

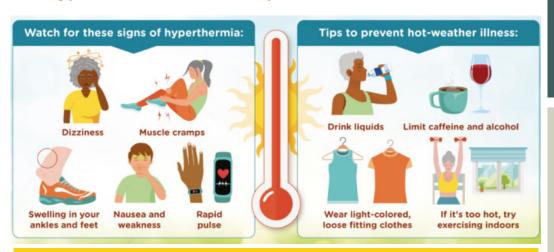
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STAYING SAFE IN HOT WEATHER

Older adults may be more likely to have heat-related health problems. Being hot for too long can cause hyperthermia - a heat-related illness. Learn more about the signs of hyperthermia and how to prevent hot-weather illness.



Learn more about staying safe in hot weather at www.nia.nih.gov/hot-weather-safety



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Monday - Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM



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Valley Senior Services will be closed Monday, September 2 in observance of Labor Day.

No Meals on Wheels, Senior Center Meals/ activities or transportation.

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SENIOR CENTER HIGHLIGHTS

ED CLAPP PARK CENTER 2801 32ND AVE S, FARGO EDEN SIVERTSON 298-3976

Aug 2 - 12:30 Birthday cupcakes Aug 6 - 12:30 "Happy Hour" root beer

Aug 8 - 12:30-4:30 AARP Driving Course (call 298-3976 to register)

Aug 14 - 10:00-1:00 Foot care

Aug 20- 9:00 Exercise: 10:00-1:00 Foot care

Aug 21 - 9:00 Chair yoga; 10:00-1:00 Foot care

Aug 22 - 10:00-1:00 Foot Care Every Monday - 12:30 Pinochle, cards Every Tuesday - 9:30 Free exercise; 12:30 Pinochle, cards

Every Wednesday - 12:30 Cards & Mahjong

Every Thursday - 9:30 Free exercise; 1:00 Bingo & Mahjong Every Friday - 12:30 Cards

Meals served daily at 12:00 pm. reserve meals, please call 298-3976 by 12:00 pm the day before.

TROLLWOOD VILLAGE **3105 BROADWAY, FARGO** 298-3975

Aug 7 - 10:00-1:00 Foot care: 1:00 Birthday cupcakes

Aug 8 - 10:00-1:00 Foot care

Aug 13 - 11:00 Fargo Public Library

Aug 19 - 12:30 Church Service in Rosewood Room

Aug 27 - 11:00 Fargo Public Library

Every Monday - 9:30 Exercise (Rosewood room); 12:30 Bingo

Every Tuesday - 12:30 Pinochle; 1:00 Grocery bus; 2:30 Bible study in

library

Every Wednesday - 9:30 Exercise; (Rosewood Rm); 12:30 Dominos;

Every Thursday - 12:30 Bingo Every Friday - 12:30 Crafts

Meals served daily at 11:30 am. To reserve meals, please call

298-3975 by 12:00 pm the day before.



WEST FARGO HIGH RISE 230 8TH AVE W. **WEST FARGO**

Aug 1 - 9:00 Senior breakfast

Aug 5 - 12:15 Crafts

Aug 6- 12:15 Chicken foot

Aug 13 - 12:00 Birthdays; 12:15 Prize

Aug 15 - 10:00-1:00 Foot care; 1:30

Book club @ WF Library Aug 21 - 1:00 Book club @ WF Library;

Aug 27 - 12:15 Money bingo

Every Monday - 8:45 SAIL @ RRC;

1:30 Movie matinee @WF Library Every Tuesday - 8:45 & 10:00 Bone

Builders @ Veterans Memorial

Every Wednesday - 8:45 SAIL @ RRC: 12:30 Cards/Whist

Every Thursday - 8:45 & 10:00 Bone Builders @ VMA

Every Friday - 8:45 SAIL @ RRC All activities at West Fargo High Rise unless otherwise noted. Call 433-5460

to register for library events

Meals served daily at WFHR and Monterey at 11:30 am. To reserve meals, please call 356-2047 at least one day in advance.

BROADWAY STATION 1461 BROADWAY, FARGO **EM JAMES 232-7936**

Aug 6—2:00-2:30 Root beer floats Every Monday - 10:15 Balance Builders; 1:00 Open activities Every Tuesday - 1:15 Bingo
Every Wednesday - 12:30 Pinochle
Every Thursday - 10:15 Balance
Builders/Chair Yoga; 11:30-3:30 Sewing/Crafts; 1:00 Open activities Every Friday - 1:15 Bingo

Meals served daily at 11:30 am. To reserve meals, please call 232-7936 by 12:00 pm the day before.

