



SENIOR SERVICES APRIL 2025 NEWSLETTER



Laugh Off Your Stress: April recognizes National Stress Awareness Month

(Taken in part from Be Well Solutions online publication)

Feeling stressed? Tense? Depressed? According to The American Institute of Stress, 80 percent of US workers suffer from work-related stress. Women tend to express more difficulty with stress, perhaps because of the many hats they have to wear. Not to mention that 62 percent of people end their day with neck pain and another 34 percent report difficulty sleeping. Stress can rear its ugly head in all ages and stages of life, causing an array of effects on our bodies, minds, and overall life. April recognizes National Stress Awareness Month and its goal to raise awareness of how stress directly can affect our health and overall wellbeing. During April, we also recognize National Humor Month! It is a great time to recognize how important laughter is in your life. Laughing regularly can lead to improved immunity, increased connection with others, a more positive attitude, and a reduction in the symptoms of stress.

Stress

There is no one way to define stress, but most commonly it refers to a "physical, mental, or emotional strain or tension," according to The American Institute of Stress. When people discuss stress, they are referring to something that causes pain or negative emotions. When

discussing chronic stress, we may feel physical effects such as headaches, chest pains, and body aches. Or it may take a more emotional toll on you such as depression, anxiety, or anger. Chronic, untreated stress has been linked to serious health conditions such as obesity, heart disease, increased cholesterol, high blood pressure, and diabetes. One of the great ways we can combat stress in our day is to laugh.

Laughter as Medicine

Whether you are cracking up with a friend or watching a funny cat video, laughing is a great way to relieve stress, strengthen immunity, relieve pain, and promote happiness. Laughter may not cure all our ailments but research shows that having a good laugh can provide short-term and long-term effects. Laughter is a great way to counteract the negative effects that stress may take on our bodies. (Continue on page 2)

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Short-term Effects of Laughter

Increases oxygen to organs: When we laugh, the oxygen we take in stimulates our heart, lungs, and muscles.

Provides an internal workout: Laughing engages our abdominal muscles, providing a great workout!

Provides a sense of release: Laugher is a great way to provide a physical and emotional release, which can reduce your stress levels.

Relieves tension: Laughing can also increase circulation in your body and help with muscle relaxation leaving you to feel more relaxed and refreshed.

Long-term Effects of Laughter
Improves mood and personal satisfaction:
When we laugh it can improve our mood by

increasing endorphins and reducing cortisol, dopamine, and epinephrine hormones to make life a little more enjoyable!

Improves immunity: Laughing is a great way to increase immune cells and infection-fighting antibodies, which may lead to improving your resistance to illness.

Burns calories: Laughing for 10 to 15 minutes a day could burn approximately 40 calories! **Improves mental health:** Laughter is a great way to increase positivity and help you create a more positive outlook in your life and may even help you live longer.

So, go ahead, watch another video, tell another joke, or get your giggle on with some friends and enjoy all the benefits a laugh brings!



Fri. May 16th 10:30 am - 1:00 pm

South Davis Senior
Activity Center

726 S 100 E Bountiful, UT Davis County Senior Services invites you to help fight fraud and reduce possible identity theft by properly disposing of:

- documents with personal information such as your social security number
- documents with personal information about your medical history
- documents with your credit card information or credit scores
- junk mail for credit card offers









42 S. State St., Clearfield (801) 525-5080



April 18th 2025, 11:45 a.m.
Suggested \$3.00 meal contribution
RSVP required



April 30th 2025, 12:15 p.m. \$5.00 entrance fee RSVP required

Mondays

8:30-9:30am Tai Chi 9am-5pm Quilters 9:30-10:30am EnhanceFitness 10:30-11:30am Bingo 12:00-1:15pm Wii Block Party 12:30-2:30pm Texas Hold'Em Poker

<u>Tuesdays</u>

9am-12pm Lapidary & China Painting
10:30-11:30am Tai Chi II
12:00-1:00pm Mexican Train Dominos
1:00-5:00pm Pinochle
1:00-3:00pm Line Dancing
1:00-2:30pm Wire Wrapping (2nd Tuesday, Bring your own supplies)

