

Neil Orchard Senior News March 2020

Jenny Ta ~ Editor



"Marching into Spring"

By Heather Schelske—Neil Orchard Senior Activities Center Supervisor





Beads, masks, and all that jazz! After a five-year hiatus, we dusted off our masks and transported everyone to the French Quarter in New Orleans for a Mardi Gras party! Barbara prepared a fantastic meal that included such favorites as Red Beans & Rice, Sausage & Peppers, Southern Cole Slaw and Kings Cupcake for dessert. Meanwhile, the Moon Glow band had guests hopping out of their seats to join the conga line! Two lucky ladies found the "baby" in their cupcakes and were crowned "Queens" for the day. In addition to receiving luck and prosperity for the upcoming year, the ladies were gifted vouchers for the Volunteer Celebration Luncheon. Thank you to Kathie Jacobs for

donating the authentic New Orleans beads that were scattered around the room for guests to take home.

Feeling a little down on your luck? Join us on March 11 to see what the luck of the Irish can bring to us. The Moon Glow band will be joining us again, but this time will entertain guests with festive St. Patrick's Day themed music. Enjoy a traditional meal of Corned Beef and Cabbage with soda bread and a delicious dessert. Thank you to Family Matters In-Home Care for sponsoring this great event. See inside for more information.

As I'm sure many of you are already aware of, in addition to the annual cold and flu season, there is a virus going around called the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19). Please help us prevent the spread of germs and infections by taking the following prevention measures:

- Stay home when you are sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Wash your hands frequently with warm, soapy water for at least 20 seconds.
- Cover your mouth with your bent elbow or a tissue whenever you cough or sneeze.
- Avoid people who are sick with respiratory symptoms.

In addition to hand soap located in the restrooms, there is a hand sanitizer station in the Multi-purpose room and disinfecting wipes are available at the front desk. Thank you for helping our center stay healthy!

Don't forget to Spring Forward! Daylight Savings Time begins on Sunday, March 8.

	Important Dates to Remember:						
March 8: March 9: March 11: March23: March 26:	Daylight Savings Time Begins Extended Travel with Collette St. Patrick's Day Celebration Senior Advisory Board Meeting CA Academy of Sciences Daytrip	March 30: April 14: April 14: April 22: April 27:	Alzheimer's & Dementia Overview iPhone Basics Presentation Hard Rock Casino Daytrip Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon Wills & Trusts Presentation				

Business Hours

Mon. - Thurs. 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Fridays 7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

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GREEN THUMB LUNCH

Get your taste buds ready for some great spring lunches: Donation: \$3 per Person



All meals come with baked item & water/iced tea.

March 4: Creamy White Chicken Chili

w/ Caesar Salad

March 11: Green Thumb Lunch cancelled for

St. Patrick's Day event (No Bingo)

March 18: Lentil Soup

w/ (half) Tuna Salad Sandwich

March 25: Sweet Potato & Apple Soup

w/ Build Your Own Salad Bar

WII BOWLING

Wii Bowling will be held on March 10 & 17, from noon - 1 p.m. Compete against your friends to see who gets the top score. This low impact game is great for all ages!



TOP BOWLERS OF FEBRUARY

1 GREG W. 215 PTS 2. SHIRLEY G. 208 PTS 3. PAT R. 167 PTS







GET UP 'N' GO



Hard Rock Casino - Sacramento

Tuesday, April 14, 2020

Fee: \$40/person

Enjoy 4 hours of free time to gamble and have a no-host lunch. Casino bonus of \$20 free play is subject to change per the casino.

Mystery Trip Friday, June 5 Fee: \$159/person

Are you ready for the adventure of your life? Don't worry about what or where, just bring your appetite and leave the rest to us. Besides, a little mystery never hurt anyone.

FREE INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATIONS SPACE LIMITED: RSVP AT FRONT DESK



Extended Travel Presentation w/ Collette Vacations Monday, March 9 at 10:30 a.m.

Learn about upcoming trips with Jay from Collette Vacations. Short Q&A session to follow. Attendees receive a \$50 credit towards their next travel booking!

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Alzheimer's & Dementia Overview Monday, March 30 at 10:30 a.m.

Conducted by the Alzheimer's Association, this presentation provides and overview of Alzheimer's and dementia as well as the warning signs to look out for.

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St. Patrick's Day Celebration Wednesday, March 11 at 11:30AM \$6 for Members in Advance \$8 for Non-Members in Advance \$10 on Day of Event

Put on your green and join us for a wee bit o'fun at our annual St. Patrick's Day Celebration. Enjoy homemade corned beef and cabbage, potatoes, carrots, soda bread and a festive dessert.





