

**Special Activity Department programs this month:**

- Join us for entertainment by Rick & Kathy on Thursday, November 3 at 2:30 p.m.
- A luncheon outing to Flying Turtle's is set for Friday, November 4 at 11:45 a.m.
- Celebrate Cowboy Day with entertainment by Roger Hill on November 9 at 2:30 p.m.
- We'll celebrate our veterans on Veteran's Day, Friday November 11, with entertainment by Nandor at 2:30 p.m.
- Buffalo Bills Tailgate parties are set for November 13 and the 27th at 2:30 p.m. in the Garden Café.
- An outing to the Boulevard Mall is set for Monday, November 14 at 1:30 p.m.
- A luncheon outing to the Family Tree is set for Thursday, November 17 at 11:30 a.m.
- We'll celebrate November birthdays on the 21st with entertainment by Sax Man Slim.

Please see the Activity Calendar in the Sparkler, or on our website's Family & Friends section, for the complete schedule.

**Questions, Suggestions or Concerns?**

Contact the Administrator at 716-874-1566, ext. 311.

# Family Focus

## Heads Up on Upcoming Project

Within the next few months Schofield will begin installing a fire suppression sprinkler system throughout the entire facility. Currently, under old regulations, our building only has sprinklers in certain key areas. New regulations require that all nursing facilities have a sprinkler system in all resident rooms by August 2013.



The project is currently in the planning

stages. More details will be announced as we move forward.

We will keep residents and families updated on how it will affect you. There will be some inconvenience and "dust," but in the end it will be worthwhile, adding an extra layer of safety for our residents, employees and visitors.

## Holiday Room Reservations



Schofield's Activities room and Adult Wellness Center will be available for **shared use with other residents and families**, but will not be available for **individual reservations** on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

During mealtimes, the rooms will be open and available to accommodate those residents and guests who have made meal reservations. Outside of mealtimes, the Wellness Center will be available from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. and from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. for anyone wishing to visit with family and friends there. **The rooms will not be available for private family gatherings.** Please understand that more than one family group will likely be sharing the room at the same time.

Holidays are always busy days here at Schofield. We hope that this policy allows as many people as possible to sit down together and visit. It's also an opportunity to get to know other residents and their families.

You may wish to consider reserving time in the rooms on a day before or after any of these holidays. Room reservations are taken by our Activities department and may be made by calling them at 874-1566, ext. 333.



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## Get Clothing Labeled for Fall!

- As the seasons change, it's important to remember that if you bring in new clothing for your family remember to have it labeled before bringing it to their room. Please drop off clothing to be labeled at our Reception desk with the resident's name and room number. Our laundry department will label the items and bring them to the resident.
- As you know, closet space is limited. If possible, please help keep your loved one's closet organized by taking home unneeded summer clothing.
- Also, please label other items (razors, etc.) to make sure that they are returned to the proper owner if they are misplaced. Please leave any appliances with the receptionist with a note as to whom they belong.
- Van services tend to fill up quickly on the holidays. Plan ahead and schedule van service as early as possible. If you have any questions, please contact Nursing or Social Services staff.

## Wellness For All

Join us at the Schofield Adult Wellness Center for the follow programs:

**“Communicating with a Loved One with Dementia,”** is set for Wednesday, November 16 at 1:00 p.m. If you are a family caregiver to someone who is living with dementia, this program will help you with communication tips and techniques.

## Giving Back at Holiday Time

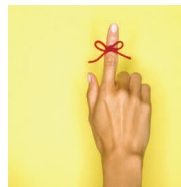
Help us light up the holidays for a local child by making a donation to the Kenmore Rotary Club's Operation Santa Claus. Donations of new toys for newborns to age 9 will be accepted through December 4. These items will be distributed by the Kenmore Rotary Club to needy children in the Kenmore and Tonawanda area. Please consider making a donation to this worthy cause. You'll be helping a child have a Merry Christmas! Look for a box for donations in the front lobby.

Schofield will also participate in the Salvation Army Gift of Warmth Drive again this year. Donations of hats, gloves and mittens will be accepted through the end of December. The items will be distributed by the Salvation Army to needy individuals in the community.

You can also help out closer to home by donating a gift basket, or items for a gift basket, for our Annual Holiday Basket Auction. Drop off completed baskets or items to the Activities department by December 2. Buy your tickets from December 5 through the day of the drawing, December 16. Proceeds are used for Activity programming for Schofield's residents.

## Volunteer Department Reminders

- Relax with your loved one as Volunteer Bertha Shipton performs on keyboard each Monday and Thursday from 4 to 5 p.m.
- Please help us recycle medium-size baskets that volunteers fashion into lovely Welcome Baskets filled with toiletry items for our newest residents.
- OVERFLOWING...our library is at capacity. The only books we can accept are LARGE PRINT which our residents prefer. Thank you for your consideration and generosity.



**“Arthritis Management”** will take place on Tuesday, November 29 at 11:00 a.m. Learn the types of treatments available for managing your arthritis pain. This program will also include a demonstration of some helpful exercises for people living with arthritis.

Call 995-3851 to register.

- If you're dashing to Dash's Markets for your Thanksgiving groceries, keep hold of your register tapes and bring them to Schofield. Dash's has a very generous donation program where they give us \$3 for every \$100 of tapes we turn in. The money we receive from this program is used toward our Volunteer recognition dinner, volunteer awards and gifts, and the Activities program. Please leave cash register receipts at the reception desk, or in the CR&VS mailbox #6.