



#### **HEALTHY HEART MONTH**

ebruary is American Heart Month and the perfect time to raise awareness about heart disease.

Heart disease is the #1 killer of Americans. It kills more people than all forms of cancer combined. Seniors 65+ are more likely than younger people to suffer a heart attack, to have a stroke, or to develop coronary heart disease. The good news is heart disease is preventable in most cases by making healthy lifestyle changes. If you're 65 or older, consider these steps to keep your heart healthy as you age.

You can take an active role in reducing your risk for heart disease by eating a healthy diet, engaging in physical activity, and managing your cholesterol and blood pressure.

Terri from the Visiting Nurse Association comes to the Center every 4th Thursday of each month to monitor blood pressure – cholesterol and glucose checksare offered on every odd month. Come to the Center and meet Terri!



#### **OUR MISSION**

We enable seniors to live full and independent lives by providing nutrition and transportation services as well as opportunities to interact with others and socialize in activities throughout the community.

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As we enter the month of February the staff at Platte Senior Services want to thank you for your continued support. February will be a busy month here at the center, starting with the Sweetheart dance on the 13th, then the Valentines Day party on the 14th.

We will be celebrating Mardi Gras the following week on the 20th, so bring your masks and beads!

## Please come and join us for some fun!

## We would love to see you!





### **FEBRUARY ACTIVITIES**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	
Year of the Dragon	NAT'L WEAR RED DAY		
新年快乐 YEAR OF THE DRAGON	National Wear Red Day is Friday, February 2, 2024. Show your support on February 1st!!		
5 MORNING YOGA	6 BLACK HISTORY	7 BINGO	
8:00 Morning Yoga 9:00 Socialization 10:30 Let's Move 12:30 Games	9:30 Socialization 10:30 Let's Move 12:30 Crafts W/ Garden village	8:00 Morning Yoga 9:00 Socialization 10:30 Let's Move! 12:30 Bingo	
12 BOOK CLUB	13 Sweet Heart Dance	14 VALENTINES DAY!	
8:00 Morning Yoga 9:00 Socialization 10:00 Book Club 10:30 Let's Move 12:30 Games	9:00 Socialization 10:30 Let's Move 12:00-1:30 <b>Sweet Heart Dance</b>	9:00 Socialization 10:30 Let's Move! 12:30 Bingo!  Valentines Day Activities & Party	
19 CLOSED—NO MEALS	20 MARDI GRAS PARTY!	21 BINGO!!	
PRESIDENT'S: DAY	Wear your masks & beads 9:30 Music Therapy 10:30 Let's Move! 12:30 Steal my Beads Game	8:00 Morning Yoga 10:30 Let's Move 12:30 Bingo!	
26 MORNING YOGA	27 WESTON BEND S. PARK	28 BINGO!!	
8:00 Morning Yoga 9:00 Morning Gratitude 9:30 Socialization 10:30 Let's Move 12:30 Games	9:30 Socialization 10:30 Let's Move 12:00 Weston Bend State Park	8:00 Morning Yoga 10:30 Let's Move 12:30 Bingo!	
		BINGO	

#### **FEBRUARY ACTIVITIES**

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
1 RED HAT PICTURES	2 MORNING YOGA	
9:00 Socialization 10:00 Celebration of Birthdays 10:30 Let's Move 12:00 Red Hat Pictures and Stories	8:00 Morning Yoga 9:00 Socialization 10:30 Games	
8 FAMILY FEUD	9 MORNING YOGA	
9:00 Socialization 10:30 Let's Move! 12:30 Family Feud	8:00 Morning Yoga 9:00 Socialization 10:30 Games	
15 SINGALONG W/SHARON	16 MORNING YOGA	
9:30 Socialization 10:30 Let's Move 12:30 Sing along w/ Sharon	8:00 Morning Yoga 9:00 Socialization 10:30 Games	
22 VISITING NURSE	23 MORNING YOGA	
9:30 Socialization 10:00 Visiting Nurse 10:30 Let's Move 12:30 Family Feud	8:00 Morning Yoga 9:00 Socialization 10:30 Games	
29 Shuffle Board	MARCH 1	
9:00 Socialization 10:30 Let's Move 12:30 Shuffle Board	8:00 Morning Yoga 9:00 Socialization 10:30 Games	

#### **DAILY**

9:00 Socialization & Morning Gratitude

#### MON, WED & FRI 8:00 Morning Yoga

#### **2ND MONDAY** 10:00 Book Club

# 1st Tuesday Crafts w/ Garden Village

#### **3RD TUESDAY**

9:30 Music Therapy w/ Rachelle Soundscape ∞

#### **4TH TUESDAY**

12:00 Weston Bend State Park Presentation

#### **EVERY WEDNESDAY**

12:30 Bingo!!

