Enjoy the benefits of running

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You don't need long distance running to reap the health rewards of pounding the pavement

If you've ever felt embarrassed about your morning mile as you scroll through friends' marathon medals and Ironman training on Instagram, take heart—you may actually be doing the best thing for your body.

Running just six miles a week delivers more health benefits and minimizes the risks that come with longer sessions, according to a new meta-analysis in the Mayo Clinic Proceedings.

Research done by some of the world's most foremost cardiologists, exercise physiologists, and epidemiologists looked at dozens of exercise studies spanning the past 30 years. Combing through data from hundreds of thousands of all types of runners, researchers discovered that jogging or running a few miles a couple of times a week helped manage weight, lower blood pressure, improve blood sugar, and lower the risk of some cancers, respiratory disease, stroke, and cardiovascular

Even better, it lowered the runners' risk of dying from any cause and extended their lives an estimated three to six years—all while lessening their risk for overuse injuries as they aged.

That's a lot of return for a pretty small investment, said lead author Chip Lavie, M.D., saidin a video released with the study. And all of those come with few of the costs that people often associate with the sport. Contrary to popular belief, running did not seem to damage bones or joints and actually lowered the risk of osteoarthritis and hip replacement surgery, Lavie added.

Plus those who ran less than six miles per week—only running one to two times per week-and less than 52 minutes per week—well less than the federal activity guidelines for exercise—got the maximal benefits, says Lavie. Any time spent pounding the pavement more than this didn't result in any increased health benefits.

And for the group that ran the most, their health actually declined. Runners who ran more than 20 miles a week did show better cardiovascular fitness but paradoxically had a slightly increased risk of injury, heart dysfunction, and death - a condition the study authors termed "cardiotoxicity."

"This certainly suggests that more is not better," Lavie said, adding that they're not trying to scare people who run longer distances or compete in events like a marathon as the risk of serious consequences is small, but rather that these potential risks may be something they want to discuss with their doctors. "Clearly, if one is exercising at a high level it isn't for health because the maximum health benefits occur at very low doses.

But for the majority of runners, the study is very encouraging. The takeaway message is clear: Don't be discouraged if you can "only" run a mile or if you're "just" a jogger; you're



Seven Camp Lejeune Marines along with Santa were special guests at the Heritage Place Christmas Party this year. The marines came in support of our seniors and the Toys' for tots program. Marine Corp Retiree Robert Edwards hosted these young men from various parts of the country. A truckload of items were collected for Toy's for Tots.

Resolve to beat the winter blues

By Jennifer Mathews Pender Adult Services

Following the "most wonderful time of the year" we find ourselves amidst the winter blues. They are real and for some people harder than others. The days are shorter, the holiday bills are a reality, and usually temperatures are low and in our case - rainy.

I have found a few remedies doing great things for your for this low time that work phone call to a friend or my grandmother. Socializing with others lightens my mood. Another thing that I do is knit.

Creating something for my daughter or a friend helps me feel productive. Reading is another great activity to take your mind away. Playing games and exercise motivates me to be in a better mood, too.

Some other things that you can do are: Get outside (or out of the house). Join a friend health benefits of running body with every step you take. for me. My first source is a for lunch or bring a friend increase your daylight. Ex-resolutions!

to Heritage Place or Topsail Senior Center for an activity. Volunteer!

This could mean making some phone calls as a part of our telephone reassurance program, delivering meals on wheels, or volunteering with RSVP and visiting a shut-in.

Other ideas that I found online include: Adding more light by opening blinds and sitting closer to the window. Purchase a "light box" to ercise. It has been proven effective for mild to moderate depression. Add some music to your day. Upbeat cheery music improves your mood. One other suggestion is to eat smarter, including a small amount of chocolate can enhance your mood.

Join us at Pender Adult Services for classes, exercise, health awareness, and meals or to volunteer. We would love to be a part of your 2016



Topsail line dancing classes every Friday at Topsail Senior Center 11 a.m until noon with the intermediate/advanced group 12:15-1 p.m. The beginners group line dancing is fun and great exercise. Four week class fee is \$5 for 60 and over and \$8 for 59 and under. New beginers group starts in January. Call the Topsail Senior Center at 270-0708 for more information.

