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**HOCKING VALLEY
COMMUNITY HOSPITAL**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September

Childhood Injury Prevention Week,
September 1-7

Grandparents Day, September 10

Hocking County Fair, Sept. 10-15

Healthcare Environmental Services and
Housekeeping Week, September 10-16

Uniform Sale, September 18, 8:00 AM - 5:00
PM, Front Lobby

Reward and Recognition Celebration, Sept.
18, 9:30 AM, Cafeteria

Women's Health and Fitness Day,
September 27

October

Paint the Town Purple, Oct. 21-27

Hilltop Final Rally, Bill Saur Field, Oct. 25

Breast Cancer Awareness Month, October
1-31

American Pharmacy Month, October 1-31

Fire Prevention Week, October 8-14

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Senior Leadership Commitment Statement



Please review the Senior Leadership Commitment Statement that is hanging on the wall outside the cafeteria. The

HVCH Leadership Team has recently signed the new commitment statement.



New President Celebration

HVCH employees from all shifts were given the opportunity to enjoy refreshments and chat with newly named President, LeeAnn Lucas-Helber. LeeAnn brings experience and enthusiasm to her new role. LeeAnn plans to continue the Journey of Excellence, that has led HVCH to continually improve patient satisfaction scores and increase employee and physician satisfaction.



Fizer Inducted Into Athletic Hall of Fame

Kandy (Columber) Fizer was inducted into the LHS Athletic Hall of Fame, during Logan's first home game. Kandy was named the top senior athlete in basketball and the overall outstanding senior female athlete in 1989. She also played softball and tennis during her high school career, and earned 11 varsity letters. Kandy has been employed at HVCH for 18 years and is currently the Education Coordinator.



Kandy Fizer takes the mike at the Induction Ceremony.

Senior Health Talk



Missy Poling distributes brochures and books concerning available community resources.

The August 2007 Health Education discussion, sponsored by HVCH, in cooperation with Scenic Hills Senior Center, was presented by Missy Poling, Social Services Director. The presentation was on "Community Resources." Next month's talk will be held on September 18. Stacey Gabriel, Director of Emergency Dept., will be speaking about "Osteoporosis."

Construction Continues



The construction continues in rooms 101, 102, and 103 on the Med/Surg unit. The planned updates include freshly painted walls, new lights, new bathrooms, window treatments, flat screen T.V.'s, new furniture, privacy curtains, and new flooring in the bathrooms. The Skilled Nursing Facility renovations are scheduled to begin in October of 2007.

HVCH EVENTS

August Birthday Luncheon, 1st Shift



Front Row: LeeAnn Lucas-Helber, Jenny Kindinger, Wanda Gardner, Gloria Gainer, Audra Mercer, Bonnie Herring, Nikki McKinley and Mabel Rooker.. Back Row: Jim Dishong, Amber Thompson, Janelle Wallace, Rebekah Bungard, Robert Sigler, and Brenda Lehman.

August Birthday Luncheon, 2nd Shift, 3rd Shift



2nd Shift Left-Right
LeeAnn Lucas-Helber, Jennifer Bulstrom, Ruth Roberts, Julia Brady and Alison Herges.



3rd Shift Left-Right
Debbie Dorris, LeeAnn Lucas-Helber, and Kate Bookman.

Employee Bowling Night

Scenic Lanes was the site for a recent HVCH employee get-together. Employees and their families enjoyed a night of bowling and pizza. Watch for details about the Children's Christmas party soon.



Gina Smalley and Sharon Conner.

LHS Basket Winners

The Employee Satisfaction Team held a drawing for 2 LHS gift baskets that included reserved seat tickets to all home games. The winners were Alison Monroe and Rose Andersen.

SNF News

Congratulations to Nikki Tucker on her recent marriage to Jamey Hankison. Welcome back to Karen Evans and Vicky Long. We send get well wishes to Cheryl Skeen and encouragement to Susie Anderson, Mary Yanko, Sarah Struble and Vicki Hicks as they continue in school and Tera Cox who will be entering school. Congratulations to Kim Robb for passing her LPN boards, she now joins us on 3rd Shift. Congratulations to Stephanie Frasure for passing her R.N. boards.

Welcome New Employees

Darcy Culbertson, LPN, Skilled Nursing Facility.
 Darsey Williams, Nurse Aide Med/Surg.
 Cathy McClain, LPN, Skilled Nursing Facility.
 Adrienne Nihiser, RN, Family Birth Center.
 Deborah Mount, Food Service Aide, Nutrition and Food Services Department.
 Jessica Brown, Nurse Aide Med/Surg.

HVCH NEWS

Golf Committee Celebrates Results

HVCH Foundation Golf Committee Treasurer, Dave Derr, announced that the 2007 HVCH Foundation Golf Tournament, raised over \$75,000 for HVCH during the 22nd Annual HVCH Foundation Golf Tournament & Auction. The committee worked very hard to achieve this goal for the 22nd anniversary. The Foundation uses these funds for hospital renovations, and to purchase medical equipment that is needed for the hospital. Over its 22-year history, this event has raised over \$933,133, to benefit the patients of Hocking Valley Community Hospital.