#### **2ND WEDNESDAY**

9:00 Coffee w/the Law

#### **1ST THURSDAY**

10:00 Celebration of monthly birthdays

#### **3rd THURSDAY**

12:30 Sharon Austin **Gospel Singalongs** 

#### **4TH THURSDAY**

10:00 Terri Nickel Visiting Nurse Association

# <u>February Birthdays</u> Nina Cook

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Inclement weather is still upon us. During the winter months, Platte Senior Center will follow the lead of Park Hill School District (If Park Hill School District is closed, the Center will NOT be open. This means our Meals on Wheels will not be delivered.

Our Administrative Assistant, Bonnie Morris, will assist (because she's so good at that!) in the facilitating of a message displayed on FOX4 and KMBC9, such as: "Platte Senior Center—Closed"

If you have any questions regarding this policy, please feel free to ask any one of our team. Stay safe!

#### **Bundle Up on Cold & Windy Days**

A heavy wind can quickly lower your body temperature. Check the weather forecast before going out. If you can't avoid going out, here are some tips:

- Dress for the weather.
- Wear loose layers of clothing. The air between the layers traps heat.
- Put on a hat and scarf. You lose a lot of body heat when your head and neck are uncovered.
- Wear a waterproof jacket if it is snowy.
- Change your clothes right away if they get damp or wet.

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## Why is Black History Month in Feb?

February is the birth month of two figures who loom large in the Black past: **U.S. President Abraham Lincoln** (born February 12), who issued the Emancipation Proclamation, and African American abolitionist, author, and orator **Frederick Douglass** (born February 14).

## Who made Black History Month and why?

It was **Carter G. Woodson**, the "father of Black history," who first set out in 1926 to designate a time to promote and educate people about Black history and culture, according to W. Marvin Dulaney. He is a historian and the President of the Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH).





**Daylight Savings Time** March 10, 2024

March 17



St. Patrick's Day Party Easter party March 28, 2024





Volunteer appreciation week **April 21-27** 



Pizza day February 9 2024



**Red Hat Day** April 25

## "BEST VALENTINE'S DAY DAD JOKES

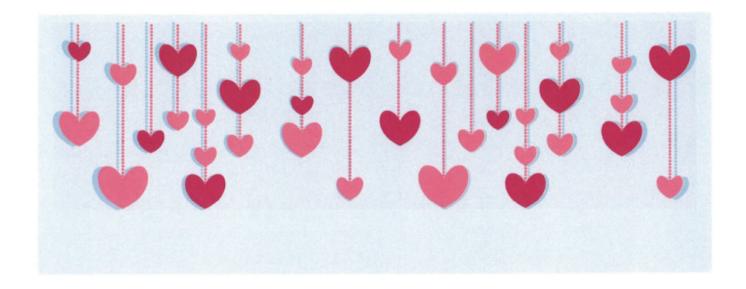
Why shouldn't you trust a pastry chef on Valentine's Day?" " Because he'll dessert you."

What do you give your Valentine in France?" A big quiche."

What do you tell a pig on February 14?"

Happy Valen-swine's Day!"

- "How did the squirrel get his Valentine's attention?"
- "He acted like a nut."
- "What do you call a romance that starts at the aquarium?"
- "Guppy love."
- "Why should you date a goalie?"
- "He's a keeper."



# **SWEETHEART DANCE**

Dress in your finest valentine's dresses and suits.

Music Provided by DJ Dee. Come show us your dance moves!



