



# Communique

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**EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION WEEK**

**Monday, September 20**  
**Employee Gift**  
 Managers will distribute the gift to all of their staff!

Each employee will receive 5 tickets to enter in a drawing for a gift of their choice. Gifts will be on virtual display starting Wednesday, Sept 15. Gift selection will also be done virtually. More details to come.

**Tuesday, September 21**  
**10+ Year Employee Recognition Dinner for 2020 Honorees**  
 At **McCormick Event Center**  
 Cocktails: 5:30pm – Dinner 6:00pm – followed by presentations.  
 Invitations have been sent to honorees and their managers for this event.

**Wednesday, September 22**  
**Whole House Meal**  
 AdCon and Managers will serve delicious food as a thank you to all staff!  
 Under the Tent in Parking Lot B (**rain plan is in Ryberg**)  
**(Candlelight Chicken George, with side options)**  
 11:00am – 1:00pm & 9:30pm – 11:00pm / Offsite meals will be delivered

**Thursday, September 23**  
**CGH Shirt Day & Prize Drawings**  
 Wear a CGH shirt and see if your name is drawn to win a prize  
**10+ Year Employee Recognition Dinner for 2021 Honorees**  
 At **McCormick Event Center**  
 Cocktails: 5:30pm – Dinner 6:00pm – followed by presentations.  
 Invitations have been sent to honorees and their managers for this event.

**Friday, September 24**  
**Snack Day**  
 Managers will distribute a snack to all of their staff!


**2021**



**CGH MEDICAL CENTER**

*Congratulations*  
**DR. AFREM MALKI**  
FAMILY MEDICINE

CGH Medical Center would like to congratulate Dr. Afrem Malki (Family Medicine) on 20 + years of service and wish him a happy retirement!



**CGH MEDICAL CENTER**

*Congratulations*  
**DR. THOMAS KURIAN**  
CARDIOLOGY

CGH Medical Center would like to congratulate Dr. Thomas Kurian (Cardiology) on 14 + years of service and wish him a happy retirement!

## Employee Caring Fund Committee Openings

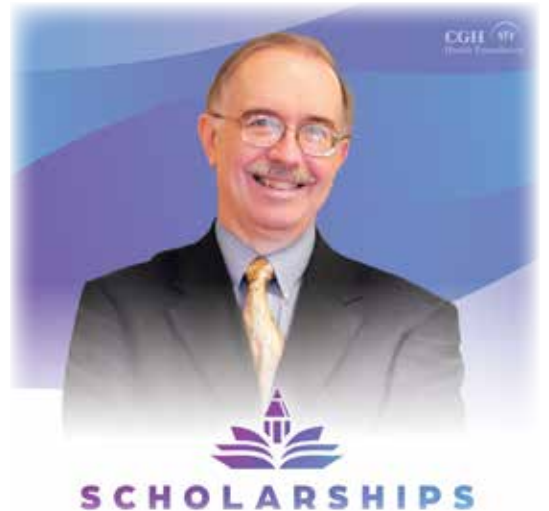
The CGH Employee Caring Fund is currently looking for new committee members. The CGH Employee Caring Fund is an employee to employee program, 100% funded by employee contributions. Employee contributions enable the program to fund scholarships for CGH employees and send a thoughtful token to a fellow CGH employee in the event of a birth/adoption of a child, hospitalization, death of an immediate family member, or a personal catastrophe.



If you are interested in joining the committee, please email Ashley Roux at [ashley.roux@cghmc.com](mailto:ashley.roux@cghmc.com) for details.

## Ed Andersen Scholarship

**Need funding for college?**  
Apply for the \$2,000 Ed Andersen Healthcare Scholarship, funded annually by the CGH Health Foundation. **Deadline is Wednesday, September 15 at 5 p.m.**



The Ed Andersen Healthcare Scholarship was established in 2014 by the CGH Board of Directors in gratitude for the former CGH CEO/President's exemplary career of more than 35 years. The healthcare scholarship is based on merit and financial need. Full- and part-time healthcare and nursing students may apply. Students already accepted into their professional school of study for either a nursing or healthcare degree are eligible.

