

Our Daily Breath

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Message from Nance...

This time of staying at home has given me an opportunity to tend not only to my physical garden but to my garden of life. I have had more time to look at my rows of peas, squash, lettuce, turnips and thyme. I must share that some of my rows needed much attention! I wasn't sure what they needed – more water and/or sun? I then thought about my DAD. He was an avid gardener, not only literally but also of life. His daily garden was always flourishing even amidst difficulties. How did he do it? I know now it was his regular watering of PATIENCE and his sun full of

GARDEN OF DAILY LIVING

Plant three rows of peas:

- 1. Peas of mind
- 2. Peas of heart
- 3. Peas of soul

Plant four rows of squash:

- 1. Squash gossip
- 2. Squash indifference
- 3. Squash grumbling
- 4. Squash selfishness

Plant four rows of lettuce:

- 1. Lettuce be thankful
- 2. Lettuce be kind
- 3. Lettuce be patient
- 4. Lettuce really love one another

No garden should be without turnips:

- 1. Turnip for meetings
- 2. Turnip for service
- 3. Turnip to help one another

To complete our garden, we must have thyme:

- 1. Thyme for each other
- 2. Thyme for family
- 3. Thyme for friends

Water freely with PATIENCE. Cultivate with LOVE. There will be fruit in your garden because you reap what you sow.

~ AUTHOR UNKNOWN



LOVE that made his garden grow and flourish. How does your garden grow? May we all try to be daily gardeners of life nurturing our rows of peas, squash, lettuce, turnips and thyme. We are all in this together. Thank you, Dad, for being such a great gardener of life. Wishing all the dads, on June 21st, a Happy Father's Day!

Stay safe, be well, remember to breathe, stay connected and move... With LOVE, Nance

PRESIDENT'S POST: Even though we have not been able to meet and enjoy our luncheons and socialize with our friends, your Executive Board is still working.

Our newsletter is still being published and, on Thursday, May 14, the Executive Board held our quarterly meeting via Zoom. In preparing for our meeting, it was noticed that our By-Laws were last updated in 2004. In those 16 years, Breath Savers has grown from a small support group to the second largest volunteer organization within Emanate Health. The By-Laws were updated and submitted to the Executive Board for approval.

The Board approved the By-Laws and they are available for those who are interested. To receive a PDF copy, please email me at breathingtogetherich@gmail.com and I will send a copy to you.

Is it COVID-19, a Cold, **OR Seasonal Allergies?**

✓ aybe you've developed a cough or you've noticed some shortness of breath. While it could be any number of things, it's not unusual for your mind to wander to the ongoing coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. With so much discussion about the virus and its symptoms, it's understandable you might start worrying you've picked it up.



COUGH

But don't panic! There are other possible explanations that have nothing to do with the outbreak at all. It's a time of year when both the common cold and seasonal allergies are widespread and the common flu is still present, wreaking all sorts of havoc on our health.



You might be experiencing one or several symptoms, including a fever, coughing, headaches, sneezing, watery or itchy eyes, even some trouble breathing. What does it all mean?



Here's a look at what these symptoms may mean, how you can tell them apart and what you can do.



Check for a Fever

According to Michael Benninger, MD, (Chairman of the Head and Neck Institute at the Cleveland Clinic and Professor of Surgery) a fever is the main symptom to helping determine what illness you might have. A fever could mean the flu or any number of other things, including, yes, coronavirus.



HEADACHE

A report from the World Health Organization (WHO) that examined cases in China in February 2020 shed more light on these symptoms. That report found that around 88% of COVID-19 patients had a fever and 68% had a dry cough. Additional symptoms of coronavirus have included shortness of breath and difficulty breathing, sore throat, diarrhea, fatigue, chills, muscle pain, loss of taste and smell and body aches.



But it's rare to find a fever or diarrhea associated with a cold or seasonal allergy, Dr. Benninger notes. And while some coronavirus patients have been asymptomatic, differentiating between what your body is dealing with is also a matter of looking at all of the symptoms as a whole. "It's a matter of taking a logical approach to symptoms," he adds.

Allergies or a Cold?

If a fever isn't present and you're not showing signs of difficulty breathing or diarrhea, then you're likely dealing with a common cold or seasonal allergies.



"We're getting into the allergy season so we know that it's going to be very difficult for a lot of people to distinguish between their allergies and whether or not they have something more significant," says Dr. Benninger.

While sneezing is often associated with both allergies and a cold, there are other symptoms that can help you differentiate. "Usually a cold doesn't have itchy eyes," says Dr. Benninger. "If you have a cough, that's more strongly associated with a common cold than allergies unless you have allergic asthma."

Keep Your Asthma in Check

While difficulty breathing and shortness of breath have been symptoms associated with coronavirus, it can also be signs of asthma that can flare up with the allergy season. If you don't have a fever present with these symptoms, asthma could be the culprit.

"People with asthma need to stay on top of their treatment," says
Dr. Benninger, "especially since people with respiratory issues are at a
higher risk of potentially severe illness from coronavirus. Whether it's inhalers
or nasal sprays, it's important to be up to date on their medication and proper usage."

Dr. Benninger also recommends starting allergy medications early in the allergy season rather than waiting for the worst part.

"If you can prevent the symptoms from worsening, then you're much more likely to have less difficulty when you get to the time of the season when allergies tend to get out of control," he says.