# Pictures from our Noon Year Celebration Thank you Everyone for Joining us!





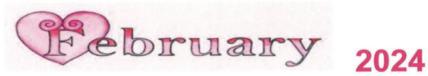












## (816)270-4100 MENU for PSSI MOW/Home-Delivered Meals

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
			1	2
BLACK HISTORY MONTH	Happy 9 Valentine's Day?		Tuna Noodle Cass. Cauliflower/Peas Cucumber/Onion Sal. Banana Wheat Bread (WG)	Swiss Steak w/Tom. Mashed Potatoes Peas/Carrots Apple Slices Multigrain Bread Tapioca Pudding
5	6	7	8	9
BBQ Chicken Veggie Mix Potato Salad Trop. Fruit Mix Hamburger Bun (WG)	Chicken Fried Rice Stir Fry Veg. Coleslaw vin/drsng Pineapple man-o-mix White WG Bread	Beef Mac Casserole Scandnav/Veggies Vanilla Wafers Banana Pudding Pears Wheat bread	Mexican Taco Salad Shredded Cheddar Lettuce/D Tomatoes Pinto Beans Orange Nacho Light Chips Taco Sauce	Beef Pattie Tossed Salad Steak Fries Banana WG Hamburger Bun Dressing/1000 IsInd Ketchup & Mustard
12	13	14	15	16
Meatloaf Brown Gravy Country blend veggies Mashed Potatoes Peaches/Strawberries Wheat Dinner Roll	Mostaccoli/Whl Grain W Meat Sauce Italian Veggies Salad Tom/Carrots Pineapple/man or mix Italian Bread/Dressing Graham Crackers	Tilapia (Battered) Coleslaw-creamy Sweet Potatoes Peaches/Strwbrry White WG Bread Oat/Raisin Cookie Tartar Sauce	Eggs Scrambled Sausage Links/Turkey Hash browns Applesauce WG Biscuit Oatmeal Square Jelly	Fish (Breaded) Coleslaw/Vin Drssng Spinach Citris Fruit Mix Corn Muffin Tartar Sauce
19	20	21	22	23
PRESIDENTS: DAY	Chicken Fried Steak Gravy(country)LS Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Citrus Fruit Mix Wheat Roll/WG	Chicken Diced/Seasoned Chddr Cheese -RF Salad Tom/Carrots Chuckwgn Corn Apples (Stewed) Tortilla Whole Wheat	Beef stew w/veggies Tossed Salad Banana Biscuit Whl/Grain Ranch Dressing	Chicken Oven Fried Gravy (LS Chicken) Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Orange Cake Wheat Dinner Roll Ice Cream (FFSF)
26	27	28	29	30
Seas. Chicken Breast Potatoes Au Gratin Broccoli Citrus Fruit Cup WG Wheat Bread Short Bread Cookies	Chili/ Beans Shredded Cheddar Salad Tom/Carrots Peach Cobbler Crackers Wht/Whl Grn Salad Dress. French	Chicken Strips Potato Wedges Salad Tom/Carrots Orange Multigrain Bread Graham Crackers French Salad Drsng. Honey Mustard	Pulled Pork White Corn w/Pepper Coleslaw w vin /drsng Apple Slices Hoagie Roll (WhlGr)	YOU MUST CALL 816.270.4100 BY 11 AM THE BUSINESS DAY BEFORE TO ORDER/CANCEL A MEAL

Menu is subject to change; substitutions may be made if approved by dietician.

\*Margarine & 1% Milk served w/all meals

## **VALENTINE SANDWICH COOKIES**

## Ingredients

- 1 cup butter
- 1 ½ cups confectioners' sugar
- 1 large egg
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- ½ teaspoon almond extract (Optional)
- 2 ½ cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon cream of tartar



#### **Directions:**

- 1) Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C).
- **2)** Cream butter and confectioners' sugar together in a large bowl. Beat in egg, vanilla, and almond extract.
- 3) Whisk flour, baking soda, and cream of tartar together in a medium bowl. Add to butter mixture; beat until dough is just combined. Divide dough into thirds and shape each portion into a ball.
- **4)** Place one portion of dough on a lightly floured surface and roll out to 1/4-inch thickness. For each sandwich cookie, cut out two 3-inch hearts; cut out the center of *one* of the hearts with a 1 1/2-inch cutter. Place cutout pieces 1 to 2 inches apart on an ungreased cookie sheet. Repeat with remaining dough.
- **5)**Bake in the preheated oven until lightly browned, 7 to 8 minutes. Cool completely on wire racks.
- **6)** Frost each solid 3-inch cookie with Pink Valentine Frosting and top with an open-centered cookie to form a sandwich. Frost the remaining small hearts and serve as separate cookies.