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HEART HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

By: *Concentra Urgent Care*



Approximately every 60 seconds, an American will die from a coronary event. According to the American Heart Association (AHA), an estimated 71 million Americans have some form of heart disease, the most common being high blood pressure. And most of these problems are self-created by poor lifestyle choices.

WHAT CAN YOU DO TO LIVE HEART HEALTHY? THE AHA RECOMMENDS:

- Eating a healthy diet
- Lean, skinless meats and poultry
- Fat-free, 1% fat, and low-fat dairy products
- Avoid foods containing partially hydrogenated vegetable oil or added sugars
- Avoid foods high in dietary cholesterol
- Prepare foods without added salt, saturated fat, and trans fat
- Exercising regularly
- 20-to-60 minutes per day, 3-to-5 times per week
- Avoiding tobacco products and tobacco smoke
- Limiting your alcohol intake
 - Women: 1 drink per day (maximum)
 - Men: 2 drinks per day (maximum)

In addition to poor lifestyle choices, heredity plays a factor in

heart disease, too. It is therefore important to know your family history to help identify familial risk factors and help prevent the development of certain familial illnesses.

WHAT SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN A FAMILY HISTORY?

- Any known congenital or hereditary disorders
- Major illnesses
- Chronic ailments or risk factors
- Smoking
- Obesity
- Alcohol problems
- The cause and age of death of any deceased relatives
- Childhood conditions
- Major illnesses
- Vaccinations
- Surgeries
- Treatments, especially those involving radiation

For more information on living a heart healthy lifestyle, you can contact your health care provider or visit the American Heart Association's Web site at www.AmericanHeart.org.

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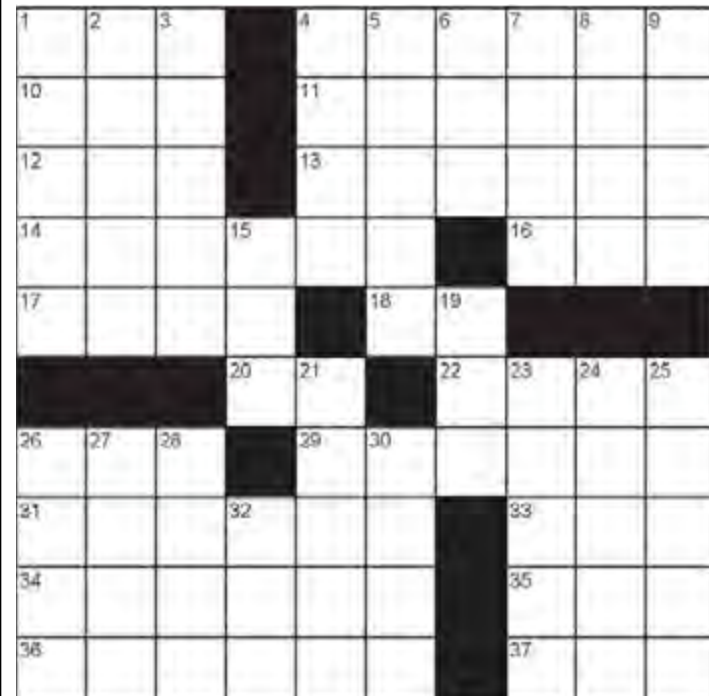
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12. Admiral (abbr.)
13. Programmer
14. A deviated one makes you snore
16. Vane direction
17. Time periods
18. Letter afterward
20. Evening
22. Garden tools
26. Pod vegetable
29. Egg dish
31. List of errors
33. Wrath
34. Tie clip
35. Rival
36. Stoles

DOWN

1. " __ porridge hot..."
2. Special request
3. South American plain
4. Tropical island
5. Holding device
6. And so forth
7. Enjoy
8. Sign
9. Weed in a wheat field
15. Cooking measurement
19. Her
21. Pattern
23. __ Oyl (Popeye's girlfriend)
24. Spooky
25. Strong metal
26. Domestic friends
27. Little Mermaid's love
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Headaches

Submitted by Dr. Jeff Echols

I've been treating headaches for over 25 years and I believe they are very misunderstood by the general public.

It's only human nature to have a reason for why something is occurring, so when people get a headache they usually try to determine the reason for their headache. Some of the reasons I hear are quite amusing. "My husband gives me a headache, ...my boss, ...my kids." "I sit at a computer all day and THAT is the reason I have a headache." Sometimes people think that headaches are just normal and everyone gets them. I can assure you that headaches are not normal. Headaches are a sign that there is something wrong. Just like all symptoms are signs that something is wrong.

