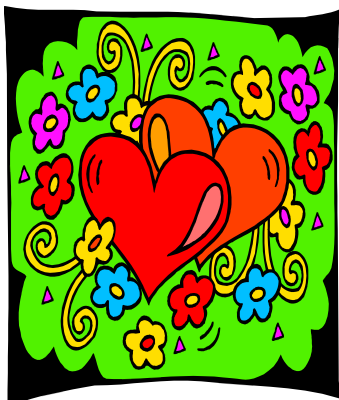


SAUK COUNTY HEALTH CARE CENTER'S COMMUNICATOR

**FEBRUARY
2011**

Monthly Calendar



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| Feb 18 | PAYDAY | Mar 16 | Nurses Meeting |
| Feb 21 | President's Day Holiday | Mar 17 | Infection Control |
| Feb 22 | Department Head | | Pharmacy |
| Feb 23 | Art of Living with Alzheimer's | | St. Patrick's Day |
| Feb 28 | Medicare | | CNA Meetings |
| Mar 3 | Board of Trustees | Mar 18 | PAYDAY |
| Mar 4 | PAYDAY | Mar 20 | First Day of Spring |
| Mar 7 | Medicare | Mar 21 | Medicare |
| Mar 8 | Department Head | Mar 22 | Department Head |
| | Mardi Gras | Mar 23 | Western Day—Chili Luncheon |
| Mar 9 | Ash Wednesday | Mar 28 | Medicare |
| | All Staff Meeting | Mar 31 | Nurses Meeting |
| | Casual 4 A Cause | | |
| Mar 13 | Daylight Savings Time Begins | | |
| Mar 14 | Medicare | | |



Upcoming Events

Mardi Gras - Tuesday, March 8. Break out your beads and wear your green, purple and yellow on this day. Don't miss our annual pancake race at 2:00 p.m. in Ringling Court (front lobby). We will be looking for volunteers! Treats will be out in the break room for all shifts. The Activity Department has beads available for those who do not have them.



Barbie Display - March 9. Did you know Barbie's birthday is March 9, 1959? The Activity Department will be having a display of Barbie's in the Community Room at 2:00 p.m. We are looking for more Barbie's for the display. If you have any that we could use please bring them in by March 9 and come check out the display.

St. Patrick's Day - Wear your green. Erin go Braugh! Treats for all shifts will be provided.

1st Annual Sauk County Health Care Center Alzheimer's Walk 9-Pin Bowling Tournament. To be held on **Saturday, March 19.** Please join us for a fun-filled afternoon at Brewster's Lanes. Shift times are 12:00 pm (Noon) and 3:30 pm. (for those working we can start a little later). Cost is \$15.00 per person - 5 person teams. Nintendo Wii Raffle. Other Raffles and Silent Auctions. All proceeds to go to the Alzheimer's/Dementia Alliance. Call Brewster's Lanes at 524-2276 or see Margaret to sign-up.



Western Day, Wednesday, March 23. Don your western duds and join us for a Chili Luncheon. We will be serving in the Community Room from 10:30 am - 1:00 pm. We will also take orders for the PM & NOC shifts. This year for arrest warrants, you can arrest one of the residents to be put in our jail. Their sentence will be 10 minutes!! All proceeds will benefit Resident Council.

Thank you everyone who purchased items from our Valentine Fund-raiser. Your support and generosity is greatly appreciated. The residents enjoyed working on all of the items that were for sale.



SUNSHINE CLUB NEWS

Our next **Casual 4 A Cause** will be on **MARCH 9, 2011**. You may purchase a Casual 4 A Cause Sticker at the front desk if you wish to wear jeans. Remember to recognize your fellow employees by nominating them for the *Sunshine Award*. Put your suggestions/nominations or questions in the Suggestion Box located in the employee break room, or bring your ideas to the front desk for Kim Gochanour, Juli Brandt, or Diane Gade. No nominations were made for this month. The Sunshine Club sends birthday cards to all staff, gifts for staff who experience deaths, illness, births etc. and for periodically providing treats for staff on special occasions. We also provide a copy of the *Baraboo News Republic* for staff use in the break room.

REMEMBER THAT BEGINNING ON MARCH 7, ALL CNA'S WILL HAVE A SHIFT TIME CHANGE.

DAY SHIFT—6:15 A.M.—2:45 P.M.

PM SHIFT—2:15 P.M.—10:45 P.M.

NOC SHIFT—10:30 P.M.—7:00 A.M.



The Sauk County Health Care Center was recently notified that it is one of 64 nursing homes chosen in the state of Wisconsin by US News and World Report as 2011 Best Nursing Homes. Rankings in the US News and World Report were based on the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services 5 star ranking. Of the 64 nursing homes with this distinguished ranking, 9 were county nursing facilities.

We are proud of this honor and look forward to continuing our ongoing commitment and long standing tradition of high quality care for the residents of Sauk County and the surrounding area.

The Sauk County Health Care Center Foundation has cookbooks for sale. These cookbooks are a compilation of many recipes from staff, residents, family members and friends of the Health Care Center. They are selling for \$10 each as a fundraiser for the Foundation to help pay for stained glass windows for the Community Room. They may be purchased at the Health Care Center front desk from 8:00—4:30 Monday through Friday, or by contacting Kim Gochanour at 524-7501 or kgochanour@co.sauk.wi.us.



Reminder from Patty Dix

When you are through working on your computer for the day, please be sure and shut it down. This will save energy and assist in overcoming our recent difficulties.

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

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| Jenny Vosen | 1 year | Clarissa Parks | 8 years |
| Barb Sandberg | 6 years | Wanda Potter | 10 years |
| Julie Smith | 7 years | | |
| Janet Gordon | 8 years | | |

CONGRATULATIONS STAFF

LaVerne's In-service Corner

The next **All Staff Meeting** has been scheduled for Wednesday, MARCH 9 (new times will be posted) These are mandatory meetings for all staff.

Mandatory in-services for all staff available since last Communicator: Following the Resident Care Plan, Hazard Communication/MSDS, HIPAA, Methods to Reduce the Spread of Infection.

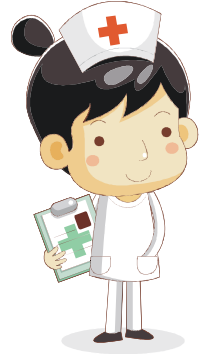
Mandatory for Nursing: Oral and Denture Cares, Range of Motion Workshop, Understanding the Aging Process

Remember, end of in-service year is March 31. CNA's must have at least 12 hours of in-services completed from April 1, 2010—March 31, 2011 and also all the Mandatory in-services completed.

Look for postings announcing the next CNA Workshops for MARCH.

CNA Meetings on March 17 at 7:00 a.m. and 2:15 p.m.

Don't forget that you get in-service credit for All Staff Meetings, Nurses' meetings, and CNA meetings. Thank you. LaVerne

**Juli's Jottings**

March will include two nurses meetings; one on Wednesday, March 16th and the second on Thursday the 31st.

REMINDER: Standard of Practice is to Foam in/Foam out each and every time you enter a resident's room.

Congratulations on our US News and World Report status of being one of the Best Nursing Homes of 2011. Thank you to all of our staff for your continued commitment to our residents. Your outstanding performance has given us this high honor.

**HAPPY
ST PATRICK'S
DAY**

