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CGH Recognizes DAISY and SUNSHINE Award Winners

Congratulations to Cindy Fargher, RN, this quarter's DAISY Award Winner for Extraordinary Nurses!

Cindy was nominated for the extraordinary, compassionate care she provides in the Digestive Health Center (DHC) and beyond.

"Cindy always takes the time to listen and educate her patients, family, neighbors and acquaintances. Currently, I am struggling with a breast cancer



Cindy Fargher, RN Digestive Health Center

diagnosis and Cindy, despite working full time and having a family of her own, always finds the time to check on me and explain anything I am confused about. She is my biggest cheerleader. She does everything in her power to get you pointed in the right directions or connected to the appropriate medical/ social staff. It does not matter who

you are; she will lend a helping hand. Cindy is compassionate but firm, she tells me to do my part: eat well, exercise and drink water. Cindy gave a year of her life to become a family member's primary caregiver when he was diagnosed with a life-altering illness. She attended every appointment and bathed and fed him. She educated the family concerning the diagnosis and needs. Although the patient was resistant, she managed to get him to a support group, and in the end, he was grateful she did. Cindy is our hero."

Thank you, Cindy! It is nurses like you that make CGH great!

Other nominees for this quarter were: Chuck Arwine, Sherri Bellini, Emily Crossly, Laurie Davis, Kaitlyn Dewey, Julie Hummel, Emily Hutchinson, Kathleen Knapp, Shelly Lewis, Johnna Meyers, Traci Snodgrass and Kate Wetzell.

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



Lilian Gaulrapp, CNA Medical Floor

Congratulations to Lilian Gaulrapp, CNA, this quarter's SUNSHINE Award Winner for extraordinary service!

Lilian was nominated for the compassionate care given to a patient on our medical floor: "She is just so awesome. She lights up your day when she walks into the room with her superior attitude towards her job, patients, life, everything. Awesome young lady!"

Thank you, Lilian! It is team members like you that make CGH areat!

Other nominees for this quarter were: Katryna Cook, CNA and Alicia Fritz, CNA.

If you would like to submit a nomination for extraordinary service that you or a family member have received at CGH by a staff member in a non-nursing role (such as CNA's, CMA's, or CMT's), please visit www.cghmc.com/sunshine.



Employee Flu Clinic

1 day mass vaccination flu clinic for employees

Friday, October 29th

Ryberg Auditorium • 7am – 7pm Walk-in • Multiple stations available

(High dose available)

World Mental Health Day

In honor of the recent World Mental Health Day on October 10, the CGH BHU staff decorated 2nd floor hospital windows with words of encouragement for our CGH family and the community.



Mental health takes so much

courage to live with every day...but know that you do not have to fight alone! It is important to talk about things and reach out for help if you are struggling. You are worth saving.

If you need someone to talk to about the stress you may be experiencing, please call our free B-CALM help line - 888/33B-CALM or 888/332-2256. Hours are Monday through Friday, 8 am to 5 pm, and the call is safe, secure and confidential.





It's National Pharmacy Week and we want to acknowledge the pharmacists and pharmacy technicians whose invaluable contributions make possible the exceptional care we deliver to our patients every day!

Over the past year, CGH Pharmacists and the pharmacy department have filled over 465,000 doses into our Pyxis automated medication dispensing stations and have verified more than 307,000 prescriptions through our electronic medical record system! The average turnaround time for all orders is about 25 minutes, which includes orders verified by both CGH and outside pharmacists. In addition, they dispensed over 27,000 prescriptions thru our CGH Employee pharmacy. Thank you all for your hard work and dedication!

MA Recognition Week



This week, as we celebrate National Medical Assistants Recognition Week, we send our thanks to our team of dedicated and compassionate MA's at CGH!

From the moment patients walk into their physician's practice, Medical Assistants have our patients' best interests in mind while performing a wide variety of tasks. Not only do they apply their clinical training and versatility to ensure that patients receive high-quality care during visits that run smoothly, but their hard work and dedication also help make the provider's day run more efficiently.

Thank you for all you do on the front lines of patient care!



CGH Medical Center Welcomes Ayman Alzubi, MD Gastroenterology

We are pleased to welcome Ayman Alzubi, MD to the CGH Digestive Health Center. Dr. Alzubi joins Dr. Jorge Monteagudo; Jaziel Chavira, FNP-C; Cara Firch, PA-C, MS; and Concha Sitter, MS, FPA-APRN, FNP-BC, CGRN in the Gastroenterology department.

Dr. Alzubi received his MD from the University of Jordan Faculty of Medicine in Amman. He completed an Internal Medicine internship at Rush University Medical Center in Chicago and an Internal Medicine residency at Texas Tech University in Lubbock. In addition, Dr. Alzubi completed a Transplant Hepatology fellowship at the Baylor College of Medicine in Houston and a Gastroenterology and Hepatology fellowship at the University of Missouri School of Medicine in Columbia.



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Kelly Mitchem, CNA GI Tech

Fun facts about me:

I love to go camping with my husband, enjoying the great outdoors and taking the road to nowhere without an itinerary.

My best career lesson:

Work as a team! I've learned that knowledge, empathy, and loyalty are a must in healthcare.

3 words that describe me:

Strong, trustworthy, honest

When I'm not working, I enjoy:

Going to sales/ flea markets, lunching with friends, being outdoors and working in the yard.

What I like about my job:

I get the chance to redirect patients which helps them achieve good outcomes.

My job duties:

Processing and proper storage of endoscopes, assisting physician with instruments and biopsies during EGD/colonoscopies, clean set up of procedure rooms, and assisting with admissions and discharge.

