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Connecting students to careers, professionals to communities, and communities to better health.

SPRING NEWSLETTER 2016

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"In every community, there is work to be done. In every nation, there are wounds to heal. In every heart, there is the power to do it."

~ Marianne Williamson

Find pictures and follow our events:

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APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE!

Healthcare Careers Camps- Only \$75! (16+ yrs of age)



Apply By 3/18/2016

Visit our website for details & to apply:
WWW.SCENICRIVERSAHEC.ORG

Platteville Area:
June 12th-15th

La Crosse Area:
June 26th-29th



IN THE WORKS...



Scenic Rivers continuously looks for new partners and programming to expand our connections and reach students. This year we are working on more professional development trainings for secondary level students. In March, Scenic Rivers will host an interprofessional exercise for Viterbo and UW—La Crosse students. There are also many high school Hands on Health and Exploratory Surgery events marking the calendar. There is still time to schedule for this school year— contact us today with interest or a new idea you would like to collaborate on!

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HPV VACCINE EDUCATION PROJECT

Our team is proud to announce we have been awarded continued funding through NAO's HPV Education Project. There was a lot to be learned as we expanded our reach across the tri-state region but we are thankful to continue to build on the great relationships established. With a focus in the state of Minnesota, we will continue to provide webinars, presentations, poster sessions and conferences as part of the outreach. Let us know if persons at your organization could use



HPV Vaccine Education or check out free webinars on our website any time.

**2016
FUNDING
AWARDED!**

WISCONSIN'S NEED FOR HEALTHCARE WORKERS

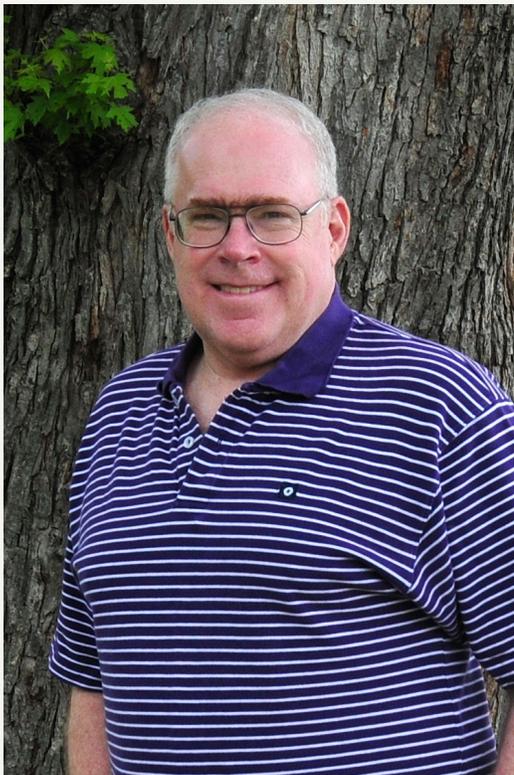
According to Wisconsin's WORK.NET: **6 of the 10 fastest growing occupations involve health careers.** This includes physicians assistant, interpreters, sonographers, specialty providers, educators and nurses. Helping students find their niche in healthcare earlier can help save time, costs and fill Wisconsin's workforce need.

Board Member Shout Out

Thank you Dr. Bartos for your insightful vision, willing participation and commitment to Scenic Rivers and AHECs' mission.

TWENTY YEARS OF VOLUNTEER SUPPORT

Dr. Craig Bartos is a practicing family physician at the La Crosse Mayo



Clinic Health System and long-time advocate of AHEC. Dr. Bartos has been supporting Wisconsin AHEC for 20 years through board service and multiple leadership roles on regional and state levels; including President of the State Board from 2004-2007. Scenic Rivers is proud to have such a committed board member with long-term visions and positive enthusiasm about how to improve our healthcare system. Some of the ways that Dr. Bartos lives the mission is through providing student experiences (job shadows, presentations) and legislation advocacy of program funding.

"The dedicated individuals of the WI AHEC organization have demonstrated their skill over the years in making good things happen where there were none, in doing with little what many with much have been unable to do. It is their unique positioning within communities, with the knowledge that results from that, and the subsequent relationships that are built, that allow them to be so effective. Those folks can't do it alone. If I am able to assist, even in conversation if not in direct support, I hope that is of some benefit."



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STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Last quarter's students were chosen for exemplary involvement in our AHEC programs. From the top: December – Emilee Smith UW— Madison January– Olivia



Kudick (Mauston High School)



February– Mallory Jasicki (UW— Platteville)



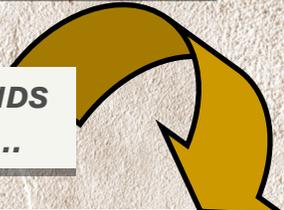
BOARD MEMBER RECRUIT

Scenic Rivers is in the process of inducting new board members in 2016. If you are a community minded person passionate about healthcare access, workforce development and creating solutions for a sustainable healthcare system contact our executive director: Laura Pettersen, 608.487.4878 lpettersen@scenicriversahec.org

WORK WITH AHEC!

New leadership positions are available with Wisconsin regional AHECs this summer. Check out the state AHEC webpage for position descriptions and directions to apply: www.ahec.wisc.edu

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To receive our quarterly newsletter—send your email to: info@scenicriversahec.org

Share your experience... seeking healthcare professionals for podcast interviews:

Although the AHEConnect program is boasting a second year of successful mentoring, there are times we have an abundance of students or mentors. One way that we would like to capitalize on this interest is to interview professionals about their healthcare careers. This will give us a library of references for students to hear from professionals in the Scenic Rivers region.

It takes minimal time commitment from mentors, just some question preparation and the recording. All supplies provided by SRAHEC. If interested please contact info@scenicriversahec.org with your job title and organization's name.



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Countdown to the Capital

Scenic Rivers AHEC will be traveling to Washington D.C. in June to join NAO in advocacy efforts at the national capital. While in D.C., Scenic Rivers has also been chosen to be a conference presenter on: *High School to Healthcare—Innovative High School Programming*. Thank you for the great partnerships that makes our programming stand out on a national level!



Questions about this newsletter or how you can join our programming?
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