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Going strong in 2017

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LEADERSHIP LETTER

Start the new year strong

Resolutions. Expectations. Our busy lives demand a lot of time and energy sometimes it can feel like we're always on the go.

As we take care of ourselves and our loved ones, we need to remember to take care of our bodies. While we're getting things done, our hearts steadily tick on. In this issue of *Reach*, we encourage you to get your heart healthy in 2017—and keep it going strong.

While exercise improves your health, it's easy to overdo it. If you get injured, we're here to help you heal.

Our bodies—and minds—also need regular rest. In addition to sleeping well, many of us need to relearn the art of R and R. Our free or low-cost classes can help restore balance and peace of mind.

The new year holds the promise of a bright new day—it's time to go strong.

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A powerful gift Are you eligible to donate blood? Take a quick assessment at **StRoseReach.org**.



Free breakfast—and so much more at our Heart Health Fair! See page 9.

EVEN MORE WAYS TO CONNECT

StRoseHospitals.org



everyone.

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YOGA FOR BETTER HEALTH The many upsides of downward dog

It's not a stretch to say that yoga is a healthy practice. It does a body good—increasing your overall fitness. Yoga may also:

Improve posture and flexibility.

Lower blood

Aid digestion.



Improve sleep.



Reduce chronic pain.

Relieve anxiety and depression.

Getting started. Yoga is generally safe for most healthy people. But before you strike your first pose, consider learning proper form from a pro.

We have you covered!

Check out our various yoga classes—whether you're a beginner or up for something a bit more challenging. For more info, see page 7 or go to **StRoseHospitals.org/classes**.

Why we give

We give because we feel fortunate to have the Siena Campus so close to home. As a former patient, Patricia knows firsthand that the exceptional, compassionate care she received emulates Dignity Health's *Hello humankindness* focus. Our contributions help ensure that high-quality health care will be there for ourselves, as well as for our friends and neighbors, in the future. The best part about giving to St. Rose is that it feels so good, and we know our gifts are making a difference!

—Patricia and Arthur Lindberg

St. Rose Dominican Health Foundation

A Dignity Health Member

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To give to the St. Rose Dominican Health Foundation, visit **SupportStRose.org** or call **702.616.5750**.

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National Wear Red Day

EVERY 80 SECONDS, a woman dies of heart disease or stroke. However, 80 percent of heart disease and stroke events may be preventable with lifestyle changes, according to the American Heart Association.

On National Wear Red Day—**Friday, February 3, 2017**—Dignity Health– St. Rose Dominican, the Go Red For Women cause sponsor, wants you to do something for you. Wear red and schedule a well-woman visit with your primary care provider or gynecologist to learn about your health status and risk for diseases. To join in, visit **GoRedForWomen.org. #DignityGoRed**

Starting on page 4: Get healthy tips, including Kate Grey's secrets to heartfelt success.





7 ways to keep



Roughly 2.5 billion times. That's how often your heart will beat by the time you reach age 70. It's amazing, really. Nonstop, 24/7, the beat goes on and on and on.

Doctors have learned a lot about how the heart functions—and what we need to do to keep it healthy and going strong. Four cardiology experts who practice with St. Rose Dominican offer seven ways to help keep your ticker in tip-top shape.



😲 Put it to the test

Your "heart numbers" can tell you a lot about what's going on with your heart and if you have risk factors that may affect its health. Moniz Dawood, MD,



Moniz Dawood, MD

board-certified in cardiovascular disease and interventional cardiology, shares some key information: High blood pressure and excess cholesterol can cause plaque to build up inside arteries in the heart. Lifestyle changes can improve your blood pressure and cholesterol numbers. Medication may also be needed in some cases.

Body mass index (BMI)—a measurement of your weight in relation to your height—is a good indicator of body fat. Excess weight forces your heart to work harder. It may also raise your blood pressure and have negative effects on your cholesterol levels. To find out your BMI, look for "BMI Calculator" under "Health Tools" at **StRoseReach.org**.

🤣 Pump it up

Like any muscle, your heart gets stronger with exercise. That helps it pump blood more efficiently. But

David Navratil, MD, FACC, a physician board-certified in cardiovascular diseases and cardiac electrophysiology, indicates that the benefits don't stop



David Navratil, MD, FACC

there. Regular exercise can help you manage your weight, lower your blood pressure, and improve your cholesterol.

Most people should aim for at least 150 minutes of moderate-intensity exercise weekly. That's any activity that causes a slight increase in breathing and heart rate, like brisk walking. Choose activities you enjoy so you'll be more apt to stick with them. And start slowly, especially if it's been a while since you were active.