Caregivers class offered at Topsail Center

Are you a caregiver? Are you tired and having trouble making time for yourself?

RSVP is sponsoring a class for you in Hampstead. The class is free but there is a sixweek commitment of 2.5 hours each week. The class will be offered on Wednesdays from 10 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. with light breakfast refreshments.

There is a maximum of 15 people in the class so encourage those you know to sign up right away.

The purpose of this class is to teach the caregiver how to make themselves a priority and care for themselves as well. On an airplane, passengers are instructed in an emergency to use the oxygen mask on yourself first, then tend to a child or another needing help.

The same should be with a caregiver - it is very important to take care of your needs first and then care for your loved one.

The class is open to anyone in the community that is a caregiver. Spread the word about this class – let church friends, neighbors, family members or anyone else know that needs support to please attend.

The class will begin Wednesday, Jan. 20 and be held each consecutive Wednesday for six weeks at the topsail senior center. Sign up by calling the RSVP ossice at 259=9119 extension 329.

Fitness Fusion activities

Afraid of running-jogging? Need some encouragement to get started? Fitness Fusion wants to help you with that. Beginning Jan. 11, the gym will begin an eight-week training plan to get you from little or no experience at running to being prepared for your first 5K in March.

Join our running group which will meet at Fitness Fusion three times weekly. The staff will provide support and training to prepare for success. Contact us and let us know that you are interested. We will be setting up times for coaching sessions based on your responses. You may

email us at Fitnessfusionctr@ aol.com. Please include Name Phone and indicate morning or evening and days that you can trainUpcoming Events

Information meeting Tuesday January 5, 2016 from 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM EST

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FREE DELIVERY



Melinda Andrews (above) was recognized for 25 years of service with the agencies in home care department. Pender Adult Services has many wonderful employees. Many of them work in our in-home aide department. Several received years of service awards at their Christmas Party in December. Pender Adult Services is licensed by the Division of Facility Services. All In-Home Aide services are provided by Certified Nursing Assistants who are supervised by a Registered Nurse. All CNAs are tested annually for competencies and receive 12 hours of in-services training per year to ensure that their knowledge and skills of in-home care are kept current. Case Management services are also provided under each program. CNAs receiving awards included (below) Mary Batts (20 years), Barbara Flowers (20 years), Michelle Robinson (5 years), Callie Cromartie-Murphy (5 years), Dale Simpson (20 years. accepted by Helen Corbett on her behalf), and Lenora Nicholson (Employee of this Quarter). Other CNA staff that were recognized but not photographed were Rosella Walton (10 years), and Eula Brice (5 years). To learn more about our In-Home Aide services, call 910-259-9119 from 8 a.m. until 5 pm and ask to speak with a case manager.



Fitness

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Come to our kickoff information meeting for all

the details. Make plans now to Run for your Life. The meeting will be Jan. 5 from 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Weight loss challenge Win three free months of gym membership for the male and female that has the highest percentage of weight loss. Come in anytime Monday, Jan. 4 to get weighed in. Weigh out will be June 6. It's a great way to start the New

<u>Pender Adult Services</u> <u>January 2016 Calendar</u>

January 1 - Happy New Year's - All facilities closed January 4 - 2016 Heritage Place & Topsail Senior Center winter classes begin

January 5 - Couch Potato to 5 K - informational meeting January 8 - New Line Dance class for beginners starts 12:15-TSC January 11 - Couch Potato to 5 K kickoff - FF

> January 13 - Blind Support Group 1 pm - HP January 14 - Widows Support Luncheon - 12:15 - HP

January 18 - Closed for Martin Luther King Jr Day January 21 - Blood Pressure Checks - TSC

January 14 - Cruise Meeting 1:15 - HP

January 21 - Cancer Support Luncheon - 12:15 - HP

January 28 - Caregivers Support Group - 11:30 am HP January 28 - Blood Pressure Checks - HP

Heritage Place Card/Game group
Monday - Bid whist and Canasta
Tuesday - Pinochle
Wednesday - Bridge
Thursday - Rummique/Mexican Train
Topsail Card/Game Groups
Monday - Poker
Wednesday - Canasta
Thursday - Cribbage, Bridge and Mah Jong

Memorial and Honorary Giving Program

Your Gifts to

Pender Adult Services, Inc are acknowledged with grateful appreciation <u>Community Contributors</u>

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Thank you for your support!

