KALE SALAD with ROASTED BEETS

As winter blends into spring, this warm salad may be exactly what your taste buds—and body—are looking for.

INGREDIENTS:
- 4 fresh medium golden or red beets, trimmed, peeled, and cut into bite-size pieces
- ½ cup balsamic vinegar
- 2 Tbsp. canola oil
- Salt and pepper
- ½ cup red quinoa, rinsed and drained
- 1¼ cup low-sodium chicken (or vegetable) broth
- 2 garlic cloves, finely chopped
- ½ tsp. smoked paprika
- 4 cups chopped kale
- 2 Tbsp. canola oil
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- 1 Tbsp. balsamic vinegar
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DIRECTIONS:
1. Preheat the oven to 400°F.
2. Place beets on baking sheet and drizzle with vinegar and oil. Season lightly with salt and pepper before covering with foil.
3. Place beets in the oven for 30 minutes or until most of the liquid has evaporated.
4. Place warm kale-quinoa salad on a serving platter with beets arranged around. Cover and drizzle with additional oil and vinegar as needed to keep kale moist.

NUTRITION (PER SERVING):
- Calories: 206
- Total Fat: 9g
- Sodium: 113mg
- Carbohydrates: 28g
- Protein: 6g
- Dietary Fiber: 4g

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2016 Guardian of the Rose Recipient RWJ Rahway President and CEO Kirk C. Tice, his wife, Judy, and son, Jonathan.

2017 Guardian of the Rose Recipient, Daniel B. Lepri and his wife, Maura.

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The numbness and pain in her arms began in July of 2014, taking 45-year-old Sharon McGee by surprise. A busy wife, mother, and professional, she did not have a history of health complications that could have compromised her nervous system. Healthcare providers had a difficult time pinpointing the cause of the unusual sensations that were becoming ever-present for Ms. McGee.

Physicians she consulted explored conditions that may be associated with neuropathy, such as amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS)—Lou Gehrig’s disease, Guillain-Barré syndrome, Lyme disease, and multiple sclerosis (MS), and performed a wide spectrum of screenings. But blood tests, magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), and a spinal tap did not indicate any clear-cut answers.

“I was in constant pain, and nobody could determine what was causing my pain,” Ms. McGee says. “That was the scariest part of this experience. It has been a journey of the unknown from the very beginning.”

Ms. McGee received an array of treatments to address the unknown source of her numbness and pain, including chemotherapy, intravenous immunoglobulin infusion therapy, and steroids. But every option proved frustratingly ineffective.

“I felt like I was losing so much time and quality of life,” Ms. McGee says. “I didn’t want to go anywhere or do anything, but I was not willing to give up.”

**FINDING ANSWERS**

In the midst of the quest for solutions, Ms. McGee read an article in The Rose about the success of MicroVas® treatment being conducted at RWJ Rahway under the supervision of Paul Abend, DO, FAAPMR, Medical Director of Rehabilitation Services at RWJ Rahway. And she did not hesitate to consult with Dr. Abend to find out if the treatment might work for her.

“Historically, we have not had much success treating patients with idiopathic neuropathy, or numbness and pain with no known cause, but Sharon was willing to try something new, and she responded almost immediately,” Dr. Abend says. “It is a remarkable case that brings a lot of hope for this niche that is so difficult to treat.”

After just a few sessions of MicroVas, which uses electrical currents to stimulate circulation, Ms. McGee noticed a marked difference in her comfort, range of motion, and strength. Today, she walks up and down her stairs with ease and performs the tasks of daily living without pain.

“My pain subsided from a 10 to a seven to practically zero,” Ms. McGee says. “This is the most amazing thing I could have ever done. I feel like I have been given a second chance to live life to the fullest, and I couldn’t be happier.”

