

SAUK COUNTY HEALTH CARE CENTER'S COMMUNICATOR

**MAY
2011**

Monthly Calendar



May 27	PAYDAY		Fire, Health & Safety Meeting
May 30	Memorial Day Holiday	June 16	CNA Meetings
May 31	Department Head		Infection Control/Pharmacy
June 1	Medical Records Meeting	June 18	Butterfest Parade
June 2	Board of Trustees Meeting	June 19	Father's Day
June 6	Medicare	June 20	Medicare
June 8	All Staff Meeting	June 21	Summer begins
	CASUAL 4 A CAUSE		Pie and Ice Cream Social
June 10	PAYDAY	June 24	PAYDAY
June 11	Dairy Breakfast	June 27	Medicare
June 13	Medicare	June 28	Department Head
June 14	Flag Day		
	Department Head		
June 15	Nurses Meeting		



Upcoming Events



Butterfest Parade Volunteers wanted. Once again this year we will be having a float in the Butterfest Parade. This year's theme is 50's & 60's Sock Hop. Our float theme is based on the song "Leader of the Pack", which is also a tribute to the SCHCC being a "Leader" in health care and our 5 Star rating. If anyone would like to ride on the float or walk with us please see Juli or Margaret. The more the merrier! The parade is on Saturday, June 18. It starts at 10:30 a.m. and it takes around 1 hour to walk through the parade.

Any help would be greatly appreciated.

4th Annual Pie and Ice Cream Social - Tuesday, June 21, from 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Slices of pie and ice cream will be for sale. This is a community event and everyone is invited to join us. All proceeds to benefit the resident activity fund.



Welcome New Employees



Hi, my name is Ashley Schneider and I'm a CNA here at the Sauk County Health Care Center. I enjoy anything in the outdoors, and animals. I'm happy and excited to begin working here.



My name is Jody Birdsill, and I'm a CNA. I have a wonderful husband, two children and two dogs. I enjoy being outdoors and enjoying time with my family. I'm very happy to be a part of the Sauk County Health Care Center family.



My name is Jessica Seep. I live in Reedsburg with my fiancé and my 6 month old son, Landyn. I'm excited to start working at the Sauk County Health Care Center.



Hi! My name is Katelynn Diske and I'm super excited to start my first CNA job. I'm from Reedsburg and graduated from RAHS, class of 2010. I now go to Edgewood College where I hope to become an RN.



Hi, my name is Keely Senzig—I'm back!

SUNSHINE CLUB NEWS

Your **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.

Our next **Casual 4 A Cause** will be on **June 8, 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. The nominations for this month were: **Deb Steinmetz** by Kathy Rachuj—for doing extra special things for our residents and going the extra mile to make sure they get what they need and even brings in bananas for them; **Rich Tourdot** by Gina Brandt—for helping residents when other staff were busy after a resident passed away, and being courteous and helpful to the family; **Rosie Bodendein** by Juli Brandt—for bringing in her beautiful flowers for our residents to enjoy; **Jenny Vosen** by Juli Brandt for—continuing to go above and beyond by using her knowledge and skills to be an excellent compliment to our nursing team and for her follow through and thoroughness in daily duties; **Corey Brunner** by our Volunteer Ombudsman—for assisting a resident outdoors and talking with the resident about the flowers and the beauty in the garden which made a significant positive impact on the resident's life. After a random drawing Corey Brunner was chosen by the Sunshine Committee and will receive a gift and our thanks for going the extra mile to help make this a 5 Star Facility. Thank you all for the nominations.



The **Sauk County Health Care Center Foundation** still has cookbooks for sale. 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.

LaVerne's In-service Corner

The next **All Staff Meeting** has been scheduled for Wednesday, June 8 at 7:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. These are mandatory meetings for all staff.

The following in-services are available for May: Body Mechanics Workshop for CNA's: 2 quizzes available to make up workshop.

Guidelines for use of mechanical lift and simple ways to protect your back.

Fire Safety—Mandatory for all staff, includes quiz and scavenger hunt.

Mandatory for CNAs: CNA meeting for June - copies of agenda available in Neighborhood memo books.

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



Juli's Jottings

Remember the June nurses' meeting will be on the 1st.

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

DID YOU KNOW?

Almost all falls can be prevented?

Falls are a result of a resident needing something—usually toileting.

When a resident is anxious or restless, this should be a cue to staff that the resident is at an increased risk for falls. When staff witness these types of behaviors, they should place the resident at the top of their priority to prevent falls. Keeping these simple things in mind may greatly increase resident's safety.



A CULTURE OF SAFETY IS A PRIORITY!

T E A M W O R K—Many hands make for light work!

Beginning Thursday, June 2nd, 2011 we will begin meeting with individual neighborhoods for a nursing round table. On June 2nd, we will meet with Sandstone Bluff at 2:00 p.m. and 2:15 p.m. days and PM shifts. The week of June 6th we will begin meeting with NOC shift. Please watch for signs for all other neighborhoods dates and times.

Thank You, Juli Happy Memorial Day to all!

Thank you for all of your participation in Nursing Home Week. We had a wonderful week with all of the fun activities and week of casual color days. Thank you all for that you do. Congratulations to Babbs Prairie on winning the Change Wars. The money will be used to add decorations and items to their garden. Get ready we will hold another one at a future date.

1st place—Babbs Prairie, \$63.69; 2nd place—Sandstone Bluff, \$47.52; 3rd place - Eagle Path, \$42.50; 4th place— River Valley—\$33.93; 5th place—Central Park, \$16.45. Total Raised \$204.09. From Kim



JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

Corey Brunner	1 year	Anna Post	15 years
Jodie Mittlesteadt	1 year	Theresa Dietz	16 years
Shannon Plouffe	1 year	Julie Little	20 years
Abby Schramer	1 year	Sharon Vanderhoof	20 years
Jessica Good	2 years	Betty Bendorf	24 years
Sandra Mora	2 years	Tom Renzelmann	25 years
Lisa Burris	7 years	Patty Dix	37 years
Vonda Hainstock	7 years		
Bridget Reilly	13 years		

CONGRATULATIONS STAFF