

Pulse



Reward & Recognition Celebration



Wanda Gardner accepted a certificate, from Julie Stuck. Wanda was honored on behalf of the residents of SNF for making regular visits to the residents to help them cope with new living arrangements and give them hope and encouragement during tough times.



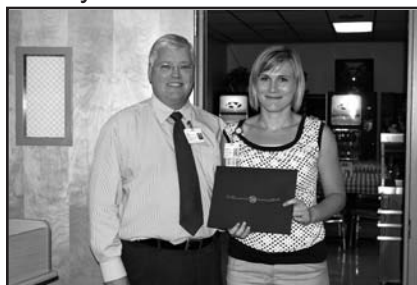
Bob Schmidt praised Sharon Littleton, Chris Barrell and Christy Schneider. "Each lady has stepped in to help out in other departments for the betterment of the team." stated Bob.



Bob also recognized John Rardain. John was able to fix a table in Rehab with some parts that he fabricated to make the table better meet the needs of our patients and save the hospital some money.



Danielle Arnett was honored for the success of the first annual HVCH 5K Race. Danielle provided the leadership to make sure the course was mapped out, permission was granted for the route, sign-ups, releases, prizes, and more. "In short she made sure all the i's were dotted and the t's crossed", stated Bob Schmidt.



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**HOCKING VALLEY
COMMUNITY HOSPITAL**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September

Hocking County Fair; September 13-19
Surgical Tech Week, September 20-26

Uniform Sale, Tues. September 22nd, 7:00
am to 5:00 pm

Healthcare Environmental Services &
Housekeeping Week, Sept. 13-19

LDI, Sept. 21 and 22

October

Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Oct. 1-31

Emergency Nurse's Week, Oct. 11-17

Employee Health Fair, Oct 14, 7:00 am- 4:00 pm

International Infection Control Week,
Oct. 18-24

National Hospital Pharmacy Week, Oct. 18-24

December

Employee Christmas Celebration, Thurs. Dec.
3, Times TBA

HVCH Children's Christmas Party, Tuesday,
Dec. 8, Details TBA

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Welcome New Employees

Jean Faught, RN-SCU
 Shannon Smith, RN, Med-Surg
 Julie Stanley, STNA-SNF
 Sue Price, RN-SNF
 Kourtney Hartman, Patient
 Registration Clerk
 Karen Brandon, Patient
 Registration Clerk
 Kristina Newsome, Associate-
 Environmental Services

Coat Donation

The Employee Satisfaction Committee is asking HVCH employees to donate coats, hats, scarves, mittens or any cold weather apparel to help the needy this winter. The apparel should be either new or slightly used and clean. Please drop off donations in the cafeteria. If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Sharon Conner at x8342.

Senior Health Talk



The recent Health Education discussion provided by HVCH at the Scenic Hills Senior Center was presented by Dawna Evans, Pharmacy Director. Dawna's topic was "Cleaning Out Your Medicine Cabinet". The next talk will be on Sept. 29th, from 10:00 am to 10:30 am. Bob Imel, Activities Therapist will speak on "Creative Fun".

HVCH EVENTS

HVCH School Supply Donations



Steve Stirn (far right), Logan-Hocking Schools Superintendent, accepts the assorted school supplies from HVCH employees, left to right, Ginger Johnson, Credentialing Secretary, Sharon Conner, Nutrition Supervisor, Sharon Littleton, Finance Clerk and Janelle Wallace, Performance Improvement and Risk Management Director.

Hocking Valley Community Hospital employees donated more than 2600 items in a recent school supply drive.

"Our goal is to improve the educational system, in our school district, by providing learning tools to children who need them the most," said Sharon Conner, HVCH Nutrition Dept. Supervisor. The Nutrition Dept. offered employees some meals and desserts in exchange for donating the supplies.

Purse Sale



The Auxiliary recently sponsored a new fundraiser that was fun and popular. Purses of all sizes and colors were available for sale. The proceeds from the sale will be used to enhance patient care at HVCH.

SNF Update

The SNF annual Chinese auction is being planned for early October. Now is a good time to check around the house for new or like new items to donate. For more information, contact Bob Imel at x8251.

We would like to welcome Sue Price, RN and Julie Stanley, STNA to our team.

Patient Registration Dept.

The Patient Registration Department would like to welcome Kourtney Hartman and Karen Brandon to our department. We look forward to working with them!

Infection Control Update
 by Christy Schneider

Expect flu shots to be offered starting in late September. We are working with the Health Dept. concerning the H1N1 vaccines. More information to come.

Bloodmobile Successful!



The August Bloodmobile was a huge success, greatly surpassing the established goal. Thank you to all who were able to contribute to the success. You have made a difference in someone's life. Sharon Conner did a great job recruiting.

New Generator



With the help of Ohio Health Group, HVCH was able to attain this new generator. It is considerably more powerful than our old generator for more efficient operation.