Reminder - Centers are closed on September 2nd

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Sanford Home Care will provide a nurse to cut and file your toenails at the following locations:

TROLLWOOD CENTER 3105 BROADWAY, FARGO

Wednesday, August 7 Thursday, August 8 Wednesday, September 4 Thursday, September 5 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

WEST FARGO HIGH RISE 230 8TH AVE W, WEST FARGO

Thursday, August 15 Thursday, September 12 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

ED CLAPP PARK CENTER

Wednesday, August 14 Tuesday, August 20 Wednesday, August 21 Thursday, August 22 Wednesday, September 11 Tuesday, September 17 Wednesday, September 18 Thursday, September 19

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AUGUST SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

August 7

Financial Planning for Seniors with guests Tom Stadum, Fjell Capital; Steve Nelson, Prairiewood Wealth Management; and Lexi Oestreich, FM Area Foundation

Hope Lutheran Church -South Campus

August 14

Storytelling with Wood Carved Norwegian Characters, Storyteller, Jerry Ness.

Hjemkomst Center

August 21

Friends and Family Day with Harvest Hope Farm Animals.

Urban Plains Park Shelter B, 3020 51st St. S, Fargo

August 28

Caregiver Cafe, 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

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For more information call Memory Cafe at 701-404-6712 or email : hello@memorycaferrv.org



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

MEDICARE PART D OPEN ENROLLMENT IS QUICKLY APPROACHING

Medicare Part D (Prescription Drug Plan) Open Enrollment period is from October 15 through December 7 each year. Coverage begins on January 1. Valley Senior Services will once again provide assistance with Part D open enrollment. Look for more information in the September newsletter!

NATIONAL ROOT BEER FLOAT DAY IS AUGUST 6!

JOIN US FOR \$1 ROOT BEER FLOATS
ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 6

Broadway Station, 1461 Broadway, Fargo from 2:00-2:30pm OR

Ed Clapp, 2801 32nd Ave S, Fargo at 12:30 pm



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You now have the option to receive our Cass County version of the Silver Quill by email! Or, do you want to be taken off the print version and receive the digital version instead?

Just send a note to aellison@fargoparks.com that you want the newsletter emailed and if you want to be taken off the print list and we will get you added to the appropriate lists.



This month we are featuring Meals on Wheels volunteers, David, who has been delivering meals for several years. Here's what he has to say about volunteering:

Tell us a little bit about yourself:

I have several hobbies including stained glass, woodworking, and pottery. I also like bike riding and camping with some canoeing.

How did you become interested in volunteering?

Being retired, I had plenty of free time. I needed something to fill that time, and I wanted to help other people, which in turn, helps me.

What is your favorite part about delivering Meals on Wheels?

Meeting new people - I've made new friends. And spending time visiting with my people.



THANK YOU, DAVID, FOR YOUR DEDICATION TO MEALS ON WHEELS!



HOW TO MANAGE BLOOD PRESSURE WITH THE DASH DIET

BY LANE LIPETZKY SWENSON, RD, LD, CGN

Did you know almost half of the adults in the US have high blood pressure? It is often referred to as "silent the killer" because people rarely experience any signs or symptoms yet it has a great impact on your health. According the to American Heart Association hav-



www.nhlbi.nih.gov/DASH



blood pressure increases your risk of heart attack, stroke, and chronic kidney disease. If you are someone who has been diagnosed with hypertension or prehypertension, following the DASH diet is a great first line of defense.

What is the DASH Diet?

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The DASH diet stands for Dietary Approaches to Stop Hypertension. It can be used both to help treat high blood pressure or to prevent it. Because the diet encourages foods like fruits, vegetables, low fat dairy and whole grains it is rich in nutrients like potassium, calcium, magnesium and fiber which are helpful for lowering blood pressure. It is also beneficial for your overall heart health by promoting a decreased intake of sodium, added sugars and saturated fats. The DASH diet is not a strict diet full of foods you can and cannot eat, but rather a set of guidelines to help you build a healthy and balanced diet that works for you. The bullet points below show the recommended servings sizes from different food groups as well as a sample daily meal plan to help you start planning your personal DASH diet.

Recommended Servings from Each Food Group

- Grains: 6-8 servings of grains daily, preferably whole grains. One serving may be 1/2 cup of cooked cereal, rice or pasta, 1 slice of bread or 1ounce dry cereal.
- Vegetables: 4-5 servings of vegetables a day. One cup of raw leafy green vegetables, 1/2 cup cut-up raw or cooked vegetables, or 1/2 cup vegetable juice equals one serving.
- Fruit: 4-5 servings of fruit a day. One serving is one medium fruit, 1/2 cup fresh, frozen or canned fruit, or 1/2 cup fruit juice.
- Dairy: 2-3 servings of fat-free or low-fat dairy products daily. One serving is 1 cup milk or yogurt, or 1 1/2 ounces of cheese.
- Lean Meat: Six 1-ounce servings a day of lean meats, poultry, eggs or fish.
- Legumes and nuts: 4-5 servings of nuts, seeds, or dry beans and peas a week. One serving is 1/3 cup nuts, 2 tablespoons peanut butter, 2 tablespoons of seeds, or 1/2 cup of cooked dried beans or peas.
- Oils: 2-3 servings of fats and oils daily. One serving is I teaspoon of a healthy oil like olive oil or avocado oil, 1 tablespoon mayonnaise or 2 tablespoons of salad dressing.
- Added Sugar: 5 or fewer servings a week of sweets or added sugars. One serving is 1 tablespoon sugar, jelly or jam, 1/2 cup sorbet or 1 cup lemonade.
- Sodium: Less than 2,300 mg of sodium daily. One tsp of salt contains 2,300 mg of sodium.

