

## **Marian Messenger**

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Housing Offices will be closed on Thursday, July 4th in observation of Independence Day.

Mary Jo will be on vacation July 22nd—July 26th.

If you need assistance please seek out Mary Jo earlier in the month.

### How To Stay Healthy This Summer

Use sun screen: SPF 15 or higher with UVA/UVB protection, water resistant, and apply often.

• Use hats, sunglasses and light clothing that covers the skin. These little barrier between direct rays and your skin can make a big difference to keep your skin healthy.

• Stay in the shade during midday hours (11am-3pm)

The sun is a great source of Vitamin D. Stick to small doses of exposure and don't be fooled, tan skin is not healthy skin.

#### What can you do during excessive heat?

Drink plenty of water, even if you do not feel thirsty! Do not drink beer, wine, alcohol or beverages with caffeine. Stay indoors as much as possible and stay out of the sun. Go to where there is air conditioning Dress in lightweight and light-colored clothes. Avoid physical labor between 10AM and 3PM

Extremely hot air temperatures care dangerous. They can even cause death. Everyone is at risk. People with physical disabilities, children, pets and the elderly are in the most danger.

### Know the Signs and Ways to Treat Heat-Related Illness.

#### **Heat Cramps**

• Signs: Muscle pains or spasms in the stomach, arms, or legs.

• Actions: Go to a cooler location. Remove excess clothing. Take sips of cool sports drinks with salt and sugar. Get medical help if cramps last more than an hour.

#### Heat Exhaustion

• Signs: Heavy sweating, paleness, muscle cramps, tiredness, weakness, dizziness, headache, nausea or vomiting, fainting.

• Actions: Go to an air-conditioned place and lie down. Loosen or remove clothing. Take a cool bath. Take sips of cool sports drinks with salt and sugar. Get medical help if symptoms get worse or last more than an hour.

#### Heat Stroke

• Signs: Extremely high body temperature (above 103 degrees) indicated by an oral thermometer; red, hot, and dry skin with no sweat; rapid, strong pulse; dizziness; confusion; and unconsciousness.

• Actions: Call 9-1-1 or get the person to a hospital immediately. Cool down with whatever methods are available until medical help arrives



If you have information you would like to submit for the Marian Messenger contact Mary Jo at 920-424-1470 Ext. 136 or email at maryjos@ohawcha.org. Please submit any material by the 20th of the month if you would like your information posted in that month's newsletter.





### **10 Ways to Love Your Brain**

Growing evidence indicates that people can reduce their risk of cognitive decline by adopting key lifestyle habits. When possible, combine these habits to achieve maximum benefit for the brain and body. Start now. It's never too late or too early to incorporate healthy habits.

## Break a sweat

Engage in regular cardiovascular exercise that elevates your heart rate and increases blood flow to the brain and body. Several studies have found an association between physical activity and reduced risk of cognitive decline.

### Hit the books

Formal education in any stage of life will help reduce your risk of cognitive decline and dementia. For example, take a class at a local college, community center or online.



Evidence shows that smoking increases risk of cognitive decline. Quitting smoking can reduce that risk to levels comparable to those who have not smoked.

## **Follow your heart**

Evidence shows that risk factors for cardiovascular disease and stroke — obesity, high blood pressure and diabetes — negatively impact your cognitive health. Take care of your heart, and your brain just might follow.



### Heads up!

Brain injury can raise your risk of cognitive decline and dementia. Wear a seat belt, use a helmet when playing contact sports or riding a bike, and take steps to prevent falls.



Eat a healthy and balanced diet that is lower in fat and higher in vegetables and fruit to help reduce the risk of cognitive decline

# Catch some Zzz's

Not getting enough sleep due to conditions like insomnia or sleep apnea may result in problems with memory and thinking.



### Take care of your mental health

Some studies link a history of depression with increased risk of cognitive decline, so seek medical treatment if you have symptoms of depression, anxiety or other mental health concerns. Also, try to manage stress.



Staying socially engaged may support brain health. Pursue social activities that are meaningful to you. Find ways to be part of your local community — if you love animals, consider volunteering at a local shelter. If you enjoy singing, join a local choir or help at an after-school program. Or, just share activities with friends and family.



Challenge and activate your mind. Build a piece of furniture. Complete a jigsaw puzzle. Do something artistic. Play games, such as bridge, that make you think strategically. Challenging your mind may have short and long-term benefits for your brain.

#### **HEAT-RELATED ILLNESSES** WHAT TO LOOK FOR WHAT TO DO HEAT STROKE Call 911 right away-heat stroke is a High body temperature (103°F or higher) medical emergency Hot, red, dry, or damp skin Move the person to a cooler place Fast, strong pulse Help lower the person's temperature • Headache with cool cloths or a cool bath Dizziness Do not give the person anything to Nausea drink Confusion Losing consciousness (passing out) HEAT EXHAUSTION Heavy sweating Move to a cool place Cold, pale, and clammy skin Loosen your clothes Put cool, wet cloths on your body or Fast, weak pulse take a cool bath Nausea or vomiting Sip water Muscle cramps Tiredness or weakness Get medical help right away if: Dizziness You are throwing up Headache Your symptoms get worse Fainting (passing out) Your symptoms last longer than 1 hour **HEAT CRAMPS** Stop physical activity and move to a Heavy sweating during intense cool place exercise Drink water or a sports drink Muscle pain or spasms Wait for cramps to go away before you do any more physical activity Get medical help right away if: Cramps last longer than 1 hour You're on a low-sodium diet You have heart problems SUNBURN Painful, red, and warm skin Stay out of the sun until your sunburn heals Blisters on the skin Put cool cloths on sunburned areas or take a cool bath Put moisturizing lotion on sunburned areas Do not break blisters HEAT RASH Red clusters of small blisters that look Stay in a cool, dry place like pimples on the skin (usually on the Keep the rash dry neck, chest, groin, or in elbow creases)

 Use powder (like baby powder) to soothe the rash

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Manager 424-1470 Ext. 126 Monday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm Tuesday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm Wednesday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm Thursday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm Friday By Appointment Only Mary Jo, Social Services Coordinator 424-1470 Ext. 136	7	8 Strong Bodies 2-3 pm	9 Bug Day Apt. #'s 611 – 620	10	11 Library Books Delivered Strong Bodies 2-3 pm	12	13
Monday-Thursday 8:30 am–4:30 pm Friday 8:00 am– Noon <b>Doug Maintenance</b> Monday -Thursday 6:30 am-4:30 pm Fridays Off	14	15 Strong Bodies 2-3 pm	16	17	18 Mer	19 Suv	20
Natalie, CustodialMonday- Friday7:00 am-2:30 pmAfter Hours Maintenance920-735-3707Nurses- 4th Floor Office424-1470 Ext 124Lori, Monday, Tuesday andalternate FridaysErin Wednesday, Thursday &	21	22 OHA Board Meeting 3:30 pm Strong Bodies 2-3 pm		is off from	m July 2	z٥ 2nd– Ju	27
alternate Fridays Wendy Fromm Executive Director 424-1450 Ext. 112 Office Closed for Lunch Noon—1:00 pm	28	29	30	31			