**Criteria:**

- Reside in CGH Medical Center service area (includes Whiteside, Lee, Carroll, Ogle and Bureau counties)
- Demonstration of financial need; merit also considered
- Minimum 3.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale overall or equivalent
- Proof of acceptance in accredited nursing program (CNA, CMA, LPN, RN, ADN, BSN, MSN, NP)

**OR**

Proof of acceptance in accredited healthcare program (such as physical therapy, speech pathology, pharmacy, emergency medical technician, radiology technology, dietitian, for example). (DOES NOT INCLUDE pre-med, pre-physical therapy and other type designations.)

Go to Lifeline/Internal Sites/Scholarship Forms or [cghmc.com/scholarships](http://cghmc.com/scholarships) to download the application. Questions? Email [joan.hermes@cghmc.com](mailto:joan.hermes@cghmc.com).



Save the Date!  
**Scrubs**  
On-Site Sale  
Tuesday, October 5th  
**RYBERG**  
**AUDITORIUM**

CGH Logo Apparel  
Online Store to follow  
Featuring New Items!

#SCRUBS Sponsored by CGH Auxiliary



# CGH Medical Center Welcomes Alhareth Alsayed, MD Oncology

We are pleased to welcome Alhareth Alsayed, MD to CGH Medical Center. Dr. Alsayed joins Mir Alikhan, MD, FACP; Staci Drosopoulos, PA-C; and Lindsay Rodriguez, APN, NP-C in the Oncology department.

Dr. Alsayed received his MD from the University of Damascus Faculty of Medicine in Syria. He completed an Internal Medicine residency at Rosalind Franklin University in North Chicago. In addition, Dr. Alsayed completed a medical oncology fellowship as Chief Fellow at the University of South Alabama in Mobile. Dr. Alsayed is a Diplomate of the American Board of Internal Medicine.

*Dr. Alsayed is accepting new patients at CGH Main Clinic and at CGH Dixon Medical Center.*



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## About Well-Being & Whole Life Balance...

*“The bad news is,  
time flies.*

*The good news is,  
you’re the pilot.”*

**Michael Altschuler**



Submitted by the Awards, Recognition,  
and Well-Being Subcommittee

## Thank You for Your Service

**Congratulations to the following CGH employees on their retirements! You will ALL be greatly missed!**



This is what 82 years of combined OB experience looks like!! Two amazing nurses who have positively influenced the birthing stories of so many women retired on August 31st.  
**(L-R): Mary McCormick (41 years) and Betty Goff (41 years)**



**Jan Davey**  
Medical Transcription  
35 Years



**Russ VanZuiden**  
Materials Man.  
13 Years



**Sandy Hilton**  
Pain Management  
15 Years



**Leanne VanZuiden**  
Central Scheduling  
44 Years



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# CGH AUXILIARY ANNIVERSARY

ENJOY A NIGHT OF FOOD, DRINKS, ENTERTAINMENT, & GOOD COMPANY  
IN HONOR OF THE CGH AUXILIARY'S 75TH ANNIVERSARY!

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH, 2021**  
**6:30PM – 9:30PM • MCCORMICK EVENT CENTER**  
**205 E 3RD ST, ROCK FALLS, IL • \$50 PER PERSON**

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT,  
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## EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

# TIFFANY MANZANO

Clinical  
Applications  
Analyst



## SEPTEMBER 2021

### ABOUT ME

- **I live in:** Sterling
- **Joined CGH on:** February 13, 2006
- **Education:** Sauk Valley Community College and Indiana Wesleyan
- **Hobbies:** Spending time with my friends, shopping and watching football

Tiffany has been critical in many of the changes that we have been making within our organization to make nursing practice better. Tiffany is the chairperson for the Documentation Subcommittee of Shared Governance. She has spent countless hours holding meetings and building our documentation to be more aligned with our vision. She does a great job invoking thought within our committee and enhancing our critical thinking. She upholds the mission, vision and values of our organization and none of this could have been done without her expertise. She really has gone above and beyond for us! From all us on the Shared Governance committee, we thank you for all your hard work and commitment to our staff and patients!

### PROUDEST ACHIEVEMENT

Becoming a nurse

### MY FAMILY

Parents, Jube and Sylvia; brothers, Jube, Art and Greg; sister-in-law, Dawn; multiple nieces and nephews; and my bird, Linus



Purpose, Worthwhile Work...  
*Making a Difference!*