Life Begins at "55"

Lincoln Golden Ages Seniors

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THE TRUE MEANING OF HAPPINESS IN RETIREMENT

Some people might think an ideal retirement would be endless travel, waking up in a villa with stacks of cash next to you on the nightstand. True, money is a big part of retirement and happiness for many. Most people though need other things to make them happy in their elder years.

A pile of cash doesn't afford you good health or meaningful friendships. All the things you need for a healthy, happy, and fulfilling life are within your sight and grasp on a regular basis. Keep these things in mind:

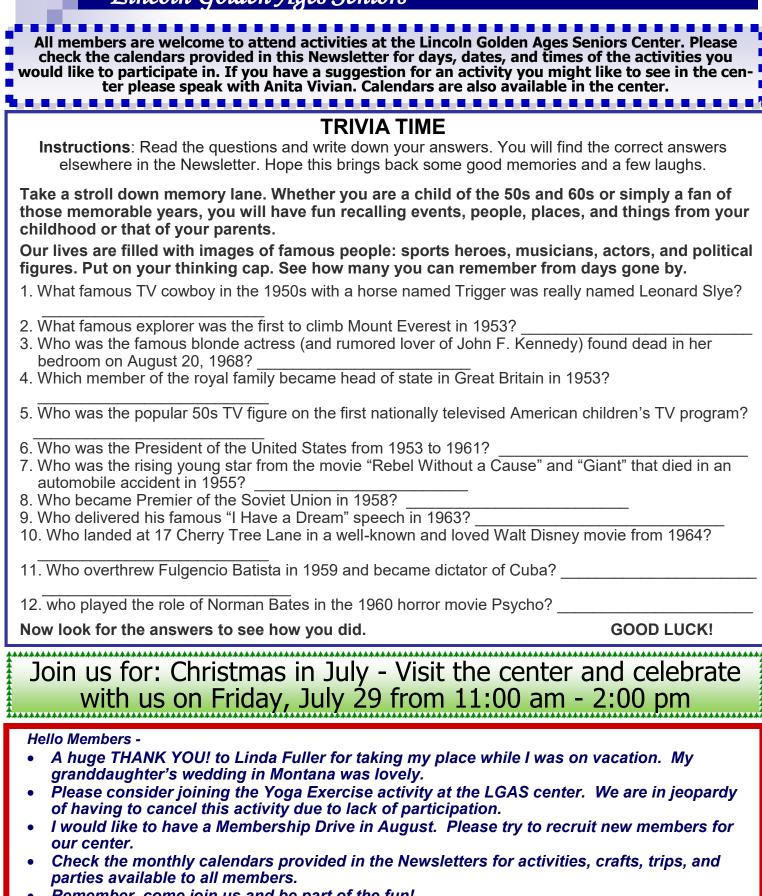
- **Money isn't everything:** You don't need enormous wealth to be happy in life. You just need enough. Make sure your lifestyle matches your budget. Do not spend beyond your means.
- **Make your health a priority:** Genetics cannot be controlled. They are a big part of how a person's health will hold up in the elder years but, a person can actively work to make sure one's health is as good as possible. Mild exercise not only prolongs life, it also helps a person to enjoy life more fully.
- **Relationships matter:** People are social animals. The pandemic has reminded all of us that people who live in isolation typically do not live as long, or a happily as those who get out and socialize. Do not underestimate the benefits of being with people. According to the Mayo Clinic, the benefits of being with other people are considerable. Older adults with strong social support have a reduced risk of significant health problems such as depression, high blood pressure, and unhealthy body mass index, as well as tending to live longer.
- **Hone your vision:** Keep a positive attitude about retirement and elder life. Life does not need to be difficult or worse after you retire. Look at it as if life is just beginning.
- **Find a purpose:** There is more to life than playing golf or reading books. Be a mentor, join a senior citizens center group and participate in the classes, outings, and functions they may schedule throughout the weeks, months, and year. You may even find you want to have a part-time job. Now is the time to do the things you always wanted to do but didn't have the time to do them.
- **Age is a stigma:** Age is no longer a deterrent in today's society. As long as your health permits, the opportunities that are available to you are boundless.