SAMPLE MEAL PLAN

Breakfast

Avocado toast with:

- 1 medium avocado, mashed
- 1/4 cup sundried tomatoes or ½ cup halved cherry tomatoes

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FARGO MEALS ON WHEELS & TAKE OUT MEALS AT CENTERS - TO MAKE A RESERVATION AT YOUR LOCAL MEAL SITE PLEASE CALL BEFORE 12:00 NOON ONE DAY IN ADVANCE

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
C7 OLPi	Lugu	St	1 Chicken & Noodles Tossed Salad Mixed Vegetables Rosy Applesauce Whole Wheat Bread	Meatloaf Baked Potato Stewed Tomatoes Lime Jell-O w/ Pears Whole Wheat Bread x2
5 Potato Chip Fish Baked Sweet Potato Green Beans Almondine Mandarin Oranges Whole Wheat Bun	6 Lutheran Hotdish Steamed Peas Winter Blend Vegetables Fresh Fruit Whole Wheat Bread	7 Tarragon Roasted Chicken Parsley Buttered Potatoes Crinkle Cut Carrots Fresh Fruit Whole Wheat Bread x2	8 Sweet & Sour Pork Brown Rice Tossed Salad Mixed Vegetables Cinnamon Applesauce Whole Wheat Bread	9 Country Meatballs Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Steamed Broccoli Tropical Fruit Whole Wheat Bread x2
Chicken Wild Rice Hotdish Steamed Corn California Blend Vegetables Pineapple Tidbits Whole Wheat Bread	Salisbury Steak w/ Mushroom Gravy Mashed Potatoes Stewed Tomatoes Peaches Whole Wheat Bread x2	14 Citrus Glazed Fish Au Gratin Potatoes Seasoned Peas Pears Whole Wheat Bread x2	15 Sloppy Joe Potato Salad Parslied Carrots Warm Cinnamon Apples Whole Wheat Bun	Chicken Marsala Baked Sweet Potato Steamed Cauliflower Fresh Fruit Whole Wheat Bread x2
19 Beef Stew Winter Blend Vegetables Apricots Whole Wheat Biscuit	Tuna Pasta Hotdish Peas & Carrots Green Beans Fresh Fruit Whole Wheat Bread	Orange Marmalade Chicken Scalloped Potatoes Steamed Cabbage Fresh Fruit Whole Wheat Bread x2	22 Hamburger Whole Wheat Bun Baked Beans Tossed Salad Peaches	23 Mr. Rib Patty Whole Wheat Hoagie Bun Maple Dijon Brussel Sprouts Baked Potato Fruit Pudding
26 Tator Tot Hotdish California Blend Vegetables Pears Whole Wheat Bread x2	Chicken Veronique Smashed Potatoes Diced Beets Fresh Fruit Whole Wheat Bread x2	28 Seasoned Pork Roast w/ Gravy Baked Sweet Potato Confetti Coleslaw Cinnamon Applesauce Whole Wheat Bread x2	29 Chicken Ala King w/ Whole Wheat Pasta Steamed Baby Carrots Seasoned Green Beans Fresh Fruit Whole Grain Breadstick	30 Cheesy Egg Bake Steamed Peas Steamed Cauliflower Fresh Fruit Whole Wheat Bread x2

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AUGUST 2024 MENU

WEST FARGO MEALS ON WHEELS, CONGREGATE & TAKE OUT MEALS WFACP - West Fargo High Rise 230 8th Ave. West

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
		OLPI	Roasted Pork Loin Scalloped Potatoes Seasoned Brussels Sprouts Fresh Fruit Whole Wheat Bread	2 Chicken & Noodles Tossed Salad Mixed Vegetables Rosy Applesauce Whole Wheat Bread
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To reserve a congregate or take out meal, call before noon at least one day in advance...... 356-2047 Meals on Wheels......293-1440

DASH DIET

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- 1 poached egg
- 1 slice whole-wheat toast

1 medium orange Coffee, tea or water

Lunch

Tuna salad:

