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SPECIAL EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION EDITION



2019



The annual CGH Employee Recognition Dinner was held on **September 17 at the Brandywine Banquet and Event Center in Dixon**. One hundred and nineteen long-time employees were honored for their dedicated service to CGH. All of the 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, and 40-year recipients and a guest were treated to a delicious dinner and received a special gift. Pictured at left with CGH President and CEO, Dr. Paul Steinke, is 40 year honoree **Kathleen Wescott (PACU)**.

40 YEAR HONOREES



Vicki Biller
Health Informatics

Vicki Biller started her career with CGH as an LPN on Medical Floor in March 1979. She has worked in Pediatrics, Medical Floor, filled in for several months as a Diabetic Educator, and has been working in Health Informatics since 2010.

"Vicki gives all to her work, whether it was the patients she served or the end users she supports today. She is amazing at handling multiple concurrent requests, she stays calm and on task even when pulled in a million directions," said Teresa Kikuts, Director, Health Informatics. "She has demonstrated these abilities throughout her career in nursing and technology."



Kathleen Wescott
PACU

Kathy Wescott began her nursing career with CGH after graduating from St. Francis School of Nursing in June 1979. Kathy is an RN and has spent her entire 40 years in just two departments here at CGH. She was hired into CCU where she stayed for 9 years and from there went directly to PACU where she has been for 31 years.

"Kathy is a very knowledgeable, patient focused, and compassionate nurse with a strong work ethic," said Alice Vetter, Director of Cardiology Services and Critical Care. "Her dependability and dedication to CGH and her patients is paramount."

35 YEAR HONOREES



Deborah Blackert
Outpatient
Physical Therapy



Dr. Paul Steinke and Deborah Blackert

CGH Medical Center would like to take this opportunity to recognize the employees in the Special Employee Recognition Edition of Communique for their continuous hard work and dedication.

THANK YOU

for continually striving to make CGH Medical Center the benchmark for quality service.

35 Year Honoree Not Pictured
Michelle Nelsen (Cardiology)

30 YEAR HONOREES



Heather Eddinger
Laboratory



Christopher Ramirez
Critical Care Unit



Joseph Real
Pre Hospital



Pictured clockwise from L-R: Dr. Paul Steinke, Chris Ramirez, Luanne Trujillo, Joe Real, Heather Eddinger and Daneen Sandrock.



Daneen Sandrock
Digestive Health
Center



Luanne Trujillo
Medical Transcription
Services

30 Year Honorees Not Pictured

Leann Bellini (ED); **Mindy Billings** (Health Information);
Teresa Craft (Central Supply); **Dawn Edwards** (Population Health Management);
Kathleen Ivey (Central Sterile); **Grace McCullough** (Float);
Karen McNinch (Daycare); **Sandra Meyer** (Observation Unit);
Kathy Mills (Central Sterile); **Thomas Sweeney** (Environmental Services);
Diane Yeoward (Family Medicine - Lynn Blvd.)

25 YEAR HONOREES



Shane Brown
Administration



Tina Dillon
OB/GYN



Rogean Keime
Patient Access



Meredith Pope
Central Sterile



Debra Sigel
Physical Therapy



Kimberly Velazquez
Patient Accounting



Nancy Wait
Business Services

25 Year Honorees Not Pictured:

Brenda Allen (Health Information);
Lynn Gallegos
(Clinic Patient Financial Services);
Cathy Hatten
(Clinic Patient Financial Services);
Shirley Hernandez (Dietary);
Meredith Johnson (OB/GYN);
Lisa Livingston
(Materials Management);
Darci Schmitt
(Family Medicine - Lynn Blvd.);
Michael Straub (Pre Hospital)

Too often, we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn a life around.

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20 YEAR HONOREES



Leanne Blase
Community Services



Tracey McCaslin
Human Resources



Eric Mullan
Plant Operations



Jodi Rank
Physical Therapy



Angela Reitzel
Quality Resources



Theresa Rogers
Cardiology



Vicki Velasquez
Medical Transcription
Services



Cindy Wadsworth
Clinic Administration

**20 Year Honorees
Not Pictured:**
Dr. Warren Cannell (Pediatrics);
Pamela Carey (Home Nursing);
Clark Franks (Materials Management);
Sandi Hay (Health Information);
Teresa McCardle
(Clinic Patient Financial Services);
Janice Repass (Gastroenterology);
Talia Rosas (3-East Medical);
Dr. Robert Whittaker (Oral Surgery);
Cynthia Witherow (OB/GYN)

15 YEAR HONOREES



Jean Biba
Cardio



Parish Cheshire
Oncology



Theresa Devine
Dietary



Gina Grennan
DID Administration



Robin Klenz
Central Sterile



Kathleen Knapp
Gastroenterology



Kimberly Przysucha
Gastroenterology



Victoria Stokes
Patient Access



Chelsey Vetter
Critical Care Unit

15 Year Honorees Not Pictured:
Abby Anderson (Internal Medicine); **Donna Cook** (Family Medicine - Rock Falls); **Julie Cox** (Dietary);
Erin Dempsey (Dermatology - Dixon); **Pamela Fugate** (Orthopaedics); **Ashley Hamilton** (Patient Access);
Toni Ikens (Internal Medicine); **Michael McAlvey** (Pre Hospital); **Koren McClearin** (Ultrasound);
Dr. Thomas McGlone (General Surgery); **Jennifer Rogers** (Clinic Float Pool); **Sandra Ryan** (Business Services);
Brian Sage (Plant Operations); **Laurie Schroeder** (2 East Surgical); **Angela Sullivan** (Observation Unit);
Dr. Kim Treviranus (Sleep Medicine); **Josh Wade** (Orthopaedics); **Rae Walls** (Environmental Services)