Eat heart-smart

Your entire body, including your heart, is fueled by food. So quality matters. A heart-healthy diet contains lots of delicious options, such as:

- Fruits, vegetables, and whole grains.
- Fat-free or low-fat dairy products.
- Skinless poultry, lean meat, and fish—especially those containing omega-3 fatty acids, like salmon and trout.

• Nuts and legumes.

Also aim to eat fewer foods with sodium, added sugar, and refined grains. It's best to limit saturated fat and trans fat, too.

4 Clear the air

Smoking is a major risk factor for heart disease. And simply being around others' smoke puts your heart at risk.

Fareed Sheikh, DO, a cardiologist board-certified in cardiovascular disease, says, "Smoking is also the biggest risk factor for peripheral arterial and cerebral vascular



Fareed Sheikh. DO

diseases, which can lead to amputations and strokes."

KICK THE HABIT FOR HEART HEALTH

For classes that can help you guit smoking, turn to page 9-or go online: StRoseHospitals.org/Classes.

Primary care doctors and specialists can help you quit.

Keep this in mind: Just a year after quitting, your excess risk of future heart disease is cut in half. Fifteen years after your last cigarette, it's as if you never smoked at all.

Seek sound sleep

Too little sleep has been linked to heart failure and heart attack in adults. Maintaining consistent sleep schedules, keeping your bedroom dark and quiet, and avoiding large meals and caffeine near bedtime may help you sleep better.

If you have ongoing sleep problems, speak with your doctor.

See page 15 for more on healthy sleep.

6 Ease stress

When you're tense or anxious, your breathing, heart rate, and blood pressure increase. If stress becomes chronic, it can take a toll on your heart.

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Kate's success story: Here's how she stays cool under pressure

About 20 percent of U.S. adults have high blood pressure and don't know it. Kate Grey, a St. Rose Dominican employee, was one of them.

"I was really surprised to learn I had borderline high blood pressure," says Kate, "because I've had a history of low blood pressure my whole life. The first time I was told I had higher numbers, I thought I misheard."

After checking her blood pressure a few more times over several months, Kate realized she should follow up with her doctor, Celeste Atkinson, MD, an internal medicine physician with Dignity Health Medical Group.

> Dr. Atkinson made several recommendations and agreed that Kate should try to lower her blood pressure without medication by making the following lifestyle changes:

- Reducing sodium.
- Cutting caffeine.
- Lowering stress levels.
- Losing weight.

Kate's top tips

Kate made the changes her doctor recommended—and more and has these pointers for others trying to lower their blood pressure: Follow the DASH—Dietary Approaches to Stop Hypertension—

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Find healthy ways to manage stress. Even taking a few minutes to sit quietly and breathe deeply may help you feel calmer.

V Know the danger signs

If you think you're having a

heart attack, call 911. Quick treatment may save your life. According to Sanjay Malhotra, MD, FACC, board-certified in cardiology and interventional cardiology, signs and symptoms of a heart

• Chest pain, pressure, or discomfort.

attack include:

- Pain, tingling, or discomfort in the arms, shoulder, back, neck, jaw, or stomach.
- Shortness of breath, nausea, sweating, or cold and clammy skin.
- Dizziness or lightheadedness. Other possible signs and symptoms of heart problems you shouldn't ignore are chest pain that worsens with physical activity and goes away with rest, swelling in your feet, legs, stomach, and veins in your neck, or a heartbeat that is too fast, too slow, or irregular.

If your primary care physician feels you should see a cardiologist, the St. Rose Dominican physician referral service can help. Call **702.616.4900**.

12TH ANNUAL Go Red Luncheon

Thursday, March 2, 2017 Aria Resort and Casino

10:30 a.m.—Silent auction and start of Health Expo

Noon—Luncheon program begins

This event helps raise awareness about the country's No. 1 killer of women. Cardiovascular disease and stroke claim more women's lives every year than the next 14 causes of death combined.

Save your spot! Registration closes Monday, February 27. Find a link to register at **StRoseReach.org**.



Learn more

about the

DASH diet at

StRoseReach.org.

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diet. Sherry Poinier, a St. Rose Dominican registered dietitian who met with Kate, says, "This plan is great because it emphasizes fruit, vegetables, low- or non-fat dairy, whole grains, and lean meats."

- Drink some water every morning when you wake up, and eat an apple every day.
- Cook your own meals—avoid packaged and processed foods.
- Explore ways to reduce stress.
- Get a blood pressure monitor, and keep track of your readings.
- Use technology to track your food, fitness, blood pressure,

and more. Two of Kate's favorites: MyFitnessPal and Insight Timer, a free meditation app.

