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


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 <br> Friday, June 5 <br> 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.


## 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 <br> 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 plantbased 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, <br> March 19, for our <br> monthly birthday <br> celebration! |
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| Paul Abbott | Kay Ketchum |
| Norma Alejo | Kyungsook Kim |
| Sandra Anderson | Dee Kolafa |
| Susan Avalos | Patricia Lehman |
| Dolores Bagshaw | Eileen Lin |
| sarendar bal | Barbara Malchaski |
| Sharon Brooks | Carol Malcolm |
| Mark Burch | Betty Manoy |
| Nicole Carbonneau | Dawn Marrujo |
| Edgar Carlson | Maureen McCaslin |
| Yong Choe | Mary Migge |
| Masae Corbett | Patricia Mount |
| Betty Davis | Souris Nishi |
| Marea DeRosa | Janice Nunez |
| Patricia DeCroix | Dan Oaks |
| Peter Delucchi | Sam Olivas |
| Marea DeRosa | Linda Robinson |
| Barbara Desrochers | Jose Rocha |
| Deborah Elliott | Darlene Scates |
| Kristin Ensign | Ramesh Sinaee |
| Ida Espinosa | Rosemary Slater |
| John Gomez | Grover Stephens |
| Ruth Gunn | Kenneth Tarrant |
| Marsha Jacobs | Frances Thompson |
| Shary Johnson | Judi Tometich |
| Suzanne Karcher | Tammy Wong |
| James Kelley | Jeffry Wurm |

## (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.

| March2020 |  |  | Neil Orchard Senior Activities Center <br> 3480 Routier Road, Sacramento, CA 95827 916-366-3133 <br> Monday-Thursday: 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. / Friday: 7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. |  |  |  |  |
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