October '21

Emergency Nurses Week



During Emergency Nurses Week and all year round, CGH extends a personal thank you to all of our fantastic ED Nurses! As an emergency nurse, you're passionate, persistent and hardworking...you get back up when knocked down and keep pushing forward. Throughout another incredibly challenging year, you have shown the true spirit of what makes an emergency nurse. THANK YOU all for your commitment to caring for our patients!

Mini Challenge Winners

There were six winning teams in the September mini-challenge for daily GRATITUDE. Each team member was tasked with giving at least one gratitude daily, for 30 days. Of 21 teams, six teams consisting of 27 CGHers fulfilled the challenge!

September winners are as follows: On a Mission (DID), The Young and the REST of Us (Medication Refill), Let's Get Fiscal (Patient Accounts), Fantastic 4 (PACU), Shavocado



(Cardiology) and **Dream Team** (Lynn Blvd). Thanks to the participating teams, CGH has a measure of GRATITUDE for all that you do.

November Birthdays

- 1 Jasmine Flores
- 1 Carlos Munoz
- 1 Kalpesh Patel
- 1 Tabby Whitebread
- 2 Grant Bright
- 2 Lisa Cooksey
- 2 Michelle Daehler
- 2 Roma Geidukyte
- 2 Daniel Hose
- 2 Jessica Kearse
- 3 Kimberly Davis
- 3 Lori Green
- 3 Addisyn Krueger
- 3 Erica Ricci
- 3 Olivia Sandoval
- 3 Breanne Scott
- 4 Malori Kelly
- 4 Susan McGinn
- 4 Emily Mills
- 4 Cynthia Weisel
- 4 Karen Zigler
- 5 Dana Conkrite
- 5 Jerald Cundiff
- 5 Laura Melville
- 7 Rebecca Crump
- 7 Dorinda Dyche
- 7 Melinda
- Ledergerber
- 7 Lisa Vos8 Shane Brown
- 8 Penny Carl
- 8 Donna Carter
- 8 Kevin Folk
- 8 Kimberly Hammer
- 8 Rachel Helfrich
- 8 Stephanie Richards
- 8 Maria Sierra Jimenez
- 8 Patricia Skutt
- 8 Lynne Swanson
- 9 Ashlee Griffin
- O Company Day
- 9 Gunnar Page9 Stephanie Sta
- 9 Stephanie Stanley
- 11 Chico Alexis Alejo
- 11 Alan Blazquez
- 11 Cassie Wiersema
- 12 Lori Cantu
- 12 Teri McCormick
- 12 Megan Meiners
- 12 Jamie Munther
- 12 Samantha Stange
- 12 Kimberly Teats-Garrison
- 13 Rosalie Feary
- 13 Jennifer Garriott
- 13 Quanene Kendrick
- 13 Joseph Klimson
- 13 Kerri Norberg
- 14 Kelly Johnson
- 14 Mark Razo
- 15 Vicky Jones
- 15 Katrina Ruchotzke
- 15 Kathy Thomas

- 15 Michelle Valdez
- 15 Debra VanZuiden
- 15 Becky Vos
- 16 Ajay-Kumar Buddaraju
- 16 Tiffany Horbaczewski
- 16 Sandra Huizenga
- 16 Ana Mendoza
- 16 Maria Ortiz
- 16 Diane Ramirez
- 16 Melissa Sandoval
- 16 Luanne Trujillo
- 17 Terisa Krenc
- 17 Talia Rosas
- 18 Warren Cannell
- 18 Lora Clapper
- 18 Kayla Jackley
- 18 Maribel Sandoval
- 18 Samantha Sneek
- 18 Christeen Thayer
- 19 Kelli Kinnaman
- 19 Sheryl O'Brien
- 19 Brittany Temiquel
- 20 David Almasy
- 20 Stephanie Friedrich
- 20 Andy Jackson
- 20 Jason Johnson
- 20 Lindsay Rodriguez
- 20 Madison Schlegel
- 20 Hannah Watson
- 21 Mateo Cortez
- 21 Samuel Covarrubias
- 21 Terry Eaglin
- 21 Glenda Rickelman
- 22 Sue Boelkins
- 22 Secilia Medrano
- 22 Katelyn Setters
- 22 Kimberly Velazquez
- 23 Lisa Everly
- 23 Trinity Lewis
- 23 Jenni Miller
- 24 Kathy Bonnell
- 24 Angela Dennis
- 24 Becca Elgin24 Tara Long
- 25 Annie Bettenhausen
- 25 William Bird
- 25 Tiffany Markel
- 25 Henry Oh
- 25 Allison Yemm
- 26 Debbra Ohlwine
- 27 Traci Goebig
- 27 Cayla Harvey27 Cameron Ottens
- 28 William Chaplin
- 28 Ben Schaab28 Shanda Shook
- 29 Michaela Delaado
- 29 Mary Schreiner
- 30 Jennifer Adamson
- 30 Jim Sampson



Know how to handle them properly.

4. Be a "Roll" model for safety. Never take shortcuts!



shine around CGH all holiday season and can be dropped off at the Auxiliary Office.

MEDICAL



Women's Health Program

Funding screening mammograms at no cost for area

biopsies, ultrasounds, MRIs, provision of comfort care

bags for cancer patients; and sponsoring meals during

chemotherapy for cancer patients.

omen, plus helping with diagnostic screenings, breast

OB Mom ProjectAdding a new day of behavioral health assistance

for our OB moms who have suffered so greatly during the pandemic through our free CGH Ways to Wellness Program. Plus, offering a YouTube Yoga Class and Zoom support group