- Make a BHAG (Big Hairy Audacious Goal) and tell someone about it.
- Be "mostly good." Lifestyle changes can be difficult, so be realistic. Indulge when it's something you really want, and don't beat yourself up if you get off track for a few days.

What has been the most difficult about making these lifestyle changes? Kate says consistency has been hard in terms of when and how much food she eats, as she tends to skip lunch. "Sherry actually recommended I eat more often...smaller amounts throughout the day," says Kate. "I plan my meals now and bring healthy snacks to work."

Kate's blood pressure is now back to a normal range, but she keeps it top of mind. She once read in an article on this topic, "It's a marathon, not a sprint"—that really says it all.

Stay inspired. Get loads of heart-healthy info at **StRoseReach.org**, where you can also search St. Rose Dominican's wide variety of nutrition, wellness, and fitness programs.



For classes that require registration, you can now register online at **StRoseHospitals.org/classes**. Payment can also be made online for most classes (drop-in classes require payment on arrival). Or you can call **702.616.4900** to register 24/7.



Register online at StRoseHospitals.org/classes or call 702.616.4900, unless otherwise noted.



Fitness

All fitness classes are dropin only, unless otherwise noted. Fees paid on arrival.

Dragon Boat Paddling

Individuals paddle for fun and fitness. Open to all paddlers. Dates, times, and registration at **meetup.com/** LVDragonBoatClub.

Lake Las Vegas: \$10 per person

Walking Clubs

For all ages and fitness levels. Strollers welcome. Call **702.616.4902** for seasonal meeting locations.

Mondays and Wednesdays, 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.

Gentle Yoga

Gain flexibility and balance through gentle yoga movements.

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10 to 11 a.m. Fridays, 8 to 9 a.m. ☑ \$5 per session or five sessions for \$20

Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, 9 to 10 a.m. WEST \$5 per session or five sessions for \$20

Yoga for Beginners (all levels)

Learn alignment and foundational concepts to deepen your practice.

Mondays, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. S per session or five sessions for \$20 Mixed-Level Yoga

Requires solid experience beyond beginner. Bring a block and strap, if possible. **Tuesdays, 3 to 4 p.m. GV** \$5 per session or five sessions for \$20

Vinyasa Flow Yoga: Beyond the Basics

Follow your breath and move through postures to build strength, balance, and flexibility.

Tuesdays, 6 to 7 p.m. Fridays, 10:20 to 11:20 a.m. Saturdays, 9 to 10 a.m. WESD \$5 per session or five sessions for \$20

Zumba Fitness

Mondays and Thursdays, 6 to 7 p.m. and 7:15 to 8:15 p.m. WEST \$5 per session,

five sessions for \$20, or 10 sessions for \$30

Flex Fusion

Therapeutic stretching with flexibility for floor or chair exercise.

Thursdays, 3 to 4 p.m. WEST FREE

Belly Dancing

Saturdays, Jan. 14, Feb. 11, March 11, 10:30 a.m. to noon

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Nutrition

Got SNAP?

Three square will help you complete and submit your Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program application. Call **702.616.4905** for an appointment. **Tuesdays, 8 a.m. to noon**

GVI WIC: FREE

Lose Weight with Hypnosis

Wear comfortable clothes and bring your pillow.

Wednesday, Jan. 25, 6 to 8 p.m. WEST \$25 (includes CD) Thursday, Feb. 9, 6 to 8 p.m. EV \$25 (includes CD)

Nutrition Consultations

Meet with a registered dietitian. All insurances welcome and cash discounts available. Call **702.616.4975**.

O Wellness

Healthier Living

This six-week chronic disease self-management program teaches techniques to deal with frustration, fatigue, pain, and isolation. Also get exercise strategies, healthy eating tips, and more! **Tuesdays, Jan. 17 to Feb. 21, 9 to 11:30 a.m. EV** FREE

Energy Healing Circle

Reduce stress and heal with chakra balancing.

Wednesdays, Jan. 4, Feb. 1, March 1, 7 to 8 p.m. WISSI FREE

Labyrinth Walk

Join us for a quiet, relaxing journey navigating the labyrinth.

Friday, March 17, 2 to 3 p.m. GV FREE

More

Healthy Henderson Health Fair

Explore the Healthy Henderson Health Fair. This event features over 40 vendors, children's activities, bounce houses, classes, demonstrations, a farmers market, and food trucks. The Lighten Up Henderson 90-Day Weight-Loss Challenge will also be kicking off.

