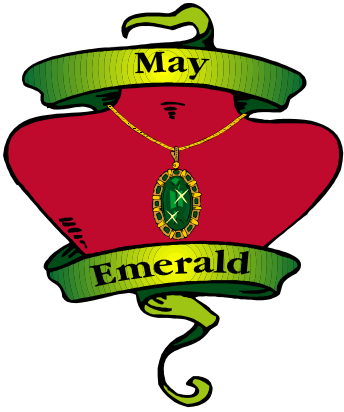


SAUK COUNTY HEALTH CARE CENTER'S COMMUNICATOR

**MAY
2012**

Monthly Calendar



May 25	PAYDAY	June 17	Father's Day
May 25	Memorial Service—2:00	June 18	Medicare
May 28	Memorial Day Holiday	June 19	Pie and Ice Cream Social
June 4	Medicare	June 20	First Day of Summer
June 8	PAYDAY	June 21	Infection Control Pharmacy
June 9	Sauk County Dairy Breakfast	June 22	PAYDAY
June 11	Medicare	June 25	Medicare
June 13	All Staff Meeting Casual 4-A-Cause		
June 14	Flag Day Board of Trustees		
June 16	Butterfest Parade		

An illustration of two cartoon cows with pink faces and brown spots, standing behind a wooden fence. They are in a field with green grass and a blue sky in the background.

Upcoming Events

The annual **Memorial Service** will be held on **Friday, May 25 at 2:00 p.m.** in the Community Room. The service will honor all the residents we have lost over the past year. The service will also include a remembrance of fallen military members. All are welcome to attend.



Baby Animal Day - Tuesday, June 5 at 10:00 in the Community Room. Once again this year we will have baby chicks, ducklings and turkeys. There will also be a baby calf and we are working on other baby animals. You are welcome to join us for this fun event.



Butterfest Parade - June 16. This years theme is the 70's. We are going with the Partridge Family theme, because this year we will be taking the facility bus through the parade with the residents. If anyone would like to walk in the parade with us please see Kim or Margaret. The parade starts at 10:30 a.m. and we will be dressing in 70's attire.

Pie and Ice Cream Social - Tuesday, June 19 6-7:30 p.m. in the Community Room. There will be a variety of pies to choose from and everyone is welcome to attend. Dick Larson will be providing the entertainment. Slices of pie will be for sale for \$2.00 each and pie ala mode \$2.50.



 LaVerne's In-Service Corner

The next Mandatory **All Staff Meeting** has been scheduled for Wednesday, June 13 at 7:00 a.m., 1:30 and 2:30 p.m.

 It's that time of year—Our annual staff TB tests are coming up in June. Please watch for signs next month.

 In-services—Please make sure you stay up to date with doing in-services as they become available instead of trying to finish them all up the last month of the in-service year.

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





SUNSHINE CLUB NEWS

The Sunshine Club is 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 **June 13, 2012**. You may purchase a Casual 4 A Cause Sticker at the front desk if you wish to wear jeans.

Juli's Jottings

We once again are in our surveyor window. Some gentle reminders:

- No bare hand contact with food
- Hairnets must be worn at all times when food is out in the kitchenettes
- Wash hands frequently - Foam In/Foam Out
- No personal drinks on the neighborhood—this is an infection control issue. You can take a drink and dispose of the cup, but can not leave drinks on the neighborhood
- Lifts, BP cuffs, Stethoscopes must be cleaned with approved wipes after each use
- No personal conversations at meal time— must include resident at meals

Preventing and Recognizing Pressure Ulcers

- Consider all bed bound and chair bound residents, or those whose ability to reposition is impaired, to be at risk for pressure ulcers.
- Reposition at least every two hours - Residents who spend time in chairs should be repositioned at least every hour
- Residents who spend time in recliners or other chairs should have a cushion in their chair to help relieve pressure
- Keep skin clean and dry - USE BARRIER CREAM
- Apply lotion to residents skin at least BID - including feet and heels.
- Feet and heels should be inspected at least BID for redness, black and blue areas or blistering
- Heels should be free floating for all residents at high risk this includes in bed or reclining chair.
- A "rolling pin" sign in their room identifies residents who are at high risk for skin impairment . These folks need meticulous and more frequent turning and repositioning