Headaches can be caused by a lot of different things. They can be caused by exotic and dangerous things like a brain tumor, but more often they are caused by common things. The most common reason is pressure on the nerves of the neck that radiate back into the head. When the bones of the spine are misaligned it will put pressure on the delicate nerves that exit the spine. This will in turn cause the muscles of the neck and shoulders to become tight and develop knots in them. You can actually reach up and feel the knots in your muscles. These knots are not normal and are a sign of spinal misalignment and soft tissue damage. Once the spinal misalignments are corrected the muscles relax more and the headaches are gone. Just for fun, I sometimes ask a headache patient when was the last they had a headache, once they have had their spine corrected. They will usually say something like "Gosh I haven't had a headache in months". I will ask them if they got divorced and they will look at me funny and say "NO, why?" You said your husband was the cause of your headaches! "Oh I guess I was wrong!"

So headaches are not normal, but are very common. They're usually caused by nerve pressure built up in the neck which causes tight muscles in the neck and shoulders. They can usually be corrected with gentle chiropractic therapy. You should get this checked even if the headaches are mild because if the bones of the spine are misaligned it will cause arthritic changes to form in the bones of the spine which will limit your ability to move and bend as well as other difficulties. Be proactive about your health.



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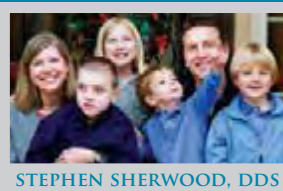
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2/2	BB	Lubbock Christian	1:00 p.m.
2/7	WBB	Texas Lutheran	5:30 p.m.
	MBB	Texas Lutheran	7:30 p.m.
2/9	WBB	Schreiner	1:00 p.m.
	MBB	Schreiner	3:00 p.m.
2/14	WBB	Sul Ross State	5:30 p.m.
	BB	Texas Lutheran	7:00 p.m.
	MBB	Sul Ross State	7:30 p.m.
2/15	BB	Sul Ross State	10:00 a.m.
	SB	Trinity (DH)	4:00 p.m.
2/16	BB	Ozarks	10:00 a.m.
	WBB	Howard Payne	1:00 p.m.
	MBB	Howard Payne	3:00 p.m.
	BB	Howard Payne	4:00 p.m.
2/17	BB	Texas-Dallas	12:00 p.m.
	SB	George Fox (DH)	2:00 p.m.
2/22	BB	Louisiana College	7:00 p.m.
2/23	BB	Louisiana College (DH)	1:00 p.m.
3/8	SB	Mary Hardin-Baylor (DH)	5:00 p.m.
3/9	SB	Mary Hardin-Baylor (DH)	2:00 p.m.
3/12	BB	Dallas (DH)	3:00 p.m.
3/22	BB	Sul Ross State	7:00 p.m.
3/23	BB	Sul Ross State (DH)	1:00 p.m.
3/28	SB	Texas Lutheran (DH)	2:00 p.m.
3/28	BB	Mary Hardin-Baylor	7:00 p.m.
3/29	BB	Mary Hardin-Baylor (DH)	1:00 p.m.
3/29	SB	Texas Lutheran (DH)	2:00 p.m.

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BB (Baseball)
SB (Softball)

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All funds raised benefit Dell Children's Medical Center and The Texas Child Study Center Endowment. Additionally, proceeds are 100% matched by a generous donor!

Tickets are available online for a discount until Feb. 21 or can be purchased at the door. For more information go to DellChildrensCircleofFriends.org (listed under "upcoming events"). Or contact Karen Peoples, Chairman NWA COF, at klpeoples@austin.rr.com or (512) 563-2927.

The Texas Child Study Center, the mental health program at DCMC, is a collaboration between Dell Children's and The University of Texas which treats children and adolescents with emotional, developmental and behavioral challenges. With your support, this facility will develop disease-specific evaluative and interventional programs to address disorders such as eating and anxiety, as well as attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), autism, depression, and other mental health issues.



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- ★ 360 South: *Defending Champions* Westlake High School
- ★ 183 North: Anderson High School
- ★ Former Longhorns & current NFL players will serve as honorary "Rib Eating Coaches"
- ★ Help local high school teams as they compete for the "Rudy's Golden Rib Trophy" for most ribs eaten!

