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**Mother's Day Banquet:** "Tea Party" was the theme of our annual Mother's Day Banquet held May 5. During the day our ladies prepared for the banquet by getting their hair, nails and make-up done. Many family & friends attended the banquet. All ladies were given a tea cup floral arrangement and our nonagenarians were recognized with a coaster & floral arrangement. Famous mother trivia was held with cupcake themed prizes awarded.

\*Mae Robbe, Roxanna Bos & daughter and Georgia Franco. More pictures on page 4



**Pinnacle Place  
Employee Photo  
taken in our Gazebo**



Pictured Left to Right:  
 Back Row: Cricket Roberts, Lynne Weaver, Ashley Lackas, Hali Bower, Gene Houzenga. Middle Row: Linda Smith, Barb Reibel, Charlene O'Neill, Sue Assmus, Aurora Blais. Front Row: JoEllen McCaskey, Sandi Harper. Missing from photo: Dawn Mitchell and Linda Kinder.

## Reminders:

\* Father's Day Banquet  
 RSVP



Our next Community Coffee will be held Wednesday, June 8 at 9:30 a.m. in the dining room. This month's theme is: stories about Dad. Come on in and enjoy donuts, coffee, juice, and share your favorite story about your Dad or what you love most about being a dad. Be sure to invite your family and friends.

## Father's Day Banquet 2011

Our annual Father's Day banquet is coming up. It will be held Thursday, June 16 at 5 p.m. in the main dining room. The theme of this year's banquet is Gone Fishin'. All friends and family of Big Meadows' men are invited to attend; invitations will be sent out. Special guest, Clinton Herald Columnist Bob Whitten will be telling his humorous life stories and sharing a few songs at 5:45 p.m. Everyone is invited to come hear Bob. The menu will include: hamburgers, brats, potato salad, baked beans, and strawberry shortcake.

**Hope to see  
you there!**



**National Certified Nursing Assistants Week June 16-23:** The theme of this year's week is New Roles, New Goals. Please congratulate and thank our CNAs for a job well done! Big Meadows will be honoring the CNAs through a variety of activities during the week, including an ice cream soda social sponsored by the residents.

Following information taken from: <http://www.cna-network.org/>

**National Network of Career Nursing Assistants...**promoting recognition, education, research, advocacy and peer support development for nursing assistants in nursing homes and other long-term care settings.

**The many faces of caring...**

- Caregivers
- Resident Assistants
- Nursing Assistants
- Care Assistants
- Geriatric Aide/ Assistants
- Restorative Aides
- Direct Care Workers
- Patient Care Assistants in nursing homes, home care, hospice, LTC hospitals, MR facilities, correctional facilities, workshops and other long-term care settings.



Thank you CNAs  
for all you do!

# Big Meadows Announcements

## Blood Drive

An American Red Cross blood drive will be held in the chapel area of Big Meadows on June 22nd from 12-6 p.m. Please help us reach our goal of 33 units by donating and/or encouraging friends and family to do so. Appointments are recommended but not needed. If you would like to make an appointment, please call 815.273.2238. Volunteers are also needed to assist with this event. If you would like to volunteer to assist with check-in or serving snacks, please call Jaime.



**Please Welcome to Big Meadows:** Avis Walter, Gayle Taylor, Yvonne McGinty, and Alvin Kehl.

## Happy Birthday!

### Residents:

- 2 Arlie Arno
- 4 Georgia Franco
- 10 Dennis O'Neal
- 18 Lavonne Holland
- 24 Bernadine Reibel
- 28 Mary Bradt

### Staff:

- 15 Royce Kleckner
- 15 Pat Boomgarden
- 30 Tonya Edwards



**Employee Recognition**—Big Meadows employees with us 5 years or longer will be treated to a luncheon in June. Thank you for all your hard work and dedication to Big Meadows. Your co-workers, the residents and their families appreciate everything you do!

