



MAINE-LY ELDER CARE

Newsletter

July 2013

DENISE'S PEN

Happy Independence Day!

July is finally here, let the celebrations begin! It was an honor to recently celebrate some of our staff that has been with us for years. Look on page 4 for the pictures of our first Service Excellence Luncheon. Staff that has been with us for 5+ years was treated to a special lunch at Joseph's Fireside Steakhouse. Look for the pictures in next month's newsletter for our July group which includes more long time employees.

Other features in this month's newsletter include a Guess Who game. The office staff has submitted some younger photos of themselves. See if you can guess who's who! A classic flag cake recipe is also included in this month's issue; it's the perfect addition to any 4th of July celebration.

Congratulations to PSS Cheryl McKenney who is this month's Perfect Attendance winner and Hero of the Heart. Learn more about Cheryl and what makes her so special in our Employee Spotlight.

Enjoy your Holiday and remember to thank our service men and women who have sacrificed so much for our freedoms.

Bless our Troops!



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Hello All!

July is here and summer seems to be flying by! We have some exciting things happening this summer here at Maine-ly Elder Care- we have our employee appreciation BBQ in August and if you haven't heard we have discounts available for Fun Town Splash Town. July 4th is a time to celebrate our independence as a nation. I hope you all take a moment to celebrate the work you do to help seniors maintain their independence. We are constantly getting great compliments from our consumers about the excellent care you all provide them-keep up the great work!!

In closing, I just want to say that I am so proud and blessed to be able to work with such great caregivers here at Maine-ly Elder Care. The work you do every day enables the seniors in our communities to live independently at home and enriches their lives- Thank You!!

Have a safe and happy 4th of July!

~Denise

FREE CERTIFICATION STILL AVAILABLE!!!!

Alzheimer's and Dementia is a rapidly growing disease that is having a large impact on the clients, their families and the communities we serve. These clients have very specific needs for their care, which you can help with. We are offering everyone a **FREE** 23 hour course for Alzheimer's and Dementia. This course is available online and can be done at your convenience. After completion of the course you will have the option to get a \$25.00 Gift card to either Hannaford or Irving Gas Station.

If you are interested, please contact Brie for details.

WHATS HAPPENING:

Blood Pressure Clinics: We will be doing FREE blood pressure screenings at the following locations for the month of July. There will free blood pressure readings by a registered nurse, information and giveaways.

Taylor's Drug Store: Madison July 5th from 11:00am to 1:00pm

Hannaford Elm Plaza: July 26th – 2:00pm to 4:00pm

Job Fair– July 18th at the Waterville Public Library from 10:30am to 12:30pm. This is a great opportunity to refer friends and family! Don't forget our employee referral bonus!

Service Excellence Lunch: July 25th at noon! This is the 2nd part of 2. We will be celebrating caregivers who have been with Maine-ly Elder Care for 5+ years. Lunch will be provided to them at Joseph's Fireside Steakhouse. There are so many we had to divide the group!

Funtown/Splashtown Discounts

Enjoy your summer at Maine's favorite Amusement Park/Water Park. Maine-ly Elder Care has been lucky to receive a corporate discount. See below for prices. If you have any questions, please contact the office.



Pass Type	Combination		Funtown Ride Park		Splashtown Water Park
	All Day	After 3pm	All Day	After 3pm	All Day
Big (48" tall and taller)	\$27.00	\$27.00	\$21.00	22.00	\$20.00
Little (38" tall to under 48" tall)	\$27.00	\$19.00	\$21.00	16.00	\$20.00
Senior (60+ Years Old)	\$27.00	\$19.00	\$21.00	16.00	\$20.00

\$10 off at Sam's Club for all Employees!!!

For any employee who purchases or renews a Sam's Club Advantage Membership they will get a \$10.00 gift card. Employees who purchase or renew the Sam's Club Advantage Plus, they will receive a \$25.00 gift card. If interested, please see Brie for Details.

Verizon Discount

Ask the office about a discount on your Verizon mobile phone bill.

Discounts up to 22% and accessories 25%!

Guess Who? Can you guess which office member is who?

(Answers on page 5)



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FLAG CAKE

1 box yellow cake mix

Water, vegetable oil and eggs called for on cake mix box

1 container creamy vanilla frosting or whipped vanilla frosting

1/3 cup fresh blueberries

1 pint (2 cups) fresh strawberries, stems removed, strawberries cut in half



1. Heat oven to 350°F (325°F for dark or nonstick pan). Make and bake cake mix as directed on box for 13x9-inch pan. Cool 10 minutes. Run knife around sides of pan to loosen cake; remove from pan to cooling rack. Cool completely, about 1 hour.
2. Place cake on tray. Frost top and sides of cake with frosting.
3. For flag design, arrange blueberries on upper left corner of frosted cake to create stars; arrange strawberries in rows over frosted cake to create stripes. Serve immediately. Store covered in refrigerator.

A great alternative for a lighter cake is to use white cake mix and cool whip for the topping!

