

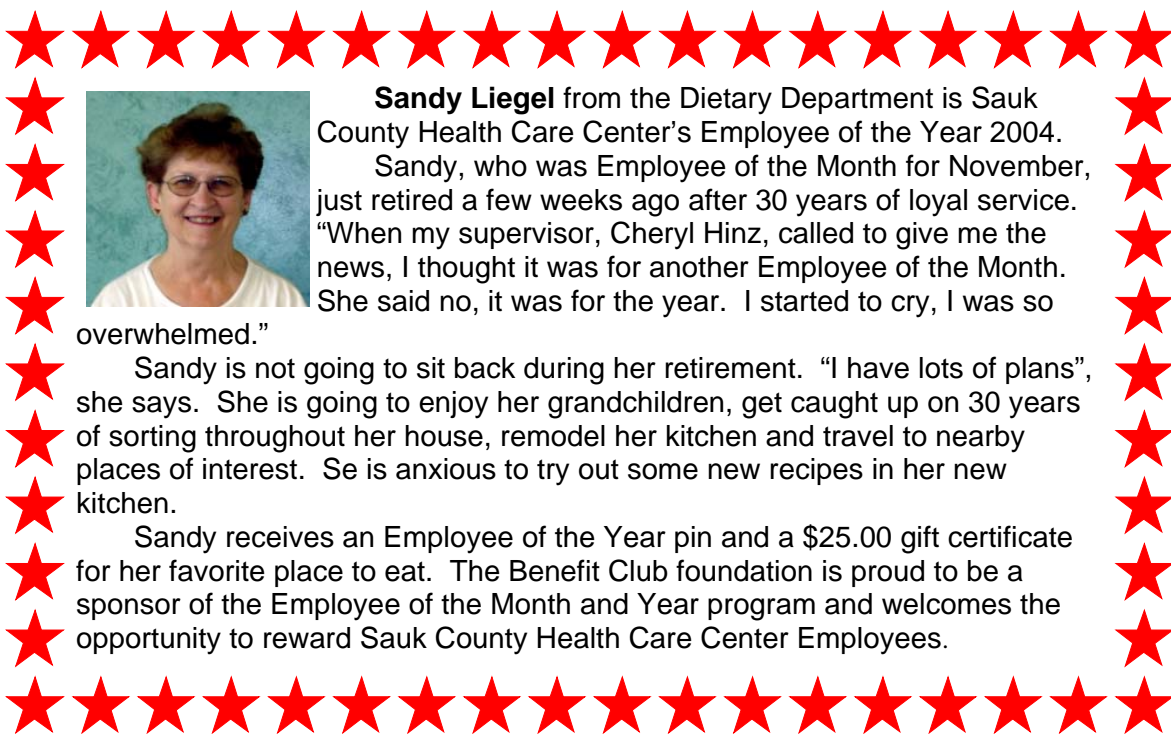


EMPLOYEE of the MONTH

Denise Smith was “shocked and surprised” at being named Employee of the Month for January. Denise has been working in Housekeeping for 2 1/2 years but had worked for 20 years here as a Certified Nursing Assistant. Denise was also an Employee of the Month when she was a CNA in 1999.

“I wanted a career change and luckily, the Sauk County Health Care Center offers so many different types of job opportunities, I was able to transfer and still retain my longevity,” says Denise. “I still get to see the residents and interact with them. I also like it when people: friends, relatives and volunteers, come to visit and they see a neat, clean, fresh smelling unit and individual rooms.” That attitude is one of the reasons she was chosen as Employee of the Month. Her supervisor, Ron Birdd, notes that Denise is very dedicated and takes ownership of her job and responsibilities. What other employees and residents see is a smiling face and someone eager to do the little things that are asked.

Denise is married and lives in Wisconsin Dells. She has one son and two step sons. In her spare time, she likes to watch her son play sports.



Sandy Liegel from the Dietary Department is Sauk County Health Care Center's Employee of the Year 2004.

Sandy, who was Employee of the Month for November, just retired a few weeks ago after 30 years of loyal service. “When my supervisor, Cheryl Hinz, called to give me the news, I thought it was for another Employee of the Month. She said no, it was for the year. I started to cry, I was so

overwhelmed.”