Wednesdays

8:30-9:30am Tai Chi 9am-12pm Lapidary 9am-5pm Quilters 9:30-10:30am **EnhanceFitness** 10:30-1:15pm All Stitched Up 10:30-11:30 am **Kraft With Kristie (Last Wed)** 12:30-5:00pm **Hand & Foot Cards** 12:30-2:30pm 1:00-3:30pm 2:00-3:30pm Texas Hold'Em Poker Silversmithing Multi-Cultural Dancing

Thursdays

9am-12pm Lapidary 9:30-10:30am EnhanceFitness 10:30-11:30am Bunco 10:30-11:30am Music&Memories(2ndThursday) 12:15-2:30pm Theater Thursday 1:00-5:00pm Pinochle

<u>Fridays</u>

10:00-11:30am Bingo 12:15-2:00pm Shopping (2nd Friday Only) 12:30-2:30pm Texas Hold'Em Poker 1:00-5:00pm Pinochle

*Bonsai Plant Workshop Mon-Thurs 12:30-2:30pm *I See It Cards Mon-Fri 9:30am-2:30pm

Support Groups:

Alzheimer's Support- 1st Wednesday@3pm Grief Support- 2nd & 4th Wednesday @1pm Parkinson's Support- 1st Wednesday @6pm April 2025

Central Davis Senior Activity Center 81 East Center Street, Kaysville 801-444-2290



Is it a pizza or a cookie? Come create one and find out Come create of for yourself on April

Fools

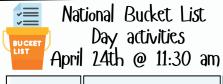
Field

It's time for some spring shopping at the NPS Store in SLC. Monday April 21st at 10:00 am Lunch stop afterwards at Wendys.



April 1st 11:00 am

Go bananas over a banana milk shake. April 16th 11:00 am National Banana Day COME PLANT A FLOWER OR HERB IN HONOR OF **EARTH** APRIL 22ND 11:00 AM



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Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:00	EnhanceFitness Class		EnhanceFitness Class	3 5 C	EnhanceFitness Class
9:00	Oil Painting/ Watercolors group	Beginners Lapidary	Oil Painting/ Watercolors		EnhanceFitness Class
9:30	EnhanceFitness Class	80	EnhanceFitness Class		EnhanceFitness Class
10:00	Beginners Lapidary	Tai Chi With Diana		Tai Chi With Diana	
10:15			Bingo		Community Music - 3rd Fri.
11:00		7	Ceramics & Crafts	Ceramics & Crafts	Ceramics & Crafts
12:00			Ceramics Instructor		
12:15					Movie
12:30		Art Class with Kathy	Square Dancing Pinochle	Mah Jongg	Bridge
1:00	Line Dancing With Linda	Scrabble			Canasta
2:00	Beginners Line Dancing			Parkinsons Group	



South Davis Senior Activity Center 726 S 100 E Bountiful, 801-451-3660



Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
8:00	EnhanceFitness		EnhanceFitness		EnhanceFitness		
9:00	Sit n Fit Stained Glass Pencil Drawing	Sit n Fit	Sit n Fit Stained Glass	Sit n Fit	Sit n Fit Stained Glass Watercolor		
9:30	Line Dancing		Advanced Line Dancing	Crochet Group	Line Dancing		
9:45					Tai Chi		
10:00		Gentle Yoga					
10:30			Tai Chi for Arthritis	Tai Chi for Arthritis			
12:45	Shopping	Bingo		Bingo			
1:00	Bridge	Pinochle Oil Painting Mahjongg		Bridge			
2:00		Grief Support 2nd & 4th Tues					
3:00		Pickleball		Dementia support Group 1st Thurs			

PIZZA PARTY!

Join us Apr. 4th @ 11:45

Grab a slice, a breadstick, and a salad for lunch! Then, kick back, plop yourself on a couch or snag a comfy chair with your pals for a movie at 12:30!





