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We're celebrating!

Celebrating 35 years of doing good works in the Sauk Valley. Celebrating our many supporters who have made this possible. And in the coming year, celebrating and honoring those individuals and families affected by dementia/ Alzheimer's.



The CGH Health Foundation is embarking on a new initiative focused on raising awareness of the disease and offering resources and assistance to those impacted. This will be made possible through a bequest from the late Hugh and Betty Miller, well-known Rock Falls residents, as well as your gifts to the 2022 Annual Appeal.

"My dear Mom suffered from dementia for almost 10 years. It was very painful to watch as she progressed in the disease," said Joan Hermes, executive director of the Foundation and daughter of Hugh and Betty. "She had been so active in the community with my Dad. Their Hugh F. Miller Insurance Agency motto is 'Here Family Matters' and they thrived on caring for their extended circle of 'families'."

In true community spirit, it was Mr. Miller's wish before his death in June that the Foundation and the hospital work together to help area families. "He hopes the Foundation can help families to more easily navigate finding existing resources as well as potentially provide new types of assistance," said Mrs. Hermes, "We will spend the next year in planning and creating local support for those impacted by dementia and Alzheimer's."

The Foundation and CGH Medical Center will be partnering with the Alzheimer's Association to offer a variety of resources to individuals living with the disease and their caregivers. Potential plans include: (1) create support groups in the area (2) host a community forum to learn from those impacted by dementia on what resources are lacking in the area (3) provide professional staff education on diagnosis/treatment of the disease (4) provide educational programs for the community (5) promote community awareness of the disease.

More than 5 million Americans are living with dementia and the number is projected to reach nearly 14 million by 2050. Alzheimer's is the most common cause of dementia, accounting for 60 to 80 percent of all dementia cases.

For more information go to www.cghmc.com/foundation or call Executive Director Joan Hermes at 815-625-0400, ext. 5672.



Anne Cordell, RN Oncology

Fun facts about me:

I've been married to my husband, Chip, for 39 fun years. We have two married children (one is a high school math teacher and one is a nurse), and two granddaughters that call me, Ducky!

My best career lesson:

Always, always LISTEN to the patient

3 words that describe me:

Caring, happy and I like to have fun!

When I'm not working, I enjoy:

Spending time with my husband and family, and spoiling my grandchildren and granddogs

What I like about my job:

Having the privilege of helping people through their chemotherapy journey

My job duties:

Some office duties, but mostly administering chemotherapy

March '22

Masquerade JEWELRY & ACCESSORIES SALE Monday, April 4th 7AM - 5PM Tuesday, April 5th 7AM - 2PM RYBERG AUDITORIUM Cash, Debit/Credit Cards and Payroll Deduct Accepted



Congratulations to the following departments who have all met their Days Between Accidents Safety Goal!

Environmental Services

By working together and doing the right things - including group stretching before their shifts - EVS has made tremendous progress in the last year to proactively reduce their injuries!

Lab

With short staffing and the increased volume of lab tests over the past year, it is nothing short of great work and attention to safety that has allowed them to achieve this goal!

They've been a great example of working safe!

Plant Operations & Maintenance

With their hands in nearly every project that has been completed here at CGH, POM has managed to work safely as a team through them all! Their staff members combine experience, knowledge and teamwork to reduce the inherent risks in their jobs and have successfully gone without a departmental injury to meet their "Working Safe" goal!

Food and Nutrition Services

Through the combined experience and knowledge of Dietary's "seasoned" staff, they have "caraway-ed" their goal of days between employee incidents!

Please join us in congratulating all of them on a job well done!