TAKE A FEW MINUTES TO VISIT THE LINCOLN GOLDEN AGES SENIOR CENTER. IT MAY JUST BE WHAT YOU ARE LOOKING FOR!

Don't forget to pay your LGAS Membership Dues.

The Lincoln Senior Citizen Program was established to service senior adults 55 and older who reside in this community and area. We are committed to assisting all senior citizens in their needs; with referrals, education, health information, recreational activities, hot meals, but most of all a warm atmosphere of belonging.

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Remember, come join us and be part of the fun!

Best regards,

Anita, LGAS Coordinator

MONTHLY BIRTHDAYS

Monthly Birthday celebrations are on the last Wednesday of the month.

JULY		AUGUST	
Dan Muck	July 12	Linda Fletcher	August 5
Joyce Ganger	July 15	Beverly Smith	August 6
Bonnie Bannon	July 25	Dale-Lin Mallonen	August 18
John Domas	July 27	Sherry Berry	August 20
Gloria Budimerouch	July 30	Betty Gott	August 28
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Lincoln Golden Ages Seniors is in the process of planning a memorial for all members of the center who have passed away. The past 2 years have taken a toll on our members. We would like to hold a special ceremony to honor <u>all</u> our members who have passed away. Please bring in any pictures you may have of those members identified on the memorial boards located at the back of the center. All pictures need to be turned in to Anita by Friday, August 19. This will allow ample time to prepare a presentation for the Memorial Service planned for sometime in September. Thank you.

Getting to Know - Amy Schmitt, Cardio Drumming Instructor

I started Cardio Drumming more than 5 years ago

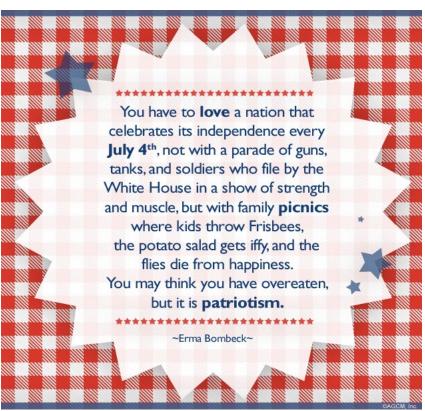
- I have been leading classes for over a year
- Cardio drumming equipment consists of a large ball, a large bucket to hold the ball, and drumsticks
- The Lincoln Golden Ages Seniors Center provides all the equipment needed for this activity
- OR You can bring your own equipment
- Classic oldies, as well as some of today's hits, are used for rhythm so we can drum to the music
- Participants are encouraged to move at their own pace and speed
- Participants of all physical capabilities are welcomed and encouraged to attend
- If you can't stand for the 45 minute class, there are chairs for resting, or you can drum
 directly from a chair
- There is a warm-up/cool down song with stretches and a song with weights.
- Wear comfortable clothing and shoes
- Movement is medicine!

LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!

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HEAT IS HARD ON THE HEART; SIMPLE PRECAUTIONS CAN EASE THE STRAIN

Heat waves are unpleasant for healthy folks. For people with cardiovascular trouble, hazy, hot, humid days can be downright dangerous. Your body shouldn't get too hot (or too cold). If your temperature rises too far, the proteins that build your body and run virtually all of its chemical processes can stop working. The human body sheds extra heat in two ways, both of which stress the heart:

Radiation: Like water flowing downhill, heat naturally moves from warm areas to cooler ones. As long as the air around you is cooler than your body, you radiate heat to the air. But this transfer stops when the air temperature approaches body temperature. Radiation requires rerouting blood flow so more of it goes to the skin. This makes the heart beat faster and pump harder. On a hot day, it may circulate two to four times as much blood each minute as it does on a cool day.

Evaporation: Every molecule of sweat that evaporates from your skin whisks away heat. On a dry day, the evaporation of a teaspoon of sweat could cool your entire bloodstream by 2 degrees F. But as the humidity creeps above 75% or so, there's so much water vapor in the air that evaporation becomes increasingly difficult. Evaporation also strains the cardiovascular system. Sweat pulls more than heat from the body- it also pulls out sodium, potassium, and other minerals needed for muscle contractions, nerve transmissions, and water balance. To counter these losses, the body begins secreting hormones that help the body hold onto water and minimize mineral losses.