<u>Name</u>	<u>Years of service</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Years of service</u>
Kelly Foley	24	Lisa Mussmann	10
Royce Kleckner	22	Tom Spittler	9
Jean Vincent	21	Shawna Fritzenmeier	8
Julie Johnson	13	Kathy Ehredt	8
Gary Stephens	13	Carla Siegwarth	8
Becky Wiebenga	12	Jan Majors	7
Rita Cauley	11	Sherri Chrest	6
Linda Parks	11	Jaime Barnhart	6
Helen O'Neal	11	Beth Gundlach	6
Cheryl Phialmlee	10	Dawn Herrington	5

## Mother's Day pictures continued.



Hair & make-up done, ready for their evening. Top row L to R: Inez Barr, Arlie Arno, Irene Hebel, Mary Tuscan & guest and to the right: Dorothy Kier & guest.



## [Nursing Home Week](#)













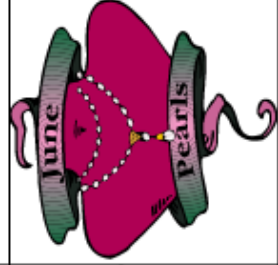
The week of May 8-14 Big Meadows celebrated National Nursing Home Week with many fun activities. They included an ice cream social, a birthday party with Love & Care Gospel, community coffee, banana split social, and the Hot Dog Hurrah. If you turn to page 5 you'll see pictures from that week. The first is the birthday cake served during the birthday party. Carla Siegwarth, dietary, made & decorated the cake. The second row of pictures are Julie Johnson, social services; Pat Boomgarden, administrator; and Becky Vos, activity aide getting their banana splits doctored up by Mary Tuscan, PJ Broderick and Louise Herron. In the third row of pictures are a few of the residents—Robert "Hooch" Walker, Arlie Arno, and Ralph Higgins enjoying their lunch outside, one of the tables of a group from Rolling Hills, and a table of residents: Artie Branson, Dana Petty and Frank Warta; staff member: Jaime Barnhart, activity director; and family members. The bottom three pictures are Wilbert Spencer, maintenance, our grill master for the Hot Dog Hurrah; Michelle Boyer, MDS Coordinator; Lisa Johnson, medical records designee; and Lisa Mussmann, dietary manager all members of the Employee Committee at Big Meadows.



The employee committee would like to thank those who came out to support us, gave a donation, or placed an order for delivery. We had a beautiful day for it and a great turn out!

