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## Extraordinary staff doing Extraordinary things



Pictured from left to right: Mark Bailey, MD, ED physician; Mark J. Neff, President/CEO; Lerae Wilson, VP Patient Services/CNO; Linda Fultz, VP Quality and Resource Management; Margi Conn, RN; Caren Daniels, MD, Associate Chief Medical Officer; Michelle Garvin, RN; Chris McClurg, CFO; Saranda Blevins, RN; Phelan Bailey, RN, director of emergency services; and Monica Stevens, RN.

"We will never forget the compassion and care you've shown to us. We are still talking about it.

You are phenomenal."

-Patient's Mother

#### **Submitted by: Mindy Morris-Sexton**

SCR Leadership and management paused on Sept. 12 to honor and recognize emergency department staff: Mark Bailey, MD, emergency physician; Saranda Blevins, RN; Monica Stevens, RN; Shellie Wilburn, RN; and Margi Conn, RN, for their commitment to exceptional patient care.

A mother and daughter who were traveling through the area entered into the emergency department with a small concern that turned into much more. The daughter's condition became critical and she had to be transferred to higher care. In addition to treating her illness, the staff went above and beyond by making sure that the family was taken care of. They took up a collection of food, toiletries and money so that all the family needed to worry about was their daughter's health.

The following is an excerpt from a card the patient's mother sent: "We will never forget the compassion and care you've shown to us. We are still talking about it. You are phenomenal."



## St. Claire Regional Leading the Community in Growth and Development



Mark J. Neff, SCR President/CEO, addressing members of the Chamber at the meeting. Also pictured, William Melahn, MD, SCR Chief Medical Officer; Riki Watts, RN, MSN, SCR director of surgical services; Jacob Perry, MD, SCR general surgeon; and Mayor Jim Tom Trent of Morehead.

St. Claire Regional (SCR) made a big impact during the Morehead-Rowan County Chamber of Commerce Sept. 1 luncheon! During the meeting, SCR leadership and physicians served as special guest presenters, while SCR's Aramark provided a tasty lunch.

Mark J. Neff, SCR President/CEO, spoke to chamber members about recent developments, anticipated growth and our newest surgical service, surgical weight loss. He then introduced Jacob Perry, MD, SCR general surgeon, who spoke in-depth about bariatric surgery at SCR and how it can benefit our state, which is considered the fifth most obese in the nation.

William Melahn, MD, SCR Chief Medical Officer, provided education about efforts that are being taken against narcotics as a direct result of the recent influx of tainted heroin in the area. Melahn has been leading

SCR's initiative to join forces with community leaders and local law enforcement officials to prepare for and combat overdoses with the Narcan antidote. SCR is providing the antidote to first responders and local law enforcement agencies free of charge. In an effort to continue to fight the epidemic, the newly formed taskforce also held a community forum at the Morehead Conference Center on Tuesday, Sept. 13, where there were more than 200 people in attendance.

SCR is a proud member of the Morehead-Rowan County Chamber of Commerce and is very thankful for all that it does for its members and our community.



## Welcome our new hospitalist:

## Steven C. Davis, MD

St. Claire Regional is proud to announce the addition of our new hospitalist, Steven C. Davis, MD, internal medicine physician.

Davis joined St. Claire Regional's Medical Staff in early August as a hospitalist, where his focus is on the care of our patients while they are hospitalized.

Davis received his medical degree from Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine in Huntington, West Virginia, and completed his residency at the University of Kentucky.



## We now offer bariatric surgery, close to home!



### Surgical weight loss can change your life!

If your weight is negatively impacting your health and limiting your mobility, bariatric surgery might be right for you.

St. Claire Regional (SCR) general surgeons Jim Lynch, MD, and Jacob Perry, MD, are now performing the vertical sleeve gastrectomy, commonly referred to as gastric sleeve. The gastric sleeve is a minimally invasive surgical weight loss solution that can result in a considerable amount of weight loss over a short period of time. Not only will you look better, but you'll feel better, as you will dramatically reduce your risk of obesity-related health issues, like diabetes, heart and lung problems, stroke, sleep apnea, joint disease and many more.

Surgical weight loss can change your life! You may qualify for gastric sleeve surgery at SCR if you are over 18 years of age and have a Body Mass Index (BMI) of over 40, or your BMI is over 35 and you are experiencing obesity-related health issues.

You're invited to join us for a FREE educational seminar on Tuesday, Oct. 11, at 6 p.m. at the CHER Building, where you will also get to meet our surgical weight loss team. Call or text 606.356.4814 by Oct. 7 to RSVP. To learn more about surgical weight loss at SCR, visit us online at www.st-claire.org/surgicalweightloss or call 606.784.7551.





#### St. Claire Regional can now perform

## Stereotactic Biopsies any day of the week



The first stereotactic biopsy with the new unit was performed Sept. 1 by Stephen Williams, MD, SCR Radiologist; Mammography/Radiation Technicians Becky Patrick, RT; and Louise Lamb, RT, Women's Imaging Manager; Sigrid Turner, RN, BSN, Patient Care Coordinator; and (not pictured) Ashley Hollingsworth, RN, BSN.