Saturday, Jan. 14, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Henderson Multigenerational Center 250 S. Green Valley Parkway: **FREE** (for all ages)





Register online at StRoseHospitals.org/classes or call 702.616.4900, unless otherwise noted.



Relax and Paint

Join us for an evening of calming creativity as we paint.

Thursday, Feb. 23, 6 to 9 p.m.

GV \$5. Registration required; prepay materials fee.

Balancing Energy Fields

Release the past and embrace the future through EFT, sound therapy, and meditation.

Wednesdays, Jan. 11, Feb. 8, March 8, 6 to 8 p.m. WISI \$5

Relaxation Meditations

Practice techniques that promote peace and health.

Wednesdays, Jan. 4, Feb. 1, March 1, 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. WEST FREE

Tuesdays, Jan. 10, Feb. 14, March 14, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

The Mind Spa: Creative Journaling

Be a happier, healthier, calmer you with creative journaling and guided meditation.

Tuesdays, 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

Safe Sitter

Youth ages 11 to 16 learn safe, nurturing child care techniques and medical emergency management.

Monday, Feb. 20, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. 20 (includes lunch)

* Take a deeper look! We have more classes at **StRoseHospitals.org/classes**.

Self-Hypnosis for Positive Thinking

Wear comfortable clothes and bring your pillow.

Wednesday, Feb. 22, 6 to 8 p.m. WEST \$25 (includes CD)

Thursday, March 9, 6 to 8 p.m. GV \$25 (includes CD)

Diabetes Management

What Is Prediabetes?

How to avoid or delay diabetes. Wednesday, Jan. 25, 10 a.m. to noon

Thursday, Feb. 16, 3 to 5 p.m. Friday, March 24, 1 to 3 p.m. ☑ FREE

can help you avoid the bigger changes that come with managing type 2 diabetes.

National Diabetes Prevention Program

Modest lifestyle changes

Call **702.616.4975** to enroll in this 12-month program. **Thursdays, starting Jan. 12, 1 to 2 p.m. CV** \$40 to enroll; \$10 per session

DATE (Diabetes Awareness Treatment and Education)

Individual visits available with an option for additional visits done individually or in group classes. Flexibility in scheduling. Group classes are three-day classes:

Thursdays, Feb. 2, 16, 23, 9 a.m. to noon Tuesdays, March 7, 14, 21, 9 a.m. to noon

Uninsured? Make an appointment with one of our exchange enrollment facilitators. Call **702.616.4904**.



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COND Siena Campus–Conference Room D, Henderson 3001 St. Rose Parkway



Gestational Diabetes

Diagnosed with diabetes during pregnancy? Meet one-onone with a certified diabetes educator. Call **702.616.4975** for an appointment.

Stanford Diabetes Self-Management Program

Regain control of your life with this six-week program, which offers support, healthy eating tips, medication management, and communication knowhow. Complements your current medical treatment. Wednesdays, Feb. 8 to March 15, 9 to 11:30 a.m. GV FREE

Kidney Smart

One in 10 U.S. adults has kidney disease. Learn how your kidneys function and how to manage your diet and health. Thursday, Jan. 26, 10 to 11:30 a.m. WESD FREE Tuesday, Jan. 17, 2 to 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 28, 10 to 11:30 a.m. CEND FREE Thursday, March 16, 6 to 7:30 p.m. CV FREE



Heart and Stroke Programs

Heart Healthy Eating Learn to eat for heart health. Thursday, Feb. 2, 10 to 11:30 a.m. CV FREE Thursday, March 16, 10 to 11:30 a.m. WESD FREE

DASH (Dietary Approaches to Stop Hypertension)

Join us to learn heart-healthy nutrition tips. Thursday, Feb. 9,

3 to 4:30 p.m.

Heartsaver CPR/AED

Learn adult, child, and infant CPR, AED, and choking first aid. Two-year American Heart Association certification for non-health care providers.

Wednesday, Jan. 25, Feb. 22, or March 22 5 to 9 p.m. CV \$30 (includes AHA

certification card)



Sinoke Tree

Freedom from Smoking Kick the habit with this six- or seven-week American Lung Association program. Thursdays, Jan. 19 to March 2, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. CEND FREE

Stop Smoking with Hypnosis

Wear comfortable clothes and bring your pillow. Thursday, Jan. 12, 6 to 8 p.m. X25 (includes CD)



Cancer Thriving and Surviving

This six-week Stanford program enhances regular treatment. Wednesdays, Feb. 8 to March 15, 3 to 5:30 p.m. W FREE

The Heart Doctor is IN: Heart Health Fair

Saturday, Feb. 18, 8 to 10:30 a.m.