Service Excellence Luncheon June 27th, 2013



Some of our amazing and dedicated employees:

Dan Clark 6 years, Debbie Benner 12 years, Fay Dyer 9 years, Laurie Laverdiere 9 years, Judy Scott 6 years, Karen Madore 7 years, Denise Stevens RN & CEO, Lisa Carson 7 years, Anita Johnson 6 years.

We are blessed to have such amazing caregivers, thank you all for coming!

Debbie Benner and Denise catching up!
Debbie has been employed with Maine-ly Elder Care for 12 years. Last year, she was honored with the Long-Term Care Ombudsmen Award presented by Maine's first lady Ann LePage.



The group enjoys some time to discuss their experience as caregivers.

Employee Broadcast

Employee Compliments

- A client's daughter called to compliment Raigan, Naomi and Michael for easing the transition from Connecticut to Maine and making their parents "feel comfortable with their life in Maine."
- A brand new client has really been enjoying PSS Paige Douglass and called to give her kudos!
- The Client stated the following: "Lynn, (Smith) she's perfect. She is always here on time and does a great job. I give her an A+!"
- During a recent supervisory visit a client stated the following about Laurie Laverdiere, "Laurie is wonderful, she does good work and she comes in and talks with me. I really like her a lot." Thank you Laurie for not only providing services in the home, but building such special relationships with all of your clients.

JULY ANNIVERSARIES

Thank you to the following employees celebrating anniversaries this month. Your service and dedication is appreciated.

Marie Philbrook – 7 Years!
Diane Claudio – 1 Year!
Luanna York – 2 Years!
Samantha Haskell– 2 Years!
Brienne Hayes- 2 Years!

Spotlighting our Heroes of the Heart

Perfect Attendance winner and Hero of the Month is Cheryl McKenney!

Cheryl has been with us for six months now and has been a wonderful addition to our caregiving team. She has a spirited and sweet personality that is enjoyed by all. Find out what makes Cheryl so special.

What do you love about being caregiver?

"I like to be able to give people a better quality of life and I enjoy getting to know them." – Cheryl was a Chiropractic Assistant/Office Manager in California for 30+ years and is happy to be home in Maine to enjoy her time with her sisters and their children.

What hobbies do you enjoy?

"I love art. I am part of an online group where we share our pieces and learn from each other." –Cheryl's favorite mediums are markers, pen, and pencils, but she is beginning to dabble in some painting. Cheryl's current artistic pleasure is drawing faces.

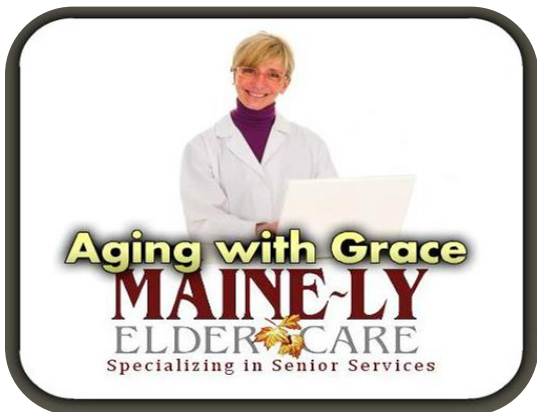
Cheryl's client wanted to compliment her work. The client stated, " She's a perfect person, no complaints here. We have a good time."

Cheryl is always willing to lend a hand and is a natural caregiver. Her positive attitude and drive makes her a dynamic employee.

Thank you Cheryl for all your hard work.



Join us every Wednesday at 4:30pm on 93.5FM True Oldies for CEO Denise Stevens and Steve Colella's segment on aging with grace.



Employee Referral Bonus!

We would like to remind you that we are still offering our **Employee Referral Bonus** and we recognize that our employees are a great source for finding new staff. The rules are simple:

- For all referrals hired, Maine-ly Elder Care will give the referral source (YOU) a **\$50.00 bonus** after 90 days of employment.
- The new employee must work an average of twenty hours a week and remain in good standing with the company.
- In order for us to determine the referral source, please ask the applicant to list your name on their application.

We hope that all employees will take this opportunity to build the Maine-ly Elder Care team!

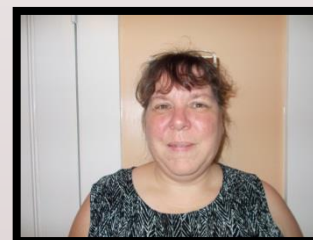
Thank you for all that you do.

WELCOME

We would like to welcome our newest PSS staff members. We look forward to your employment with us!



Magyn Caron PSS



Bonita Weiss PSS



Cindy Smith PSS



Hanna Brooks PSS

Guess Who answers:

A: Laurie Thornberg RN; **B** Shawn Stevens Home Mods team **C:** Jeannie Fuller Intake Coordinator **D:** Denise Stevens RN and CEO **E:** Raigan Messier Staff Supervisor **F:** Tonia Savasuk Staff Supervisor **G:** Brienne Hayes Human Resources **H:** Judy Munn Billing and Payroll Specialist