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July Employee Of the Month

Andrea Starnes

Nominated by 1 Employee
Andrea has a great energy, making others to want to be near her. She is optimistic, spirited and has a wonderful approach. She brings life to the Special Needs Unit, where she has been working lately, and family members are noticing her efforts. The residents feel her energy and have mentioned how she makes them feel good and enhances their day. She is a wonderful and great asset to the Facility!



July Birthdays

Deb F. 3rd
Shirley T. 4th
Rita G. 16th
Sharon P. 19th
Ken S. 20th
Maggie M. 22nd
Rita D. 25th
Leeann B. 26th
Leona L. 28th
Tom G. 29th



New Hires

Luke Mitchell, seasonal
grounds worker

Employee Anniversary Dates for July

1 Year

Tiffany Lindroos
Karen Moore
Kimberly Roberts

14 Years

Rita Culbert
Amy Duquette

2 Years

Kayla Chapman-
Durant

15 Years

Sheri Hewitt

3 Years

Ashley McCracken

16 Years

Joe Richards

4 Years

Amber Stein

17 Years

Kim Manier
Sherrell Koski

9 Years

Sarah Morris
Tarra Kestila

20 Years

Deb Massie

10 Years

Jo Sartorelli

21 Years

Heather Larson

11 Years

Liz Sullivan
Amanda Tanner

23 Years

Ed Bayles

13 Years

Sherry Fredin
Susan Luce
Jen Oja



Celebrating July

Deli Sandwich Month
World Watercolor Month
Tour de France Begins

July 1

Independence Day (U.S.)

July 4

Ice Cream Day

July 17

Hemingway Lookalike Days

July 21-23

Day of the Cowboy

July 23

International Day of Friendship

July 30

Congratulations, Jeff Redfearn on your retirement after over 34 years of service. It saddens us to announce the well-deserved retirement of Jeff. As a Certified Nurse Aide, Jeff brought joy to the faces of both residents and employees. Jeff's hard work, dedication and tireless hours of exemplary resident care are worthy of admiration. Jeff always wears a smile and has been a resource to employees throughout his years, having been one of the employees that worked in our previous Acocks building. Jeff's charm was evident even on the toughest days of work, making those around him feel at ease. Thank you Jeff, for the enthusiasm you brought to residents' home and our workplace.



Welcome to the June Newsletter From the Administrator

Hello,

My name is Denise Perry, everyone calls me Dee, and that may be a familiar name to some of you. I will be moving into the Administrator position in September when Jerry retires.

Congratulations to Jerry on his well-deserved retirement. It sounds like if you need him after retirement, you may have to look for him on his fishing boat.

I have been at MCMCF for over 15 years in several positions starting as a floor nurse, then RN Supervisor, followed by Education Coordinator, and most recently the Assistant Director of Nursing. I am an Ishpeming native. My husband Mark and I have three children, one of which you may see mowing the lawn on occasion. Both of our daughters and I are Wildcat alumni, while our son is pursuing his engineering degree at Michigan Tech University. I take great pride in working at MCMCF and the care our team provides to the residents of our community. I want to take a moment to thank all the citizens of Marquette County for their continued support of our facility.

You may have received a survey in the mail recently. We ask that you please fill that out and mail it back in the envelope provided. We take all the feedback seriously and use these to better the services we provide.

There will be a few more staffing changes in the upcoming months. Krystal Heikkinen RN, our current Infection Preventionist will be taking on the role of Assistant Director of Nursing, while Kirstin Varline RN steps into the Infection Prevention role. The Infection Prevention role has been a crucial part of our team. Kirstin joined us a few years back filling in for several Administrative Nursing roles. Congrats to both Krystal and Kirstin!

Placing a loved one in long term care is one of the most difficult decisions families make. Our team strives to provide the best care possible. Covid has presented increased challenges to families and to staff. We recognize that at times the screening process after 5 pm is difficult as the front desk is only staffed until that time. We encourage you to make your visit before 5 pm if at all possible so that someone is at the door to greet you. Staff after 5 pm are likely doing direct resident care and there may be a lag time to answer the door. Lastly, I want to thank you personally for trusting our facility with your family members and friends. Please reach to myself, Tina our Director of Nursing, Krystal or other available team member with any concerns or questions you may have.



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Bradley Cory
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