Screenings and free, heart-healthy breakfast: 8 to 9:30 a.m.

- Lab screenings (fast for 12 hours): total cholesterol \$5, lipid panel (LDL, HDL, triglycerides) \$30, liver panel \$10, glucose \$5, Hb A1C (diabetes) \$10, thyroid panel (TSH, T3, T4) \$10.
- Tips on healthy eating from Samantha Louie, RD.
- **No-cost screenings and more:** blood pressure, body fat and BMI, carbon monoxide, 3-lead heart rhythm strip, stroke risk, medication checks (bring medications to review), hands-only CPR demonstrations, exercise demonstrations, educational resources, and raffle drawings.

Join Herbert Cordero-Yordan, MD, cardiologist 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

MAC Seating is limited. Call **702.616.4900** to register and schedule your lab appointment.



Mammograms

Uninsured or underinsured? You may qualify for a free mammogram. Call the R.E.D. Rose program at **702.492.8557** if you are 49 or younger. Funded by Susan G. Komen for the Cure. Prosthesis and Bra Fittings Uninsured? Receive a free fitted bra and prosthesis. Call **702.568.9595**.



The Barbara Greenspun Womens *Care* Centers of Excellence have supported Dignity Health–St. Rose Dominican's commitment to improving the health of the women, men, and children in southern Nevada since 1998. A wide variety of free or low-cost wellness, nutrition, fitness, and health classes and screenings are offered at our three convenient locations. For information, visit **StRoseHospitals.org**.

WomensCare/Outreach Center Green Valley 2651 Paseo Verde Parkway, Suite 180

HEND WomensCare/Outreach/FTF Center Rose de Lima Campus, Henderson 98 E. Lake Mead Parkway, Suite 301 MAC Siena Campus–MacDonald Room Henderson 3001 St. Rose Parkway

RANRose de Lima Campus-AnnexHenderson102 E. Lake Mead Parkway

RDI Rose de Lima Campus, Henderson 102 E. Lake Mead Parkway

SAN San Martín Campus, Las Vegas 8280 W. Warm Springs Road

WEST Womens Care/Outreach Center, Las Vegas 7220 S. Cimarron Road, Suite 195



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Register online at StRoseHospitals.org/classes or call 702.616.4900, unless otherwise noted.

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Screenings Health Screenings/Lab Screenings for Diabetes

Total cholesterol \$5, lipid panel (LDL, HDL, triglycerides) \$30, liver panel \$10, glucose \$5, A1C (diabetes) \$10, thyroid panel (TSH and FT4) \$10. A 12-hour fast is required.

Saturday, Feb. 18, 8 to 10:30 a.m.

MAC See prices above. Appointment needed. Thursday, March 9, 7 to 10 a.m. WEST See prices above.

Metabolic Testing

Appointment needed.

Call **702.616.4975** for an appointment.



- AA Co-Ed
 MAG Thursdays, 7 p.m.
 SAN Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, Fridays, 7 p.m.
- AA for Women **GVI Mondays, 7:30 p.m., and Wednesdays, noon SANI Mondays, noon**
- ALS Support
- Alzheimer's Support
- Arthritis Support (New!)
- Bereavement Support
- Better Breathers COPD
- Breast Cancer Support

- Compassionate Friends: bereavement support for parents and grandparents of children who have died
- Compulsive Eaters
- Diabetes Support
- Divorce Support
- Fibromyalgia Friends
- Gamblers Anonymous
- Infertility Support
- Leukemia and Lymphoma Support (New!)
- Multiple Sclerosis Support
- Narcotics Anonymous
- Parenting Support
- Stroke and Aphasia
 Lunch Bunch
- Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 800.273.8255
- Surviving Suicide: bereavement support for adults
- Tobacco Quit Line: 800.QUIT.NOW



Text4baby

Text **BABY** to **511411** to get FREE cellphone tips and reminders throughout your pregnancy and your baby's first year.

FREE Birth Center Tours

San Martín Campus: Third Saturday

mornings and every Tuesday evening

Siena Campus: Third Saturday afternoons and fourth Monday evenings Registration required.