6	Alt Meal	Monday	Carb	Tuesday	Carb	Wednesday	Carb	Thursday	Carb	Friday	Carb
	*Tuna Salad Sandwich			1 Mac & Cheese Baked Beans Green Salad Spinach Fresh Fruit Milk	52 31 3 6 22 11	2 Chicken Alfredo Peas Mixed Veggies Roll Fresh Fruit Milk	38 13 5 22 11	3 Chicken Chef Salad Roll Fruit Cookie Milk	9 22 14 16	4 Beef Soft Tacos Corn Carrots Fresh Fruit Milk	53 17 7 19 11
	*Breakfast Wrap	7 Fish Sandwich Oven Browned Potatoes Mixed Veggies Fruit Milk	50 23 5 14 11	8 Buffalo Chicken Salad Roll Fresh Veggies Fresh Fruit Dessert Bar Milk	10 22 6 22 27 11	9 Sweet & Sour Meatballs Fluffy Rice Cabbage Mixed Veggies Fresh Fruit Cookie	16 30 5 11 16	10 Pork Loin/gravy Rice Pilaf Coleslaw Sliced Beets Fresh Fruit Milk	6 9 4 11	11 Salisbury Patty Mash Pot/gravy Butternut Squash Green Salad Fresh Fruit Milk	6 28 8 3 22 11
	*Egg Salad Sandwich	14 Chicken Ench Beans Broccoli/Red pepper Fruit Dessert Bar Milk	27 6 2 14 27 11	<mark>15</mark> Hamburger Potato Salad Zucchini Fresh Fruit Milk	28 21 3 21 11	16 Chicken Caesar Salad Roll Fresh Veggies Fresh Fruit Milk	12 22 6 13 11	17 Green Beans Green Salad Fresh Fruit Milk	29 6 2 19 11	18 Coleslaw Mixed Veggies Fresh Fruit Milk	33 6 5 22 11
	*Grilled Turkey & Cheese	21 Spaghetti/ meatballs Spinach Roasted Cauliflower Fruit	48 6 4 11	22 Chicken Chef Salad Roll Three Bean Salad Fresh Fruit Milk	9 22 26 19	23 Beef & Broccoli Fluffy Rice Peas Fresh Fruit Pudding	6 113 117 117	24 BBQ Pulled Pork Oven Brown Potatoes Cuke & Tomato Salad Fresh Fruit Milk	35 23 7 11	25 Chicken Cacciatore Rotini Noodles Green Salad Mixed Veggies Roll Fresh Fruit	6 20 3 5 22 22 11
	*Turkey Wrap	28 Stir Fry Chicken Fluffy Rice Green Beans Fruit Dessert Bar Milk	18 30 6 14 27 11	29 Breaded Fish Brown Rice Cuke & Tomato Salad Corn Fresh Fruit Milk	23 22 7 17 22 11	30 Chicken Caesar Salad Roll Fresh Veggie Fruit Dessert Bar Milk	12 22 6 13 27			2025	
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Alternate Meals are available in Center Dining Only. This menu is subject to change at any time based on product availability



New Class Alerti



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Mahjongg group





Meet other local people interested in Mahjong: learn, share your experience, and encourage each other! Join your local senior activity center Mahjong group.

Tuesdays @ 1PM. Call or stop by for more information

South Davis Senior Activity Center

726 South 100 East Bountiful, 801-451-3660

All Stitched Up!

Join us every Wednesday at 10:30 AM For hand stitching, crocheting, and knitting, all while enjoying great company. Everyone is welcome!



North Davis Senior Activity Center

42 South State St Clearfield 801-525-5080

¿Eres un cuidador?

Davis County Senior Services ofrece servicios a domicilio para personas mayores de 60 años que necesiten ayuda con las tareas cotidianas. Según el programa, también puede haber requisitos de elegibilidad en cuanto a ingresos y activos. Llame para consultar sobre nuestros servicios y programas.

Podemos ayudar



Call: 801-525-5050

* Opción 5 y un administrador de casos podrá ayudarlo.



North Davis 801-525-5080

(Central Davis 801-444-2290)

South Davis 801-451-3660

If you would like to sponsor a prize, snack, or activity at one of our senior activity centers. Please reach out!





CALL OR STOP BY A DAVIS COUNTY SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT!

Springtime

WORD SEARCH

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butterflies

chicks

daffodils

festivals

lambs

migration

picnics

rainbows

seedlings

tadpoles

tulips

warmer