
Hillside Herald



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Celebrating September

Breakfast Month

Classical Music Month

Self-University Week
September 1-7

Labor Day
September 6

Swap Ideas Day
September 10

Grandparents Day
September 12

Make-a-Hat Day
September 15

Oktoberfest Begins
September 18

World Gratitude Day
September 21

First Day of Autumn
September 22

Crush-a-Can Day
September 27

Sentiments from Starla

September? Where did the summer go? We hope that you had a chance to take advantage of the warm summer days and join us for one of our Back Yard BBQ's and the variety of live entertainment. We had a great time and great food!

We are almost finished with our cosmetic facelift. We do apologize for the mess during the wallpaper removal and all the fresh clean paint. We have also just about completed the Rehabilitation Suites and The Sapphire Suites (the end of life program). These rooms are dedicated to rehab, close to Physical Therapy, perfect for transitioning between Hospital and Home. October will also bring in another change to Hillside with the installation of Electronic Medical Records. These kiosks will be installed in September. EMR is the way of the future. Another new change is the MDS 3.0 please take the time to read the article in this news letter about those changes.

I would like to thank the Life Enrichment staff as well as the Nursing staff for the Kick off and implementation of the Pearls of Life, memory care program. Many hours of work and training have gone into preparing for this new memory care program. We are already seeing the "Treasures Within" our residents. We hope you have enjoyed the memory boxes representing each Pearl Garden Residents past interests and talents.

I would like to welcome Kaley Burke Admissions coordinator, Kaley comes to us from Village Health Care Center with extensive knowledge in the admission process. Stop by any time, she will be excited to meet all of you. Also, new to our team is Robin Peabody who is our new Dining Services Manager, Robin has many years of experience in Long Term care dining services. Welcome Robin! If you have any questions or concerns about the dining services feel free to stop by and visit with Robin, she will be happy to make sure the dining experience is a pleasant one. Two other changes in staff newly promoted to Medical Records from Admit CNA is Trena Bailey, Congratulations! Call Trena if you have any transportation questions to and from MD visits. Riva Fenlon has taken over the Social Services Department; Riva has a Bachelors degree in Social Work and is a welcome addition to the management team.

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Family and
Friends
Enjoying
Good Music,
Good Food,
and a Good
Time



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I would like to also invite you to visit with me when you are in the building. Your thoughts and opinions are encouraged and welcomed. The Hillside management team and I are continually striving to make each resident feel their comments suggestions are welcomed and sincerely valued. As always, I look forward to our next encounter.

Starla Horwath
Executive Director

Maintenance Corner

As Summer is coming to a close, we would like to remind you that we can still have some very warm days, so please ensure your family member is dressed appropriately if you take them out of the facility, and please apply sunscreen if they will be in the sun for an extended period of time. In the next couple of months, we will be doing some upgrade to our building. If you are visiting, please excuse our mess and be sure to watch your step around the construction areas. If you have any concerns, feel free to call me and I will gladly explain more in detail on what improvements we are doing. If you find something that needs attention in your family member's room, please let myself, or one of our staff members know, so we may address it immediately. I appreciate your help! I encourage you to contact me if you have any questions or concerns about Maintenance or Safety. Have a great month and enjoy our Montana Summer and all that living here brings this time of year!

Bill Thompson
Maintenance Director
Safety Coordinator



Everyday Enrichment

Welcome to September!

August went too fast! We wrapped up our summer concert series with Bob Wire, who played some classics and some humorous originals. If you missed this summer's series don't worry because we will be ready for lots more fun come next summer. If you have any band contacts that you think would like to play for us, don't hesitate to contact me!

Concerts aren't all we do here though. In September we will be celebrating Oktoberfest on the 28th. Complete with NearBeer and brats, and there has to be someone around here willing to wear those lederhosen! Be sure to come by and join the fun.

Happy September,
Tonya Blaney
Life Enrichment Director

MDS 3.0

The Federal government has made a new assessment process called MDS 3.0. The utilization of MDS 3.0 is set for October 1st 2010, an important event and date that you as a family member, responsible party, and/or loved one should to be aware of.

The new assessment will bring significant changes to the way long term care providers operate on a daily basis. The changes have been established to promote the highest quality of care but proper steps must be taken by the nursing home to ensure the goal of the new assessment process is achieved.

How this affects you and your loved one in the nursing home is simple. You will be noticing that there will be a significant focus on "The Resident's Voice". This means that more clinical data will be measured from resident interviews, which is a fairly new concept in information gathering. The MDS and Clinical teams will be conducting several interviews throughout the resident's length of stay at the facility to obtain such information as mood, pain, cognition, and preferences with the resident's perspective being top priority. These interviews will assist the team to best meet the needs of our residents and your loved one. As we enter into the new era of assessment completion we welcome your input on this new and exciting adventure.

If you have any questions about this new interviewing process, feel free to contact the Executive Director, Starla Horwath or the Director of Nursing, Lisa Leikam RN.

Nursing News

Well as our summer draws to close, you will see some changes in the nursing department as well as the season. The first part of October we will begin Electronic Medical Records, which means you will be seeing computers and kiosk's popping up in the halls and nursing station. The CNA's and Nurses will start getting trained to chart using the computers very soon, with a go live date of October 4, 2010. This is a very exciting time for us, but will also be a change for the staff. This change should not have any affect towards your care and you will continue to see staff doing same procedures for cares as always. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the computer charting, I welcome you to come visit me any time.

Also with the close of summer, comes the start of school. So as a result of the start of school, you will probably see some new faces either as nurses or as cna's taking care of you or your loved ones. Some of our staff will be returning to school and so then you will see them less often and be replaced with a new face. Please help the new staff to become familiar with you and your likes and dislikes, and be patient while they are learning. If you have any concerns please see Linda Bowman, RN or Gail Crook, LPN unit managers or myself with any questions regarding your loved one or your own care.

Lisa Leikam, RN
Director of Nursing

Social Scene

Hello everyone! If you haven't met me already, I'm the new Social Worker here at Hillside. I have a Bachelors in Social Work from the University of Montana and have lived in the area for most of my life. Feel Free to come visit me for any questions or concerns you have regarding your loved one. I look forward to meeting with each of you.

Riva Fenlon,
Director of Social Services



Oktoberfest



It's a schnitzel social!

The Wurst party ever!



Tuesday September 28th
2:00 PM

September Birthdays

If you were born from August 23-September 22, you are a Virgo, the virgin. If you were born from September 23-October 22, you are a Libra, the scales. Virgos are modest, intelligent, reliable, practical, and able to clearly analyze the most complex of problems. Libras, like balanced scales, are harmonious, impartial, and understanding. They dislike conflict and encourage compromise and cooperation.

Gloria Estefan (singer)	Sept. 1, 1957
Mitzi Gaynor (actress)	Sept. 4, 1931
Claude Pepper (U.S. senator)	Sept. 8, 1900
Jesse Owens (Olympian)	Sept. 12, 1913
Milton Hershey (candy-maker)	Sept. 13, 1857
Clayton Moore (Lone Ranger)	Sept. 14, 1914
J.C. Penney (entrepreneur)	Sept. 16, 1875
Ray Charles (musician)	Sept. 23, 1930
Wilford Brimley (actor)	Sept. 27, 1934
Ed Sullivan (really big host)	Sept. 28, 1901

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