Welcome CGH Medical Center New Employees



Kelly Mills Radiation Therapist NICTC



Rose Ibarra Phlebotomist Laboratory



Melissa Zinke CNA Float-Clinic



Kylie Winsett HUC/CNA ACS-Surgical



Grace RiceCNA
Float-Hospital



Kelli ONeal CNA Cardiology



James Schauff
Cardiac
Monitor Tech
CCU



Alivia Hueramo CNA Vascular Surgery



Saumin Patel
Phlebotomist
Laboratory



Alicia Evans HUC/CNA ACS-Surgical



Kathleen Sciacero HUC-CNA ACS-Surgical



Catalina Carrizales HUC/CNA BHU



Kaitlyn McGinn Food & Nutrition Assistant Dietary



Angie Frazier Food & Nutrition Assistant Dietary



Mario Medina Food & Nutrition Assistant Dietary



Kaitlyn CrawfordCafe Worker *Dietary*



Andrea Brenner
Hearing Aid
Dispenser
Audiology



Debbie DaViloReceptionist
Wound Care
Clinic



Karrigan Brooks HUC/CNA



Gigi Giang Housekeeper I *EVS*



Joanna Lilly Food & Nutrition Assistant Dietary



Tanisha Foreman Respiratory Care Practitioner Respiratory



Kaitlyn Stevens Housekeeper I *EVS*



Tru NyanchamaMedical
Technologist
Laboratory



Tiffany Lori Reif Simmons CNA Receptionist ACS-Surgical Float-Clinic



Ariane Jocknevich LPN Float-Clinic



Kaylene GibbsRN
ED



Elvira Hernandez LPN ACS-Surgical



Mavis Bryant IT Support Tech



Delaney Tegeler CNA ACS-Surgical



Emily Adee RN CCU



Mackenzie Kessel CNA Float-Hospital



CNA GI



Cameron Gonzalez EMT-B Pre-Hospital



Christine King Sterile Processing Tech Sterile Processing



Carissa Ferry HUC/CNA FD



Sherri Graham RN ENT



Hope Canas Phlebotomist Laboratory



Casey Babel Network Engineer IT



Page Geil Nurse Student Aide CCU



Josephine Hale CNA Ready Care



Julia Gomez RN ACS-Surgical



Mendez-Martinez
Pharmacy Tech
Pharmacy



Allison Hutchison Phlebotomist Laboratory



Laurie Griggs Phlebotomist Laboratory



Maddie Gasso RN Obstetrics

Dermatology CLIA Survey

Congratulations to **Dr. Marc Stees** and the **CGH Dermatology department** for having a successful Clinical Lab Improvement Amendments (CLIA) survey.

A CLIA is required by federal law for any facility that



Clinical Laboratory Improvements Amedments



Marc Stees, MD

performs laboratory testing for the purpose of diagnosing and/or treatment. Our Dermatology department passed without any citations!

Congrats, Karen Zigler!



Karen Zigler, Pharmacy, celebrated her 40th anniversary with CGH Medical Center on March 3. Laboratory held a surprise party on March 9 in her honor. Karen is pictured above with Matt Hammer, Director of Pharmacy, and Beth Jacobs, Assistant Director of Pharmacy.

Congratulations, Karen, on 40 years of dedicated service!

Mandatory Education

Reminder: CGH Employee Mandatory Education for FY 2021-2022 completion is required by April 30.



Walk the Walk... or Run the Run, CGH!



As part of our commitment to health and wellness, and to involve employees in representing CGH in our communities, we will reimburse staff members for participating and/or forming teams to walk or run in local events.

Some guidelines to follow:

- Races must be in the local five-county CGH service area and pre-approved by Marketing before registering for an event.
- You must register and pay for the event, then you will be reimbursed. Race entry fees are reimbursable to a maximum of \$20 per event.
- We will reimburse a maximum of three events per employee, per fiscal year.
- Only the entry fees for CGH employees will be reimbursed, even though we encourage your family and friends to participate too!
- The event must benefit a school or non-profit organization, not an individual.
- Participants will receive one CGH race shirt for all events to wear during the events to represent CGH.
- Take a photo so we can post it on Facebook and Twitter (#TeamCGHMC) and cheer you on!

Thanks for representing us and have fun!!!
Please contact Nicole Bollman in Marketing with any questions.

Relaxation Room

What people are saying...

My feet feel like they are in heaven!

This is a nice area to just sit, process, be emotional, and disassociate for a bit. This has been a great reflection and processing time. Thank you!



Best idea ever!!! After a long shift, it was nice to come here and unwind.

Please visit the CGH relaxation room at the hospital on the 3rd floor, for a quick and well-deserved getaway in the midst of a crazy work day.

