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MARWOOD MATTERS

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## March Staff Anniversaries

Vicki Logan	RSA	38 yrs
Therese Westley	LPN	37 yrs
Vickie Preston	RSA	34 yrs
Brenda Schnepf	CNA	28 yrs
Nichole Symes-Hoskins	RSA	12 yrs
James Arpan	LPN	10 yrs
Anthony Rosado	Social Work	10 yrs
Sheena Kienig	CNA	9 yrs
Dulce Stapleton	CNA	9 yrs
Christina LaRue	CNA	7 yrs
Joshua Fye	LPN	4 yrs
Sarah Fleming	CNA	4 yrs
Nicole Woolman	CNA	4 yrs
Stephanie Scott	RN—Education	3 yrs

Tristin Caughel	RSA	2 yrs
Michael Crigger	Dining Service Sup.	2 yrs
Katelyn Diaz	LPN	2 yrs
Tracy Randall	HSK	2 yrs
Erasmus Sanchez	CNA	1 yr
Noelana Lucka	CNA	1 yr



# Administrator's Corner

## BRIDGEPORT RENOVATION UPDATE

I am pleased to share that we've made significant progress on the Bridgeport unit. We expect the first area to be completed around the end of March. Once complete, we will then focus on the existing eight (8) rooms. The newly renovated spaces include a kitchen, open dining room and updated resident rooms. Included in the room and hallway updates are new wall coverings, ceilings, lighting and floors. We look forward to opening this space to our residents and staff. Your patience and support has been greatly appreciated during this process. Feel free to call me at (810) 982-9500 with any questions or concerns.



Brian J. Oberly  
Administrator

## NEW EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION PROGRAM

**What is it?** Many of our residents and their families wish to express gratitude for the care they received at Marwood Nursing & Rehab. In partnership with McLaren Port Huron, we are introducing a new employee recognition program called **'Guardian Angel'** that is used at the hospital to honor and thank staff for the work you do.

**How does it work?** Residents and families have an opportunity to make a donation in honor of a Marwood Nursing & Rehab employee who made a difference in their visit or stay. For each recognition, the employee will receive an angel pin and the donation will be used to help fund programs and services offered at Marwood.

**When will the program start?** We will be mirroring the hospital's program and using their promotional materials for the introductory period. Information will be posted throughout the building in the coming weeks.



# Resident Profile...Francine Dye



Francine is a retired 8<sup>th</sup> grade world history teacher. She taught for 30 years in the Lansing school district and was inspired to teach because of her love of history and her desire to improve the way that history was taught. She has always liked to know about people, especially what they did and what effect they had on the outcome of events. Francine loves to read stories, especially mysteries or books with good conversations in them. Her current favorite authors are Mary Kay Andrews and Joanne Fluke. One of Francine's hobbies was influenced by her life partner, Mike and their love of cars. Francine inherited a 1974 yellow and white Cadillac Eldorado from her mother that she laughingly stated she thought about starting a taxi service called "The Elite Fleet" with it. Francine loves to travel. She and her mom would go on day trips; hopping on a plane to go shopping and out to lunch in cities such as Boston or New York City. They wouldn't get back until after midnight – but did they have fun! Cruises are her favorite way to travel. "You have your room, entertainment, and delicious food." She especially liked Jamaica and the Caribbean (St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, and Bermuda). Francine's words to live by are "Face each day with a good thought and a smile. Keep lots of faith, family, and friends around you." If you find yourself on Elderberry, stop in to say hello...

## New Medicare Cards Coming 2018



Medicare will begin mailing new Medicare cards starting in April 2018. These cards will now have a unique Medicare number instead of using your social security number to protect your identity. Your Medicare coverage and benefits will not change. If you have a Medicare Advantage Plan like an HMO or PPO, your Medicare Advantage Plan ID card will remain your main card for Medicare. You will also be sent a new card, and may be asked to present both cards for verification. Cards will be mailed to the address on file with Medicare. If you need to update your address, please visit [www.ssa.gov/myaccount](http://www.ssa.gov/myaccount) or call 1-800-772-1213. Please remember to update Marwood, as well as your doctors and other healthcare providers with your new ID number. If you have questions or are looking for more information please visit [www.medicare.gov](http://www.medicare.gov). Please note it may take several months to receive your card.

## March Employee of the Month

### Carol Hill, LPN



- Carol has worked at Marwood since October 2008, when she started here as a Certified Nurse Aide. Carol attended SC4 in the LPN program and became an Licensed Practical Nurse at Marwood in March 2010. A coworker took the time to nominate Carol for demonstrating our Standards of Excellence stating "she helps coworkers and residents and always remain calm, even when times are difficult to manage, she does it with a smile." We appreciate Carol and her dedication to Marwood and our residents.

