

## **Battle Creek VA Medical Center**

### **2019-2020 Events**

#### **On-Going Events**

- 1) **Afternoon Parties**                      **4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month – 1:00-3:00**
- 2) **Evening Bingo**                        **4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month – 6:00-7:30**

#### **Special Events**

- 1) **Carnival**                                **September 18, 2019**
- 2) **Christmas Gift Shop**                **December 11 & 12, 2019 – 8:00-4:30/5:00**
- 3) **New Year's Eve Party**               **December 31, 2019 – 5:00-8:00**
- 4) **Golf Outing**                            **May 26, 2020 – 11:30-1:00**
- 5) **Father's Day Program**               **May 26, 2020 – 1:00-2:00/2:30**

**Chris Reed, Representative**  
**Barb Parks, 1<sup>st</sup> Deputy**  
**Carol Parks, 2<sup>nd</sup> Deputy**

## Calendar of Events – Battle Creek VAMC – 2019/2020

<b>Month</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
September 2019	18	Patient Carnival
	25	Afternoon Party & Bingo
October 2019	23	Afternoon Party & Bingo
November 2019	27	Afternoon Party & Bingo
December 2019	11&12	Christmas Gift Shop
	18	Afternoon Party & Bingo
	31	New Year's Eve Party
January 2020	22	Afternoon Party & Bingo
February 2020	26	Afternoon Party & Bingo
March 2020	25	Afternoon Party & Bingo
April 2020	22	Afternoon Party & Bingo
May 2020	26	Golf Outing & Father's Day Program
	27	Afternoon Party & Bingo
June 2020	24	Afternoon Party & Bingo
July 2020	22	Afternoon Party & Bingo
August 2020	26	Afternoon Party & Bingo

## **V.A. Afternoon Parties**

- Meet John Upchurch around 1:00 at the back entrance to Building 84 (there is a small parking lot there for volunteers). If the small parking lot is full, you can unload by the entrance door and then park across the street at the Silver Star Apartment parking lot.
- Refreshments for Buildings 83 & 84 (CLC)
  - Mini muffins & cupcakes – 3-4 dozen
  - Large container of unsweetened ice tea
  - Large container of sugar-free drink (punch, Crystal Light, etc.)
  - Sugar-free pudding (vanilla & chocolate) – 1 doz.
  - Small applesauce (any flavor) – 1 doz.
- Refreshments for Building 39 (In-Patient Mental Health)
  - The same drinks from above should be enough for both locations
  - Assorted Chips
  - Cheese & Crackers (various)
  - Small bags of cookies (Oreos, Chips Ahoy, etc.)
- Bring small plastic cups, napkins, gloves and plastic spoons
- There is a new three-part Donations/Activities/Sign In sheet that John will provide. Please fill it out and include your Unit/s Number and the value of the items you are providing. You will keep the pink copy for your records.

John's Cell: 269-832-8433

Chris Reed's Cell: 269-420-1488

Home: 269-721-3299

## V.A. Bingo

### Items to Purchase – Plan for 60-70 patients

- Refreshments
  - Assorted Pop - they love Mountain Dew!
  - Assorted small bags of chips (Sam's has good selection)
  - Fruit Snacks (Sam's Club)
  - Cookies (both regular and sugar free)
  - Small can of regular coffee (give this to one of the helpers or Taylor)
- Prizes
  - Shirts (can find nice ones at Goodwill) – various sizes (always good to have some 3X & 4X if you can find them)
  - House slippers (Family Dollar or Dollar General)
  - Sentry AM/FM Pocket radios (Family Dollar) – each takes 2 AAA batteries
  - Socks
  - Sweatshirts/Sweatpants
  - Throws (rolled – also Family Dollar or Dollar General)
  - Ladies clothes
  - Ladies slippers
  - Any other items for ladies (lotion sets, pajama bottoms, socks, etc.)
  - Canteen Books (I provide those - \$150)
- Arrive around 5:15-5:30 to set up. They start playing Bingo at 6:00. Food goes on table in back and prizes go up front on tables by stage.
- V.A. will have helpers (3-4). They will set up tables, make coffee and will call Bingo. Give them each \$5 in Canteen books.
- Play 3 games of Bingo and then call ticket numbers for 1/3 of the prizes. Winners get \$1 Canteen Book (turn card over once they Bingo). Do this 3 times and then finish with Coverall for \$25 (be sure to set aside \$25 in Canteen books for the coverall – if you find you start running low, you can just stop the regular Bingo early).

- There is a new three-part Donations/Activities/Sign In sheet that Taylor will provide. Please fill it out and include your Unit/s Number and the value of the items you are providing. You will keep the pink copy for your records.

Taylor's Cell: 404-936-2117

Chris Reed's Cell: 269-420-1488      Home: 269-721-3299

Thank you for serving our Veterans!!!!