- 3 ounces canned tuna drained
- 1/4 cup diced red onion
- 1/4 cup diced celery
- 1 tablespoon mayonnaise
- 1 tsp Dijon mustard (optional)
- Pepper to taste
- 8 whole grain crackers or make a sandwich with whole wheat bread, leaf lettuce and sliced tomato

1 whole fruit like an apple, peach, plum or banana 1 cup skim milk

Supper

Chicken, vegetable stir-fry with:

- 1/2 teaspoon sesame oil
- 2 oz. shredded chicken
- 1/2 cup sliced onion, sliced
- 1/2 cup chopped red bell pepper
- 1/2 cup sliced button mushrooms
- 1/2 cup broccoli florets
- 1/2 cup sliced carrots
- 1/2 teaspoon chopped fresh ginger
- 1/2 teaspoon chopped fresh garlic
- 1/2 tablespoon rice wine
- 1/2 teaspoon reduced-sodium soy sauce
- 1/2 tablespoon chopped cashews
- 1 cup brown rice.

Water

Snacks

- 1 cup berries
- 1/4 cup almonds
- Low-fat yogurt





FREE NUTRITION COUNSELING - AUGUST SCHEDULE

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Dietary Solutions is also providing free upcoming webinars:

Managing IBS Symptoms with Nutrition

August 15 at 10:30am CST https://bit.ly/NDIBS Webinar ID: 915 2206 1214 Passcode: 004977

Webinars will be recorded and available at https//bit.ly/ NDRecordings

Join the conversation about enhancing your well-being through balanced nutrition and health lifestyle choices. The Simply Nutritious Conversations and Simply Nutritious Diabetic Conversations programs are a friendly way to learn from registered dieticians and connect with other seniors.

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The Importance of Vitamin B August 20 at 2:00pm CST

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CONGREGATE DINING & TAKE OUT

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KD Café, Hunter ND (874-2100): Tuesday-Friday at 11:00-12:00. Please call ahead to order your meals.

CASS COUNTY COUNCIL ON AGING MEETING:

Monday, September 16 at 10:00 am in Embden.

CASS COUNTY RURAL BUS SCHEDULE:

Routes:	North Cass	North Cass County		South Cass County	
	Hunter	8:00 a.m.	Leonard	8:00 a.m.	
	Arthur	8:20	Kindred	8:30	
	Casselton	9:00	Horace	8:45	
	Fargo	9:45	Fargo	9:15	

North route runs August 6, 13, 20 & 27. South route runs August 7, 14, 21 & 27. Express van runs Mondays and Thursdays. Please call 356-7433 for more information or to schedule your ride. For Page residents: you can use Steele County bus to Fargo on August 12 & 23. Please call 1-800-845-1715 for pick-up information and to reserve a ride.



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Some examples:

- Send QR codes by email or text message pretending to be from delivery companies.
- Request that you confirm your information due to suspicious activity using fake QR codes.
- Place harmful codes on social media advertisements.

Here are some tips to avoid related scams:

- Verify the source: Before scanning a QR code, make sure it comes from a trusted and reliable source. Legitimate QR codes from SSA will always send you to a safe and secure webpage.
- Inspect the code. Scammers may try to imitate a QR code. Study the QR code closely. Look for any signs of altering or misspellings. Avoid scanning a QR code if something looks suspicious.
- Be aware of codes from unknown sources. Social Security Administration and Medicare will never send a QR code by text or email asking you to confirm your information.
- Be aware of urgent requests using QR Codes: Fraudsters often pretend to be government officials and use fake QR codes to defraud people. For example, a scammer may pose as a Social Security employee claiming that there is a problem with your account.

Stay Informed: Stay up to date on the latest QR code fraud and scams. Follow trusted sources such as news outlets and official government websites for updates. QR codes are an easy and convenient way to get information, but it's important to be aware when using them.

Reporting Medicare fraud: If you think you have spotted fraud, report it right away. ND SMP will help seniors prevent, detect and report Medicare fraud. If you see anything suspicious, contact the ND SMP@ndsmp@minotstateu.edu or call 1-833-818-0029. For non-Medicare fraud issues, contact the ND Attorney General's Office at 1-800-472-2600.

The information provided is intended to be a general summary only. Source of information: Social Security Matters (22 Feb 24). Fraud, Scams, Privacy & Identity. Protecting yourself from QR code fraud.

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Cass County Public Transit

To better serve Casselton, Mapleton, Horace, Harwood and other local county towns, an Express Van Service has been added to Cass County Public Transit System two days a week. This service will provide rides into Fargo for any need with a more immediate return ride home as scheduled. Be sure to schedule your ride for medical appointments, shopping, nursing home visits and more. This Express Van is wheelchair accessible.

Express Van Service available:

Mondays and Thursdays • 8:00am-4:00 pm and other days as possible.

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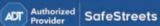


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