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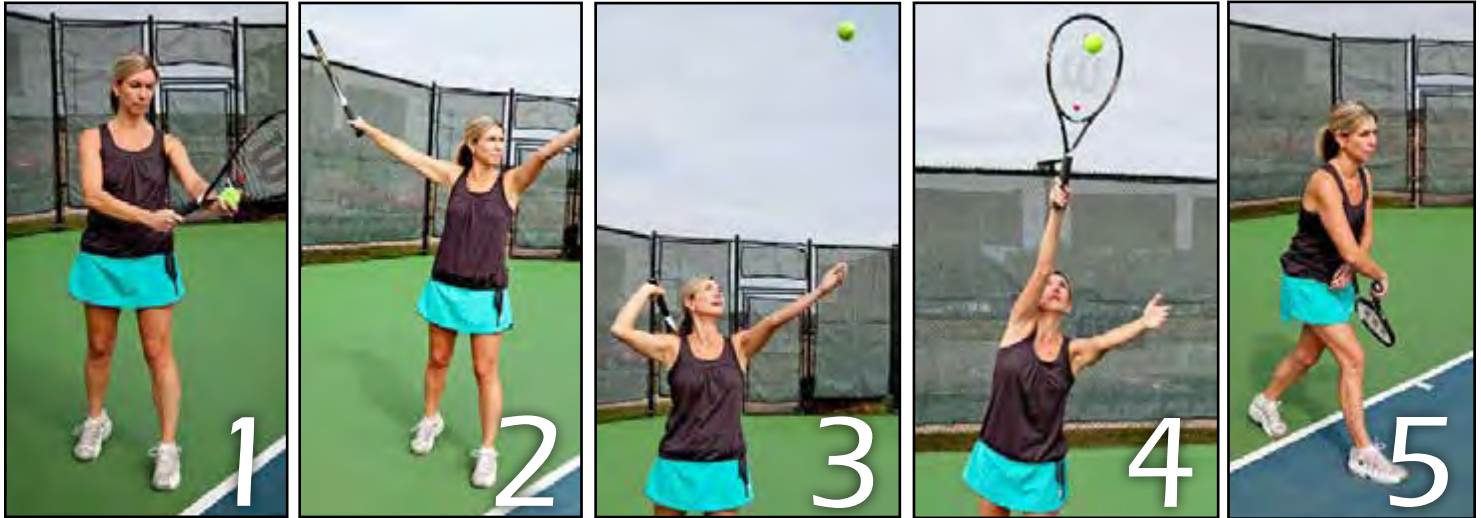


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Tennis Tips

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HOW TO EXECUTE THE SERVE

In previous newsletters, I offered tips on how to hit a forehand groundstroke, a two-handed backhand, one-handed backhand, forehand volley, and the two handed backhand volley. In this issue, I will give you instructions on how to execute the serve, considered as the most important stroke, since the player has complete control of the game at this time. In these pictures student Helen Bourgeois demonstrates the proper form and technique. Photos by Charlie Palafox.

Step 1: Ready Position: The body is sideways with the right hand holding the end of the racket in a forehand grip position and the left hand is holding the ball under the throat of the racket. The left arm is slightly straight and the ball is held with the thumb, index finger and middle finger. This allows for a consistent toss without using the wrist and/or elbow. Feet are a shoulder width apart and the body is in equal balance. For beginners, it is okay to change the grip slightly toward the forehand grip. As the player gets more advanced, the continental grip will be a better one to give more spin on the ball.

Step 2: Back Swing: The left arm comes down and the right arm follows it. It is vital to slow down the motions to allow for both of the arms to have good balance in the front and behind the body. Notice that the hand is in the process of tossing the ball in front

of the body and the left wrist is bent down. It is imperative to have a good consistent toss since it will dictate the success or failure of the serve.

Step 3: The wind up: While the ball is in the air, the right arm will bend forcing the head of the racket to pick up speed by going behind the body. Notice the left arm is still up high and the toss is at least four to five inches above the possible point of contact on the sweet spot. The head and eyes are focused on the ball and the body is still turned sideways. Knees are bent to allow maximum explosion of the lower body.

Step 4: Point of contact: Once the player is ready to hit the ball, the right arm will force the racket toward the point of contact, while the left hand will come down toward the body. This allows for the “snap” of the wrist to accelerate and bring the ball down. Notice that the point of contact is slightly higher than then center of the racket. Eyes are still focused on the point of the contact and will be ready to look down as soon as the ball leaves the frame. The right hip is extended to allow the body to extend up.

