



HAPPY NEW YEAR! 2010



Bay Respite Care
Preserving Families

The BRCYard News

ATTENTION ALL RCPs—YOUR TIME SHEETS ARE DUE IN THIS OFFICE ON THE DUE DATE BEFORE 5PM. See pg. 2

Changes to our Sibling Policy

Many of you have clients that have brothers and/or sisters that are 12 years old and under. BRC has in the past, suggested that the charge for the siblings under your care be \$1.50 per hour per child, payable to you at the end of your booking, if you agreed to care for them.

If care is needed, you and the family must reach a private pay agreement *prior* to the booking. This arrangement is best made during the initial interview. If you do not want to provide sibling care,

the family will either need to find alternative care for them or they can continue to interview other RCPs.

You and the family will need to decide how much YOU will be paid for watching the non-disabled siblings in the home.

It has been BRC's recommendation that you ask no more than \$1.50 per hour per child.

We are changing this recommendation, effective immediately, to \$2.00 per hour per child.

If you do not have an agreement with your

respite families in place and you are asked to care for the siblings, you may cancel that booking if you are unable to reach an agreement. There is no compensation for that booking—see canceling a booking for a compelling reason. So please remember to make an arrangement for payment for additional siblings at the Interview or before the booking.

If you have any questions regarding this policy, please contact a Program Coordinator.

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- *January 1st—New Year's Day*
- *January 18th—Martin Luther King Jr. Day*

Clients That Need You!

13 year old autistic boy in Cloverdale. 1 brother.

4 year old little boy who is blind w/CP. 1 brother 18 months old. Very cute! Regular toddler care.

8 year old girl in Vacaville. Has global delays & asthma. No siblings.

11 year old autistic boy in Fairfield. Nice family. No siblings.

26 year old active & cheerful young lady with mental retardation. No seizures & no siblings.

Respite Care Provider of the Month

The Respite Care Provider of the Month for January is Charles Upchurch. He is a Private Worker for one of our families. Charles will be with

his family 17 years next month.

Over the years, Charles has participated in all Inservices, kept his CPR & 1st Aid current and

continues a good working relationship with all of our staff.

Thank you Charles
WAY TO GO!
JOB WELL DONE!!



National Blood Donor Month

BRC Raises \$328.00 for our Holiday Family



Yahooooo! Bay Respite Care raised \$328.00 for our Holiday family this year.

We had lots of delicious home baked cookies, cake, pie, brownies and even Senorita Bread. Staff worked our bakesale table in 1 hour shifts starting at 10am and we sold out of baked goods around 2pm. The ARC Solano even donated \$100.00!

Some of the cookies sold at the bake sale were entered in our Cookie-Off baking contest which was held in late afternoon the same day.

And the Winners of the Cookie-Off Are—

The Third Place winner is our very own Edgar Vasquez with his delicious Macaroons.

The Second Place winner is also our very own Stacey C.F. Martinez with a wonderful cookie called Walnut Cranberry Ravioli (not to be confused with pasta).

The First Place Winner is our wonderful RCP, Sarah Wiggins with a fantastic cookie—Ginger Snap with Ginger Icing

The Judges for the Cookie-Off were Mike Huckins—BRC Director

Karla Mendez—Self Service Program Assistant

Patty Smith—Program Coordinator

Tami Huizen—Program Coordinator with ARC Solano

Che Williams—Respite Care Provider

liams—Care Provider

Great Job



Everyone!

See 3rd place recipe below

Policies & Procedures

- When you submit outside paperwork to us, that is required to be filled out by BRC, you must allow 5 business days for us to look up the information, fill out the form and get it back to you. We cannot have it ready for you the same day.
- You may not ask or tell ANY

client that you need money or additional hours on your time sheet to cover any of your mileage to and from your bookings. Clients can only cover expenses incurred DURING the booking and as a direct result of excursions and outings with your clients. To ask a family for hours to

be added to your time sheet to cover your mileage to & from bookings, when you have not worked those hours, constitutes fraud and can result in immediate termination.

There was a misprint in the flier you received—Pay Dates, Deadlines & Holidays.

We cannot accept time sheets that are post marked ON the DUE DATE. THEY MUST BE IN THE OFFICE ON THE DUE DATE!!!

Edgar Vasquez's Citrus-White Chocolate Macarons

1—14oz. pkg. flake coconut
3oz. white baking chocolate, chopped
2/3 cup sugar
6 tbsp. flour
1/4 tsp. salt
4 egg whites
2 tsp. lemon peel
1 tsp. almond extract

1oz. Semi-sweet bakers chocolate

Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Combine coconut, white chocolate, sugar, flour & salt in a large bowl. Add egg whites, lemon peel and almond extract, mix well.

Drop by tablespoonfuls, 2 inches apart, onto lightly greased and floured baking sheets.

Bake 20 minutes or until edges are golden brown. Immediately remove from baking sheet to wire racks. Cool completely. Drizzle with the melted chocolate. ENJOY!