Talk with your physician about how MicroVas may help minimize or eliminate neuropathic pain. To schedule an appointment, call (732) 499-6012. For more information, attend “Peripheral Neuropathy: Diagnosis and Treatment” April 10 at 6 p.m. presented by Dr. Abend at the RWJ Rahway Fitness & Wellness Center. Call (732) 499-6193 to register.
In 1917, 15 women resolved to help turn the vision of a hospital for Rahway, New Jersey, into reality. These women became the founders of an organization that’s served the hospital for a century: the RWJ Rahway Auxiliary. Proceeds from members’ sales of roses at the local train station helped fund the first hospital’s operations. In the decades that followed, the hospital could always count on the Auxiliary for support, no matter how great the need.

**MILESTONES WORTH MENTIONING**

- **1920:** The Auxiliary started an annual Jelly Day tradition of filling the hospital pantry that lasted for 40 years.
- **1977:** A German physician performs the first coronary angioplasty.
- **1981:** A team of clinicians at Stanford University performs the first heart-lung transplant.
- **1982:** Rahway Hospital begins offering end-of-life care through its new hospice program.
- **1985:** Physicians at a Long Beach, California, hospital perform the first robot-assisted brain surgery.
- **1988:** The five-year Expansion and Modernization ‘80s project concludes in October with the dedication of two new wings at Rahway Hospital.
- **1992:** Rahway Hospital celebrates its 75th anniversary.
- **2003:** Rahway Hospital becomes part of the Robert Wood Johnson Health System.

**PAYING IT FORWARD**

Over the years, the Auxiliary has contributed to the hospital’s most important purchases and expansions, from air conditioning in the 1960s to the transformative building projects of the 1980s. Current Auxilians carry the organization’s legacy forward by raising money for the hospital in a variety of ways, including fundraising events and proceeds from Marydel’s Rose Tree Gift Shop. They also help the next generation of medical providers pursue their dreams by providing college scholarships.

As we celebrate our first century, the Auxilians remind us where we’ve been and the strong tradition of giving they have established. The RWJ Rahway Foundation has followed in the Auxiliary’s footsteps. Together with the community’s help, we can count on their support for the next 100 years.

Look for more information about our 100th Anniversary Celebration and how you can join in the festivities. Our next event is the Building the Future: 2017 A Space Odyssey Rose Ball on Saturday, Apr. 29, 2017, at the Wilshire Grand Hotel in West Orange, New Jersey. Call (732) 499-6135 for more information.
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### Get Your Groove Back

Physical and aquatic therapy for a number of conditions such as sports injuries, incontinence, injuries, post- and pre-surgical rehab are available at our fitness centers in Scotch Plains and Carteret.

Learn more about physical and aquatic therapy options by calling: Scotch Plains Physical Therapy (908) 389-5400 or Carteret Physical Therapy (732) 969-8030.

If you’d like a calendar of events delivered to your inbox each month, email donna.mancuso@rwjbh.org.

Check our website for speaker topics by visiting [www.rwjhr.com](http://www.rwjhr.com) and clicking on “Patient Services” and then “Community Information.”

RWJ Rahway Fitness & Wellness Center is located at 2120 Lamberts Mill Road, Scotch Plains, NJ.

For a complete listing of events at both RWJ Rahway Fitness & Wellness Center locations in Scotch Plains and Carteret or to register, call (732) 499-6193 or visit [www.rwjhr.com](http://www.rwjhr.com) and click on “News & Events.” Cancellations or changes to the programs do occur. Please call ahead to make sure the program you want is taking place. Call (732) 499-6193.

To arrange a tour of the RWJ Rahway Fitness & Wellness Center in Scotch Plains, call (908) 232-6100. For Carteret, call (732) 366-3521.

Connect with Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital Rahway on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/RWJRahway](http://www.facebook.com/RWJRahway).
**Scotch Plains PROGRAMS**

**MAY**

8  **Your Mind, Your Mood, Your Immune System**
   6 p.m. | Juan Baez, MD, Infectious Disease. Learn how your state of mind and mood can play a role in your immune system. This thought-provoking program looks at mental state and health. Call (732) 499-6193.

9  **Plant-based Eating. Lecture.**
   6 p.m. | Christina Frescki, MBA, RD. Learn why plant-based eating is good for you. In this lecture, she'll discuss how to incorporate plant-based protein sources into a well-rounded eating plan with plant-based focus.

