## SAUK COUNTY HEALTH CARE CENTER'S

# **COMMUNICATOR**

May 2016

Hope that everyone has been enjoying the warmer weather and the beginnings of Spring. Wanted to make sure that everyone is aware that we did reach our fundraising goal for the gazebo and will be moving forward with construction. Plans are to start construction in May/June and have completed by the middle to end of June. Thank you to all that donated or helped to spread the word about our gazebo project. It will be a wonderful addition to our facility and a place for our residents and their loved ones to enjoy the seasons.

Thanks, Jenny

#### From Gina

In honor of National Nurses' Day, May 6th, I would like to take this time to thank all of the nurses for their extraordinary dedication to the residents her at the Sauk County Health Care Center. It is a joy to work with each and every one of you! Your contributions are immeasurable and your skill, enthusiasm and commitment are inspiring.

#### **Staff Development Notes:**

Next All Staff Meeting: Wednesday, May 11<sup>th</sup> Next Nurses Meeting: Wednesday, May 18<sup>th</sup> Next CNA Meeting: Tuesday, May 17<sup>st</sup>

May 8 - 14th is Nursing Home Week and Nurses Week May 27th is Heat Awareness Day "They may forget your name, but they will never forget how you made them feel." Maya Angelou

"Why am I so passionate about my job? Because it's not a job, it is who I am. I am a nurse." onlyanurse.com

"Always thank your nurse. Sometimes they're the only thing between you and a hearse." Warren Beatty

#### May Anniversaries

Emma Ahlstrom 1 year Laura Herritz 14 years Krista Kramer 1 year Michele Lohr 31 years Bruce Meyer 7 years Christen Nelson 1 year Courtney Pulvermacher 1 year Alisha Schultz 1 year Kari Schyvinck 3 years 4 years Alvson Sobeck Ronda Wilke-Ostrander 12 years

Congratulations Everyone!

On Friday, May 6, Culver's is celebrating National Nurse Appreciation Day. Any nurse or CNA can get a free value basket (up to \$10) by showing your work badge.

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#### **SUNSHINE CLUB NEWS**

Our next **Casual 4 A Cause** will be on **May 11, 2016.** You may purchase a Casual 4 A Cause sticker at the front desk if you wish to wear jeans. Thank you staff, for continually supporting the Sunshine Club by participating in our Casual 4 A Cause.

The "Good Deed" board is used to recognize coworkers for being "caught doing good deeds." Write their name, date and what they are being recognized for on a slip and hang it on the board. You must sign the slip. Each month one lucky person will receive a gift. **Mary Quinlan** is the winner of the good deed award for April. Mary was nominated by Stephanie H., Peggy C., and Katie S. for her extra help, not only for nursing duties but CNA duties as well. Also, for going above and beyond to help residents! Congratulations Mary!!!!

## Welcome our New Employee

Hello, my name is Malissa Young. I live in Baraboo and I have six children. I will be working as a CNA on the PM shift.



From John and the Activity Department: April is National Volunteer Month. We will be recognizing our Volunteers with a "Tea" to be held on April 27<sup>th</sup> in the Community Room. We are truly very blessed to have such dedicated individuals. Remember, "Volunteers are love in motion!" Summer Activities will begin soon. Thanks for the assistance with facilitating these activities for our residents.

Restorative / Maintenance tip of the month: Everyone is seen for Restorative/ Maintenance program unless being seen by therapy. Restorative/Maintenance goals and interventions are found on the lower right corner of the Guideline for Daily Care which is posted inside bathroom cupboard door. These goals are part of the resident's daily activity and should occur during their normal routine, ie, walking to meals, bathing/dressing, making choices, no redness with good repositioning, etc. to maintain their skills making less work for staff.

Check out the information on the bulletin boards regarding Table Massages that are available at a discounted rate to GHC members and their families. The information on the board explains in detail how to go about scheduling that appointment. Also, please see on the boards, information regarding Biometric Screening coming in June and incentive programs from GHC.

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TO: All Sauk County Health Care Center Staff

FROM: Family of Vi & Duane Schultz

Our sincere thanks for taking such wonderful care of our parents, Vi and Duane Schultz. Words cannot properly express our gratitude for the excellent, compassionate care given by loving staff members, and the work you do to provide such beautiful physical surroundings.

Our Dad Duane first came to SCHCC in December 2009, a month after the new facility opened. Our family felt so blessed that this new and beautiful place, filled with experienced and dedicated staff, was here for Dad. Because of you ("you" being each and every staff member working as a team), Dad soon regained mobility. You cared for his breathing issues and made him feel comfortable in his new environment away from home.

A few months later in April 2010, our Mom Vi came to Eagle Path. We were grateful and happy that now Mom and Dad were officially "home" together at the Health Care Center.

Because of you, our parents had wonderful years together, including celebrating their 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary in the community room in May 2011. Then, when Dad died in 2012, you continued to care for Mom, keeping her comfortable, safe, and happy.

Earlier this year, as Mom's health declined and her passing approached, your attentive care of Vi continued, and expanded to include our family. We are ever grateful for your wisdom and compassion as you helped us make difficult decisions. We are confident your sharing and our choices were guided by God, and we know in our hearts that Mom would have made the same decisions if she were able. We rejoiced upon hearing of Mom's quiet passing in her sleep on March 2.

It would take many pages to list all the blessings Mom and Dad, and our whole family experienced these past six years. Nursing care (RN, LPN, CNA), dietary, activities, laundry, housekeeping, maintenance, PT, OT, administration, beauty shop, volunteers ~ all of your ministries combined made an ideal place for our parents' final years. (Please excuse us if we missed mentioning a department.)

Many of you are known to us by name, some only by face, many of you we have never met. Please know that all of you are angels of mercy to us. We cry tears of joy when we thank the Lord for you.

We will greatly miss coming to SCHCC as often as we used to. You may see us now and again, stopping by to reminisce and say a prayer of thanks.

May the Lord bless and keep you all as you continue your sacred ministries of caring for those in need. Please pass this letter on to former staff members.

Bonnie and Marc Conway, Leslie and William Casey and families

SAUK CO. HEALTH CARE CENTER					May 2015	
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	Medicare 1:30	3 Safety Meeting 10:00	4 Home Care Staff Meeting 2:30	5	6 PAYDAY Nurses Day	7
8 Mother's Day	9 Medicare 1:30	10	11 All Staff Casual 4 A Cause	12 Dept. Head 10:00	13	14
15	Medicare 1:30	17 CNA Meetings  Resident Council 2:00  Board of Supervisors 6:00 West Square	18 Nurses Meeting 2:00 5:15 Board of Trustees	19	20 PAYDAY	21
22	Medicare 1:30	24	25	26	27 Heat Awareness Day	28
29	30 Memorial Day	31				

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