- www.clevelandclinic/healthessentials *May 6, 2020

SYMPTOMS	COVID-19	Cold	Flu	Allergy
Fever	Often	Rarely	Often	Sometimes
Cough	Often	Moderately	Often	Sometimes
Shortness of breath	Often	No	No	Often
Headache	Sometimes	Rarely	Often	Sometimes
Muscle pain	Sometimes	Often	Often	No
Sore throat	Sometimes	Often	Often	No
Fatigue	Sometimes	Sometimes	Often	Sometimes
Diarrhea	Rarely	No	Sometimes (in children)	No
Runny nose	Rarely	Often	Sometimes	Often
Sneezing	No	Often	No	Often

EXERCISE FOR SENIORS

Stay strong, be safe and maintain your independence by integrating lots of different exercise into your training plan.

No matter your age, the best exercise for you is the one you enjoy and the one you will stick with.

There are countless forms of exercise out there. To find one you like, focus on workouts designed to help you build strength, stay mobile and improve balance.

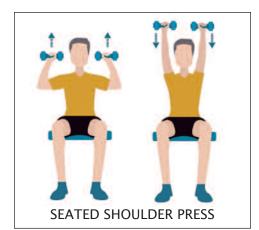
THESE ARE SOME OF THE BEST EXERCISES FOR OLDER ADULTS. CHECK WITH YOUR DOCTOR BEFORE BEGINNING A NEW FITNESS PROGRAM.

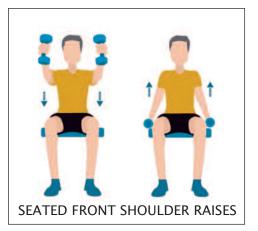
- 1. Swimming
- 2. Yoga
- 3. Pilates
- 4. Bodyweight training
- 5. Resistance band workouts

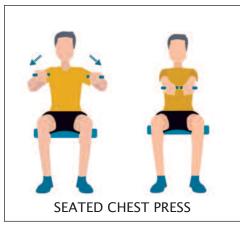
- 6. Strength and aerobic training
- 7. Walking
- 8. Stretching and range of motion
- 9. Gardening counts, too

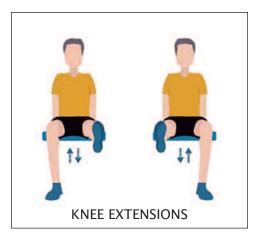
There are also many exercise programs on YouTube. You can find these on your computer, smart phone or TV. Some are sponsored by Silver Sneakers and range from 20 minutes to 60 minutes. They are easy to follow and you can go at your own pace. Some of the exercises are done standing and some incorporate the use of a chair. Some are also done entirely in a chair.

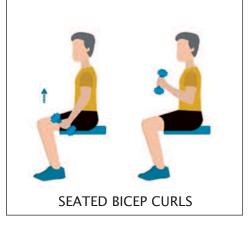
EXAMPLES OF EXERCISES YOU CAN DO IN A CHAIR:

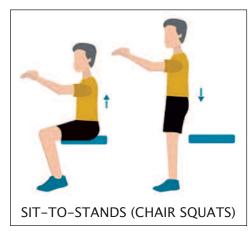


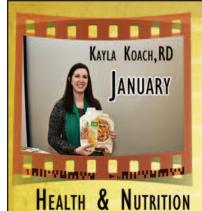




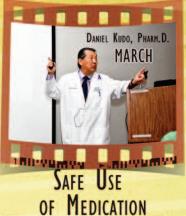


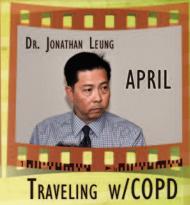
























Moments







NOVEMBER JAY ONGA, PRE-LUNG TRANSPLANT COORDINATOR UCLA MEDICAL CENTER WITH LUNG RECIPIENTS: MAUREEN. ESTEBAN & BLANCA













Just For Laughs!



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THE FORTUNE TELLER

"Madame Fortune Teller, tell me: Are there golf courses in heaven?"

"I have good news and I have bad news."

"What's the good news?"

"The good news is that the golf courses in heaven are beautiful beyond anything you could imagine!"

"That's wonderful."

"And you'll be teeing off at 8:30 tomorrow morning."

Clues to people's chronology:

Try these on your evasive friends who lie about their age.

If they recognize these terms, you can guess how long they've been around:

CORDUROY KNICKERS

LEGGINGS

DECCA AND BLUEBIRD

FLOOR SHOWS

MEXICAN JUMPING BEANS

THE BIG APPLE

APPLE MARY

CONGALINES

ZOOT SUITS

HOBO

LIMBO

SATCHMO

ZEPPO

coco

MA PERKINS

WPA

FOURBUCKLES

CAPTAIN MIDNIGHT

KATZENJAMMER KIDS

SHMOOS

MIDDIES

THE TWIST

PENFIELD AND SAM

THE NEW LOOK

BILLY ROSE

DANCE CARDS

ELEANOR POWELL

ELEANOR ROOSEVELT

ELEANOR HOLM

ELEANOR RIGBY

ELEANOR OF AQUITAINE

BROOMSTICK SKIRTS





Cat's Summer Dance



June Birthdays

Josie Lerma

Sherry Griffes

The Sunshine Corner

June Flower Rose

June Birthstones





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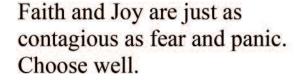
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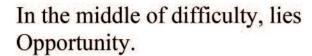


Pearl **Alexandrite**

Sometimes things fall apart so that better things can fall together.

Marilyn Monroe









Don't lose your present to your past.

Forget the mistake. Remember the lesson.

Hope is the only thing stronger than fear.

I am not what has happenend to me, I am who I choose Carl Young



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With much REGRET, we are CANCELING all upcoming meetings until further notice.



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