

SAUK COUNTY HEALTH CARE CENTER'S COMMUNICATOR

JANUARY 2013



Jan 21	Martin Luther King Jr. Day Medicare Foundation Retreat	Feb 7	Department Head
Jan 23	Nurses Meeting	Feb 11	Medicare Cake & cookie sale orders due
Jan 24	Quality Assurance Pharmacy Infection Control	Feb 13	All Staff CASUAL 4 A CAUSE Ash Wednesday
Jan 28	Medicare	Feb 14	Valentine's Day Board of Trustees
Jan 30	All Staff Meeting	Feb 15	PAYDAY
Feb 1	PAYDAY Valentine's Fundraiser Begins	Feb 18	Presidents' Day
Feb 2	Groundhog Day	Feb 21	Department Head
Feb 4	Medicare	Feb 25	Medicare



Upcoming Events

January 20—26 is National Activity Professionals Week. The Health Care Center is blessed to have a crew of dedicated, selfless professionals who give of their time and talents at work and on their own time to make sure our residents are happy and content in their "Home". A huge thank you to Peggy Connors, Sherry Karstetter, Corey Brunner, and Margaret Burggraf.



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 4. 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 11 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.



Mardi Gras—Tuesday, February 12. Help us celebrate "Fat Tuesday" by wearing the colors of Mardi Gras; green, purple and gold. Join us in the afternoon for our annual pancake race and social. Treats for the staff will be provided.



LaVerne's In-Service Corner

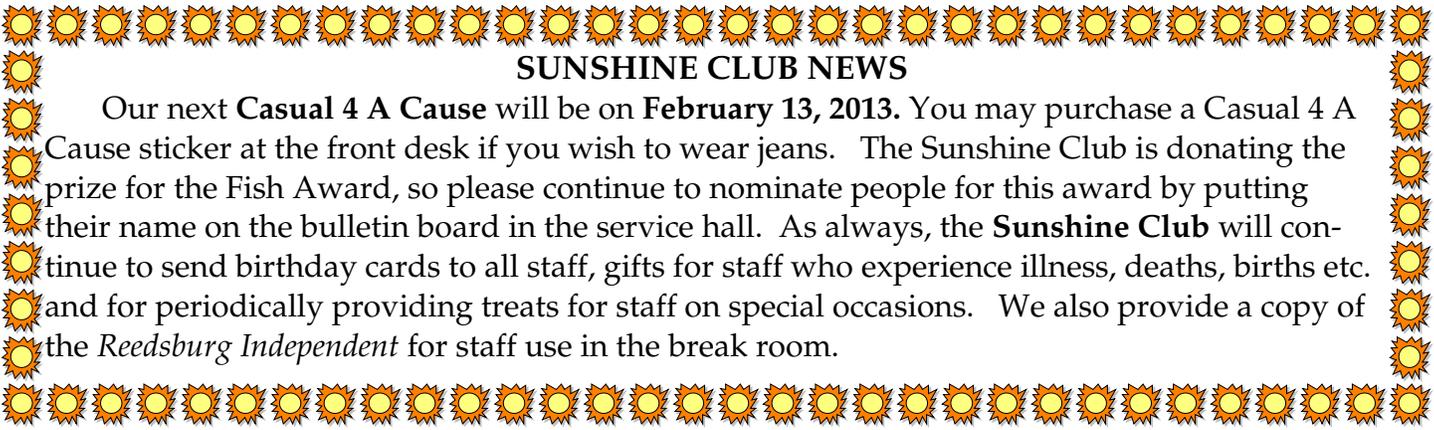
 The next Mandatory **All Staff Meeting** has been scheduled for Wednesday, January 30 at 7:00 a.m., 1:30 and 2:30 p.m. The February meeting will be on Wednesday, February 13, at 7:00 a.m., 1:30 and 2:30 p.m.

 New In-Service available is Hypothermia, which is mandatory for all staff.

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







SUNSHINE CLUB NEWS

Our next **Casual 4 A Cause** will be on **February 13, 2013**. You may purchase a Casual 4 A Cause sticker at the front desk if you wish to wear jeans. 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 *Reedsburg Independent* for staff use in the break room.

Welcome New Employees



Hi, my name is Jody Burke. I recently relocated to Mauston from Oshkosh. I am married with 5 daughters. I look forward to working at the Sauk County HCC.



My name is Brooke Stanek and I'm working here at the Health Care Center as a Casual CNA. Currently I am a full time student at the University of Minnesota-Rochester pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Health Services degree.



Hi, my name is Kristi Myers and I am working here as a CNA. I live in Hillsboro and work at the Hillsboro Subway.



My name is Katie Mueller. I am working here as a CNA.



Hi, I'm Patti Babcock. I am glad to be a part of the Sauk County Health Care Center staff.

NOC STAFF should continue parking in the front parking lot to make it easier for snow removal. Also, (all staff) please remember to park away from the sidewalk to allow more room for maintenance to keep the area clean. When there is snow in the lot, try to park in one area instead of all over the lot, to facilitate snow removal. Thanks much for your cooperation.



EMPLOYEE ANNIVERSARIES—FEBRUARY

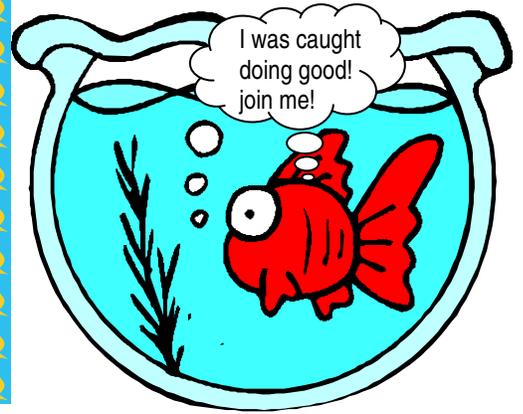
Alana Dietzel	1 year	Kristin Tucker	4 years
Kim Husker	1 year	Emilie Miller	8 years
Todd Johnson	1 year	Bill McClary	11 years
Jonelle Peters	1 year	Jenny Olson	15 years
Christina Hill	3 years	Kathy Rachuj	16 years
Janet Litty	3 years	Ann Leake	22 years
Toni Thorne	3 years		
Penny Bloedow	4 years		

Congratulations Everyone!

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 Marietta Rick for helping out with the New Year's party on Babbs. She was nominated by Dawn Drea. Great job, Marietta and keep up the good work.



Kudos to staff.

Mr. Bill Wasser spoke under public comment at the most recent County Board Meeting and commended the staff here at the HCC for the exceptional care that our employees provide to the residents. He was very appreciative of the care given to his friend who was a resident here until his recent passing. Your wonderful care does not go unnoticed by the community. Thank you for your dedication.



Happy Valentine's Day!