

Monroe Community Hospital

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Volunteer Services Newsletter

MAY 2025

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Hello volunteers!

I hope your May is off to fantastic start!

There are many special events coming up this month, and we need your help to ensure residents can enjoy them all! Many of these events fall during Skilled Nursing Care week, May 12—16. Please look at the list of events on page 2 and let me know if you can help transport, or visit our May schedule online at:

May Transport Schedule

April was National Volunteer Month, and my favorite day was April 9, when about 45 volunteers and staff gathered at our Annual Luncheon! This was a lovely event and I still have some favors and programs left. If you were unable to attend, please stop by my office, and pick up a gift bag and program.

As always, I love to hear from volunteers and I welcome your feedback, observations and suggestions about how we can continue to improve our program.

I am also ALWAYS interested in expanding the number of volunteers, so please continue to "tell a friend" and talk up our volunteer opportunities. Your word of mouth is one of our most effective recruitment tools!

Thank you for all you do to improve the lives of our residents and support the staff!

Be well,

Laurie

Call for Donations!

Marcia and Kiara from Recreation have set up Craft Tables in the dining rooms on Friendship 2 and Friendship 4. They welcome donations of any art and craft supplies to keep the tables stocked. Just bring them to Laurie's office. Thank you!

Skilled Nursing Care Week May 12—16 at MCH.

In addition to the large events in the Aud, listed on page 2, there are other opportunities to pair up with a resident and have some fun!

Mon May 12, 10—11:30 AM, MCH Voyage. Stop by the Garden Lobby with a resident and pick up a "passport" and clue sheet. Collect passport stamps by visiting different areas of the building! Treats will be in the Lobby for returning teams!

Tues May 13, Story Threads. Staff, residents and volunteers are invited to share their stories. Pick up a sheet of prompts in the Café! Each evening, they will be "woven" into our tapestry on the wall. This will continue all week.

Thurs May 15, 10 AM—12, Skee Ball Competition in the Game Room. Pair up with a resident and compete at Skee Ball!

New Enclosed Courtyard Behind Friendship Opens!

Why not pick up a resident and take a stroll to the new Enclosed Courtyard behind Friendship? You can access this secure, outdoor space through the "Pigeon Alley" door near the Hair Salon, or through the side doors out of the cafeteria, near the registers.



May Events & Activities

SPECIAL EVENTS for Skilled Nursing Care Week, May 12—16:

Monday May 12 at 2 PM Mother's Day Social

Tuesday May 13 at 2 PM Movie Matinee: "Coco"

Wednesday May 14 at 10:30 AM Chair Yoga For Everyone

Thursday May 15 at 2 PM Intergenerational Game Hour

Friday May 16 at 10:30 AM Art Party for Staff & Residents

Friday May 16 at 2 PM Mt. Hope Community Choir

PLUS:

Friday May 23 at 2 PM Andy Nahas in Concert

ONGOING ACTIVITIES:

Monday May 19 at 2 PM Monday Movie Matinee

Tuesday May 20 and 27 at 2:15 PM Feeling Fit Exercise

Tuesday May 27 at 11 AM Caring Group in the Williams Lounge on Faith 6

Every Wednesday at 2 PM Worship Service or Bible Study

Every Thursday at 11 AM Catholic Mass

Please sign up to transport online at: <u>May</u>
<u>Transport Schedule</u> or contact Laurie!

Happy May Birthdays to: Linda B Al B Tom H Jamie I Jeanne P



To New Volunteers Brooke, John, and Noreen!

Volunteering By The Numbers! In April:

60 volunteers were active, volunteering **978** hours.

3 new volunteers joined our program.

42% of April Transport Shifts were filled.



57% of the Friendly Visitor requests were filled – meaning **62** residents have a volunteer assigned, and **46** residents are still waiting. :(

Did you know? Rochester's first Lilac Festival was held in 1905 and in 1908, 25,000 people attended!

April 9 Volunteer Recognition Luncheon



Thank you for making a World of Difference!







Thanks to Steve Bartlett for documenting our Annual Luncheon, and to Food & Nutrition for the outstanding meal and dessert!