

**At press time, ALL VISITATION IS RESTRICTED for the protection of residents' health.**

## Letter from Social Services:

Dear residents and families who utilize Medicaid:

It is possible that your family member will be receiving the \$1,200 stimulus check. From what we are being told, this income will be counted as a cash asset. Therefore, the normal guidelines of spending this down will apply (if this check would put the resident over the \$2,000 asset limit).

We have been asked to remind families:

1. It must be spent on the resident. Prepare to keep a copy of the check and all receipts. It is likely that bank statements will need to be sent to show they are now under assets.

2. Do not gift it to anyone. This will result in a divestment and would place your family member in default of Medicaid guidelines with a possible cash penalty.

3. If they absolutely cannot spend it down on anything, a check needs to be sent to estate recovery in the same month the stimulus check is received for the amount they will be over. The facility can help you with this. Again, proof of being under assets may need to be made with bank statements.

4. Don't let them go over assets or Medicaid will close their eligibility and we will need to reapply for benefits.

If you're looking to spend down and need suggestions, our team has brought up hair curlers/rollers, a GrandPad or iPad for video chat, new clothing, etc.

As always, reach out if you have any questions!

Thanks,  
**Sam Brekken**

## Meet Our New Director of Nursing

Grace Burkinshaw, RN, is the new Director of Nursing (DON) at Maple Ridge Care Center. As a registered nurse, she believes



in a person-centered approach to the delivery of healthcare and empowering healthcare professionals in delivery of care.

Over the past 20 years she has developed a well-rounded approach to quality care for frail elders and vulnerable adults who have chronic conditions. She has

experienced how it feels to be on the receiving end of care provided to a family member and understands what families experience while advocating for a loved one.

She completed her Director of Nursing certificate from Care Providers in 2002, became an Emergency Medical Technician in 2014 and has held leadership roles in various healthcare models including acute care, long-term care, managed care and home health care. Grace holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Winona State University and a Wisconsin nursing license.

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Jennifer Abernathy, Administrator

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# JUNE 2020



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<div>1</div> 10:30 Pokeno! 1:45 Outside Hour 3:30 Country Karaoke 5:45 1:1 Visit time	<div>2</div> 10:30 Baking with Jan 1:45 BINGO 3:30 Current Events 5:45 Balloon Toss	<div>3</div> 10:30 Fancy Fingers 1:45 Pokeno! 3:30 Outside Hour 5:45 Color & Chat	<div>4</div> 10:30 Arts & Crafts 1:45 BINGO 3:30 <u>Dairy Month Treats!</u> 5:45 Kickball	<div>5</div> 10:30 Horse Races 1:45 Happy Hour 3:30 Outside Hour 5:45 Movie Night	<div>6</div> 10:30 Saturday Sing-along with Susie  1:45 BINGO 3:15 1:1 visit time
<div>7</div> 9:30 Faith Lutheran Virtual Church  10:30 Hangman 1:45 Book Club	<div>8</div> 10:30 Pokeno! 1:45 Outside Hour 3:30 Oldies Karaoke & Snack 5:45 1:1 visit time	<div>9</div> 10:30 Fancy Fingers 1:45 BINGO 3:30 Outside Hour 5:45 Balloon Toss	<div>10</div> 10:30 Arts & Crafts 1:45 BINGO 3:30 <u>Fresh Fruit and Outside Hour</u> 5:45 Kickball	<div>11</div> 10:30 Trivia 1:45 Pokeno! 3:30 Outside Hour 5:45 Color & Chat	<div>12</div> 10:30 Baking with Jan 1:45 Happy Hour 3:30 Current Events 5:45 Ring Toss	<div>13</div> 10:30 Coffee & Current Events  1:45 BINGO 3:15 1:1 visit time
<div>14</div> <b>FLAG DAY</b>  9:30 Faith Lutheran Virtual Church  10:30 Hangman 1:45 Book Club	<div>15</div> 10:30 Pokeno! 1:45 Outside Hour 3:30 Country Karaoke & Cookies 5:45 1:1 visit time	<div>16</div> 10:30 Fancy Fingers 1:45 BINGO 3:30 Outside Hour 5:45 Balloon Toss	<div>17</div> 10:30 Arts & Crafts 1:45 BINGO 3:30 Outside Hour 5:45 Kickball	<div>18</div> 7:15 <u>Men's Breakfast</u> 10:30 6-5-4 dice game 1:45 Pokeno! 3:30 Outside Hour 5:45 Color & Chat	<div>19</div> 10:30 Baking with Jan 1:45 Happy Hour 3:30 Outside Hour 5:45 Movie Night	<div>20</div> <b>SUMMER SOLSTICE</b>  10:30 Saturday Sing-along with Susie  1:45 BINGO 3:15 1:1 visit time
<div>21</div> <b>FATHER'S DAY</b>  9:30 Virtual Church Service  10:30 <u>Father's Day Donuts</u> 1:45 Book Club	<div>22</div> 10:30 Pokeno! 1:45 Outside Hour 3:30 <u>Root beer Floats and Music</u> 5:45 1:1 visit time	<div>23</div> 10:30 Fancy Fingers 1:45 BINGO 3:30 Birthday Party 5:45 Balloon Toss	<div>24</div> 10:30 Arts & Crafts 1:45 BINGO 3:30 Outside Hour 5:45 Kickball	<div>25</div> 10:00 <u>Resident Council</u> 10:00 1:1 visit time 1:45 Pokeno! 3:30 Outside Hour 5:45 Color & Chat	<div>26</div> 10:30 Baking with Jan 1:45 Happy Hour 3:30 Current Events 5:45 Kickball	<div>27</div> 10:30 Coffee & Current Events  1:45 BINGO 3:15 1:1 visit time
<div>28</div> 9:30 Virtual Church Service 1:45 Book Club	<div>29</div> 10:30 Pokeno! 1:45 Outside Hour 3:30 <u>Lemonade cart</u> 5:45 1:1 visit time	<div>30</div> 10:30 Fancy Fingers 1:45 BINGO 3:30 <u>Birthday Party</u> 5:45 Balloon Tos	<div><i>Please Note:</i> The calendar is subject to change. It is sent to print weeks in advance of the actual dates. There will be additions and corrections. Please look for postings and listen for the announcements. Thank you!</div>			

