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# From the Desk of the Executive Director



## Strategies For Dealing With Caregiver Stress

The emotional and physical demands involved

with caregiving can strain even the most resilient person. That's why it's so important to take advantage of the many resources and tools available to help you provide care for your loved one. Remember, if you don't take care of yourself, you won't be able to care for anyone else.

To help manage caregiver stress:

\* Accept help. Be prepared with a list of ways that others can help you, and let the helper choose what he or she would like to do. For instance, one person might be willing to take the person you care for on a walk a couple of times a week. Someone else might offer to pick up groceries or cook for you.

\* Focus on what you are able to provide. It's normal to feel guilty sometimes, but understand that no one is a "perfect" caregiver. Believe that you are doing the best you can and making the best decisions you can at any given time.

\* Set realistic goals. Break large tasks

We are in need of the following:

Sugar free snacks Cookies Pretzel sticks Stamps Breakfast Bars Juice Baby Wipes Pudding Cups Fruit Cups Cheese balls/puffs Fruit Punch Lemonade/Iced Tea Mix

into smaller steps that you can do one at a time. Prioritize, make lists and establish a daily routine. Begin to say no to requests that are draining, such as hosting holiday meals.

\* Get connected. Find out about caregiving resources in your community. Many communities have classes specifically about the disease your loved one is facing. Caregiving services such as transportation and meal delivery may be available.

\* Join a support group. A support group can provide validation and encouragement, as well as problem-solving strategies for difficult situations. People in support groups understand what you may be going through. A support group can also be a good place to create meaningful friendships.

\* Seek social support. Make an effort to stay well-connected with family and friends who can offer nonjudgmental emotional support. Set aside time each week for connecting, even if it's just a walk with a friend.

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## Caregiver Stress.....continued

\* Set personal health goals. For example, set a goal to establish a good sleep routine or to find time to be physically active on most days of the week. It's also crucial to fuel your body with healthy foods and plenty of water.

\* See your doctor. Get recommended immunizations and screenings. Make sure to tell your doctor that you're a caregiver. Don't hesitate to mention any concerns or symptoms you have.

Stay in Touch! Like us on Facebook www.facebook.com/gvads Like our services? Give us a review!

Do you value our services? Know someone who is looking to work with the elderly?

Share Golden Visions! We are looking to hire personal care aides! We need help!

# Illness info

With all the viruses floating around this time of year, we do ask that if your loved one has a fever, diarrhea, and/or vomiting that you please keep them home.



Our Senior Spotlight for the Month of May is Donald Adkins affectionally known as Dusty.

Dusty grew up in Taneytown, MD, Littlestown, and Brushtown. He currently lives in Littlestown.

Him and his wife, Marlene just celebrated their 54th wedding anniversary in December! They have 2 children and 4 grand children.

Dusty worked driving a truck for Van Hessen Co., and Lehigh Cement Co., worked at Evapco, then retired in 2015 from Pella Corp.

He enjoys word searches, soduko, adult coloring and playing solitaire on the computer.

Dusty is most proud of his family and the way he was raised.



## Many Thanks!

## Thank you to the following

for their donations... Chris Lee Family—snacks Marvin Lipscomb—cereal, Easter candy 5/23 Alvin Burns Linda Martin—snacks Mary Sutherland—Snacks Tom Lucas—Fruit bars, snacks Donna Olphin-chips Mark Holtzapple—forks, pudding, snacks Shirley Amspacher-Tissues, cereal, Ziploc Baggies Dawn Brown-Easter Candy Jim Pittman—Hand sanitizer Laverne Kelbaugh—Toilet paper Floyd Warner—Toilet paper



- 5/9 Donna Olphin
- 5/17 Linda Rhine (volunteer)
- 5/24 Linda Wheeler (volunteer)
- 5/25 Alan Bradfield

The birth flower for month of May is Lily of the Valley.

Emerald is the birthstone.







A person with Alzheimer's or other dementia doesn't have to give up the activities that they love.

### Many activities can be modified to the person's ability. In addition to enhancing quality of life, activities can reduce behaviors like wandering or agitation.

#### **Choosing activities**

\*Keep the person's skills and abilities in mind.

\*Pay special attention to what the person enjoys.

\*Be aware of physical problems.

\*Focus on enjoyment, not achievement

\*Encourage involvement in daily life.

\*Relate to past work life.

\*Look for favorites.

\*Consider time of day.

\*Adjust activities to disease stages.

#### Your approach

\*Help get the activity started.

\*Offer support and supervision.