# June 2011

## Big Meadows Activity Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>5 D 2:00 Church Service (New Hope Assembly)</p>	<p>6 C 8:00 Music Time A 10:30 Exercise L 11:00 Today In History D 2:00 Bingo D 2:30 Leisure Interest and Outing Committee</p>	<p>7 C 8:00 Music Time C 10:00 Roxy A 10:30 Exercise C 12:00 KFC Order In A 2:00 Movie Time L 4:00 Today In History A 6:00 Mini Yaltzee</p>	<p>1 C 8:00 Music Time A 10:30 Exercise A 2:00 Movie Time L 4:00 Today In History A 6:00 Bowling Dice</p> 	<p>2 A 10:30 Exercise A 1:30 Ball Toss A 2:00 Movie Time L 4:00 Today In History A 6:00 Rocky Road Ice Cream Social</p> <p><b>National Rocky Road Day</b></p>	<p>3 6:30 am Celebration Boat Cruise and Picnic D 2:00 Bingo</p> 	<p>4 A 10:30 Exercise L 11:00 Today In History A 1:30 Play Nine A 2:00 Movie Time</p>
<p>12 C 2:00 Church Service (Linda Parks) A 3:00 Card Bingo L 4:00 Today In History</p>	<p>13 C 8:00 Music Time A 10:30 Exercise L 11:00 Today In History D 2:00 Candy Bingo in honor of National Candy Month</p> 	<p>14 C 8:00 Music Time C 10:00 Roxy A 10:30 Exercise D 2:00 Birthday Party w/Scott Karinski 3:00 Big Meadows Shopping (have list into front office) L 4:00 Today In History A 6:00 Flag Dice Flag Day</p>	<p>15 C 8:00 Movie Time A 10:30 Exercise 11:00 Picnic OM MILL A 2:00 Bible Study L 4:00 Today In History A 6:00 Don't Go To Jail</p> 	<p>16 A 10:30 Exercise 11:00 Kountry Kettle A 1:30 Ball Toss A 2:00 Movie Time D 5:00 Father's Day Banquet "Come Fishing" w/ Special Guest Bob Whitten</p> 	<p>17 A 10:30 Exercise L 11:00 Today In History D 2:00 Bingo</p>	<p>18 A 10:30 Exercise L 11:00 Today In History D 1:30-3:30 Lavonne Holland 90th Birthday Party</p> 
<p>19 C 2:00 Church Service (Lorry Thomson) A 3:00 Fable L 4:00 Today In History</p>  <p>Father's Day</p>	<p>20 C 8:00 Music Time A 10:30 Exercise L 11:00 Today In History D 2:00 Bingo D 2:45 Ice Cream Soda Social to honor C.N.A.s</p> 	<p>21 C 8:00 Music Time C 10:00 Roxy A 10:30 Exercise CY 12:00 Subway Lunch A 2:00 Kismet L 4:00 Today In History A 6:00 Help Your Neighbor</p>	<p>22 C 8:00 Movie Time A 10:30 Exercise 12:00-6 Blood Drive 1:00 Timberlake Playhouse A 2:00 Movie Time L 4:00 Today In History</p>	<p>23 A 10:30 Exercise 11:00 Pizza Ranch A 1:30 Ball Toss A 2:00 Surprise Game L 4:00 Today In History A 6:00 Trivia</p> 	<p>24 A 10:30 Exercise 11:00 Senior Cookout D 2:00 Bingo D 2:30 Outing Sign Up</p> 	<p>25 A 10:30 Exercise L 11:00 Dinner Music A 1:30 Wii A 2:00 Movie Time</p>
<p>26 C 2:00 Church Service (Becky Voss) A 3:00 Uno L 4:00 Today In History</p>	<p>27 C 8:00 Music Time A 10:30 Exercise L 11:00 Today In History D 2:00 Bingo D 2:30 Resident Council</p>	<p>28 C 8:00 Music Time C 10:00 Roxy A 10:30 Exercise A 2:00 Yaltzee 3:00 Big Meadows Shopping (have list into front office) L 4:00 Today In History A 6:00 Help Your Neighbor</p>	<p>29 C 8:00 Movie Time A 10:30 Exercise A 2:00 What's Ours? L 4:00 Today In History A 6:00 Patriotic Card Bingo</p>	<p>30 A 10:30 Exercise A 1:30 Ball Toss A 2:00 Movie Time L 4:00 Today In History A 6:00 Bomb Pop Social</p> <p><b>National Bomb Pop Day</b></p> 	<p>June Rose</p> 	<p>June pearls</p> 

# Pinnacle Place Announcements

## Wellness Program

Sandi Harper, Wellness Nurse will present a program on **Sun Safety** on **Monday June 13th at 2:30 p.m.** in the Gathering Room. The presentation will include helpful information on how to stay safe in the sun this summer related to sunscreen, medications, sunglasses, hats, heat conditions, etc. Tenants, families and the community are welcome to this informational program.



## Gardening

Pinnacle Place tenants Ruth Sturtevant and Shorty Kosher helped to plant our new raised garden during May. We are also trying a Topsy Turvey tomato planter this year.



Last month we omitted recognizing Bob Hartman and our newest tenant Charlie Gilbert as Veterans.