# Letter to Family Members

May 8th, 2020

We are pleased to announce a wonderful new amenity for our residents: Forefront TeleCare's Geriatric and Behavioral Health Services. Forefront TeleCare provides geriatric specialists to skilled nursing facilities across the United States through its Telemedicine network. When necessary, your loved one can have a face-to-face, real-time encounter with a geriatric specialist to assist the primary physician in diagnoses and care. This is especially important with the use of increasingly complex medications.

We can also now provide access to clinical psychologists, specializing in assisting staff to work with your loved ones and counsel them through difficult issues of adjustment and change. Residents can remain in the comfort of their familiar community and receive access to expert levels of care without leaving the building. These geriatric and behavioral health professionals will

improve your family member's experience while enabling us to provide more comprehensive levels of care.

The Forefront TeleCare System has a large-screen monitor, video camera, microphone and speakers, and is specifically designed with residents well-being and comfort in mind. Forefront TeleCare providers are Medicare licensed. Services may be covered by Medicare, healthcare insurance

plans or can be paid through personal funds.

We are very pleased to have the opportunity to expand our care teams through this new relationship and are looking forward to integrating these caring providers into our daily routines.

Sincerely,  
**Sam Brekken**  
Social Services Director

## Meet Our New Recreational Activity Director



Hello! My name is Kali Campbell. I'm the new Recreational Activity Director and I'm very happy to be a part of the Maple Ridge Care Center team. I'm a certified occupational therapy assistant and have been working in skilled long-term care for over three years. I love being a Recreational Therapy Director because of the creativity required and because I get to plan fun and meaningful activities for residents which gives me joy and purpose. I'm looking forward to great times at Maple Ridge Care Center.

I was born and raised in the Spooner area and I love living in this community. I'm in engaged to my fiancé, Jared, and we have an adorable 11-week-old boy named Jace. In my free time, I enjoy going for walks, fishing, watching tv, and spending time with my family and friends.

## Friendly Staff / Visiting Hours

Maple Ridge welcomes visitors at all times, but quiet hours are enforced during 8:00pm-5:00am to ensure a home-like and comfortable environment for our residents. We ask that if you do visit at this time to keep volumes low and/or to visit in one of our sitting areas if your loved one shares a room with another resident.

Maple Ridge staff can be reached 24 hours a day at 715-635-1415, or use the directory below for specific questions.

**Jennifer Abernathy**  
Administrator 635-1420

**Kali Campbell**  
Activities Director 635-1437

**Jackie VandeVoort**  
Business Office 635-1239

## Happy Birthday

*Best wishes to our staff and residents celebrating birthdays this month.*

### Staff

Karla G.	June 6
Madeline H.	June 6
Jeannette L.	June 7
Amy Q.	June 13
Bobbi R. H.	June 18
Paula D. J.	June 18
Dominic N. H.	June 23
Reisa R. P.	June 30

### Residents

Devota R.	June 3
Donna K.	June 15
John K.	June 29
Sydney N.	June 29

## Job Postings

**CNAs: All shifts – FT /**

**PT / PRN positions**

**RN & LPN: PT & PRN positions**

**Dietary: 2 positions – PT**

**Environmental Svcs: 1 position – PT**

**Activities: 1 position – PT**

## A warm welcome to these new Maple Ridge team members:

Grace B.	Director of Nursing
Callie H.	Aide/Assistant
Turner M.	Transportation
Keara O.	CNA
Zoe E.	Aide/Assistant
Mercedes O.	CSA