Volunteer **Appreciation** Luncheon

Wednesday, April 22 at 11:30AM

Invited Volunteers & Guests Complimentary \$6 for Members in Advance \$8 for Non-Members in Advance No Tickets Sold on Day of Event

In Flight Menu:

FIRST STOP: SWEDEN SWEDISH MEATBALLS

SECOND STOP: GREECE GREEK SALAD

THIRD STOP: BRAZIL

RAZILIAN STEAK W/ CHIMICHURRI SAUCE AND GRILLED VEGGIES

FOURTH STOP: ITALY

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International MARKET



March 12 - July 31, 2020

Every 10 years, people across the country and in California fill out the Census in order to have an accurate count of all people in the United States. The Census determines California's federal funding for important community services. Let's ensure all Californians are counted so we can put those resources to good use here at home!

Three Ways to Complete the Census:

Online:

For the first time, the Census form will be available to complete online in 13 languages.

Phone:

The Census can be completed by phone in 13 languages.

Mail:

Limited addresses will receive paper forms.



Neil Orchard Senior Activities Center: Questionnaire Action Kiosk (QAK)

Mondays-Thursdays (7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.) Fridays (7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.)

The senior center will have a designated laptop available during regular business hours for those who wish to complete their 2020 Census online. Keep in mind that the kiosk will not be staffed. Senior center staff is available to answer basic questions but cannot help participants with the Census questionnaire.

GARDENING NEWS

By Claudia Alstrom

Can You Dig It?



The Green Thumb Garden Club is always looking for help in planting and maintaining the vegetable garden, as well as the flower gardens inside and out. We meet the first Wednesday of every month.

Our Green Thumb Garden Club members are Claudia Alstrom, Reta Douglas, Shirley Gladfelder, Marilyn Hamm, Lois Leal, Kurt Linn, Liz Otero, Rell Schwanke, Gretchen Simmons, Ann Thomason, and Bill Wells.

Pantry Superstars For Quick Healthy Meals BY SARAH SCHLICHTER Blog.myfitnesspal.com

If you've got a hectic schedule or feel too tired when you come home to cook an elaborate meal, you're not alone. However, you don't have to let your commitment to healthy habits slide just because you're low on time. That's where having a reliable, well-stocked pantry can save the day. These ingredients are great on their own, or in tandem, for putting together easy, weeknight meals in 20 minutes or less.

- Canned beans are a great source of plant-based protein, and they're incredibly versatile. Since they cook so quickly, you can use them to make at-home quesadillas, just add beans, cheese and peppers to a warm tortilla. Or, mash with some breadcrumbs and an egg for an easy bean burger. Combine a few varieties of beans with canned tomatoes, tomato sauce, onion, spices and cheese for an easy chili.
- Like beans, lentils are a legume and make for an easy swap for beans in homemade quesadillas or an easy filling for a tortilla wrap.
 For a protein-packed option, toss them in a salad with shrimp or chicken. Or, mix with your choice of grain and vegetables for an easy grain bowl that meets your macros.
- Whether it's brown rice, quinoa, barley, farro or whole-wheat pasta, having some complex carbohydrates on hand can help make a complete meal. To save time, buy microwaveable rice mixes or cook a big batch at the beginning of the week to reheat as needed.



Join us on Thursday, March 19, for our monthly birthday celebration!

Paul Abbott Norma Alejo Sandra Anderson Susan Avalos Dolores Bagshaw sarendar bal Sharon Brooks Mark Burch Nicole Carbonneau Edgar Carlson Yong Choe Masae Corbett Betty Davis Marea DeRosa Patricia DeCroix Peter Delucchi Marea DeRosa Barbara Desrochers Deborah Elliott Kristin Ensign lda Espinosa John Gomez Ruth Gunn Marsha Jacobs Shary Johnson Suzanne Karcher James Kelley

Kay Ketchum Kyungsook Kim Dee Kolafa Patricia Lehman Eileen Lin

Barbara Malchaski
Carol Malcolm
Betty Manoy
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(continued from Gardening News)

- Canned tomatoes are a simple flavor enhancer for just about any dish and a great source of vitamins A and C. From homemade pasta to chili or fillings for sandwiches and quesadillas, these shelf-stable fruits save a significant amount of time in the kitchen.
- With a longer shelf life than bread, tortillas have a variety of uses and blend well with several other pantry staples. For a simple, reliable dinner, try a wrap with scrambled eggs, cheese and vegetables. Tortillas can also come in handy for those homemade quesadillas or they can serve as a thin pizza crust.

March 2020

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