Step 5: Follow Through: The racket speed will extend to the left side of the body. The right foot is coming forward and is pointing toward the net. The trunk is straight and eyes are focused on the direction of the ball. At this point the player will take the split step and will jump either behind the base line to rally with the opponent or will move toward the net to serve and volley.

Look for in the next Newsletter: The Half Volley



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LAW & ORDER COMESTO TEXAS

During the first court session in East Texas, one feudist who had been hauled in for trial thumped his Bowie knife into the judicial bench and declared, "This, sir, is the law in Shelby County!" Unfazed, Judge Robert M. Williamson leaned back, cocked his pistol, and said, "Well this, sir, is the constitution that overrules your law. Sit down."

What with feudists, Indian raids, Mexican invasions, high water, yellow fever, illiterate clerks, drunken juries, and people who thought they had a God-given right to do whatever they liked, it took a while for law to come to Texas. Come hear how it happened!

The monthly luncheon will be held on Wednesday, February 20 at Green Pastures restaurant, located at 811 West Live Oak in Austin. We get together at around 11:00 a.m. for a social hour with lunch at 12:00 noon. The luncheon is \$20 per person; reservations are required, and payment must be received by Thursday, February 14.

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WHY EXERCISE IS COOL

Kids exercise all the time without even thinking of it. Just being active, like when you run around outside or play kickball at school, is a kind of exercise. What else counts as exercise? Playing sports, dancing, doing push-ups, and even reaching down to touch your toes.

When you exercise, you're helping build a strong body that will be able to move around and do all the stuff you need it to do. Try to be active every day and your body will thank you later!

EXERCISE MAKES YOUR HEART HAPPY

You may know that your heart is a muscle. It works hard, pumping blood every day of your life. You can help this important muscle get stronger by doing aerobic (say: air-o-bik) exercise.

Aerobic means "with air," so aerobic exercise is a kind of activity that requires oxygen. When you breathe, you take in oxygen, and, if you're doing aerobic exercise, you may notice you're breathing faster than normal. Aerobic activity can get your heart pumping, make you sweaty, and quicken your breathing.

When you give your heart this kind of workout on a regular basis, your heart will get even better at its main job — delivering oxygen (in the form of oxygen-carrying blood cells) to all parts of your body.

So you want to do some aerobic exercise right now? Try swimming, basketball, ice or roller hockey, jogging (or walking quickly), inline skating, soccer, cross-country skiing, biking, or rowing. And don't forget

that skipping, jumping rope, and playing hopscotch are aerobic activities, too!

EXERCISE STRENGTHENS MUSCLES

Another kind of exercise can help make your muscles stronger. Did you ever do a push-up or swing across the monkey bars at the playground? Those are exercises that can build strength. By using your muscles to do powerful things, you can make them stronger. For older teens and adults, this kind of workout can make muscles bigger, too.

Here are some exercises and activities to build strong muscles:

- push-ups
- pull-ups
- tug-of-war
- rowing
- running
- inline skating
- bike riding

EXERCISE MAKES YOU FLEXIBLE

Can you touch your toes easily without yelling ouch? Most kids are pretty flexible, which means that they can bend and stretch their bodies without much trouble. This kind of exercise often feels really good, like when you take a big stretch in the morning after waking up. Being flexible is having "full range of motion," which means you can move your arms and legs freely without feeling tightness or pain.

It's easy to find things to do for good flexibility:

- tumbling and gymnastics

- yoga
- dancing, especially ballet
- martial arts
- simple stretches, such as touching your toes or side stretches

EXERCISE KEEPS THE BALANCE

Food gives your body fuel in the form of calories, which are a kind of energy. Your body needs a certain amount of calories every day just to function, breathe, walk around, and do all the basic stuff. But if you're active, your body needs an extra measure of calories or energy. If you're not very active, your body won't need as many calories.

Whatever your calorie need is, if you eat enough to meet that need, your body weight will stay about the same. If you eat more calories than your body needs, it may be stored as excess fat.

EXERCISE MAKES YOU FEEL GOOD

It feels good to have a strong, flexible body that can do all the activities you enjoy — like running, jumping, and playing with your friends. It's also fun to be good at something, like scoring a basket, hitting a home run, or perfecting a dive.

But you may not know that exercising can actually put you in a better mood. When you exercise, your brain releases a chemical called endorphins (say: en-dor-funz), which may make you feel happier. It's just another reason why exercise is cool! Reviewed by: Mary L. Gavin, MD Date reviewed: February 2009

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