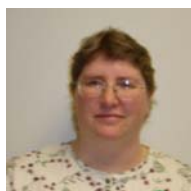
Sandy is not going to sit back during her retirement. “I have lots of plans”, she says. She is going to enjoy her grandchildren, get caught up on 30 years of sorting throughout her house, remodel her kitchen and travel to nearby places of interest. Se is anxious to try out some new recipes in her new kitchen.

Sandy receives an Employee of the Year pin and a \$25.00 gift certificate for her favorite place to eat. The Benefit Club foundation is proud to be a sponsor of the Employee of the Month and Year program and welcomes the opportunity to reward Sauk County Health Care Center Employees.

Welcome New Employees



Hi, my name is Stacey Damm. I am a CNA. I also work at Kastle Kare here in Reedsburg as well. I will be working as a casual on 3rd shift. I spend a lot of time with my nephew and other family. I like to spend time with friends.



Hi! My name is Emilie Miller. I am married and have 3 kids, 18, 17 and 9 years old. I also have three horses. I am working in the kitchen. I also work at the High School in the kitchen.

MARCH Employee Anniversaries

Beth Mitchell	1 yr	Wanda Potter	4 yrs
Julie Rockweiler	1 yr	Norma Chandler	13 yrs
Janet Gordon	2 yrs	Sharon Marshall	18 yrs
Clarissa Parks	2 yrs	Betty Gates	21 yrs
Linda Jenkins	3 yrs	Ron Birdd	30 yrs



Thank You

A big thank you to Ron, the Housekeeping Department and my Laundry staff for the extra effort they put in to clean up the mess in back of the central linen room caused by the kitchen pipe spill. Many linens in storage, shelves and the floor had to be cleaned. Good teamwork! Your hard work was much appreciated.

Tom Renzelmann, Laundry Manager

CATS IN LINEN CLOSETS

It is very important that linen closet doors be closed when not in use. The cats are going in the linen room and laying on top of the cart cover, leaving behind cat hair. If you see linen closet doors open and no one inside, please make sure the cat is not in there and close the door. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Tom Renzelmann, Laundry Manager



Upcoming Events

March 1	Department Head	March 20	SPRING BEGINS
March 2	Medical Records	March 22	Department Head
	Medicare	March 23	Medicare
March 3	HCC Committee		Pizza Hut Lunch
March 8	Department Head	March 24	PAYDAY
March 9	Medicare	March 25	Good Friday
	Pizza Hut Lunch	March 27	EASTER SUNDAY HOLIDAY
March 11	PAYDAY	March 29	Department Head
March 15	Department Head	March 30	Medicare
March 16	Medicare	March 31	Public Relations
	Nurses Meeting		
March 17	ST. PATRICK'S DAY		
	Infection Control/Pharmacy		
	CNA Meetings		
March 19	EASTER EGG HUNT		



UPDATES FROM THE ACTIVITY DEPARTMENT

The Activity Department sponsored a very successful "Penny War" to benefit the Red Cross relief efforts in California. A total of \$138.88 was raised by this facility. The winning unit was 2ES with a total of \$35.65 raised. 2ES will have the added benefit of having the help of Penny Schrank for 1 hour. Thank you Penny for donating your time and talents to this effort. Congratulations to all staff for your generosity.

Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, March 19 starting at 10:00 a.m. sharp. The event will take place rain or shine. You are welcome to bring your kids, grandkids, etc. The Easter Bunny will also be here. If anyone would like to donate candy to put in the plastic eggs please see any A.T. staff person. The candy needs to be small enough pieces to fit into the eggs and also wrapped. We have enough plastic eggs again this year that are waiting to be filled with candy!

NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT REPRESENTATIVE HERE

**JIM RISGAARD WILL BE AT THE HEALTH CARE CENTER ON
TUESDAY, MARCH 8 FROM 1:00 P.M.—4:30 P.M.
FIRST FLOOR STAFF ROOM
SIGN UP SHEET IS IN THE PERSONNEL OFFICE**

To nominate a staff person for **Employee of the Month** pick up a yellow nomination form by the time clocks and indicate why you feel the employee is deserving. Nominations may be placed in the Suggestion Box by the Employee/Ambulance entrance. Eligible nominees will be put on the ballot for voting the first payday of the month when checks are picked up. Ballots are available in the Personnel Office on Thursday from 12:00 to 4:30 for voting if you are unable to vote on Friday. In addition, if a NOC shift person is chosen as Employee of the Month, they will receive 2 free movie passes since they are not able to use the free meal tickets.