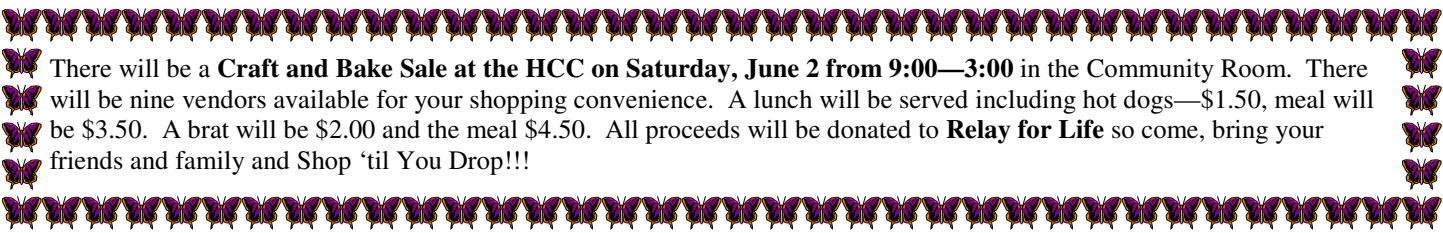
Pressure Ulcers can be avoidable and unavoidable. What is the difference?

Unavoidable: Can include persons who are in the End of Life process or may have a diagnosis such as cancer, cachexia, or multiple organ failure. It is always the facilities responsibility to prevent all pressure ulcers, however they can develop despite the best of care.

Avoidable: When the facility has not planned for the potential of an ulcer to develop or not used appropriate devices to prevent an ulcer, one may develop. This is considered avoidable and can lead to survey and legal issues.

Nutrition and hydration is a large piece in preventing pressure ulcers. Without adequate nutrition and hydration residents can be more prone to pressure ulcer development. Please be certain to notify the nurse immediately if a resident appears to have decreased nutritional or fluid intake.

LET'S WORK TOGETHER TO PREVENT PRESSURE ULCERS IN OUR FACILITY!



There will be a **Craft and Bake Sale at the HCC on Saturday, June 2 from 9:00—3:00** in the Community Room. There will be nine vendors available for your shopping convenience. A lunch will be served including hot dogs—\$1.50, meal will be \$3.50. A brat will be \$2.00 and the meal \$4.50. All proceeds will be donated to **Relay for Life** so come, bring your friends and family and Shop 'til You Drop!!!

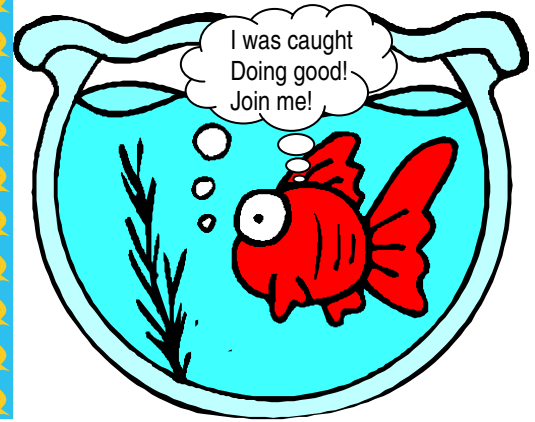
Stay Safe This Memorial Day

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 month's "Caught Doing Good" award is Heather Luke for going the extra mile in cleaning the upper cabinet windows. Great job, and Congratulations!!

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

**Welcome Our New Employees**

My name is Jessica Abbott and I am looking forward to working as a casual CNA. I live in Reedsburg with my husband, Matt, and my two children, Hunter who is 6, and Grace who is 2.



Hi, I'm Christine Dank. I am looking forward to working nights as an LTE CNA and getting to know everyone.

**HEALTH CARE CENTER FLOAT FOR STAND UNITED PARADE ON APRIL 28**

A big thank you to all who helped in the construction of the float and those who participated in the parade.



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

**Truths for Mature Humans...**

Part of a best friend's job should be to immediately clear your computer history if you die.

I totally take back all those times I didn't want to nap when I was younger.

There is great need for a sarcasm font.

Can we all just agree to ignore whatever comes after Blue Ray? I don't want to have to restart my collection...again.

I think the freezer deserves a light as well.

Kisses are like tears, the only real ones are the ones you can't hold back.

We do not see things as they are...We see them as we are.