

# Isabella County MCF News

August/September 2009

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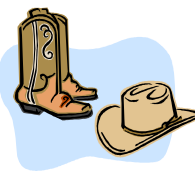
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You're invited to...



## Western Day

### Annual Facility Picnic

**When:** Thursday, August 13, 2009

(In the event of inclement weather the rain date is  
Friday, August 14, 2009)

**Where:** Isabella County Medical Care Facility

**Time:** 11:00a.m.—1:30p.m.

**For:** Residents, family, friends, and staff

Food and drinks provided by our caring staff.  
A dessert or fresh fruit bowl to pass is  
appreciated.

It is VERY IMPORTANT to RSVP for  
SEATING ARRANGEMENTS! RSVP to the  
Activities Department by calling (989)779-5526  
on or before Friday, August 7th.



Wasn't it wonderful to have the seasonal summer Activity staff?

We would like to express a special thank you to Audrey R., Amanda S. and Britney W. Good luck in all your future endeavors!



### ***ADULT DAY PROGRAM***

The Adult Day Program will also have a new look with fresh paint, new carpeting and new floor tile, and a more efficient layout. The Adult Day Program will be available for your family gatherings in the evenings and on weekends. We will try to determine a date the room will be ready for your family gatherings. It seems like the holidays are still months away, but they have a way of sneaking up on us. It is the time with family and friends that make all holidays so very special and memorable.



Pictured Left to Right: Ruby S., Resident, Dale MacDonald, Member Isabella County DHS Board, Eileen Rau, Chairperson Isabella County DHS Board, Tanny Baumann, Administrator, Raymond H., Resident, David Ling, Chairman Isabella County Board of Commissioners, Tom Moffit, Vice Chairman DHS Board

### ***Kitchen Project Ground Breaking Ceremony***

The kitchen project completion is scheduled for December 2009. A very special thank you is extended to the Isabella County Board of Commissioners, the Isabella County Department of Human Services Board, and the entire Community, for their ongoing commitment and support of the Medical Care Facility.

## **Thank You**

The ICMCF staff and residents greatly appreciate your donations. However, due to our limited storage space during the construction project we simply do not have room to store donations of magazines and stuffed animals.

There are many other organizations that would happily accept (and be able to store) these donations.

Thank you!



A thank you is extended to all residents, family members, staff, volunteers, and the construction crew for being so flexible and accommodating throughout the kitchen project. Everyone has worked extra hard to make the construction process go smooth. We will do our best to keep you informed and minimize the inconveniences associated with construction. It will all be worth it in the long run.

## From the Administrator's Desk...

Summer is flying by. I hope everyone has enjoyed a little bit of summer fun . . . maybe a picnic, a baseball game, or ice cream!!! So I thought it might be fun for this article to have updates that begin with the letter "C".

What about **Computers, Cabinets, Construction, and Countertops?**

**COMPUTERS:** The nursing staff has been very busy learning a new computerized charting system. The nursing staff and department directors are becoming very proficient with computers. All facility staff have been using computers for our online inservice education for the past year. Aaron Wise, Information Technology Administrator, has a great deal of experience and knowledge, combined with excellent leadership skills that will successfully guide us through this process. It has been very exciting and many positive comments have been heard from the nursing staff and department directors as they discover the benefits and applications the software has to offer.

**CABINETS:** You will soon see a few oak computer cabinets being installed in the hallways on all three floors. These cabinets will have a pull-out shelf and a computer inside. Nursing staff will do charting from these computer stations. The cabinets are designed to coordinate with the homelike décor of the facility.



Computers will also be mounted to the medication carts and used during medication pass. The computer software package has been developed to increase efficiency while decreasing the potential for medication errors during medication pass.

**CONSTRUCTION:** The kitchen project is well underway. The construction crew has the exterior block walls constructed, the underground plumbing in place, and the cement floor has been poured for the new kitchen. A board displaying new finishes is located in the main hallway near the elevator. The board contains a sample of the carpeting, tile, paint colors, and countertop so you can begin to visualize how the "The Bistro" (formerly the first floor activity room/family diner) will be transformed.

**COUNTERTOPS/INDUCTION:** The buffet meals will be held at the proper temperature and served from the latest technology available known as an induction countertop. It works by producing a magnetic field which "heats the pan" instead of the countertop. This technology makes the countertop surface much safer and decreases the potential for a burn since the pan heats up rather than the countertop. When the countertop is not in use, it has the appearance of a regular countertop.



The entire construction crew has been very accommodating to our needs and wonderful to work with.

Donna A. has watched the progress of the construction crew through the second floor window.

The construction crew has also signed a hard hat for Donna.

The construction team holds up a Happy Birthday sign and sings Happy Birthday to Donna A.

# Thank You!

# Happy Birthday to the following employees:



## August

Diane G.	08/02	Catherine T.
Vickie B.	08/07	Amanda W.
Nicole R.	08/08	Jackie L.
Monica B.	08/09	Stephanie P.
Laura C.	08/10	
Deborah D.	08/12	
Deborah F.	08/12	
Natasha S.	08/15	
Onnalee R.	08/19	

## September

08/19	Rachel W.	09/01	Lori M.	09/21
08/19	Jeanette S.	09/02	Kimberly P.	09/26
08/22	Mike P.	09/04	Kelly R.	09/27
08/28	Michael C.	09/05	Theresa R.	09/29
	Emily K.	09/05		
	Joanne W.	09/05		
	Monica Z.	09/18		
	Cindy W.	09/20		
	Stephanie D.	09/20		
	Stacy G.	09/20		

## Happy anniversary to the following employees



# August/September

## August

Jane G.	08/01/88	Debra C.	08/14/07
Debbie P.	08/23/93	Justine M.	08/14/07
Cindy W.	08/18/94	Bonnie A.	08/27/07
Jamie R.	08/04/97	Kyle B.	08/11/08
Betsy G.	08/06/01		
Jean W.	08/21/01		
Cassie K.	08/28/03		
Jessica G.	08/14/07		

## September

Kelly R.	09/19/83	Cindy H.	09/15/01
Danny C.	09/04/85	Maria G.	09/06/06
Barb W.	09/01/87	Jill M.	09/04/07
David L.	09/15/89	Allison R.	09/11/07
Shelley D.	09/09/94	Amber R.	09/09/08
Amy B.	09/14/95	Laura C.	09/09/08
Jackie L.	09/18/98	Samantha R.	09/09/08
Diane G.	09/29/00	Trudy V.	09/09/08
Patricia S.	09/29/00		

# Donations and Memorials



## In Memory of:

**Eva Beebe**  
**Walter Fussman**  
**Murl Homeister—**  
**Adult Day Program**  
**Charles Newell**

## Thank you...

*for remembering the Medical Care Facility/ Adult Day Program to continue funding the future needs of the residents.*