Congratulations Carol Hill!

## Little Store

The Little Store on Wheels is available on Fridays from 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

On the third Thursday of every month, the Little Store will set up shop in the Main Lounge from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

*Please note, the cart will not be available the Friday following the Main Lounge sale.*

## Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group

McLaren Port Huron hosts an Alzheimer's Caregiver support group the fourth Tuesday of every month from 1-2:30 p.m. at McLaren Port Huron, Jefferson Building, 1320 Washington Avenue.

The support group is sponsored by McLaren Port Huron, 55 Plus and the Alzheimer's Association of Greater Michigan. For more information or to register, call 55 Plus at (810) 989-3121.



## *Compassionate Passing*

It is always difficult to say goodbye to those who have touched our hearts. In order to extend the utmost dignity and respect in both life and death, we have recently formed a committee to define procedures at end of life to assure that every resident and family experiences a compassionate passing. We welcome you to take part in honoring the lives of our residents for as long as we have them with us. In this spirit, beginning in April, we ask that when a resident passes away, those in the vicinity, stop and observe a moment of silence as the body exits our building. Family and staff who wish to escort those we have lost are welcome to walk along. There will be an angel that may be illuminated, as a new addition to our chapel, to honor our departed friends. We offer the comfort of a visit to our Chapel, or the ability to write down a memory or a prayer for the prayer tree there. Our Chaplain will offer prayer on behalf of your loved one. Please feel free to share any comments or questions to (810)966-8948.

## Sunday Church Services

9:00 - Main Lounge  
9:40 - Bridgeport Dining Room  
10:25 - Serenity Circle Dining Room

## Catholic Mass Schedule

Catholic Mass will be held on the fourth Wednesday of the month.  
Services are held in the Main Lounge at 1:30pm.

## March Birthdays

Jill P.	3/1
Thomas H.	3/2
Delores C.	3/3
Marion B.	3/5
Elizabeth A.	3/5
Joseph P.	3/11
Charles K.	3/16
Virginia W.	3/16
Dawn D.	3/17
Bessie E.	3/18
Vickie S.	3/20
Ruth S.	3/21
Jeanette D.	3/22
Ralph R.	3/23
Joan P.	3/27
Virginia H.	3/30
Barbara H.	3/31



On **Thursday, March 29**, the ladies Auxiliary will host an **Easter Treat Sale** from

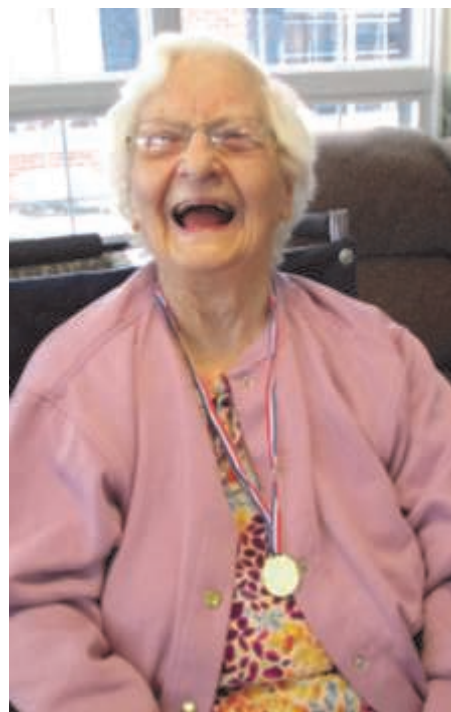
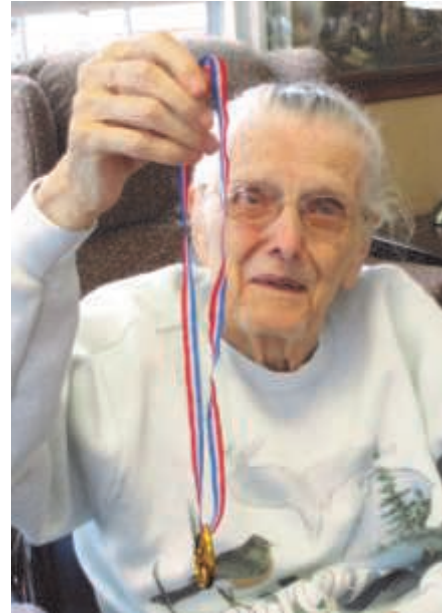
**10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.** in the **main lobby**.

A variety of cookies, candy and Easter themed items will be available.  
*All proceeds from the sale will benefit the residents and staff at Marwood.*



# Activities Corner

## Marwood's Winter Olympics



## SNOWMAN BUILDING



## Mardi Gras Party



Marlene and the staff baked and decorated her cake for her 85th birthday! The cake looks amazing!

## Happy Birthday Marlene