10 YEAR HONOREES



Danielle Balsley
Cardiac Cath



Nick Barthel
Business Services



Pamela Bittorf
Patient Accounting



Kate Boyle
Accounting



Melissa Cassens
Obstetrics



Meaghan Coward
Patient Accounting



Kelly Diehl
Physical Therapy



Liz Foster
Marketing



Michael Fritz
Information Technology



Jill Halverson
Gastroenterology



Bruce Henson
Information Technology



Amanda Michel
Ambulatory Surgery



Susanne Parker
Environmental Services



Elizabeth Senneff
Outpatient Physical Therapy



Lindsay Wohrley
Gastroenterology

10 Year Honorees Not Pictured:

Michelle Belha (3 East Medical); **Cynthia Britton** (Materials Management); **Carey Bruder** (Oral Surgery); **Laurie Davis** (Family Medicine - Rock Falls); **Kaylan Dietz** (DID); **Donna Dorathy** (Health Information); **Magdaline Egert** (Ambulatory Surgery); **Brandy Haggard** (Critical Care Unit); **Erica Heaton** (Family Medicine - Downtown); **Kelly Johnson** (Critical Care Unit); **Dr. John Luckey** (Family Medicine - Downtown); **Tiffany Nutt** (Radiology - Morrison); **Christy Quinn** (Shift Coordinators); **Dr. Eric Riley** (Podiatry); **Timothy Ross** (POM); **Melissa Sandoval** (Laboratory); **Stephanie Stanley** (Ophthalmology - Downtown); **Jeanie Swanson** (Wound Healing Center); **Ashley Swanson** (Respiratory Care); **Heather Swanson** (Surgery/OR); **Tammy Tomman** (Dietary); **Dr. Nancy Tran** (Hospitalists); **Jessica White** (Podiatry);

5 YEAR HONOREES

Steven Adee (POM)
Ashlyn Arduini (Ophthalmology - Dixon)
Billie Ann Baldwin (Central Sterile)
Sandra Baylor-Schmidt (Human Resources)
Jennine Beckmann (ED)
Justin Brown (Pre Hospital)
Nellie Burke (Ophthalmology - Downtown)
Desiree Burke (ED)
Ashley Cameron (Patient Access)
Katherine Chase (Urology)
Lora Clapper (Home Nursing)
Taylor Colville (ED)
Tracey Coppotelli (Family Medicine - Downtown)
Kristina Dauen (Cardiology)
Lisa Delgado-Flores (Patient Access)
Christopher Fleming (Pharmacy)
Brianna Fredrickson (ED)
Brandy Galvan (Clinic Float Pool)
Greg Gillette (Information Technology)
Shauna Gipe (Oral Surgery)
Doug Heeren (Information Technology)

Stevie Jamin (Information Technology)
Mercedes Johnson (Environmental Services)
Jouquenia Johnson (ED)
Denise Johnson (Materials Management)
Elizabeth Kalas (Internal Medicine - Dixon)
Billie Kaprelian (OB/GYN)
Dr. Thomas King (Vascular Surgery)
Evan Klein (Respiratory Care)
Tyler Lawson (Quality Resources)
Dr. Steven Mackay (Cardiology)
Dr. Ashok Maini (Hospitalists)
Lauren Majeski (Surgery/OR)
Anita Meier (Orthopaedics)
Nanette Metzler (Biomed)
Logan Miller (Information Technology)
Kaitlyn Miller (Ambulatory Surgery)
Jessica Null (Orthopaedics)
Sabrina Pletsch (Clinic Administration)
Diane Ramirez (Dietary)
Melody Reed (Otorhinolaryngology)
Dugan Repass (Outpatient Physical Therapy)

Anna Reynolds (Wound Healing Center)
Carrie Rodriguez (2 East Surgical)
Raquel Romano (Float)
Marcella Sandoval-Herrera (ED)
Danelle Saunders (PACU)
Alex Schmidt (Critical Care Unit)
Suzette Schriener (Family Medicine - Rock Falls)
Michele Setlock (Patient Accounting)
Kami Shank (General Surgery)
Megan Shank (Accounting)
Laura Soleta (Health Information)
Teresa Stark (2 East Surgical)
Senada Tefiku (Environmental Services)
Lirije Tefiku (Environmental Services)
Angie Thompson (Internal Medicine)
Deann Wagenknecht (Health Information)
Dr. Heather Wakefield (General Surgery)
Christiane Wiemken (ED)
Jacob Wierenga (Laundry)
Sarah Wilson (Family Medicine - Morrison)
Brittney Zemke (Surgery/OR)