# **Chocolate Choices (A Valentine's Choice)**

A beloved sweet, chocolate comes in enough varieties to please almost everyone's palate. In its purest form, chocolate is the result of processing cocoa beans to produce cocoa butter and chocolate liquor, which can be combined in varying ratios to create different types of chocolate.

**Dark chocolate** — This combination of chocolate liquor, cocoa butter and sugar provides a rich, intense flavor. Dark chocolate can contain between 30 and 80 percent chocolate liquor; higher percentages are more bitter. Chocolate labeled as bittersweet or semisweet is included in this category.

**Milk chocolate** — Lighter in color and milder in taste, milk chocolate contains at least 10 percent chocolate liquor and 12 percent milk, along with cocoa butter and sugar. This chocolate is the most popular choice for snacking.

**White chocolate** — There's no chocolate liquor in white chocolate, but it does contain cocoa butter, as well as milk and sugar. Typically, vanilla or a similar flavor is added to enhance its sweetness.

## **Christmas Tree**





# **Good Luck Greenery**

Join the Chinese New Year festivities this month by learning about a traditional plant in the country's culture.

Dracaena sanderiana is commonly called lucky bamboo, and also goes by the names curly bamboo, Chinese water bamboo, friendship bamboo and ribbon plant. Although it resembles bamboo, it isn't bamboo at all; it's a member of the lily family.

Lucky bamboo is popular in both homes and businesses, as it symbolizes good fortune and positive energy. Typically, several stalks of the plant are arranged in a vase or planter, with the number of stalks representing a different type of luck. For example, two stalks are equated with love, and three stalks symbolize happiness, wealth and a long life. Five stalks are said to attract positive energy in five areas of a person's life (emotional, intuitive, mental, physical and spiritual), and seven stalks bring good health. Lucky bamboo is never arranged with four stalks, because four is considered an unlucky number in China.

Not only is lucky bamboo treasured for its symbolism, but also for its easy care as a houseplant. It can grow in either water or soil and does best in bright, indirect sunlight.





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# From the Desk of the **Executive Director**

Seasons greetings! Happy New Year!

I would like to say welcome home to our new residents and thank you to the current residents for welcoming me into your home (The Devonshire).

I look forward to working diligently to meet your needs while we enjoy the amenities of the beautiful Devonshire community, through interactive activities, outings, delicious dining, monthly themed events and more.

We have a great administrative and support staff that are delighted to continue to make you as comfortable and as safe as possible.

See you all at the next Town Hall Meeting! Leletha Moore, Executive Director

# **Holiday Crafts**





# **Heart-Healthy Exercise**

Cardiovascular exercise, also called aerobic exercise or simply cardio, is crucial for heart health.

Any physical activity that increases your heart rate and breathing rate for an extended period of time is considered cardio exercise. Walking, bicycling, swimming and many other sports are common examples. During these activities, the lungs take in more oxygen, which goes directly into the bloodstream and the heart. The oxygen makes the heart beat faster, allowing it to pump nutrients throughout the body.

Regular cardio exercise not only makes the heart stronger, but it also sends oxygen to the muscles, where it's used to burn carbohydrates and fat. This is why cardio is so effective at helping a person lose or maintain weight.

Cardiovascular activities are key to preventing heart disease, since they can lower blood pressure and improve circulation. This type of exercise is also helpful in preventing or managing diabetes, osteoporosis, depression and some forms of cancer.

Check with your doctor to see what types of cardio activities are right for you.





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### **FEBRUARY 2018**

#### **Locations**

Activities Room, AR
Activities Room Hallway, AH
Court Yard, CY
Dining Room, DR
Game Room, GR
Independent Living
Activities Room, IA
Independent Living Dining Room, IL
Outing, O
Patio, P
Windsor Room, WR

### **Transportation Schedule**

Thursday 11:10 a.m. Lunch Outings Sunday 2-4 p.m. Bus Ride

#### **Birthdays**

Nell Bee, 3rd Helen Speight, 12th Kristin McRainey, 20th

"Be sweet, be good, and honest always."