Fit 4 Baby

Join FIT4MOM[®] Las Vegas for an interval-based prenatal fitness class that combines cardio, stretching, and balancing exercises. Register at **lasvegas.fit4mom.com** or by calling **702.882.1795**. **Saturdays, 10 to 11 a.m. GV** 10 classes for \$110

Car Seat Safety Checks

Call **702.616.4902** for an appointment. **Tuesdays, Jan. 3, Feb. 7, March 7, 10 a.m. to noon WISSO \$10 Fridays, Jan. 13, Feb. 10, March 10, 1 to 5 p.m. GV \$10 Fridays, Jan. 20, Feb. 17, March 17, 1 to 5 p.m. GV \$10**

O Prenatal Classes

Baby Basics GV \$30

Breastfeeding GV \$30

Childbirth Express

Daddy Boot Camp

Gestational Diabetes Consultations Call 702.616.4975.

Infant CPR GV WEST \$20

Prepared Childbirth

Smoking Cessation for Pregnancy Call the Nevada Tobacco Quitline: **702.784.8669**.



Breastfeeding Helpline and Consultations

Call **702.616.4908** for help or a private appointment with a certified lactation counselor.

St. Rose WIC Nutrition Program

Healthy food, nutrition consultations, and breastfeeding support. For children up to age 5 and expecting mothers. Call **702.616.4905**. WEST HEND FREE



Baby Weigh Stations

Baby weight checks. No appointment necessary. GV WEST HEND FREE

Breast Pump Rentals

Rent the Medela Symphony, a hospital-grade, doubleelectric pump.

New Mommy Mixer

Mondays, 11 a.m. to noon

Wednesdays, 11 a.m. to noon

Fridays, 11 a.m. to noon GV FREE

La Leche League

Join other nursing mothers for information and support.

Thursdays, Jan. 26, Feb. 23, March 23, 10 to 11 a.m.

S Infants, Children, and Parenting

Stroller Strides

Get a total body workout while engaging baby through songs and activities. Register at **lasvegas.fit4mom.com**.

Fridays, 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. G☑ 10 classes for \$110

Dancing with Miss Jenny®

Encourage your child's motor and cognitive skills with silly moves, props, and parent participation. For children ages 18 months to 5 years.

Mondays or Tuesdays, 11 to 11:30 a.m. or 11:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. WISID FREE

Wednesdays, 9:15 to 9:45 a.m.

Thursdays, 11:15 to 11:45 a.m. or noon to 12:30 p.m.

LOCATION KEY

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Mommy and Baby Yoga For moms with babies ages

6 weeks to 1 year. Fridays, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. WEST \$3 per class or eight sessions for \$20

Toddler Play Group

Toddlers ages 3 and under join Family to Family for music and movement.

Tuesdays, 12:30 to 1:15 p.m. GV FREE Tuesdays, 3 to 4 p.m. WISSI FREE

Infant Development

A development playgroup for babies up to age 1.

Mondays, 2 to 3 p.m.

Sing and Sign: Food Time

Learn ASL signs for healthy foods using songs, books, and toys. For parents with children ages birth to 2 years.

Tuesdays, 2 to 2:30 p.m.

Thursdays, Jan. 5 and 19, Feb. 2 and 16, March 2 and 16, 1 to 1:30 p.m. Wessi FREE

Tuesdays, Jan. 17, Feb. 21, March 21, 11 to 11:30 a.m.

Infant Nutrition

A registered dietitian leads a weekly mommy-baby group focused on homemade baby food, weaning, starting solids, and more.

Wednesdays, 2 to 3 p.m. GV FREE

Wee Can Sign: Baby Sign Language Level I

Three-week series for parents with babies from birth to 1 year old. Visit **weecansign.com**.

Thursdays, Feb. 2, 9, 16, 10 to 11 a.m.

Saturdays, Jan. 21, 28, Feb. 4, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Saturdays, Feb. 18, 25, March 4, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

WEST \$69 (includes *Sign with Your Baby* DVD)

Tuesdays, Jan. 24, 31, Feb 7, 10 to 11 a.m. ™ \$69 (includes *Sign with Your Baby* DVD)

Sing and Sign: Baby Sign Language Level II

For parents with toddlers ages 1 to 3. Visit weecansign.com. Saturdays, March 18, 25, April 1, 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. Thursdays, Jan. 5, 12, 19, 10 to 10:45 a.m. Thursdays, Feb. 23, March 2, 9, 10 to 10:45 a.m. WEST \$69 (includes Pick Me

Up kit)

Tuesdays, Feb. 28, March 7, 14, 3 to 3:45 p.m.

Love and Logic: Parenting Made Fun!

Learn practical skills to handle common parenting concerns from birth to 5 years of age! Five-week series. (Scholarships available; call

702.616.4377.)

Wednesdays, Jan. 11, 18, 25, Feb. 1, 8, 10 a.m. to noon (IEND) \$50 Fridays, Jan. 20, 27, Feb. 3,

10, 17, 2:30 to 4 p.m. WEST \$50



Fresh Start: Pre-K Ready! Biweekly activities led by The Children's Cabinet.

