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News & Events of Interest to Caregivers



Women's History Month Honors Women's Contributions in Medicine, Science & Math

March is Women's History Month. This observance was first declared by a law passed by Congress in 1987, and has been continued by Act of Congress or Declaration of the President each year since then. According

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Practical Tips, Skills & Tools for Caregivers



Alzheimer's Caregiving Tips for Dealing with Aggressive Behavior Issued by National Institute on Aging

The National Institute on Aging (NIA), part of the National Institutes of Health, has recently issued a tipsheet for Alzheimer's caregivers on

Coping with Agitation and Aggression. As the tipsheet points out, agitation and aggressive behavior are common . . . → Read More: <u>Alzheimer's Caregiving Tips for Dealing with Aggressive Behavior Issued by National Institute on Aging</u>



Helpful Organizing Tips for Caregivers

Here are a few useful apps that can organize all of your elderly loved one's documents. Evernote (note taking service), an app that saves information, web pages, notes, and attachments across all your devices. Includes a great search function. . . . → Read More: Helpful Organizing Tips for Caregivers

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Wellness: Diet, Exercise, Hygiene & Healthy Living

New Study Finds Link Between Processed Meats and Early Death

A large new study of half a million people across Europe, published in the medical journal BMC Medicine, has found that people who regularly eat processed meats (ham, bacon, hot dogs, salami, some sausages, and ready-to-eat packaged meats) appear . . . → Read More: New Study Finds Link Between Processed Meats and Early Death



Risks of Calcium Supplements Highlighted by New Study & Govt Recommendation

A large new study conducted by Swedish researchers has found that older women who consumed more than 1,400 milligrams (mg) of calcium per day (from food and calcium supplements combined) were more than twice as likely to die from . . . — Read More: Risks of Calcium Supplements Highlighted by New Study & Govt Recommendation

Healthy Aging/ Stories of Inspiring Seniors



108-Year-Old Blogger

108-Year-old Olive Riley was believed to have been the world's oldest blogger. She began her blog at the age of 107 and continued until her passing at age 108. According to Wikipedia, Ruth Hamilton of Orlando, Florida was later . . . → Read More: 108-Year-Old Blogger

Medical Conditions Commonly Faced by Seniors



Alzheimer's Disease Deaths Increase Significantly Over Last Decade

New statistics released on Tuesday, March 19, from both the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Alzheimer's Association have found that both the risk of dying from Alzheimer's Disease and the actual number of Alzheimer's . . . → Read More: Alzheimer's Disease

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Benefits of Seeing a Neurologist – Free Webinar Offered by National Parkinson Foundation

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News & Opinion on Health Care Reform



Opinion: Center for Medicare Advocacy Condemns Paul Ryan Budget; Offers Solutions

The Center for Medicare Advocacy, a non-profit organization "that provides education, advocacy and legal assistance to help older people and people with disabilities obtain fair access to Medicare and necessary health care," issued a statement on Wednesday, March 13, $\ldots \rightarrow$ Read More: Opinion:

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