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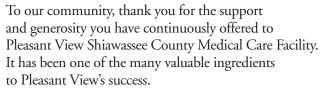
## **Happy New Year!**

A MESSAGE FROM OUR ADMINISTRATOR SHANA ESPINOZA, MSN, RN



## 2023 was a rewarding experience for us over here at Pleasant View.

We partnered with a new physician team, celebrated our 5th straight year of being a 5-star facility, and became the first County Skilled Nursing Facility in Michigan to offer in-house dialysis services to our residents.



To our Pleasant View staff, residents, and family members, thank you! Your dedication, trust, passion, and commitment are all the driving forces that set us apart. Thank you for putting your trust in Pleasant View and the services we offer.

As we enter the 2024 year, we extend warm wishes from our family to yours for a glorious new year filled with overwhelming success!

We are excited to see what 2024 will bring!







# **Events & Happenings**

### **JANUARY**

- 1 New Year's Day Celebration
- **2** Family Feud
- 5 Mixed Nuts
- 7 Paper Airplane Contest
- 8 Elvis's Birthday (Elvis Trivia and Jeopardy)
- 9 RC cars
- 11 James Quales New!
- **12** Fading World
- **14** Snowball Fight
- 16 Karaoke
- 19 Chelsea W.
- 22 Hot Cocoa & Beads
- 23 Matt Packer
- 25 Winter Crafts
- **26** Baber Shop Quartet
- 29 Spa Day & Winter Cocktails
- **30** Poker Run

### **FEBRUARY**

- 2 Jim Herman
- 5 Murder Mystery Party
- **6** Board Game Party
- **8** February Themed Craft
- **9** Easton Express
- 11 Super Bowl Party
- 13 Mardi Gras Party and Paczki
- 14 Ash Wednesday and Valentine's Day Party with Billy McCallister Entertainment
- **16** Michele Spitz
- 19 President's Day Jeopardy
- 20 Stained Glass Hearts craft
- 22 Elvis Impersonator
- **27** Puzzle and Tea Social
- 29 Leap Day
  Painting Battle

### **MARCH**

- 1 Chelsea W.
- 8 Mixed Nuts Band
- 15 Fading World Band St Patrick's Day Party with Green Beer
- **18** Jeopardy
- 19 First game for March Madness Brackets
- 31 Easter Egg Hunt



# Please Consider Supporting the Community Relations Team of Pleasant View SCMCF!

our goal as devoted staff of Pleasant View, and members of the Community Relations Team (CRT) is to enhance the lives of our residents, employees and develop community awareness.

Each year, CRT builds meaningful an lasting relationships throughout the community with volunteerism, staff acknowledgments, hosting events and activities such as the Senior Prom, Spirit Week, Name that Tune and Eden Funday Fridays!



If you would like to support us or learn more about CRT, please contact: Rachel Baldwin, Public Relations Director, at 989-743-3491, ext. 531 or visit our website at pleasantviewscmcf.org.



Pleasant View SCMCF is pleased to offer in-house dialysis services to our residents at our very own Dialysis Den.

# Dialysis Services Now at Offered at Pleasant View

n October 25, 2023, Pleasant View became the first county skilled nursing home in Michigan to offer in-house dialysis services to its residents.

On September 20, we hosted an open house for the community to come and see the new dialysis den and share in the ribbon-cutting festivities.

If you would like more information, please contact Rachel Baldwin, Public Relations Director at 989-743-3491, ext. 531 or visit us at pleasantviewscmcf.org



### **Anniversaries**

We would like to acknowledge our staff members for their service and dedication to our residents!

### **SEPTEMBER**

Talenna Ackels, 7 years Nichole Carr, 7 years Pamela Dalton, 22 years Sarah Good, 14 years Katlyn Gregory, 2 years Jackolynn Hickmott, 3 years Stephanie Jones, 17 years Michael Miller, 13 years Cassidy Puffer, 2 years Jessica Ramsdill, 21 years Megan Ruby, 8 years Shirlette Todd, 6 years Carol Turner, 2 years Joelne Shinabarger, 1 year Marlene Skutt, 2 years Sue Vanderlip. 20 years Marque Wenzlick, 2 years Samantha Wyatt, 5 years

### **OCTOBER**

Loida Arnold, 27 years Julia Carpenter, 5 years Donna Carter, 4 years Tracie Debar, 10 years Chara Frost, 2 years Leslie Harrison, 16 years Kristi Hinkle, 1 year Rebecca Ibarra, 4 years Tammy Isaac, 6 years JoAnne Lawrence, 6 years Elaine Madrigal, 4 years Mary Mogg, 4 years Carrie Peters, 5 years Marissa Pierce, 7 years Rachel Ptacek, 1 year Adam Shafer, 1 year Bridget Smithingill, 11 years Jeffery Smithingill, 33 years Keanan Springer, 2 years Norma Valdez, 4 years Pamela Vanadia, 10 years Dominga Ward, 5 years

### **NOVEMBER**

Deborah Bendall, 13 years Amy Conklin, 7 years Renee Dallas, 25 years Amanda Durecki, 1 year Melissa Fernet, 5 years Darren Frakes, 3 years Tanjanika Garrett, 3 years Sandra Hiar, 24 years Dannyle Jones, 1 year Ashley Miller. 16 years Jonah Ochodnicky, 2 years Jennifer Palacio, 32 years Thomas Pierson, 31 years Laurie Potter, 1 year Aimee Reynolds, 9 years Christa Roberts, 2 yearws Amber Schanick, 9 years Mason Schu, 2 years Rebecca Scott, 1 year Connie Silvers, 33 years Jennifer Smithingell, 4 years Shelley Watkins, 29 years Rachelle Yankopulos, 1 year

### **DECEMBER**

Kelly Bakousidis, 1 year Shannon Dennison-Loomis, 10 years Raelynn Fonger, 1 year Tammy Heckman, 7 year Jane Hepfner, 2 years Katen Hunt, 1 year James LaFay. 7 years Carolina Novak, 2 years Juanita Gray, 9 years Sue Scott, 29 years Aleli Wayne, 4 years



has a Department of Human Services station on site to assist you with your Medicaid needs?

Questions can be directed to Geneva (Ext. 553) or Kelly Knieper (Ext. 537) or billing@pleasantviewscmcf.org

There is NO BETTER place to stay than Pleasant View. My CNAs have taken really good care of me, the housekeeping staff are one of a kind and the food is the best around. What Pleasant View has done for me and my family has been life changing. Thank you!

— Frankin Davis



Here is a facility favorite! The recipe is often requested by residents who are discharging so they can make it when they return home.

### **Cherries in the Snow**

#### **INGREDIENTS:**

8oz Softened Cream cheese ½ cup sugar 2 cups whipped topping 21oz canned cherry pie filling

### **HOW TO MAKE:**

- 1. Mix the cream cheese and sugar in a bowl until well blended.
- 2. Stir whipped topping into the bowl with cream cheese and sugar mixture.
- 3. Pour into pan, then top with canned cherry pie filling.

