



Preakness Healthcare Center

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Update, July 21, 2023
With Event Date Corrections

Please Note: This Update is posted on the Passaic County website and distributed through the Constant Contact email group for families who have elected to provide their email address and is distributed to all staff. Our Social Workers, Therapeutic Recreation staff and Unit Clerks distribute the Update to residents who wish to receive it.

Reminiscent of the days of drive-in movies, we had our first “Movie under the Stars” event on July 19, 2023. Thank you to Kerry Klug, Passaic County Parks Department who brought the event to us and made this possible. We had a fun-filled night and look forward to our next “Movie under the Stars” in August.

Since the last Update, we are sharing with you that one CNA tested positive for COVID-19 on July 19, 2023. Prior to the test, our CNA worked on resident unit 1-200; last day worked was July 17, 2023. Residents who had close contact will be tested in accordance with regulatory requirements.

Future resident events beginning at 2:00 pm in our Home’s main dining room include:

- *Christmas in July* hosted by the generosity of the Wayne Rotary Club, July 22, 2023
- Mindful Meditation, July 26, 2023
- Blue Knights’ Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club’s display of motorcycles, July 27, 2023, 6:15 pm to 7:30 pm (on the entrance driveways, weather-permitting).
- “Big” Bingo, July 28, 2023
- Dancing with “Donna”, July 31, 2023 (on resident units 1-200 and 2-200)
- Birthday dance party, August 4, 2023
- Classics at the Movies (Blue Hawaii), August 11, 2023
- “Movie under the Stars”, August 16, 2023, 8:15 pm (on the rotunda patio, weather-permitting)
- Casino Day, August 18, 2023

Family members are welcome to join us at all events.

Barbeques are held on the rotunda patio, weather-permitting, on Wednesdays. The unit schedules are posted throughout our Home. Family members are welcome to join us.

The rotunda patio is open daily, weather-permitting, from 1:30 pm to 4:00 pm with staff present for assistance. On high heat/high humidity days or on days that “wildfire smoke alerts” are issued, this patio is closed.

While “schools out for summer”, school supplies will be needed for many students who begin school in the Fall. The County of Passaic is partnering with Montclair State University as part of the University’s annual 9/11 National Day of Service and Remembrance collecting school supply donations. The goal is

to provide 300 students at East Side High School in Paterson with everything they need for the new school year. A list of requested donations is available at our entrance Security desk and a collection bin is in the entrance lobby. Thank you for your anticipated support!

Job opportunities are available for an Environmental Services Supervisor, Nurses, Certified Nursing Assistants, Food Services Supervisor, Food Service Workers, Social Worker/MSW, Registered Dietitian, Recreation Therapy Aides, Security Guard and Senior Accountant. Feel free to provide my contact information to healthcare workers looking for a very rewarding career as a member of our team. Despite the end of the Public Health Emergency and the expiration of many of the COVID restrictions, vaccination is still recommended by the NJ DOH. Residents or staff who wish to receive a vaccine may contact Patrick Kuiken, RN, LTC-CIP, Infection Preventionist at 973-585-2181.

If you have an urgent call or complaint, please call Preakness Healthcare Center Security staff at 973-317-7023 and your call will be directed to the appropriate person. In addition, Geoffrey Mugalu, Ph.D., LNHA, Assistant Executive Director, 973-585-2113; Daniel Nasulme, RN, BSN, LTC-CIP, Director of Nursing, 973-585-1409; Aleyamma John, RN, BSN, Assistant Director of Nursing, 862-345-5911 are available to address any concerns. *A nursing supervisor is available for emergent issues by calling the nursing supervisor cell phone, 973-617-7496.*

Preakness Strong Heroes Will Always Continue to Work Here!

Sincerely,

Lucinda Corrado, LNHA
Executive Director