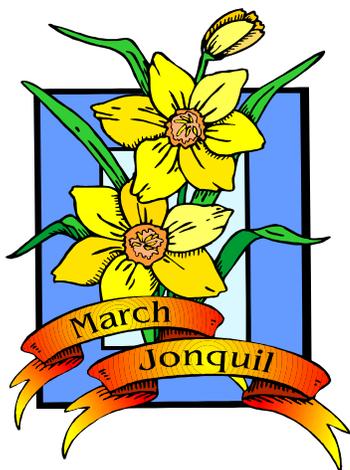


SAUK COUNTY HEALTH CARE CENTER'S COMMUNICATOR

**MARCH
2012**

Monthly Calendar



Mar 16	PAYDAY	Apr 8	Easter Sunday
Mar 17	9-Pin Bowling Fundraiser	Apr 9	Medicare
	St. Patrick's Day	Apr 11	All Staff Meeting
Mar 19	Medicare		Casual 4 A Cause
Mar 20	Board of Supervisors	Apr 12	Board of Trustees
	First Day of Spring	Apr 13	PAYDAY
Mar 21	Western Day Chili Luncheon	Apr 16	Medicare
Mar 26	Medicare	Apr 17	Volunteer Brunch
Mar 29	Department Head	Apr 19	Quality Assurance
Mar 30	PAYDAY	Apr 22	Earth Day
Mar 31	Easter Egg Hunt	Apr 23	Medicare
Apr 2	Medicare	Apr 25	Administrative Professionals Day
Apr 4	Tailgate Luncheon—Brats and Hotdogs	Apr 27	PAYDAY
Apr 6	Good Friday	Apr 30	Medicare

Upcoming Events

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!!!



Western Day - Wednesday, March 21. Wear jeans and cowboy duds!! There will also be a chili luncheon from 10:30 - 1:00 in the Community Room. We will also take orders for the PM and NOC shifts. All proceeds will go towards the Alzheimer's Walk.



The Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, March 31 at 10:30 a.m. SHARP! It is for infants - 9 years. It is held Rain or Shine. There will also be a bake sale and visit from the Easter Bunny. Please bring a nonperishable food item for the food pantry. If anyone is interested in making a donation of candy for the event please see an activity staff member. Candy needs to be individually wrapped and small enough to fit into the small plastic eggs. Monetary donations would also be appreciated. Thank you.



Tailgate Luncheon to kick off baseball season, Wednesday, April 4

Menu consists of brats, hot dogs, homemade potato salad, dessert and soda. Brat meal - \$4.00. Hot dog meal - \$3.50. Serving 10:30 - 1:00 in the Community Room. You may also wear your jeans and sports apparel. All proceeds to benefit Resident Council.



Juli's Jottings

I would like to thank all the staff for your patience, cooperation and extraordinary team effort during our recent outbreak. It is dedication and teamwork such as this that makes SCHCC such a special place to work. I am so proud of you all. What a great team effort!!!

Norovirus can live on surfaces for up to two weeks after illness ceases. Please continue due diligence with hand washing, including residents hands. We will also continue to do thorough, intensive, environmental cleaning.

THANK YOU ALL, JULI

SUNSHINE CLUB NEWS

The Sunshine Club is now donating the prize for the Fish Award, so please continue to nominate people for this 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 **April 11, 2012**. You may purchase a Casual 4 A Cause Sticker at the front desk if you wish to wear jeans.

Welcome Our New Employees



Hi, my name is Megan Greeley and I am a re-hire here at Sauk County Health Care Center. I worked as an LTE before and I am glad to be back.



My name is Kim Husker. I like to fish and paint. I have been married for one year and am originally from Richland Center. I will be working as a casual CNA.



Hi, my name is Megan Haag. I have been hired here to work as a casual CNA. I have 2 kids that I enjoy spending time with and playing outside. I enjoy playing sports as well.

WELCOME

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

Kim Gochanour	4 years	Sheryl Drea	15 years
Rowena McCluskey	4 years	Barb Smith	22 years
David Webber	4 years	Jim Powell	24 years
Heather Dunse	9 years	Sharon Marshall	25 years



HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY



LaVerne's In-Service Corner



The next Mandatory **All Staff Meeting** has been scheduled for Wednesday, April 11 at 7:00 a.m., 1:30 and 2:30 p.m.

New in-services—*What are Bloodborne Pathogens?* In-service and quiz, mandatory for all staff; *Preventing UTI's* and quiz, mandatory for CNA's.

Remember the In-Service year ends on **March 31**. CNA's need 12 hours of in-service credit, other staff need at least 8.5 hours. Don't be included on LaVerne's "Naughty Leprechaun List".

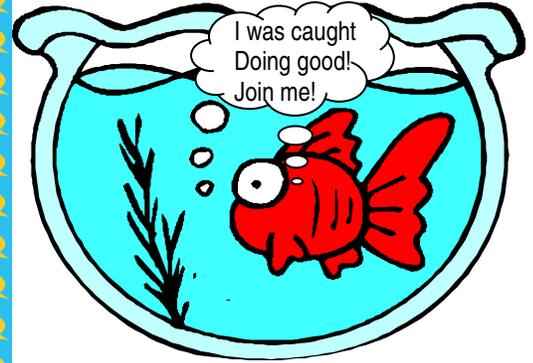
Don't forget that you get in-service credit for All Staff Meetings, Nurses' meetings, and CNA meetings. Thank you. LaVerne

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 Wanda Potter. Great job, Wanda and Congratulations!!

The prize for the lucky "Fish" winner is donated by the Sunshine Club.



Recently, visits from **AFLAC** and **Nationwide Retirement Solutions (NaCo)** have been postponed due to illness in our facility. Please watch the bulletin boards for information on their next visit. You may also access your information through their websites.

Important Paycheck info -- employees are asked to please pick up their paychecks and direct deposit information sheets as they are available over the pay day weekend from the receptionist and the nursing supervisors. If they are not picked up, the paychecks will still be mailed out on the next business day unless you notify the Personnel Department to hold them. Any direct deposit sheets will be placed in the employee mailboxes in your respective departments. If you have any questions regarding this process, please feel free to contact Mary Hunter at 524-7538 or Kim Gochanour at 524-7501.

How do you balance resident centered care vs. caregiver professionalism?

As we all know, our focus here at the SCHCC is wonderful resident centered care and positive public relations with family and residents, however there is a fine line that we balance every day. As caregivers we always need to be polite and try to make each day the best for our residents, but when we look at time spent with families, it is very easy to become as close to them as the resident. We still always need to retain our professionalism. So, for example, sharing our personal phone numbers with families and encouraging them to call us at any time is crossing the line. Please reassure the family that they can call the Health Care Center at any time and speak with someone about their loved one. Sharing your personal number with families puts you in an awkward position and can be construed as favoritism by other families and residents. Please be respectful and empathetic when dealing with families but retain your professionalism. If you have questions or concerns contact Vonda or Kim.

