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CGH Recognizes DAISY Award Winner Korissa Kipping, RN

Korissa Kipping, a registered nurse in the CGH Emergency Department, was recently recognized as a recipient of the prestigious DAISY Award for extraordinary nurses. An international program, the award is presented to nurses around the world who go above and beyond for their patients and demonstrate extraordinary compassionate care.

Stephanie Waller, RN, Digestive Health Center, and DAISY Award Coordinator, read the nomination as the award was presented: "I recently brought my 92 year old mother-in-law into the ED. She has the start of dementia and was diagnosed with dehydration. Korissa not only calmed me but did an amazing job calming and consoling my mother-in-law. Korissa took her time and explained numerous times to her what was going on and what to expect next. Dementia (and nursing) can be tiresome, and I believe it was towards the end of Korissa's shift but you wouldn't know it. She talked my mother-in-law into eating, telling her how good the roast beef was and that made our 92 year old very happy! Korissa checked on her a lot and made sure she was comfortable and warm. THANK YOU, CGH for hiring such caring nurses! We appreciate the care and time that Korissa gave us. She sure has a huge heart!"



Pictured from L-R: Abigail Coyle, Assistant Nurse Manager ED; Sarah Alvarez-Brown, Director, ED, Behavioral Health and Float Pool; Korissa Kipping, RN, ED; and Kristie Geil, Vice President, Patient Care Services and Chief Nursing Officer.

The DAISY Award - an acronym for "Diseases Attacking the Immune System" - was established by the DAISY Foundation in California in memory of J. Patrick Barnes, who died at age 33 of an autoimmune disease. During his hospitalization, they deeply appreciated the care and compassion shown to Patrick and his entire family. When he died, they felt compelled to say "thank you" to nurses in a very public way. The DAISY Award continues to recognize and celebrate the outstanding professionalism and compassion that nurses bring to patients and their families every day.

Other CGH nurses nominated for the DAISY award during the 2nd quarter included: Paula Beveroth, Korissa Blasing, Sally Canas, Amanda Dawson, Karen Dever, Katie Dewey, Diane Gaumer, Laura Hawk, Holly Hilty, Emily Johnson, Kim King, Shelly Lewis, Lisa Little, Samantha Long, Marsha Malburg, Tiffany Markel, Destinee Massey, Amy Melichar, Manual Mooney, Heather Moser, Kristie Murphy, MaKayla Murphy, Heather Musselman, Michelle Nelsen, Kristi Pierce, Morgan Pope, Elizabeth Schmidt, Whitney Smith, Rebecca Tieman, Michelle Valdez, Deyanira Vargas, Lisa Vos, Lauren Williams and Brittany Zemke.

If you would like to submit a nomination for extraordinary nursing care that you, a family member, or a patient have received at CGH Medical Center, please visit www.cghmc.com/daisy.



Kim Davis, LPN
Clinic Float

Fun facts about me:

I have worked here for more than half of my life. This picture was taken just before I started working for Dr. Worcester almost 40 years ago.

My best career lesson:

Always stay three steps ahead. The patient is always first, right, and the most important.

3 words that describe me:

Hardworking, Loyal and Funny

When I'm not working, I enjoy:

My children, two grand babies, drinking Keystone Light and mowing my yard

What I like about my job:

I like helping people, making them feel better, and going the extra mile to help them through the medical system.

My job duties:

I've worked here for almost 40 years and have been a Float for 30 of those years . . . so I imagine there are too many duties to list or remember.



July '22

NAMI Sauk Area 5K

Members of the CGHMC Nursing Community Outreach participated in the NAMI Sauk Area 5K on July 9 at Woodlawn.

Jackie Sciacero, RN (OR); Alan Tiongson and Lyn Tiongson, CRNA (Anesthesia) (pictured on the right) gave us a photo finish for a First Place win at the event.



Congratulations!



CGH MEDICAL CENTER
HAPPY RETIREMENT
Dr. Rita Hart
PEDIATRICS

Congratulations to **Rita Hart, DO**, who retired at the beginning of July after a nearly 30 year career in Pediatrics (with her last five years served at CGH)! Thank you for your dedication to our patients and their families! You will be missed, and we wish you well in your retirement!



CGH MEDICAL CENTER
HAPPY RETIREMENT
Cheryl Baker
MLS, ASCP
LABORATORY DIRECTOR

Cheryl Baker, CGH's Laboratory Administrative Director, recently retired after more than 17 years of service! Thank you, Cheryl, for the dedication, commitment, and leadership you have provided! We wish you well in your retirement!