Front Row: Curt Allison, Pepsi Bottling of Athens, Dave Derr, Treasurer, Kathy Krumlauf, Foundation, Executive Director, Billy Keynes, Committee Chair. 2nd Row: Mark Huffman, Kristi Kilbarger, Auction Co-Chair, Elly Crow, Auction Co-Chair. 3rd Row: Jeff Black, Joe Murtha, Foundation President, George Crow, Auction Co-Chair and LeeAnn Lucas-Helber, HVCH President.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Cheryl Sampson	Sept 2
Sarah Struble	Sept 2
Julia Mundy	Sept 4
Stacy Dingess	Sept 4
Linda Beavers	Sept 8
Wendy Nixon	Sept 8
Paula Fortner	Sept 10
Travis Armbrust	Sept 10
Amy Russell	Sept 10
Melissa Hoffman	Sept 10
Kresta Mock	Sept 11
Lori Linton	Sept 14
Julie Freeland	Sept 15
Sherrie Neal	Sept 15
Karen Standiford	Sept 15
Sherry Perry	Sept 15
Jane Shannon	Sept 18
Don Corne	Sept 19
Sandy Stillion	Sept 21
Gretchen Brisker	Sept 21
Rebekah Bungard	Sept 25
Brenda Winland	Sept 27
Scott Hubbard	Sept 28
Pam Rhoads	Sept 28
Tammy Sammons	Sept 28
Dolly McKibben	Sept 29

The September Birthday Celebrations are as follows:

- 1st Shift Sept. 20, at 12:00 noon
 - 2nd Shift Nov. 12 at 5:00 PM
 - 3rd Shift Nov. 2 at 2:00 AM
- The celebrations are in the Meeting Rooms.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

In-Service Volunteers

Mary McAfee	Sept 2
Diane Downard	Sept 11
Bonnie Lindsay	Sept 16

Olivedale Kitchen Band



The residents of the Skilled Nursing Facility at Hocking Valley Community Hospital, were recently entertained by the Olivedale Kitchen Band. A group of Olivedale Senior Center members, started the band in 1982. The orchestrated group plays oldies but goodies on common kitchen items, such as, teapots, pan lids and spoons. The residents enjoyed the entertainment and were frequently singing along with the old favorites.

Music's Power To Heal

HVCH is fortunate to have a Music Therapist for the BHU and Skilled Nursing Facility. Edith Merlino is an Activity Therapist in the BHU. She uses music to calm restless or agitated patients and to improve the level of social and cognitive functions of the patients. Music therapy can also provide structure and opportunity for self-expression, communication, elevation of mood and awareness of self.



Edith Merlino works with Skilled Nursing patients, as they perfect their Bell Choir composition.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

It's not whether you get knocked down, it's whether you get up.

Vince Lombardi

SNF Chinese Auction



Bryan Brown is hoping to win big at the SNF Chinese Auction.

Pictures, dolls, glassware, stuffed animals, and much, much, more were available at the Skilled Nursing Facility Chinese Auction. The event, held Wednesday, Aug. 29, brought in more than \$800. According to Bob Imel, Activity Therapist, "95% of the items for the auction come from staff and family members, and 100% of the proceeds are used for the SNF activity fund." The three auctions this year have raised a combined total of nearly \$3000.

Great Idea!



Dr. Ireton fastens a pink wrist band on Stella Shank.

Stella Shank came up with an idea and wrote a letter to Dr. Ireton, suggesting pink arm bands be given to mastectomy patients. The bands will alert medical personnel of the mastectomy, so they can draw blood and blood pressures on the arm opposite the site, to alleviate complications of swelling and infection.

PHYSICIAN OF THE MONTH

Spotlighted Physician of the month is Dr. Matthew Kauffman, Orthopedic Surgeon. The Physician Satisfaction Team asked Dr. Kauffman several questions about Himself, and this is the history he shared.



Dr. Kauffman is originally from Columbus, OH. and received his doctorate degree from the University of Health Sciences in Kansas City, MO.

Dr. Kauffman and his wife are expecting their fifth child early next year. With small children it is difficult to go out , but they do love to attend BBQ's.

The family has one pet, a pug named Lodi.

Dr. Kauffman enjoys working out and watching movies, particularly the Band of Brothers series.

His first job was a lawn mowing business that he started with some friends, and he continued to hold full or part-time jobs, throughout high school and college.

Digital Mammography Now Available



L-R, Diane Klinger, Jenny Carver and Annette Tucker.

HVCH is pleased to announce that the latest in digital mammography technology is now available. With the installation of Fuji's Computed Radiography for mammography system, HVCH is now one of the first breast imaging facilities in the area to offer this digital mammography capability.

We're proud to offer area women the most advanced screening technology available to identify cancers early when they are most treatable.

TWIG II Pie Sale a Sell-Out

TWIG II hosted a Pie Sale at a recent Friday Night Bandstand in Worthington Park.

Jan Bell, TWIG II President, reported that the bake sale, which included pies, breads and cakes, brought in \$144.

The following weekend, the same group hosted a bake sale at Kroger, and brought in more than \$95.

The funds will be used to help purchase equipment and needed medical supplies.

Hocking Co. Fair Sept. 10-15

Check out the HVCH booth at the Hocking County Fair, Sept. 10-15. We are located under the grandstands.

