

My wish for you this February in honor of Valentine's Day is to give yourself the gift of self-care and love.

I believe to love oneself is to accept who we are. Acceptance, responsibility and self-care are vital to our longevity and wellbeing. So, this February, may you reignite your dedication to self-care. Performing Tai Chi as a way to improve your health and wellbeing is certainly one of the strategies for care. Here are a few other ideas:

- 1. Get a good night's sleep
- 2. Stay hydrated-water is best
- 3. Eat well
- 4. Take a walk in nature
- 5. Experience moments of awe
- 6. Listen to your inner voice- it is your best guide
- 7. Let go of past hurts
- 8. Accept that you will have good days and not so good days- it is human nature
- 9. Keep on Truckin'- don't give up
- 10. Be kind to yourself
- 11. Find your passion and pursue it
- 12. Find people who care about you and have your interests at heart
- 13. Laugh more
- 14. Remove clutter from your life
- 15. Know your limits- know when to say yes and when to say, no
- 16. Whatever you think you have done, or should have done or could have done, be forgiving
- 17. Go with the flow
- 18. Stick up for things you believe in
- 19. Tell the truth
- 20. Do a kind deed for someone
- 21. Breathe
- 22. Have fun
- 23. And, as we do in class, say something nice about yourself- everyday

Today is a great day for Tai Chi. It teaches us to breathe and to go with the flow. Tai Chi is a great stress reliever and good for your heart and soul. Happy Valentine's Day, dear students.

Peace and Love, Linda

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