## Florence Russell Retires



Pinnacle Place, a/k/a Savanna City Hospital, said good-bye to Florence Russell on May 4, 2011. Florence began working at the Savanna City Hospital on Christmas Day 1962. Over the years she had many responsibilities in the kitchen, housekeeping and laundry departments. Florence also worked as a nurses aide. When the Savanna City Hospital closed in the early 90's, Florence never left. She continued in the capacity of housekeeping as the building was renovated and took on new life as Pinnacle Place. When the renovation was complete, Florence took on additional responsibilities with cooking, cleaning, serving meals, leading exercise groups, doing laundry, decorating, etc. Florence always took care of making sure the building looked its best with special decorations for the holidays. She even shared some of her original artwork over the years. Congratulations to Florence Russell for her years of service to the Savanna community and the tenants of Pinnacle Place.



Happy Birthday June 28th  
Linda Smith C.N.A.

**PINNACLE PLACE SUPPORTIVE LIVING FACILITY**  
**CARE \* COMPASSION \* COMFORT \* COST**



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 <h2 style="text-align: center;">Social Calendar</h2>						
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
2:30 Game-Tenant Choice	10:30 Exercise 5:15 Bingo	9:45 Fruits & Veggies 10:30 Exercise 2:30 Cards	10:30 Exercise 2:30 Spinner	10:00 Bible Study 2:30 Scrabble	10:30 Tai Chi 2:30 Bingo	5:15 Movie & Popcorn
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
2:30 Puzzles	10:30 Exercise 2:30 Wellness Prog-Sun Safety 5:15 Bingo	10:30 Exercise 2:30 Cards Flag Day	10:30 Exercise 2:30 Military Memories	9:00 Shop 10:00 Bible Study 1:00 Scenic Ride	10:30 Tai Chi 2:30 Bingo	5:15 Movie & Popcorn
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
2:30 Ice Tea Social-Gazebo Happy Father's Day	10:30 Exercise 1:00 Resident Council 5:15 Bingo	9:45 Fruits & Veggies 10:30 Exercise 2:30 Cards	10:30 Exercise 2:30 Are You Smarter than a 5th Grader?	10:00 Bible Study 2:30 Game-Tenant Choice	10:30 Tai Chi 2:30 Bingo	5:15 Movie & Popcorn
26	27	28	29	30		
2:30 Fact or Fiction	10:30 Exercise 5:15 Bingo	10:30 Exercise 2:30 Cards	10:30 Exercise 2:30 UNO	10:00 Bible Study 2:30 Road Trip Social		

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>Menu</b>						
			1 Italian Beef	2 Drumsticks & Wings	3 Cheese Pizza	4 Chicken
			Ham Loaf	Shepherds Pie	Roast Pork	Noodle Soup
						Sandwich
						Salmon

5 Hamburger	6 English Charlie	7 Tacos	8 Veggie Barley Soup & Turkey Sandwich	9 Reuben	10 Chicken Salad Sandwich	11 Egg Salad
Sweet & Sour Chicken	Meatloaf	Ham	Salisbury Steak	BBO Pork Chop	Catfish	Turkey Pot Roast

12 Tomato Soup & Grilled Cheese	13 Mac & Cheese Ring Bologna	14 French Dip	15 Hot Chicken Salad	16 Brat	17 Chicago Dog	18 Hamburger
Ham	BBQ Chicken	Cod Filet	Sweet & Sour Pork Chop	Spaghetti	Cornflake Chicken	Porcupine Meatballs

19 Fish	20 Ham & Navy Bean Soup	21 Chef Salad	22 Hamburger	23 Cook's Choice	24 Chicken Breast	25 Tuna Salad Sandwich
Lemon Pepper Chicken	BBQ Ribs	Pork Tenderloin	Enchilada	Sweet & Sour Shrimp	Roast Beef	Pork Chop

26 Chicken Strips	27 Hot Dog	28 Cheeseburger	29 Tomato Soup & Grilled Cheese	30 Veggie Soup	<b>Pinnacle Place</b>	
Swiss Steak	Ham	Chicken Stir Fry	Pork Chop	Ham Sandwich	Teriyaki Beef	Steak

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From the residents  
and staff at  
Pinnacle Place and  
Big Meadows