**—Emma Bunton** 

**SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY** WEDNESDAY **THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY** 1 GROUNDHOG DAY 2 10:00 Groundhog Day 10:15 Physical Games 10:00 Coupons **Tradition, AR** (Golfing), AR Picking, AR 10:15 Jazzy Exercise, AR 11:00 Daily News, AR 11:00 Adult Coloring, AR 11:00 Library Hour, AR 1:30 Trip: Scenic 2:00 Cinema 2:00 Fun With Bingo, AR Ride, O Saturdays, AR 3:30 Jazz Social, AR 3:00 Making Candy, AR 6:45 Checkers, AR 6:45 Jigsaw Puzzle 6:45 Card Games, AR Time, AR 9 10 9:00 Sunday School, IA <sup>4</sup> 10:15 Fitness & 10:15 Cocoa and 10:15 Get Fit With 10:00 Physical Games 10:15 Jazzy Exercise, AR 9:30 Bible Scripture Moves, AR 10:00 Coupons Reminiscing, AR Weights (Golfing), AR Reading, AR 11:00 World Nutella 11:00 Library Hour, AR Picking, AR 10:30 Physical Games 11:00 Healthy Drinks, AR 11:15 Trip: Lunch 2:00 Fun With Bingo, AR 10:30 Gospel Sounds, AR Day Snacks, AR 11:00 Individual Adult (Horseshoes), AR Outing, O 2:00 Bingo With 2:00 Trip: Scenic 2:00 Bingo With 3:15 Bagel Bites, WR Coloring 11:00 America Heart 1:30 Trip: Scenic Prizes, AR Bus Ride, O Prizes, AR 2:00 Cinema 4:00 TGIF Social, AR Talk, AR Ride, O 3:30 Winter Crafts, AR 2:30 Sunday at the Saturdays, AR 3:30 Black History 6:45 Jigsaw Puzzle 2:00 Nail Care, AR 6:45 Fun Flicks & 3:00 Opera Music, AR Movie, AR Inventors, AR Time, AR 6:45 Checkers, AR 3:30 Word Searching, AR Popcorn, AR 6:45 Card Games, AR 6:45 Art for the Heart, AR 6:45 Card Games, AR 17 12 MARDI GRAS 13 ASH WEDNESDAY 15 16 14 9:00 Sunday 10:15 Fitness & VALENTINE'S DAY 10:00 Physical Games School, IA 10:15 Hot Tea and 10:15 Jazzy Exercise, AR Moves, AR 10:00 Coupons 10:15 Chair Exercise, AR (Golfing), AR 9:30 Bible Scripture Reminiscing, AR 11:00 Lincoln's 11:00 Library Hour, AR Picking, AR 10:30 News & Cocoa, AR 11:00 Trip: Lunch Reading, AR 10:30 Physical Games **Birthday Trivia** 11:00 Individual Adult 2:00 Fun With Bingo, AR 2:00 Valentine's Outing, O Gospel Sounds, AR (Horseshoes), AR 2:00 Bingo With Colorina 3:30 TGIF Social (Wine Day Party, IL 2:00 That's Amore, AR 2:00 Trip: Scenic 11:00 Bible Trivia, AR Prizes, AR 2:00 Cinema & Cheese) 3:30 Bingo and Bus Ride, O 3:30 Black History 2:00 Nail Care, AR Saturdays, AR 3:30 Cherry Tarts 6:45 Jigsaw Puzzle Chocolate 2:30 Sunday at the (Singers), AR 3:30 Crafts (Bird Snacks, AR Time, AR 6:45 Checkers, AR 6:45 Fun Flicks & Movie, AR 6:45 Card Games, AR Feeders), AR 6:45 Card Games, AR Popcorn, AR 6:45 Art for the Heart, AR 18 PRESIDENTS DAY 19 10:00 Walking 20 21 22 23 24 9:00 Sunday 10:00 Yoga 10:15 Jazzy Warriors, AH School, IA Movement, AR Exercise, AR 10:00 Coupons 10:15 Fitness & Moves, AR 10:15 Chair Exercise, AR 9:30 Bible Scripture 10:30 Physical Games 11:15 Trip: Lunch 11:00 Book Club Picking, AR 11:00 Presidents Day Reading, AR (Horseshoes), AR 11:00 News & Views, AR Outing, O Doughnuts, AR 11:00 Individual Adult (Trivia), AR 10:30 Gospel Sounds, AR 11:00 America Heart 2:00 Fun With Bingo, AR 1:30 Trip: Scenic **Coloring** 2:00 Birthday Party of 2:00 Bingo With 2:00 Trip: Scenic Talk, AR 3:30 Winter Crafts, AR Ride, O the Month, IA 2:00 Cinema Prizes, AR Bus Ride, O 2:00 Nail Care, AR 6:45 Fun Flicks & 3:30 Margarita Saturdays, AR 3:30 Bingo, AR 2:30 Sunday at the 3:30 Art Expression 3:30 Black History Popcorn, AR Drinks, AR 6:45 Jigsaw Puzzle 6:45 Checkers, AR Movie, AR 6:45 Card Games, AR (Actors & 6:45 Card Games, AR Time, AR 6:45 Art for the Heart, AR Actresses), AR 25 26 10:30 Physical Games 27 28 9:00 Sunday School, IA (Horseshoes), AR 10:15 Fitness & Moves, AR | 11:00 Strawberry 10:15 Chair Exercise, AR 9:30 Bible Scripture 11:00 Library Hour, AR Reading, AR 11:00 News Updates, AR Taste, AR 2:00 Monday Bingo, AR 2:00 Singer-A-Long, AR 10:30 Gospel Sounds, AR 2:00 Nail Care, AR 2:00 Trip: Scenic 3:30 Cupcake 3:00 Black History 3:30 Trivia Bingo, AR Bus Ride, O Movie, AR Social, AR 6:45 Fun Flicks & 2:30 Sunday at the 7:00 North Hampton 6:45 Card Games, AR Popcorn, AR Movie, AR **Church of** 6:45 Art for the Heart, AR Christ, DR