Donations to PAS are tax deductible. For more information on the Pender Adult Services Memorial and Honorary Giving Program please contact Wesley Davis at 259-9119

2015 Silent Auction thank you

We regret that we failed to thank our Cape Fear Early College students that helped serve at our auction. We have also received an additional sponsor – Four County Electric Corporation. Again we thank the community for your support of this event

Pender Adult Services Class Schedule

Heritage Place Opportunities

Wednesday

8:00-5:00

Monday 8:00—7:00

9:00 Oil Painting

6:00 Line Dance

12:00 Meals 1:00 Bid Whist 1:00 Canasta 3:00 Lamplighters Chorus Tuesday 8:00—5:00

9:00 Crocheting 9:00 RSVP Perks (1st) 10:30 or 11:15 Geri-fit 12:00 Meals 12:30 Pinochle 1:00 Quilting Group

1:00 Knitting Group

1:00 Jewelry

9:00 Basket Class 11:00 Bingo 12:00 Meals 1:00 Bid Whist 1:00 Bridge 1:00 Blind Support (2nd) Thursday 8:00—5:00

10:30 or 11:15 Geri-fit
11:30 Caregivers Support (4th)
11:30 Health Checks (4th)
12:00 Widow's Support (2nd)
12:00 Cancer support lunch (3rd)
12:00 Meals
1:00 Rummyque
3:00 Quilting/Sewing Club

Phone: 910-259-9119

Friday 8:00—3:00

11:00 Bingo 12:00 Meals

Saturday—closed

Facility Available
For Rentals

Phone: 910-270-0708

Topsail Senior Center Opportunities Phone: 91

Monday 8:30 am—5:00 pm 9:00 Art Class (group) 10:00 Modified PILATES 12:00 Meals 1:00 Poker 12:30 Tree Top Quilters(2nd) 3:30 Hospice Trg (3rd) Tuesday 8:30 am—5:00 pm 9:00 Baskets 9:00 Geri-Fit 10:00 Senior Crafts & fun 12:00 Meals

2:00 Gentle YOGA

8:30 am—5:00 pm 9:00 Quilting Bee 9:00 RSVP Perks (1st) 9:00 Woodcarving 12:00 Meals 1:00 Canasta 1:00 Knitting Group

Fitness Fusion Group Fitness Classes

Wednesday

Thursday
8:30 am—5:00 pm
9:00 Geri-fit
10:00 YOGA & Cribbage
10:00 Bingo
Health Checks (3rd)
12:00 Meals
1:00 Quilting Class
1:00 Mahjong 1:30 Bridge

Friday
8:30 am—2:30 pm
11:00 Line Dance
12:15 Beginning Line Dance
12:00 Meals
Caregivers Support **
**Call for info

Saturday –closed Facility Available

2016

Pender Adult Services is committed to providing our community a safe, stable, environment in which individuals can maintain their independence, good health practices, and a healthy sense of self-esteem.

Monday Open 5:30—9:00

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6:40 ZUMBA

Tuesday
Open 5:30—9:00
5:30 RPM Cycling
8:30 CARDIO BLAST
9:40 YOGA
10:45 FIT OVER 50

5:30 RPM Cycling 6:30 ZUMBA Wednesday Open 5:30—9:00 7:00 RPM Cycling 8:30 BODYPUMP 9:30 Health Checks (1st) 9:50 PILATES 12:15 RPM Express

5:30 BODY PUMP

Thursday
Open 5:30—9:00
5:30 RPM Cycling
8:30 ZUMBA
9:40 YOGA
10:45 FIT OVER 50
5:30 TURBO KICK
5:30 RPM Cycling

6:30 ZUMBA

Friday
Open 5:30—9:00
5:30 RPM Cycling
8:30 BODYPUMP
9:50 PILATES
5:30 BODY PUMP
Saturday
Open 8:00—2:30
8:30 RPM Cycling

9:30 **ZUMBA**

Phone: 910-259-0422