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# Tips to Celebrate a Safe and Happy Fourth of July and Enjoy the Outdoors Safely

This Fourth of July will be the 236th birthday of the United States of America. To help you celebrate safely, the U.S. Government has posted a number of resources at USA.gov, the U.S. government's official web portal, and on . . . → Read More: Tips to Celebrate a Safe and Happy

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# Physical Inactivity May Cause as Many Deaths as Smoking, New Study Calculates

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### CDC Teaches that Healthy Weight is a Lifestyle – Not Just a Diet

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### 103 Years Old & Still Working in the Family Store

At 103, Mrs. Matsu Yamazaki is healthy and still enjoys working in her Tokoyo store with her son. She loves to chat with the customers. Some

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Ruth Frith was the oldest woman athlete in the World Masters Games in Sydney in 2009. She participated in the long jump, the triple jump, shot put, discus throw, hammer throw and javelin throw. She trains six days a . . .  $\rightarrow$  Read More: Ruth Frith – Oldest Sportswoman of the World (98 years)

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### Harvard Health Publishes New Joint Pain Relief Workout

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