Problems coping: Most healthy people tolerate these changes without missing a beat. People with damaged or weakened hearts, or older people whose bodies don't respond as readily to stress as they once did, have a much harder time, and may succumb to heat stroke. **For example:**

- Damage from a heart attack can keep the heart from pumping enough blood to get rid of heat.
- Cholesterol-narrowed arteries can limit blood flow to the skin.

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- Medications interfere with heat regulation. Beta blockers slow the heartbeat, and so limit the heart's ability to circulate blood fast enough for effective heat exchange. Diuretics (water pills) make dehydration worse by increasing urine output. Some antidepressants and antihistamines can block sweating.
- A stroke, Parkinson's disease, Alzheimer's disease, diabetes, and other conditions can dull the brain's response to dehydration. So, it may fail to send thirst signals.

Hot, humid weather can be especially hard for people with heart failure, or those on the verge of it. The extra work for the heart, compounded by the loss of sodium and potassium and the internal flood of stress hormones, can push some people into trouble. The combination of increased blood flow to the skin and dehydration may drop blood pressure enough to cause dizziness or falls. **STAY SAFE!**

The Bomber Restaurant Mural

You may notice some new additions when dining in or ordering carryout at one of Ypsilanti's staple diners, The Bomber. Recently reopening for breakfast and lunch hours, The Bomber is ready to serve up your favorite specials. A new mural located on the side of the diner was added in July 2020 and depicts the iconic Rosie the Riveter, representing thousands of working women during WWII in Ypsilanti and elsewhere. During this time, the diner stayed open 24 hours and regularly served those working nearby at the Willow Run Bomber Plant, now partially owned by the Yankee Air Museum. Check out the historical marker sign near the back entrance for more facts and information.

BEAT THE HEAT!

Some simple choices can help you weather the weather and keep heat from overstressing your heart and spoiling your summer.

Take it easy: Turn procrastination from a vice to a virtue by putting off exercise or other physical activity until things cool down. Evening and early morning are the best times to get out. If you do exercise, drink more water than you usually do.

Cool is cool: Chilled air is the best way to beat the heat. Fans work, but only to a point - when the air is as warm as you are, sitting in front of a fan is about as helpful as sitting in front of a blow dryer. If you don't have an air conditioner, spending an hour or two in a movie theater, at a store, in a cooling center, or with an air-conditioned neighbor can help. So can a cool shower or bath, or putting a cold, wet cloth or ice pack under your arm or at your groin.

Drink to your health: The lower your coolant level, the greater your chances of overheating. Unfortunately, staying hydrated isn't always easy. Stomach or bowel problems, diuretics, a faulty thirst signal, or low fluid intake can all interfere. On dangerously hot and humid days, try downing a glass of water every hour. (If you have congestive heart failure, check with your doctor or nurse first.) Go easy on sugary soda and full-strength fruit juice since they slow the passage of water from the digestive system to the bloodstream. And don't rely on caffeinated beverages or alcohol for fluid because they can cause or amplify dehydration.

Eat light: Stick with smaller meals that don't overload your stomach. Cold soups, salads, and fruits can satisfy your hunger and give you extra fluid.

A Raffle is being planned for our "Christmas in July" event. If you would like to donate items for this event, please bring them to the center as soon as possible. Anita will be at the center Tuesday-Friday between 9:00 am and 2:00 pm to accept the items.

I hope this gives you a few chuckles: How children perceive their Grandparents...

When my grandson Billy and I entered our vacation cabin, we kept the lights off until we were inside to keep from attracting too many pesky insects. A few fireflies still managed to follow us in. Noticing them before I did, Billy whispered, "It's no use Grandpa. Now the mosquitoes are coming after us with flash-lights."

