

The Counseling Center of
Wayne & Holmes Counties
2285 Benden Drive
Wooster, OH 44691

CENTER UPDATE

APRIL 2014

PHARMACY ANNIVERSARY

The Counseling Center is proud to host an on-site pharmacy operated by Genoa Healthcare. This month Genoa celebrates its fourth year of serving the Center's patients. The pharmacy is staffed by full time pharmacist, Heidi Geib, assisted by three pharmacy technicians. Currently the pharmacy is filling around 3,800 prescriptions per month. In order to better serve the Counseling Center's patients, Genoa uses a unique dose packaging system that facilitates medication compliance and also assists those in the Wooster area with home delivery where necessary. Medication compliance is an issue in any behavioral health setting and the Center's pharmacy boasts a medication adherence rate that exceeds the average for retail pharmacies.

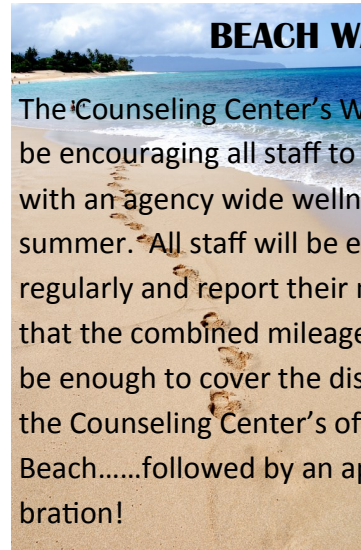
RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT PROCEEDS

The development of a 15-unit residential project targeted toward young adults and located on a site next to the Center's main office on Benden Drive in Wooster is gradually moving closer to becoming a reality. All necessary permissions from the City of Wooster Planning Commission and the City of Wooster Zoning Department have been secured; and funding from the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, the Federal Home Loan Bank and the Ohio Housing Finance Agency has been secured. Co-developer for the project, along with the Counseling Center, is Fairfield Homes of Lancaster, Ohio. Architectural services are provided by LDA Architects of Cleveland. "Both of our partners are familiar with this type of housing and experienced in working with the various project funders", noted Diane DeRue, Vice President and Chief of Rehabilitation and Recovery Services at the Center. With their help, we expect to begin advertising for construction bids by late spring."

VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

April is Volunteer month and the Counseling Center recognizes its volunteer guardians: **Carol Barkey** and **Laura Wirth**, along with residential program volunteer, **Celeste Endich**. Thank you for your help!

BEACH WALK



The Counseling Center's Wellness Team will be encouraging all staff to "get to the beach" with an agency wide wellness walk over the summer. All staff will be encouraged to walk regularly and report their miles with the goal that the combined mileage from all staff will be enough to cover the distance between the Counseling Center's offices and Myrtle Beach.....followed by an appropriate celebration!

The Wellness Team sponsors regular staff events. Other upcoming events include a gift basket raffle and a taco luncheon.