April Birthdays

- Rose Bass
- Skyler DeLaFuente
- Kaley Downie
- Susan Eyrich
- Amanda Fulkerson
- Renee Stach
- 2 Christopher Gale
- 2 Jill Halverson
- 2
- Kylie Heninger 2 Savannah Perkins
- 2 Sarah Prowant
- 3 **Evan Cooper**
- Angelica Dornes
- 3 Kenneth Masters
- 3 Esther Salazar
- 3 Lauren Williams
- 4 Kayla Magill
- Dawn Maves
- 5 Linda Baker
- 5 Tyler Lawson
- 5 Tiffany Marquez
- 6 Lori Crow
- Monica Enstrom 6
- Andrea Ferguson 6
- 6 Tanja Gruber
- Julie Penne 6
- 6 Eddie Pruis
- 6 Frelea Tiongson
- Greta Van Weelden
- Erica Wyckstandt
- Cari Johnson
- Marsha Malburg
- Karen McNinch
- Jorge Monteagudo
- Diane Shipman
- Amanda
- Stephenitch
- 8 Debra Bowman
- 8 Lacy Renner
- 8 Julie Schoeny 9 Andrea Fry
- 9 Kimberly Peikert
- 9 Henri Stewart
- 10 Promise Chambers
- 10 Lynette Ebersole
- 10 Kerri Stover
- Mikayla Watkins
- Karley Bonnell 11
- 11 Suzette Schriner
- 11 Paul Steinke
- 12 Julie Donovan
- 12 Sondra Heidenreich
- 12 Aubree Johnson
- 12 Karri Kloepping
- 12 Mason Lang
- 12 Michael Pearson
- 12 Alexa Reynolds
- 12 Gina Stanley
- 13 Coral Engle
- 13 Andrew Jacobs
- 13 Kelly Patterson
- 14 Rachel Deets
- **Brandon Dewey**
- KeeLey Meyer 15 Justin Brown

- 15 Debbie Pratt
- 15 Tammy Vinson
- 15 Cindy Zander
- Amber Clark
- Rosemary Gittleson
- 16 Robin Klenz
- 16 Leah Landis
- 17 Amanda Blasdell
- Tara Celletti 17
- 17 Deborah Etheridge
- 17 Paige Geesey
- 17 Lyndi Lemay
- 18 Bryan Kemker
- 18 Serena Lahey
- 19 Melissa Brooks
- 19 Evelin Marquez
- 19 Christopher Ramirez
- 20 Wendy Burke
- 20 Karl Drucklieb
- 20 Randy Foster
- 20 Jobelle Gamboa
- 20 Ariane Jocknevich
- 20 Heather Wakefield
- Andrea Castanon
- Amie Stoecker 21 Shawna Winstead
- 22 Ashlea Canady
- 22 Taylor Hockman
- Rebecca Kundert Glenna Lawson
- Brenda Miller
- 22 Sara Miller
- 22 Alicia Wetzell
- 23 Jill Adolph
- 23 Mary Devine
- 24 Barbara Smith
- Patricia VanDrew 24
- 24 Kim Wolfe
- 25 Amanda Dawson
- 25 Jaini Driscoll
- 25 Maxwell Klimson
- Stephanie Robbins
- Kimberly Weinstock 25
- Sabrina Allen 26
- Danielle Baker 26
- 26 Dylan Scudder
- Deborah Blackert
- 27
- Melinda Brainerd Michelle Wiersema
- 28 Alexandrea Brady
- Jennifer Grobe 28
- 28 Jennifer Rodriguez
- 28 **Heather Widolff**
- 29 Rebecca Covle 29 Alicia Fritz
- 29 Virginia Heal
- 29 Mary Matthews
- 29 Tim Pashon
- 29 Tarah Pyse

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- 30 Steven Adee
- 30 Tammy Heslop
- Amy Waldschmidt 30 Dena Wheeler

Save the Date! **CGHHF Virtual Auction**

It's time to get creative and put together your baskets for the CGH Health Foundation's Virtual Auction. The always enjoyable event begins Friday, April 29 at 7 a.m. and ends on Tuesday, May 3 at 9 p.m. on airauctioneer.com. All CGHers, as well as the public, are urged to join in the fun!

Proceeds go to this year's Annual Appeal campaign called "Memories Matter." It celebrates the lives of those impacted by dementia as well as the past 35 years of Foundation successes as Your Partner in Good Health.

Grab your friends and co-workers and start creating your amazing baskets. Let us know what delicious desserts you are willing to bake for our auction! Please help make this event bigger and better than ever for our 35th anniversary!

If you would like to donate a basket or dessert item, contact CGH Employee Division Co-Chairs Mimi Hicks at ext. 5745 or at mimi.hicks@cghmc.com, or Sandy Williams, CGH retiree, at 815-625-6769 or ewsw65@gmail.com, or Foundation Development Officer Amanda Blaine at Amanda.Blaine@cghmc.com or at ext. 5575.

Please bring your baskets to the Foundation office at 2600 N. Locust St. by Friday, April 22 at noon.

Want to join the Employee Committee?

Contact Amanda Blaine or Joan Hermes, ext. 5672. Our biggest need is in reaching out to others to gather auction baskets and desserts. We also rely on fellow CGHers to spread the word about the Foundation, plus brainstorm on new events to host for our co-workers. You can help a little or a lot, whatever works best for you!

