cell Phones, Tablets** Third Thursday — May 15 - 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. Frenchtown-Dixie Branch Library

You are invited to Virtual Caregiver Coffee with MemoryLane Staff



Would you like to talk to other caregivers about their experiences? Join us for Virtual Coffee with MemoryLane Staff Wednesdays at 2 pm without having to leave home.

This is your chance to talk with other caregivers and to share insights, advice, and encouragement. The discussion will provide practical tips and resources that provide support and assistance.

You may choose video-conference

Bring your own coffee! For details, call: 419-720-4940

or phone.

Support Services

- Jackie Drouillard can answer your **Medicare** and insurance questions. Please call for an appointment: 734.241.0404
- **Monroe County Senior Legal Services** can answer your legal questions. Please call for an appointment: 734.241.0404
- MCOP Resource Advocates can assist with questions about Medicare, Medicaid, Home Heating Tax and other issues: Call 734.241.0404 to make an appointment.
- **Blood Pressure Checks** with Gena Craft from IHM May 22 at 10:00 a.m.
- MemoryLane Care Services offers coaching and support groups for caregivers and in-person Adult Day Care for individuals with memory loss. Contact Cheryl Conley at MemoryLane: 2500 North Reynolds Toledo, Ohio 43615 Phone: 419-720-4940 Serves Monroe County!



Choices Counseling Solutions is accepting new patients and receives senior millage funding to offer services in the home.

Call 734.210.1071 with questions or to make an appointment.



May 8 — Temperance

May 22 — Dundee



FREE

MEDICARE WEIGHT LOSS PROGRAM

Dietitian-led program for those with a BMI (body mass index) greater than/equal to 30 and Medicare Part B.

Up to 22 visits with dietitian in one year.

You'll need a referral from your physician.

They can fax it to 734-240-1892, provide you with a paper referral or complete an electronic order if they are a ProMedica-affiliated provider.

Questions call Diabetes Education and Nutrition Services 734-240-1813 (Monday-Thursday 8am – 4:30pm)





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- just answers.

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HEALTH HUB **DENTAL CLINIC**PROVIDES SERVICES FOR THE
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OPPORTUNITY CENTER 120 EASTCHESTER MONROE, MI 48161

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community foundation of monroe county



Every second Saturday in May, letter carriers in more than 10,000 cities and towns across America collect the goodness and compassion of their postal customers, who participate in the NALC Stamp Out Hunger National Food Drive — the largest one-day food drive in the nation.



Eat the Rainbow

RED Improves health of the heart, Blood, and joints	ORANGE Prevents cancer and promotes collagen growth	YELLOW Helps the heart and boosts the immune system	GREEN Power detoxers and free radial fighters	PURPLE Rich in Anti- Oxidants and im- proves mineral absorption
Red fruits and vegetables contain lycopene, a powerful Antioxidant to reduce the risk of cancer and heart disease.	Carotenoid found in orange foods is converted to Vitamin A which helps maintain mucous membranes and healthy eyes.	Another Carotenoid, lutein, is also in yellow fruits and vegetables. It has been found to prevent cataracts and age-related macular degeneration.	Green vegetables contain a range of phytochemicals which have anti-cancer properties. Leafy greens also are also excellent sources of folate.	Purple fruits and vegetables contain anthocyanin that has antioxidant properties that protect cells from damage.

Red	Purple/Blue	Orange/Yellow	Green	Brown/White
Tomato	Beetroot	Carrots	Spinach	Cauliflower
Red capsicum	Red cabbage	Rockmelon	Asparagus	Brown pears
Radishes	Eggplant	Lemons	Avocados	Mushrooms
Strawberries	Purple	Sweet potato	Broccoli	White peaches
Rhubarb	asparagus	Pumpkin	Peas	Garlic
Cherries	Blackberries	Pineapples	Green apples	Bananas
Red grapes	Blueberries	Mangoes	Green grapes	Potatoes
Raspberries	Purple grapes	Corn	Limes	Dates
Watermelon	Plums	Oranges	Kiwifruit	Onions
Red apples		Squash	Green beans	Ginger
		Peaches	Lettuce	Parsnips
	Anthocyanin can	Nectarines	Cabbage	Turnip
	reduce the risk of cancer, stroke, and heart disease.	Apricots Grapefruit	Celery Cucumber Green capsicum	These have anti-viral and anti-bacterial properties.



Merkle Funeral Service Now In Partnership with Covenant Cremation

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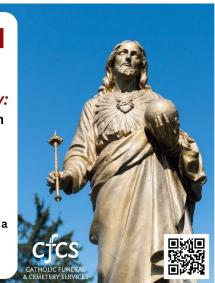
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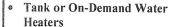
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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
28 Turkey Chili Multi-Grain Bread Fruit	29 Spaghetti with Meat Sauce Green Beans Garlic Bread	30 Hot Turkey Sandwiches Mashed Potatoes Vegetables	May 1 Beef Stroganoff Vegetable Fruit
5 Cinco de Mayo Taco Salad Stewed Tomatoes Spanish Rice Refried Beans Virgin Margaritas	6 Chicken Caesar Wraps Broccoli Salad Veggie Chips	7 Beef Stew Multi-Grain Bread Cottage Cheese with Pineapple	8 Pork Chop with Mushroom Gravy Mashed Potatoes Vegetable
12 Mostaccolli Side Salad Garlic Bread	Pot Roast with Potatoes, Carrots Celery Applesauce	Pork Stir Fry Brown & Wild Rice Egg Rolls	Volunteer Appreciation Dinner No public meal tonight
19 Baked Cod County Potatoes Vegetable	20 Island Meatballs Brown Rice King Charles Mix	21 BBQ Chicken Macaroni and Cheese Side Salad	22 French Onion Soup Grilled Cheese Fresh Fruit
26 Memorial Day Center Closes at 2:00 p.m.	27 Chicken Thighs Stuffing Vegetable	28 Baked Potato Bar with Turkey Chili, Broccoli, Cheese Fruit	29 Rueben Sandwich French Fries Applesauce

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469 cal. 19g fat 82 carb 805 cal. 48 g fat 133 carb 10g fiber 20g sugar 41g pro 1,117 mg sod 10g pro. 689 mg sod. (No hamburgers today)
Class of '58 Lunch 14
USA Wild Caught Cod Country Potatoes Broccoli Side Salad / Fresh Fruit
540 cal. 11g fat 58 carb 600 cal. 15g fat 66 carb 4g fiber 11g fiber 10g sugar 12g pro. 689 mg sod.
21 Class of '67 Breakfast
Grilled Pork Chops Mashed Potatoes Salisbury Steak Broccoli / Fruit Salad
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27 Nat'l Senior Health Day Broccoli Quiche or 1. Salad Bar — Eat the Rainbow Ham and Onion Quiche 2. Marinated Chicken Breast /
Hash Brown Potatoes Fresh Oranges & Bananas 3. Plant Based Entrée (This selection is complimentary) Voter's Presentation

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