

June FUN Days! 6-1: Say Something Nice Day Compliment someone!

6-6: YoYo Day Buy one and try your old moves or share a story.

6-13: Roller Coaster Day Share a memory.

6-23: "Let it Go" Day Let go of a grudge; it negatively affects your health. Forgive.

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## June: Remember...Berries, Beans, & Leafy Greens. MIND Diet

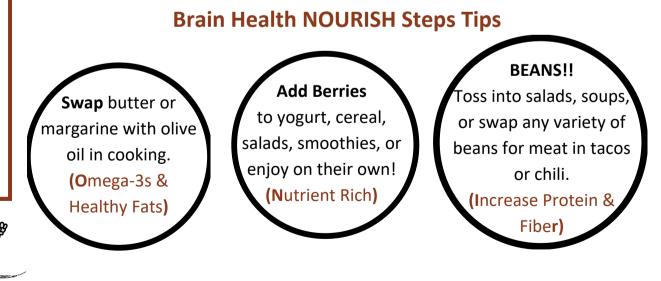
June is **Brain Awareness Month**, a perfect time to highlight the powerful connection between nutrition, hydration, and brain health. Staying well-nourished and hydrated supports cognitive function, memory, and mood, especially as we age.

The **MIND diet**—*Mediterranean-DASH Intervention for Neurodegenerative Delay*—focuses on brain-boosting foods like leafy greens, berries, nuts, whole grains, and omega-3-rich fish while limiting sugar, saturated fats, and processed foods. Studies show it can reduce the risk of cognitive decline and improve overall brain health.

Combining these nutrient-rich foods with proper hydration can enhance your brain health.

## June is Dairy and Fruit & Veggie Month. National Hydration Day is June 23rd!

Fruits and vegetables, especially berries and leafy greens, are rich in antioxidants and vitamins that protect brain cells and support cognitive function. Dairy products like milk, yogurt, and cheese provide essential nutrients like calcium and vitamin D, which contribute to brain health and overall nervous system function. Enjoy delicious summer fruits & veggies this month.



\*NOURISH stands for: Nutrient-Rich Foods, Omega-3s & Healthy Fats, Understand, Recipes, Increase Protein & Fiber, Sugar & Sodium Awareness, and Hydrate.

# **Enjoy a Refreshing Summer Salad**

# Solve the Brain Teasers

### Mediterranean-Inspired Garbanzo Bean Salad

#### Ingredients:

- One small cucumber, quartered
- 1/4 medium red onion, diced
- 1 cup halved grape or cherry tomatoes
- 1 can (~15 oz) of garbanzo beans/chickpeas, drained
- 1/4 cup pitted, sliced Kalamata olives, drained
- 1/4 cup of oil and vinegar-based Greek salad dressing
- 1/3 cup fat-free Feta cheese crumbles
- ¼ tsp ground pepper

#### Directions

- 1. In a large bowl, combine beans, cucumber, tomatoes, onion, and olives.
- 2. In a separate bowl, combine dressing, white pepper, and Feta cheese.
- 3. Add dressing mixture to the beans and vegetables and gently stir until the vegetables and beans are fully coated.
- 4. OPTIONAL—Up the protein with a dollop of plain Greek yogurt. Garnish with pepperoncini pepper.
  - Visit **Cannedbeans.org** for more delicious and brain boosting recipes.

- 1. I have hands, but no feet.\_\_\_\_\_
- 2. I have a mouth, but can't eat. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. I have teeth, but you don't have to brush me. \_\_\_\_
- 4. I have legs, but can't walk\_\_\_\_\_
- 5. I'm light as a feather, yet the strongest person
- can't hold me for very long. What am I?\_\_\_\_\_
- 6. What has keys but can't open locks?\_\_\_\_\_

#### Match the Answer to the Question Above.

- A. Your breath
- B. Clock
- C. A Chair
- D. A Jar
- E. A Piano
- F. A Comb



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## Hydration Tip:

#### Enjoy Sun Tea during Ice Tea Month

Add 8 tea bags per 1 gallon of water. Use any combination of tea bags you like. Sweeten with a honey if desired. Garnish with citrus, cucumbers, berries or fresh herbs.



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