



Annual Administration Recognition Luncheon

The Whitetail Inn in St. Germain was the venue for the hospital administration's annual recognition luncheon held on Wednesday, June 13, 2018. Volunteers from both Howard Young Medical Center and Ascension Eagle River Hospital were in attendance.

Following a lovely meal, volunteers from both hospitals were recognized for their outstanding contributions.

Thank you, volunteers, for all you do for the hospital!



2018 Volunteer Hero Award
Recipient Addie Halfmann,
Board, Leadership and Gift
Shop Secretary and team
member



2018 Volunteer Hero Award Nominees

Back Row, L-R: Bob O'Neil, Nancy Diepenbrock, Webb Southwick, Tom Thompson. Front Row, L-R: Bev Scott, Phyllis Duranso, Sandy Gilarski, Pat O'Neil, Nan Bloch, Beth Klotz, Addie Halfmann. Jan Bolger and Barbara Huntley, also nominated, were unable to attend the luncheon.



Recognition of Years of Service
L-R: John Joswiak(30), Barbara Behnke(30),
Alberta Egtvedt(30), Luella Lakich(25)

Juliana Dutcher, recipient of the Volunteers Howard Young Medical Center Scholarship for graduating seniors of the LUHS district. Anna Hessler, also a recipient, was not in attendance at the luncheon.





2nd Annual The Great Trivia Quest

October 20th, 2018

Thirsty Whale

Sandwiches and Appetizers

Get your team of six together to play!

Come and eat! Win a prize!

Sell tickets

Bring Friends

Information 715-356-8677

**Tickets available at the Howard Young
Medical Center**

Gift Shop or Volunteer Center

How You can Help to Make this Fundraiser a Success

Get a team together and come join in the fun on October 20th

Spread the news of the event to your family and friends

Help to sell raffle tickets. As a volunteer you can sign out tickets to take with you to sell.

For the main raffle you do not need to be present to win. Also, tickets can be purchased at the gift shop or in the volunteer center.

Remember, all the proceeds from this fund raiser go to the scholarship fund to benefit our local students. This is the only fundraiser that the volunteers are currently hosting other than the gift shop.

PWHA North Central Fall District Meeting

By Bev Scott, Leadership Team

There were about fifty members of Partners of Wisconsin Hospital Association in attendance at the fall meeting held at Aspirus Wausau Hospital on August 31. Those present from VHYMC were Addie Halfmann and Bev Scott.

Some of the highlights of this meeting are as follows: 1. On September 22 there will be a teleconference to discuss the new Bylaws and Policies. This will be on the PWHA website. 2. The State Convention will be held in Stevens Point October 2 – 4. There are only seventy-two people registered at this point so we need to encourage more to attend. Many interesting breakout sessions and roundtable discussions about volunteer involvement and leadership positions in our individual organizations are being planned. 3. We were presented with an interesting report on fraud from the AARP Fraud Network. Further information can be found on their website www.org.aarpfraudnetwork.

Items to remember for the coming months: 1. At the State Convention on Oct. 2 – 4 in Stevens Point, VHYMC will be responsible for the District raffle basket. 2. The Spring District Meeting will be held in Wisconsin Rapids on April 24, 2019. 3. VHYMC is to host the Fall District Meeting. 4. We should Encourage the Administration of HYMC to make a contribution to PWHA.

Dr. Ashe Scholarships Available

By Betty McCormick, VHYMC Scholarship Chair

Applications for the Dr. Henry Ashe Continuing Education Scholarships are available until October 15, 2018. Applicants must be graduates of the LUHS district and enrolled in a program leading to an associate or bachelors degree in a healthcare-related major. Students must have completed one semester of college.

Applications can be obtained by writing to the Scholarship Committee, HYMC Volunteer Center, P.O. Box 407, Woodruff, WI 54568-0407. An electronic application form can be requested by contacting Kathy Viergutz at kathy.viergutz@ascension.org. Applications must be returned by mail.

Annual Flu Shots



Flu shots will soon be available. Remember, all volunteers who will be providing volunteer hours during the flu season are required to have flu vaccination documentation.

If you choose to receive your vaccination outside of the Ascension facilities, please provide documentation to Kathy Viergutz or Pam Berdal.

