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South Tucson's 4th Annual Health Fair

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The City of South Tucson's 4th Annual Health Fair on February 7th was a great success! This year's fair included music, a variety of interactive activities including a group bike ride. Our friends from the Garden Kitchen demonstrated how to make a simple, healthy salad dressing. At the CRCPHP booth, our interns & staff were promoting physical activity for children through jump roping.

Our interns created an

informational flyer with the benefits of jump roping, provided jump ropes and had challenge games for the kids. A large number of families came to this event and we hope they felt inspired to create new healthy habits!









Benefits of Jumping Rope

- Jump ropes are a great affordable exercise
- 10 minutes of non-stop jumping is equivalent to:
 30 minutes of jogging
- It is great for balance & hand-eye coordination
- Jump rope workouts may aid in weight loss and reduce disease risk

Upcoming Community Events

Tucson Meet Yourself at Oro Valley

March 21-22, 2015: 10 a.m. -5 p.m. Oro Valley Marketplace

Komen Southern Arizona - Race for the Cure

March 22, 2015: 6:30 p.m. University of Arizona Mall

Moving Day - National Parkinson Foundation

April 12, 2015: 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Reid Park

**Cyclovia

April 19, 2015: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Downtown to South Tucson

**Look for the CRCPHP booth at this upcoming event!

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On The Research Front

Member Publications



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Tucson Moves a Million Miles!!!

Since January 2014
Tucsonans have moved
over a million miles. For
more info please see Mayor
Rothschild's website:

mttp:// www.mayorrothschild.com/

Member Highlight



Dr. Charles Raison

Dr. Charles Raison, MD is a Professor of Psychiatry and Family & Consumer Sciences at UA. Dr. Raison's major area of interest focuses on inflammation and the development of depression in response to illness and stress. He has significant knowledge & experience in the research of major depression disorder (MDD) and clinical trials. Dr. Raison continues his research in mind-body medicine by examining interdependent processes at all levels from genes to society and how they contribute to health & well-being. We would like to congratulate Dr. Raison on his new endeavor at the University of Wisconsin and look forward to our continued collaborations!

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Healthy Eating: Cactus Salad

Ingredients

1 pound diced cactus (nopales), cleaned and trimmed

2 medium diced fresh tomatoes

1 diced fresh onion

1 fresh serrano chile, minced

1/2 cup chopped fresh cilantro

1 tsp lemon juice

Salt to taste

1/2 cup crumbled queso fresco

Avocado for garnish

Salt to taste

Tostada/crackers



This salad is fresh, healthy and simple to prepare.

Adapted from:

http://recipes.sparkpeople.com/recipe-detail.asp?recipe=280594

Preparation

In a medium pot, boil the diced cactus (nopales) in salted water for about 15-20 minutes until it become tender and the color becomes darker. Meanwhile, chop the tomatoes, onions, cilantro and serrano chile placing these ingredients in a bowl. Once the cactus is cooked, place it in a colander, rinse and drain. Add the cactus to the bowl with the tomato and onion mixture adding lemon juice and salt as needed for taste. Serve on a tostada or with crackers with queso fresco and garnish with slices of avocado.

Nutritional Information

Calories: 205.9 | Fat: 10.4g | Protein: 11.8g | Carbohydrates: 19.9g | Dietary Fiber: 6.9g | Sodium: 428.4mg

Food As Medicine Spotlight: Health Benefits of Cactus (Nopales)

- Cactus (Nopales) may lower cholesterol and blood sugar levels.
- Cactus (Nopales) is high in fiber, vitamins, protein, mucilage and is also rich in antioxidants.

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Message from the Director Cynthia A. Thomson, PhD, RD

"Inspiring healthy lifestyles through research, education, and outreach"

Having a positive impact on the health of our "community" is a laudable goal. It is also satisfying and achievable. At times resources seem too few and the tasks at hand overwhelming, but over the past three years I have seen tremendous growth and impact of the Center's efforts. Who would have known three years ago that over 1500 children would have run their first mile through programming delivered on our UA campus? Or that over fifty children would have attended their first summer camp to promote individual and family wellness- all at no financial burden to their families? Or that dozens of faculty and staff would look at a calendar or health-promoting emails on a regular basis, reminding them of the importance of self-health and well-being or that numerous public health students would experience for the first time the joy of delivering health messaging to those in need? What is clear is that none of this has been accomplished in isolation. The community partnerships have guided our vision and in turn the opportunity to make a difference. The campus partnerships with the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, the Cancer Center,

Well U (just to name a few) have assured a greater and more informed reach and the colleagues and friends that have become our "team" have rallied for a common goal. Tucson is a remarkable place. Today it is also a little healthier.

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A special thanks to the our partners with the Tucson Marathon for this beautiful trophy presented to the CRCPHP staff in recognition of our continued partnership in the promotion of wellness for the Tucson Community and our yearly Tucson Marathon Family Fitness Fest.



"Creating a Healthier Tucson"

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