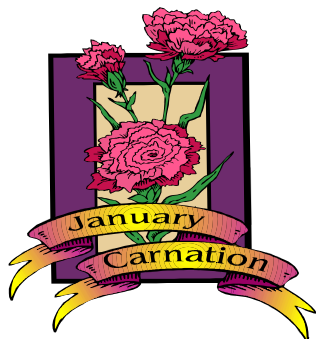


SAUK COUNTY HEALTH CARE CENTER'S COMMUNICATOR

**JANUARY
2012**

Monthly Calendar



Jan 20	PAYDAY
Jan 23	Medicare
Jan 30	Medicare
Jan 31	Department Head
Feb 3	PAYDAY
Feb 6	Medicare
Feb 8	All Staff Meetings Sweetheart Luncheon for Residents
Feb 9	Board of Trustees
Feb 13	Medicare

Feb 14	Department Head Valentine's Day
Feb 17	PAYDAY
Feb 20	President's Day Holiday
Feb 22	Ash Wednesday
Feb 27	Medicare
Feb 28	Department Head



Upcoming Events



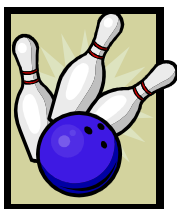
January 23 is National Pie Day. Help us celebrate on Monday the 23rd. by joining us for a pie social at 2:00 p.m. in the Community Room.

Valentine's Fundraiser February 1 – 14. The Activity Department will be selling a variety of items for Valentine's Day. Items include; Mylar balloons (\$2.00), candy bouquets (\$8.00), stuffed animals (varied), valentine tins filled with candy (\$3.00), plus more. See Activity staff with your order. Items will be displayed in the Community Room along with prices starting on Monday, February 6. All proceeds to benefit Resident Activities.

Heart shaped cake and cookie sale. The Activity Department will be selling heart-shaped cakes for Valentine's Day. Cakes are \$6.00 each and are available in chocolate or yellow. We will also be selling heart-shaped frosted sugar cookies for \$3.00 per dozen. Place your orders by February 10 by calling the activity department at 524-7535. Cakes and cookies can be picked up on one of the following days; February 13 in the afternoon and February 14.



COMING IN MARCH:



2nd Annual Alzheimer's Walk 9-Pin Bowling Tournament, Saturday, March 17. Two shifts are available—3:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. Cost is \$15 per person (kids are \$13.00). Cash prizes will be awarded for the top bowlers. There will also be a Silent Auction, 50/50 Raffle, Penny Raffle and Door Prizes. All proceeds will go towards the Sauk County Alzheimer's Walk to be held in September. Sign up a team by calling Brewster's Lanes at 524-2276. Come join the FUN!!!

Welcome Our New Employees



My name is Rebecca Denman, and I live in Mauston. I have an 8 year old son. We own paint and quarter horses. I enjoy spending time with my family.



Hi, my name is Kari Schyvinck. I am a Casual CNA working on the PM shift. I am going to school currently to become an RN. I have 1 cat, 1 dog, and a purebred Morgan horse



Hi, I'm Denise Melichar and I worked at SCHCC last year as a CNA on 3rd shift. I am returning to work here in Laundry/ Housekeeping with my daughter Tammy Woirol. I am looking forward to meeting all of you.



Hello everyone, my name is Michelle Ziegler. I'm excited to be working with you here at Sauk County Health Care Center. I live in LaValle with my husband and my 3 children. I look forward to talking/working with you all.

SUNSHINE CLUB NEWS

The Sunshine Club will no longer be sponsoring the *Sunshine Award* for staff going above and beyond their normal duties, however, will be donating the prize for the Fish Award. Please continue to nominate people for the Fish Award by putting their name on the bulletin board in the service hall. As always, the **Sunshine Club** will continue to send birthday cards to all staff, gifts for staff who experience illness, deaths, 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.

Our next **Casual 4 A Cause** will be on **February 8, 2012**. You may purchase a Casual 4 A Cause Sticker at the front desk if you wish to wear jeans.

LaVerne's In-Service Corner

The next Mandatory **All Staff Meeting** has been scheduled for Wednesday, February 8 at 7:00 a.m., 1:30 and 2:30 p.m.

Current In-services available— HIPAA P&P and quiz (mandatory for all staff); Caregiver Misconduct/Abuse Reporting quiz (mandatory for all staff); Speech Therapy, Swallowing In-service is recorded in the in-service room (Mandatory for CNA's and nurses); New Dining Practice Standards, also recorded in the in-service room (recommended for nurses).

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



FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Christina Hill	2 years	Bill McClary	10 years
Toni Thorne	2 years	Jenny Olson	14 years
Penny Bloedow	3 years	Kathy Rachuj	15 years
Kristin Tucker	3 years	Ann Leake	21 years
Emilie Miller	7 years		

Congratulations Everyone

Attention all staff who use SCHCC facility pagers:

All pagers are to be kept in the plastic holders at all times.
Keeping them in their holders will secure their batteries and help prevent damage to the pager. Please do not apply tape of any kind to the pagers.

Taking good care of the pagers will increase their usability and accuracy.

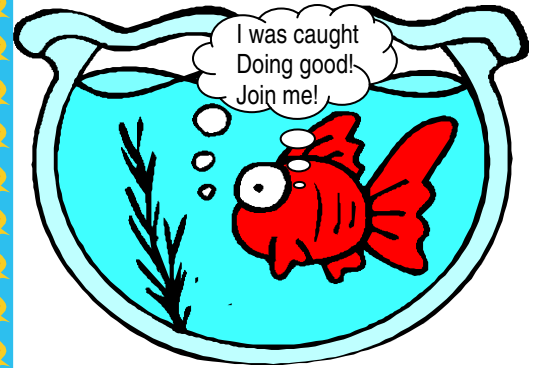
Thank you for your help!!

ATTENTION ALL STAFF!

The "Fish Philosophy" Bulletin Board is to be used to recognize coworkers for being "caught doing good". Write their name, date and what they are being recognized for on a fish and hang it on one of the hooks. You must sign the fish. Each month one lucky person will receive a gift.

The winner of this months "Caught Doing Good" award is Marietta Rick. Great job, Marietta and Congratulations!!

Beginning this month the prize for the lucky "Fish" winner will be donated by the Sunshine Club.

**Juli's Jottings**

Happy New Year - thank you for the great care you provide to our residents everyday. I recently have been completing group meetings with the residents. All residents have stated what a beautiful home they have and what wonderful staff we have. (I have to agree). The residents feel they are being treated with dignity, respect and that they are able to make decisions about their care. Thank you all for what you do, YOU DO MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Reminder - Please feel free to turn on the fireplaces periodically during the day and pm shifts. The fireplaces are so beautiful and give a great ambiance to the living areas, as well as a slight bit of warmth. One of the only complaints that the residents had was the temperature in the living/dining areas and the halls. Please do not turn the thermometers down - the dials should be set at the middle. Staff should dress in layers knowing it will be warm in the building as we are obligated to keep it warm enough for the residents. Thank you.

We will be sponsoring a blood drive at the facility very soon - please watch for sign up sheets and times of the blood drive. Give the gift of life in 2012!

For your information:

Central Supply Requests can now be entered through the ECS system. Any questions on this process please see Patty.

Also, remember to turn off the lights after leaving a room for an extended period of time. This makes a big difference in the amount of electricity we consume. If you are the last one to leave the break room those lights and the TV should be turned off also.