CGH Auxiliary Donation



CGH Auxiliary recently donated stuffed bears to the EMS department. The bears are given to children who are taken to the hospital in the ambulance. Pictured L-R are **Chad Hartman**, Assistant Director of Prehospital Care Ambulance; **Kim Skrogstad**, Gift Shop Manager; and **Stu Richter**, Auxiliary President.

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

**TALIA
ROSAS**

HUC/CNA,
Acute Care
Services



JULY 2022

Not a day goes by that Talia isn't giving 110%. Talia always has a smile on her face and is willing to do whatever is asked of her. She has the "what can I do to help you" attitude every day! Many days she is found helping on Surgical and Medical floors as well as making transportation arrangements for outpatients.

Talia truly gives her all when she is here. If Talia accepts a task, rest assured she will see it through! Thank you, Talia, for all your hard work.



Purpose, Worthwhile Work...
Making a Difference!

Clinton Lumberkings Tickets

There is still time to request FREE tickets for two upcoming Clinton Lumberkings games!

CGH is a sponsor for the Sunday, July 24 "Morrison/Fulton Day" and the Sunday, July 31 "Sterling/Rock Falls Day". Both games begin at 2 p.m. As of today, 249 tickets have been requested by CGHers for the July 24 game and 380 for the July 31 game. Tickets are limited to two per employee. Request tickets at heartbeat.cgh.com and they will be sent to you via interoffice mail. **Wear a CGH shirt, stop by our booth, and enjoy the game!**



ONCOLOGY OPEN HOUSE

THURSDAY, JULY 28 • 3 - 6 PM

3 - 4:30 STAFF ONLY

4:30 RIBBON CUTTING

4:30 - 6 PM PUBLIC WELCOME

CGH Medical Center is proud to introduce the new Oncology department located at CGH Main Clinic on the 3rd floor.

The new 7,680-square-foot department features nine exam rooms, 13 infusion bays, two drawing rooms, two treatment rooms and additional space for Hematology/Oncology injections.



Mir Alikhan, MD, FACP



Alhareth Alsayed, MD



Lindsay Rodriguez, DNP

2022 CGH Summer Scholars Program Comes to a Close



CGH recently wrapped up its 2022 Summer Scholars Program - a program designed to provide students in our service area with an opportunity to explore the health care field.

Over the last two months, this year's participants had the opportunity to work one-on-one with CGH physicians, while also attending lectures about careers in the health care field and rotating between our various medical departments. The 2022 program concluded with a program, where each of the students described the research project they worked on and/or completed while at CGH. Thank you to our Summer Scholars (L-R): **Andrew Jones, Kadence Sheaffer and Tori Arduini. We hope you enjoyed your time at CGH and hope to see you again someday!**

Memories Matter.

CGH Health Foundation
Dementia Awareness T-Shirt Sales

Order your short sleeve T-shirt online NOW!

Visit <https://www.cghmc.com/memoriesmattershirt/>
to place your order

We will interoffice your shirt to your department

2022 Shirt Design



Join us in person!
Wednesday, July 13

11 am - 1 pm

Outside by the Northside Barbaq Food Truck
(in the Ryberg if it is raining)

Thursday, July 21

3 pm - 4:30 pm

Outside by the Kona Ice Food Truck
(in the Ryberg if it is raining)



\$20 T-Shirts (S-XL)

\$22 T-Shirts (2XL-3XL)

Cash, Check, Venmo and Payroll Deduct are accepted

Wear Purple Day is Coming Soon!
Watch for more information!

All proceeds go towards the new CGH Health Foundation Dementia Project

CGH Auxiliary Volunteer Spotlight

Name: Deb Slifer

I live in: Sterling

Joined CGH Auxiliary in: 2006

Hobbies:

I like reading, traveling, hanging out with friends, book club, and Silver Sneakers (YMCA).

Area(s) of Volunteer Service:

I currently volunteer at the reception desk, but have volunteered in many positions throughout the years.

Hours: 2343.8

What I enjoy most about volunteering:

I enjoy helping people, seeing my friends and making new ones, volunteering the number of hours I want, and interacting with CGH employees and other volunteers.



DEB SLIFER



Thank You!



CGH Health Foundation Annual Appeal Employee Division Co-Chairs **Sandy Williams** (left) and **Mimi Hicks**, CGH Daycare Director (right) THANK YOU for supporting the new CGH Health Foundation Dementia Project by purchasing a Memories Matter shirt! Sandy lost her husband, Eldon, in January 2020 due to dementia. Mimi is on a dementia journey with her mom, Isabel, who is in the late stage. Both are committed to helping the CGH Health Foundation raise funds this year to raise awareness about dementia and to add or expand resources and services in the area for those impacted by this disease.

SAVE THE DATE:
Shoe Roads

AUXILIARY VENDOR SALE

AUGUST
22nd & 23rd