Have you seen.....



**“Aliens in the Attic”
Reviewed by Stacey Gabriel**

“Aliens in the Attic” is a movie the whole family can enjoy. A family takes their summer vacation to a lake house in Michigan. While the children are exploring their rental house they discover aliens on the roof that have been sent here to take over the Earth. It becomes the children’s battle to protect their parents and Mother Earth. Lots of kids and adult humor....Really cute movie. The kids enjoyed it and so did us adults. I would definitely go and see it again!

Have You Read.....



**“The Art of Racing in the Rain” by Garth Stein
Reviewed by Julie Freeland**

This is a book so good that you are sad to finish reading it. You don’t want it to end! It’s an awesome story of life, love and loss, told through the family dog’s eyes. It involves a race car driver and a family torn apart. The cycle of life has highs and lows and this book touches them all.

HVCH NEWS

Reward & Recognition Continued.....



LeeAnn Helber shared that Brian Longnecker was being honored for helping the Radiology Dept. Brian modified some furniture to make the Radiology reading room more usable. Brian also made the modifications at home, over the weekend, which saved HVCH time and money.

Traci Powell was recognized for receiving her Masters degree in Nursing from Ohio University. She recently passed her for Nurse Practitioner boards. Traci will soon be located in our newly expanded Urgent Care II as an employee of Premeir Healthcare.



Kathy Krumlauf recognized Virginia Sparks, a volunteer in the Community Relations Dept., for being more than willing to work beyond her scheduled time when there are projects to complete. Virginia has been a volunteer for 5 years.



LeeAnn Helber praised Donna Edgington for a patient’s remarks about how Donna went above her job duties to help the patient straighten out a billing error with her insurance company.



National Teddy Bear Day

In tribute to National Teddy Bear Day, the Employee Satisfaction team is asking the HVCH family to reach deep into their hearts and donate a new bear(s) or any new stuffed toy(s) of any size, to be distributed to to HVCH’s ED pediatric patients. All donations will be appreciated. To show our gratitude, Nutrition and Food Services will give each contributor a choice of Oreo cookies’n’cream pie, Reese’s peanut butter cake, or a bowl of fresh fruit. Please drop off donations in the cafeteria. If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Sharon Conner at x8342.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

When you come to the end of your rope, tie a knot and hang on.

Franklin Roosevelt

SNF Holds “Fair” for Residents



SNF Volunteer, Eva Petit, scoops ice cream for the patients at the SNF Fair.

The smell of fresh popped popcorn and deep fried corn dogs, were in the air in the Skilled Nursing Facility recently, as the SNF staff and residents enjoyed their own “county fair”.

Hocking College students, aides and nurses, assisted the residents with their festive meal. Thanks to all who helped make this enjoyable event successful.

Construction Underway

Construction is now underway to expand Urgent Care Services. The scheduled outpatient registration area will become a three bed urgent care center (Urgent Care II). We have incorporated the scheduled outpatient registration with the current Patient Registration area. Target date for completion is October 30, 2009. Please pardon the disruption as we try to provide better service to our patients.

**Hocking Co. Fair
Sept. 13-19**

Check out the HVCH booth at the Hocking County Fair, Sept. 13-19. It is located under the grandstands. HVCH managers and employees will be manning the booth and passing out timely information.

PHYSICIAN OF THE MONTH



Spotlighted Physician of the month is Dr. Jennifer Gwilym. Dr. Gwilym is a Family Practice Physician and is located in the Logan Physicians Building. Phone 385-0202

Jennifer Gwilym, D.O., has opened her Family Practice in the Logan Physician’s Building, 751 St. Rt. 664 N.

Dr. Gwilym attended The Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Dr. Gwilym is from Glouster, OH. and her first job was as a cashier at Edwards Cardinal Supermarket in Nelsonville.

Dr. Gwilym’s mother and father live in Glouster, and so does her younger brother and his wife.

Dr. Gwilym has a 4 lb. Yorkie named Daisy.

You might be surprised to know that Dr. Gwilym started majoring in Fashion Merchandising before choosing to go to medical school.

This bio information is provided by the physician satisfaction committee.

Family Healthcare Introduces New Physician

Family Healthcare Inc., recently hosted an open house to introduce the newest member of their team.

Dr. Lorena Donofrio, Dr. Donofrio was born in Southeast Ohio and graduated from Alexander High School. She received her undergraduate degree in biological sciences from Ohio University in 2002 and graduated from OU-COM in 2006.

Dr. Donofrio completed her residency in Family Medicine at Cuyahoga Falls General Hospital in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio.

Dr. Donofrio and her husband have one daughter, Sophia.



Jenny Kindinger, Physician Recruiter, Dr. Donofrio, and Mark Bradenbaugh, FHI, General Manager.



Coming Soon...

**Get ready to join the “Hoedown”!
Employee Wellness Fair
October 14, 7:00 am to 4:00 pm**