10 **Seasonal Allergies, Environmental Allergies**
   6 p.m. | Richard Schaller, MD, Emergency Medicine. Are there more allergies now than ever? What causes seasonal allergies? What's the best response?

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6  **Mediterranean Diet. Lecture.**
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6  **Vegan Desserts*  
   7 p.m. | Diane Weeks, RDN, CDE

13 **Anti-inflammatory Foods**
   6 to 8:30 p.m. Lecture and cooking demonstration. Dietitians Christina Frescki, MBA, RD, and Diane Weeks, RDN, CDE, team up to cover anti-inflammatory foods and their importance for good health and disease prevention. Lecture is followed by a cooking demonstration at 7 p.m. using these foods to create delicious meals.

14 **Sleep and Weight: What’s the Connection?**
   6 p.m. | Ram Bangalore, MD, Pulmonology, Sleep Medicine

21 **Heel Pain: Causes, Diagnosis, and Treatment**
   6 p.m. | Dennis Turner, DPM, Podiatry

23 **NAMI Union County Public Meeting**
   7:30 p.m. | Join the Union County Chapter of the National Alliance on Mental Illness monthly meeting for a meeting on topics of importance for families. Featured speaker is Phil Lubitz of NAMI NJ. Please call (908) 233-1628 or email namiunioncounty@yahoo.com to confirm the schedule.

27 **Good Carbs*  
   7 p.m. | Diane Weeks, RDN, CDE. You need carbohydrates. They give you energy and are an important part of a well-balanced diet.

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**DIABETES SMACKDOWN**

May 6 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the RWJ Rahway Fitness & Wellness Center, Scotch Plains.

The goal of this program is control; controlling diabetes through education, activity, and interaction with certified diabetes educators and exercise experts.

The event will be in the Scotch Plains conference room and kitchen. Program includes lectures from our certified diabetes educators, experts from the RWJ Rahway Fitness & Wellness Center, experts in foot and wound care, and a catered lunch.

Program is free but registration is required. Call (732) 499-6109 to register. At the end of this program, attendees should be able to say, “I got this.”

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Healthy Cooking demonstrations feature Registered Dietitian Diane Weeks. Our popular cooking demonstrations provide recipes and samples. The food is mostly plant-based and heart-healthy. Please call ahead to secure a spot. (732) 499-6193
Carteret PROGRAMES

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4 Weight-loss Surgery: Is It Right for You?
6:30 p.m. | Anish Nihalani, MD, FACS, Bariatric Surgery. Take the first step to a healthier you by finding out if you’re a candidate for weight-loss surgery. Learn about the latest procedures at our free program. Registration is required. Please call (732) 499–6193. See additional dates at Scotch Plains on page 6.

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NEW 2E UNIT

RWJ Rahway’s 2E medical/surgical unit has been reimagined with a large open space, natural light, noise reduction features, and amenities that include a kitchen for family members to get a snack or a hot drink. The unit’s private rooms were expanded to seven, and there are eight semi-private rooms. Other features include new conference and staff spaces and features that help keep nurses closer to the bedside, which is good for everyone. The unit is decorated with photos of nature contributed by the staff, and each room has original artwork donated by artist Theo Tamborlane.
## Support Groups

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**HELD AT RWJ RAHWAY HOSPITAL**

- **Diabetes Support Group**
  - **April:** 7 to 8:30 p.m. | For more information, call (732) 499-6193. Free.
  - **May:** 7 to 8:30 p.m. | For more information, call (732) 499-6193. Free.
  - **June:** 7 to 8:30 p.m. | For more information, call (732) 499-6193. Free.

- **Parkinson’s Support Group**
  - **April:** 1 to 3 p.m. | Conference Room #3. For more information, call (732) 499-6193. Free.
  - **May:** 1 to 3 p.m. | Conference Room #3. For more information, call (732) 499-6193. Free.
  - **June:** 1 to 3 p.m. | Conference Room #3. For more information, call (732) 499-6193. Free.

**RWJ Rahway Fitness & Wellness Center, 2120 Lamberts Mill Road, Scotch Plains**

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