If you would like to see something added to the Newsletter, please submit your suggestions to Laurie. Newsletter Sponsored By: The Lincoln Board of Education's Lincoln Golden Ages Seniors Program 8970 Whittaker Road, Suite 100 Ypsilanti, MI 48197 Established in 1984 Office Phone 734-483-8366 Please note: The driveway for the LGAS center is off Willis Road. Leave your troubles and worries at home. Come visit the Lincoln Golden Ages Senior Center. Have some fun and meet new people. Visit and reconnect with all your friends and make new ones.

WHEN WE LOSE SOMEONE WE LOVE, WE MUST LEARN NOT TO LIVE WITHOUT THEM, BUT TO LIVE WITH THE LOVE THEY LEFT BEHIND."-UNKNOWN

CAPRESE QUINOA SALAD

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 carton chicken or vegetable broth
- 2 cups uncooked quinoa
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 3 tablespoons balsamic vinegar
- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard

1/2 teaspoon black pepper
1/3 cup olive oil
2 cups halved cherry tomatoes (about 10.5 oz.)
8 oz. fresh mozzarella, cut into 1/2-inch cubes
1/2 cup julienne fresh basil leaves, additional for garnish

DIRECTIONS:

- In a 2-quart saucepan, heat broth to boiling over high heat. Add quinoa and 1/2 teaspoon of the salt. Reduce heat to low; cover and simmer about 15 minutes or until all broth is absorbed. Transfer to large bowl. Refrigerate at least 1 hour until cool.
- 2. In small bowl, beat vinegar, mustard, remaining 1/2 teaspoon salt and the pepper with whisk. Slowly beat in olive oil.
- 3. Stir tomatoes, mozzarella, and previously prepared vinaigrette into cooked quinoa. Gently stir in 1/2 cup basil leaves.
- 4. Transfer to serving bowl, garnish with additional basil.

For a variation, substitute chopped grilled vegetables, like zucchini, eggplant, or bell peppers for the cherry tomatoes

- \Rightarrow YIELDS: 8 servings
- \Rightarrow PREP TIME: 15 mins
- \Rightarrow COOK TIME: 1 hr 35 mins
- \Rightarrow TOTAL TIME: 1 hr 50 mins

330 Calories, 17g Total Fat, 12g Protein, 32g Total Carbohydrate, 5g Sugars

Trivia Time Answer Key

- 1. Roy Rogers
- 2. Sir Edmund Hillary
- 3. Marilyn Monroe
- 4. Queen Elizabeth II
- 5. Howdy Doody
- 6. Dwight D. Eisenhower
- 7. James Dean
- 8. Nikita Khrushchev
- 9. Martin Luther King, Jr.
- 10. Mary Poppins
- 11. Fidel Castro
- 12. Anthony Perkins

WARNING SIGNS OF HEAT ILLNESS

Heat-related trouble ranges from irritating problems such as prickly heat (also known as heat rash) to heat exhaustion and the potentially deadly heat stroke. It can be hard to tell where heat exhaustion ends and heat stroke begins. Both can be mistaken for a summer "flu," at least at first. Be on the lookout for:

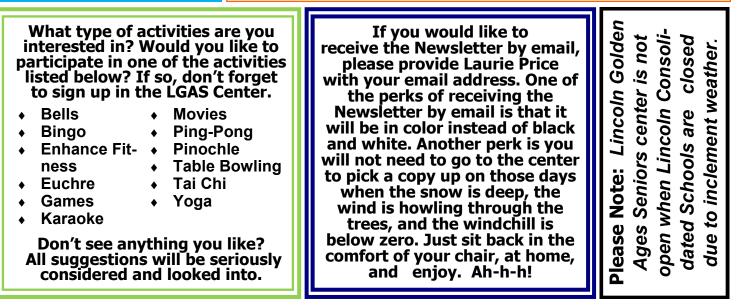
Headache

Nausea or vomiting

Muscle twitches

- Fatigue
- Disorientation
- Confusion

If you think you are having heat-related problems, or if you see signs of them in someone else, getting to an air-conditioned space and drinking cool water are the most important things to do. If these don't help or the symptoms persist, call your doctor or go to a hospital with an emergency department.



Did you know: Amalie Auguste Melitta Bentz invented the first paper coffee filter in 1908.

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