Fridays, Jan. 6, 20, Feb. 3, 17, March 3, 17, 31, 11 a.m. to noon Tuesdays, Jan. 24, Feb. 7,

21, March 7, 21, 1 to 2 p.m. WEST FREE

Toddlers in the Kitchen

Get your toddler engaged in healthy eating through fun tips and activities—from the garden to the kitchen! Ages 1 to 4 years.

Thursdays, 10 to 11 a.m.

Wednesdays, Jan. 11, 25, Feb. 8, 22, March 8, 22, 2:15 to 3 p.m. WESD FREE

Crawlers and Climbers

Let little ones safely explore through texture and climbing structures. Ages 9 to 24 months.

Fridays, Jan. 6, 20, Feb. 3, 17, March 3, 17, 9:15 to 10 a.m. CEND FREE

Teddy Bear Clinic

Toddlers are introduced to first aid to learn the



process of doctor checkups. Each participant will get a FREE teddy bear to practice on! Space is limited. Ages 2 to 5 years old.

Tuesday, March 21, 5 to 6 p.m. CLEND FREE



Physical activity comes with many benefits for the body and mind. That's why you want to take care so you can stay active and keep doing the things you

> enjoy, whether that's hiking Red Rock Canyon, skiing at Las Vegas Ski & Snowboard Resort/Lee Canyon, or playing baseball or basketball in a local league.

Check out the following advice from Chad Hanson,

MD, a board-certified orthopedic surgeon at St. Rose Dominican—and team physician for the U.S. Ski Team. He specializes in sports medicine and arthroscopy, with a focused interest in the minimally invasive arthroscopic treatment of hip, knee, and shoulder problems.



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Got knee pain? Take our quick quiz to test your know-how and pick up tips you can start using today. Find it at **StRoseReach.org**.

SPORTS INJURIES

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According to Dr. Hanson, here's how to help prevent sports injuries:

WARM UP, STRETCH OUT. 1

Cold muscles are more prone to injury. So first spend about five minutes doing jumping jacks or walking in place. Follow up with some gentle stretches.

STAY HYDRATED. Drink about a pint of water before and after exercising. Take a drink about every 20 minutes during play, too.

- **COOL DOWN.** Gentle stretching 1 after a workout helps your body recover from today's activity and prepare for tomorrow's.
- **EXERCISE REGULARLY.** Avoid weekend bursts. Instead, try to get at least 30 minutes of moderate activity on most days of the week.
- GET YOUR REST, TOO. Your body needs days off now and then to recover and recharge.

LEARN THE ROPES. Be knowledgeable about your sport. Avoid problems by taking lessons in proper form and technique and by having the right equipment. What are the best shoes for your sport, for example?

FOLLOW THE 10 PERCENT

RULE. Whatever your goal, increase your activity gradually in increments of 10 percent. For instance, if you've been comfortably jogging 5 miles, don't head out for 10. Instead, add 0.5 miles at a time to gradually build up your distance.

TREATING SPORTS INJURIES

Using the R.I.C.E. method right away is a good first treatment for mild sprains or strains.



into your routine: aerobic activity, strength training, and flexibility. But, again, add activities gradually.

Pay attention to signs that you're pushing too hard, and stop your workout or activity if you're having any pain.

Young athletes: Cheer them on to safety

Every kid is a

winner when it comes to playing sports. Game time can boost a youngster's social skills and selfconfidence, while



Emily Peterson, DO, FAAP

providing plenty of healthy exercise that's also a lot of fun.

But every sport poses at least some risks. As a parent, you can work with coaches and your young athlete to help reduce these risks.

Stay off the injured list. To help your child score in safety, Emily Peterson, DO, FAAP, a pediatrician at Dignity Health Medical Group's Henderson location, suggests the following:

 ASK QUESTIONS. Learn what your child's sports program is doing to prevent and respond to injuries, such as ensuring conditioning for players and safety training for coaches.

SCHEDULE A PHYSICAL. A

preseason exam from a doctor will help confirm that your youngster is healthy enough to play.

- GET EQUIPPED. Depending on the sport, a helmet, body padding, mouthguards or shinguards, eye protection, and proper shoes may be needed.
- PLAY BY THE RULES. From football to soccer, many sports have rules designed to prevent injuries. Make sure your child knows—and follows—them.
- ✓ BEAT THE HEAT. Give your child a water bottle—and encourage frequent drinking.
- WARM UP. Encourage warm-up exercises before and cooldown exercises after both practices and games.



