

Preakness Healthcare Center

A Legacy of Caring since 1929

Update, June 14, 2024

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.

Thank you to:

 Christina Burrafato and Lonnie Wallace, Volunteers who have provided 400 hours of service to our residents since February 2024!!

Congratulations to:

- Brandon Gibaja on his achievement of licensure as a Licensed Practical Nurse!
- Eleanor Schneider who will celebrate her 104th birthday on June 16, 2024!

Welcome to:

- Lauren McArthur, Speech Language Pathologist
- Roxanne Pozzuoli, Hairdresser
- Jacob Lesch, Recreation Therapy Aide. We *thank him* for the time he has worked with us as a Student Volunteer during the school year.

The Passaic County Office of Emergency Management has initiated a five-year update to their Hazard Mitigation Plan to enable the County and participating communities to identify vulnerabilities to natural hazards and to develop projects to strengthen resilience. If you live or work in Passaic County and wish to provide input the survey is available at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PssaicPublicSurvey.

The following events/services are scheduled for 2:00 pm in our main dining room:

- Wayne Library Visit, June 17, 2024
- Juneteenth Musical Celebration/DJ Dance Party, June 19, 2024, on the rotunda patio
- Music on the Patio with R. Corbo, June 21, 2024
- Therapy Dogs visit with Sally and Sidney, June 24, 2024, on the rotunda patio
- Bible Study with Eddy, June 26, 2024
- Movie under the Stars, "Mother of the Bride", June 26, 2024, on the rotunda patio at 8:00 pm
- Jazz Band Concert, June 29, 2024
- Patriotic Music Show, July 3, 2024
- Birthday Party, July 12, 2024
- Christmas in July with the Wayne Rotary, July 13, 2024
- Board and Card Games Competition, July 15, 2024
- Bible Study with Eddy, July 17, 2024
- Movie under the Stars, July 17, 2024, on the rotunda patio at 8:00 pm
- Root Beer Floats, July 19, 2024
- Children's Talent Show, August 23, 2024 for ages 5 through 17 (RSVP to Alina Zalenski, 973-585-2124)

Our weekly BBQ season begins on June 26, 2024. BBQs are held on the rotunda patio, weather-permitting, from 11:45 am to 1:00 pm, with musical entertainment. Flyers will be posted throughout our Home indicating the dates and units for the BBQs.

We are accepting applications for adult volunteers and teenagers who are 16 or 17 years old. If interested, please speak with Suzanne McEvoy, Director of Volunteers, 973-585-2161.

Job opportunities are available for Nurses, Certified Nursing Assistants, Food Service Supervisor, Food Service Workers and Recreation Therapist. Feel free to provide my contact information to healthcare workers looking for a very rewarding career as a member of our team.

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; Patrick Kuiken, RN, BSN, LTC-CIP, Infection Preventionist, 973-585-2181 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