Northern Region:

Eagle River Hospital

Date	Location	Time
10/18/2018	Associate Health	0830-1130, 1230-1500

Howard Young Medical Center

Date	Location	Time
10/11/2018	Associate Health	0730-1130, 1230-1500
10/25/2018	Associate Health	0730-1130, 1230-1500
11/08/2018	Associate Health	0730-1130, 1230-1500



Community Health and Education, Submitted by Joan Hauer, Chairperson

Opioid Abuse

According to the New York Times, a record 72,000 Americans died from drug overdoses in 2017, up 10 per cent from the previous year. The data is published in Center for Disease control documents available online. The increased death toll is attributed to mixing potent drugs, either purposefully or as unknown substances in street drugs such as heroin, cocaine and methamphetamine. All of these drugs are currently known to be available in the area.

A program of education for local law enforcement on Naloxone, the injected medication that reverses overdoses, will be made available to Oneida county officers by the end of 2018 and they will be equipped with medication routinely. Its effect is less predictable and saving when there is a mixture of drugs in the system.

Drug impairment training for educational professions, DITEP Training, will also be made available in Oneida County with planning underway. It is a two day training program, adding yet another layer of responsibility for busy teachers. Hopefully, it will enable early identification and intervention with at-risk youth and users.

The film *Dose of Reality*, featuring a local person who died from overdose, will be shown in Rhinelander at the Rouman Theater. There will be publicity on TV and radio with dates and times of the movie showing.

Drug take back event is planned for Saturday, October 27th. There are several secure devices in pharmacies in the area which will provide opportunities to clean out the cupboards and minimize unintended misuse.

In the fall election, several counties in Wisconsin will have referendum questions regarding legalization of marijuana for medicinal use while a few counties also propose recreational use.

TCT Pilot Program Reports due to Pharmacy Examining Board by July 31

Several Wisconsin pharmacies are piloting Tech-Check-Tech (TCT) programs, which allows pharmacy technicians to take on expanded roles, while ensuring patient safety and high quality. A TCT practice model utilizes abilities and resources in a smarter way by giving eligible, properly trained, and validated pharmacy technicians the ability to perform refill verifications, medication reconciliation, and complete the final check of a prescription filled by another technician. By reducing the time a pharmacist spends on completing final checks, pharmacists are able to reinvest their time in direct patient care.

If your pharmacy is participating in a Pharmacy Examining Board (PEB)-approved pilot program (i.e. Tech-Check-Tech, Technician Ratio, or Automated Technology Final Check), you must submit a one-page reporting form summarizing your pharmacy's pilot participation to the PEB by July 31, 2018. The reporting form for each pilot can be found online. (Valued Voice 07/10/2018)

Other Articles in the Valued Voice

June 8, 018 Page 2 WHA submits Comments on OCI 1332 proposal

July 17/2018 Take the time to read this complete newsletter. Good Info

July 31/2018 WHA applauds Gov,Walkers Healthcare Stability Plan Page 1

August 7, 2018 CMS Issues Final 2019 IPPS Rules (Medicare)



Sunshine Needed?

Please contact Bev Coller if you know one of our members who might need a little "Sunshine".

Bev can be reached at 715-356-0029 or email her at junebc@frontier.com.



SAVE THE DATE

September 11th, Volunteer Luncheon,
Monical's Pizza

October 2-4, WHA Partners State
Convention, Stevens Point

October 20, Great Trivia Quest
Fundraiser, Thirsty Whale, Minocqua

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Areas in need of Volunteer Services

If interested, please contact
Kathy Viergutz at 715-356-8677.

Radiology Reception Desk – There is still one day shift available, hours are 1:00 – 4:00 pm.

Runner – Friday 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Gift Shop Cashier – Shifts are 10:00 am – 2:00 PM

Greeters – Check with Kathy for availability.

Membership Chair – Hours are flexible based on the needs of the organization for given time period.

HELP – Extremely flexible and rewarding volunteer opportunity, contact Kathy for more information.

Leadership Team & Board of Directors – Please give some thought to taking on a more active role in the leadership and operations side of the volunteer organization. It is a great opportunity to learn more about the organization, meet other members from your organization and other volunteer organizations as well. It is a way for you to be assured that the organization will continue to function and serve the hospital and community. Please contact Kathy if you would like to know more or have an interest.