Get In Quicker

When your child needs emergency care, the time spent waiting in the hospital can make you more anxious. Now you can select an estimated arrival time and wait at home: Go to **StRoseHospitals.org/ ER** and choose a time on the Pediatric Emergency selector.

- TAKE CONCUSSIONS SERIOUSLY. In general, players shouldn't get back in the game until medically evaluated and cleared to play.
- ENCOURAGE REST. Athletes need breaks in between seasons and during practices and games.
- SPEAK UP. Teach your child to speak up if he or she is sick or hurt. And remember to check with your child's doctor if you suspect an injury.

Sources: American Academy of Pediatrics; National Institutes of Health; Safe Kids Worldwide

Enjoying sweet slumber again

Verna trusts Inspire Upper Airway Stimulation therapy with a good night's rest

Verna Akina lived with

obstructive sleep apnea for more than 20 years. She had tried everything, including the use of a continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) machine—a mask you wear while you sleep that forces air through the nose or mouth.

"I used to dread going to bed," says Verna. "I got so sick of trying to make the CPAP work for me that I finally decided to stop using it and let 'whatever happens happen.""

So why does Verna now look forward to going to bed? She was one of the first recipients in southern Nevada to receive the Inspire Upper Airway Stimulation implant.

Like night and day

"Inspire therapy is designed specifically for those who can't tolerate CPAPs," says Frederick Goll, III, MD, board-certified otolaryngologist, who implanted Verna's device. "It addresses the root of the problem by delivering mild stimulation to the muscles and soft tissues that relax and block the airway."

The system is placed under the skin of the neck and chest through three small incisions during an outpatient procedure. It then syncs with breathing patterns. If needed, it delivers mild stimulation throughout the night to keep breathing passages open.

Verna's thrilled with the results, saying that since her implant was activated in early October 2016, it's been like night and day. "I use a remote control to turn the implant on when I go to bed, then turn it off when I wake up." Now, she doesn't nod off while reading, and she can drive without fear of falling asleep.

A danger zone

Obstructive sleep apnea causes breathing to repeatedly stop and start while you sleep. Left untreated, obstructive sleep apnea can result in:

- Poor memory and concentration.
- Higher risk for work or traffic accidents.
- Higher risk for stroke or heart attack.

Is the Inspire Upper Airway Stimulation implant right for

you? Talk with your doctor. Search for a physician online at **StRoseHospitals.org** or call **702.616.4900**.

Know the signs—and find relief

Symptoms of sleep apnea:

- Dry mouth or sore throat when you wake up.
- Headaches in the morning.
- Sleepiness or fatigue during the day.
- Snoring and restlessness during sleep.
- Waking up suddenly and feeling like you're gasping or choking.

• Trouble concentrating, forgetfulness, depression, or irritability.

Benefits of Inspire Stimulation Therapy:

- Significant reduction in snoring and apnea episodes.
- Improvement in quality of life.

Rest well. For "7 Steps to a Better Night's Sleep," go to StRoseReach.org.

Verna holds her remote control while Dr. Goll shows the Inspire implant.

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It's soup and salad night!

Try this quick eight-vegetable soup. Go to StRoseReach.org to find the recipe.

Tuna & avocado Cobb salad



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Makes 4 servings. Ingredients

For salad:

- 4 cups red leaf lettuce, rinsed and chopped (about 8 leaves)
- 1 cup frozen whole kernel corn, roasted (on a pan in the oven at 400 degrees for 7 to 10 minutes)
- 1 cup carrots, shredded
- 1 tomato, rinsed, halved, and sliced
- $\frac{1}{2}$ ripe avocado, peeled and sliced
- cup frozen green peas, thawed 1
- 6-ounce can white albacore tuna 1 in water

For dressing:

- tablespoons lemon juice (or 2 about 1 fresh lemon)
- 1 tablespoon lime juice (or about 1 fresh lime)
- 1 tablespoon honey
- 1 tablespoon fresh parsley, rinsed, dried, and minced (or 1 teaspoon dried)
- tablespoon water 1
- 1 tablespoon olive oil

Directions

• Divide and arrange 2 cups of salad ingredients in each of 4 serving bowls.

• For dressing, combine all ingredients and mix well. Spoon 2 tablespoons over each salad, and serve.

Nutrition information

Serving size: 2 cups salad, 2 tablespoons dressing. Amount per serving: 224 calories, 9g total fat (1g saturated fat), 24g carbohydrates, 15g protein, Quick

and tasty

Source: National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute

6g total fiber,

264mg sodium.