\*Concentrate on the process, not the result.

\*Be flexible.

\*Assist with difficult parts of the task



### York County

Monday	Tuesday		Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Nutrition Group			1 Western Omelet w/ Ham, Peppers, Onions, Cheese 1 Sausage Patty 1/2c Breakfast Potatoes 1 English Muffin w/ Jelly 4oz Apple Juice	2 Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad 1c Mixed Greens (Diced Chicken 1t Parmesan, Tomato, Croutons) 1c Cream of Broccoli Soup Dinner Roll 1/2c Blushed Pears	3 Mango BBQ Chicken Breast 1/2c. Brown Rice 1/2c. Carrots Wheat Bread Fresh Orange
6 Stadium Hot Dog 1/2c Cheesy Potatoes 1/2c Green Beans 1 Hot Dog Roll 1/2c Pineapple & Mandarin Oranges	Baked Salmon w/ White Wine Cream Sauce 1/2c White Rice 1/2c Island Blend Vegetables Wheat Bread 1/2c Cinnamon Applesauce	7	8 Pot Roast w/ Gravy 1/2c Mashed Potatoes 1/2c Mixed Vegetables 1 White Bread Seasonal Fresh Fruit	Salisbury Steak w/ Gravy Baked Potato w/ Margarine	10 Pesto Chicken 1/2c. Buttered Pasta .c. Tossed Salad w/ tomato & dressin Dinner Roll 1/2c Peach Crisp
13 1c Pizza Casserole 1/2c Peas 1 White Bread Seasonal Fresh Fruit	Baked Meatloaf w/ Gravy 1/2c Buttered Noodles 1c Tossed Salad 1 Dinner Roll Seasonal Fresh Fruit	14	15 Roast Pork w/ 2oz Sauerkraut 1/2c Whipped Potatoes w/ Chives 1/2c Mixed Vegetables 1 Wheat Bread Cookie	16 Baked Pollock 1/2c Macaroni & Cheese 1/2c Spinach 1 Wheat Bread 1/2c Mandarin Oranges	17 Taco Bake (3oz Taco Meat, .5oz Cheddar, Lettuce, Tomato, Salsa) Tortilla Chips 1/2c Corn w/ Pimentos 1/2c Pineapple
20 BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich 1/2c Coleslaw 1/2c Ranch Potatoes Sandwich Roll Cookie	Baked Beef Ravioli (6 Ravioli) w/ 1oz Shredded Cheese 1c Tossed Salad w/ Tomato 1 Garlic Breadstick Seasonal Fresh Fruit	21	22 Open Faced Turkey Sandwich w/ Gravy 1/2c Whipped Potatoes w/ Chives 1/2c Sweet Corn 1 White Bread 1 Cookie	23 Cheeseburger w/ Lettuce, Tomato 1c Creamy Potato Soup w/ Crackers 1 Hamburger Roll Seasonal Fresh Fruit	24 Chicken, Spinach & Cranberry Salad w/ Dressing (3oz chix, .5oz cheese, 1t. Cran) 1c. Mixed Greens & Spinach 1/2c. Beets 1 Breadstick 1/2c Pears
Memorial Day 27	Teriyaki Chicken 1/2c Vegetable Rice Pilaf 1/2c Carrots 1 Wheat Bread Seasonal Fresh Fruit	28	29 Sliced Ham w/ Pineapple Sauce 1/2c Whipped Sweet Potatoes 1/2c Green Beans 1 Dinner Roll 1 Cookie	30 Orange Glazed Pork Loin 1/2c Buttered Pasta 1/2c California Blend 1 Wheat Bread 1/2c Peach Crisp *menu subject to change	

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	2 THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Happy Mother's Day!	* Calendar may be subject to change	*Twister Toss Across	*Snack Bingo	s *Baker's Corner
	7	8	9	10
Craft Time	*Frisbee golf	*Cornhole toss	*Favorite Mother's Day Activity	*Baker's Corner
3	14	15	16	17
Prize Bingo	*Best Mother's Day Gift	*Reminisce about Gardens/Gardening	*Favorite Flower Talk	*Baker's Corner
20	21	22	23	24
<sup>c</sup> Memorial Day Craft	*Wear red, white and blue	*10:30 Hanover Gardening Club	*10:30 Hanover Gardening Club	*Baker's Corner
27 CENTER CLOSED	28	29	30	31
FOR MEMORIAL DAY	*10:30 Music with Bob Laughman	*Name 5 red items, 5 white items, 5 blue items	*Patriotic Sing A Long	*Baker's Corner