

Isabella County MCF News

March 2009

Staff Appreciation Party

Tanny Baumann
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Medical Director

Jane Gepford, RN
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Social Worker

Amy Bierschbach
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Bruce Ralston
Environmental Services
Director

Michele Bonfield
Activities Director,
Certified

Monica Bissett
Adult Day Program
Director/MCF
Admissions Director

Joann Nelson
Hair Care Services

The Staff Appreciation Party in February was a great success. A special thank you to the activity department, and our Administrator, Tanny Baumann, for making such a memorable event.

There were lots of delicious refreshments and a beautiful cake. Some of the residents came down to enjoy the party, too! The event started with a general introduction by Tanny and then the presentation of awards. Each department director presented the awards for their department. Those with five years of service received a pin and certificate of appreciation, while those with 10+ years of service received a \$25 Gift Card as well as their certificate of appreciation.

There were great raffle prizes and a fun time was had by all.



Monica Bissett, Admissions/Adult Day Program Director presenting Jane W., ADP Aide, with her award for 35 Years of dedicated service!



Tanny Baumann, Administrator, speaking about Jane Gepford, RN, DON for her 20 years of dedicated service!



Jane Gepford, RN, DON, presenting Brenda B., CNA, with her award for 20 years of dedicated service!



Bruce Ralston, Environmental Services Director presenting Cindy L., Housekeeper with her award for 10 years of dedicated service!

Dear Family Members, Caregivers, and Staff

It is the policy of the ICMCF to not launder any personal blankets, afghans, or comforters. Due to the extremely hot water we are required to use for infection prevention the item(s) could be damaged.

This is made known during the admissions process. Also, please ensure that all clothing brought in to the Facility is marked with the Resident's name and added to the Clothing Log in the Resident's Chart.

Thank you.

Donations of **individually wrapped candy** are needed for the upcoming children's Easter Egg Hunt. Donations can be dropped off to the Activity Department by March 23, 2009.



Thank you!

*We are **STILL** looking for talent and performers.*

Do you know someone who **plays an instrument, sings, or dances**, that would like to share their talents with us? Do you know of a group, or organization, willing to share their talents? (Maybe even you!) If you, or someone you know, has a talent they would like to share with us and entertain our residents, please contact **Michele B., Activity Director**, at 779-5526.



St. Patrick's Day Party!

The residents will be having a Saint Patrick's Day party on Tuesday March 17, 2009 at 2:30p.m. in the Family Diner of first floor.



Visitors are encouraged to eat with their loved one in the Restorative Dining Room. This is a beautiful, quiet, private space to enjoy.

From the Administrator's Desk...

As you have probably heard there is a national movement toward electronic health records. This year our facility will work to improve the patients' medical records through implementation of computerized charting. We will soon have a wireless computer network, and nurses will be using computers when they are charting and for medication pass. The computerized system that we will be using here is ECS. This stands for Electronic Charting System, this is a highly reputable company that several other County Medical Care Facilities have already implemented and recommend.

One of the main reasons that there is a national movement toward an electronic health record is the increased evidence that an Electronic Health Record can improve resident safety. Another benefit is that staff

have appropriate access to the record which allows an immediate response to making clinical decisions more timely and accurately. Not to mention decreased errors attributed to illegible handwriting, interrupted handwritten orders, and incomplete information about the resident. Plus the system allows automated checks for allergies and medication interactions. Facility staff are experienced in using computers as they have been using computers for their inservice education for several months now, plus we will make sure they receive plenty of education on the new computers and software. It's all very exciting and will improve accuracy greatly with positive resident outcomes.

If you have any questions, please feel free to ask me anytime.

Tanny Baumann, Administrator

Sign up for the Children's Easter Egg Hunt

(Ages 1-10)

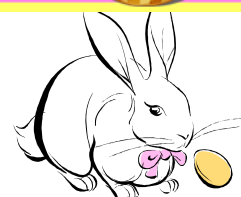
Date: Saturday, March 28, 2009

Time: 2:00p.m.

Location: Wait in the front lobby for further instructions.



Please sign up on one of the sign-up sheets, be sure to include the child's name, age, and parents name. Thank you!



Safety Note....

Here at the Facility we do our very best to keep the parking lot plowed and the sidewalks clear of snow and ice.

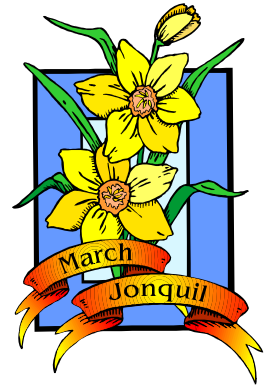
However, it is always a good idea to take extra precaution when getting in and out of your vehicle and while walking outdoors during the winter months. Proper foot wear, such as boots or shoes with non-skid soles can help with this.

Happy Birthday

to the following employees:

March

<i>Barb S.</i>	<i>03/01</i>	<i>Linda M.</i>	<i>3/16</i>
<i>Tamar R.</i>	<i>3/06</i>	<i>Amanda R.</i>	<i>3/21</i>
<i>Amy W.</i>	<i>3/11</i>	<i>Trudy V.</i>	<i>3/22</i>
<i>Jessica G.</i>	<i>3/12</i>	<i>Rachel O.</i>	<i>3/23</i>
<i>Kyle B.</i>	<i>3/13</i>	<i>Amanda U.</i>	<i>3/26</i>
<i>April L.</i>	<i>3/14</i>	<i>Twila S.</i>	<i>3/31</i>
<i>Monica W.</i>	<i>3/15</i>		



Happy anniversary to the following employees

March



<i>Jane W.</i>	<i>03/26/73</i>	<i>Julie S.</i>	<i>03/13/06</i>
<i>Linda M.</i>	<i>03/25/95</i>	<i>Ryan T.</i>	<i>03/01/06</i>
<i>Jessica M.</i>	<i>03/27/01</i>	<i>LeAnne W.</i>	<i>03/01/06</i>
<i>Dave S.</i>	<i>03/08/04</i>	<i>Michelle K.</i>	<i>03/16/07</i>
<i>Melanie M.</i>	<i>03/15/05</i>	<i>Amanda R.</i>	<i>03/16/07</i>

Donations and Memorials

January Donations

Tammy Seeley



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