St. Claire Regional can now perform stereotactic biopsies any day of the week, as we recently installed a Senographe Essential Stereotaxy (add-on) for our mammography unit in Women's Imaging! Having a permanent unit allows performing physicians to schedule same or next-day stereotactic biopsy appointments. This will greatly benefit our patients' anxiety as their wait time to have a biopsy will be significantly reduced and will allow us to provide more accurate access to the breast lesion with a broader field of view as the patient can either sit upright or lie down with comfortable positioning options.

## Leadership Promotions

#### Join us in welcoming Travis A. Bailey and Sr. Judi Lambert to their exciting new roles!



Travis A. Bailey was recently promoted to Senior Vice
President of Administration and Chief Strategy Officer.
In this role, Travis will provide leadership support across the organization. Additionally, he will assist with SCR's organizational strategy development in keeping up with the evolution of the healthcare industry.



**Sr. Judi Lambert**, a Sister of Notre Dame, was recently promoted to **Vice President**, **Mission Integration**. In this role, Sr. Judi will serve as an advisor to the Board, President/CEO and members of the administrative staff on matters relating to mission, philosophy, ethics, sponsorship and values integration within the organization. She will also continue in her role as Director, Pastoral Care.



## St. Claire Regional and Morehead Law Enforcement

## team up to prepare for possible shooter event

St. Claire Regional (SCR), the Morehead Police Department and the Morehead Swat Team recently completed a Code Silver (active shooter) drill to ensure preparedness in the event of a real shooter situation.

SCR performs drills multiple times a year to promote the safety of staff, patients and visitors. "We want to make sure every department is prepared and there are no vulnerabilities," said Gary Clarke, SCR disaster preparedness consultant. "My goal is to make sure everyone feels comfortable and safe coming to work, so that in the unfortunate event that something like this actually occurs, everyone would be trained and able to protect."

SCR's Disaster Committee is responsible for prioritizing the likelihood of various disaster events and planning the appropriate SCR Staff response via policy, educational training and drills. "Due to the increase in active shooter occurrences in the United States and across the world, our Disaster Committee has made the Code Silver drill a top priority," said David Race, MD, Medical Director, Disaster Preparedness, and Disaster Committee Chair. Over the past two years, SCR has performed four Code Silver drills in collaboration with the Morehead Police Department, and three with the Morehead Swat Team.

"I am impressed with how realistic this drill was," said Clarke. "We didn't want staff to know about the drill ahead of time so we could gauge their true reactions." On Thursday, Aug. 25 at approximately 5:30 a.m., Jackie Campbell, playing the role of a battered female, arrived at the Emergency Department frantically screaming that she had been beaten by her ex-husband, who was armed and coming after her. SCR staff member Charlie Mers, playing the role of the shooter, arrived shortly after acting uncontrollably. Campbell was rescued by the Morehead Swat Team, and after a brief struggle, Mers was apprehended by Morehead Patrolman Jeff Stamper. "Playing the role of the shooter was exciting," Mers said. "But more importantly, I was happy to be able to help my coworkers become more prepared."

There were several successful reports of people hiding, staying quiet and refusing to open doors for anyone who asked. "Locking doors and hiding takes priority," said Morehead Chief of Police Derrick Blevins. "In the case of a Code Silver, that will save more lives than anything, because what you can do before we arrive is better than what we can do by the time we're here."



Morehead Patrolman Jeff Stamper handcuffing SCR Utility Assistant Charlie Mers, who played the shooter during the drill.



From left, SCR Disaster Preparedness Consultant Gary Clarke; SCR Patient Care Coordinator Billy Thomas, RN; Morehead Patrolman Jeff Stamper; Morehead Chief of Police Derrick Blevins; and SCR Utility Assistant Charlie Mers.

Drills like these are not only beneficial for staff, but for first responders as well. "The opportunity to train inside the building gives first responders a better idea of hospital operation and layout," said Stamper.

"SCR Staff were better educated and more prepared for this Code Silver drill than ever before," Clarke added. "This drill is just another step in the right direction when it comes to disaster preparedness for both SCR and our region."



#### SCR Food Services wins "Best Entree" at Morehead Arts & Eats

St. Claire Regional's Food Services won the Best Entrée award at the 6th annual Morehead Arts & Eats Fest Saturday, Sept. 17! Our winning dish was a delicious bison burger with apple chutney. This year's menu also included red skin potato salad, Italian cream soda and caramel apples and strawberries.

SCR raised nearly \$3,000 during the festival — a portion of which will benefit local charities the Gateway Children's Advocacy Center and Build-a-Bed, Downtown Morehead and the Rowan County Arts Center.

A big thank you to SCR Food Services Staff and everyone who stopped by our booth!





## Randy McCleese talks about the evolution of Meaningful Use in "HealthLeaders" Magazine



Excerpt from HealthLeaders (July/August 2016)

"Based on what I'm seeing so far of MACRA, I think we're still going to be clicking a lot of boxes" in 2017, says Randy McCleese, vice president of information services and chief information officer at St. Claire Regional Medical Center, a 159-licensed-bed Morehead, Kentucky, hospital with 100 physicians, six primary care clinics, and two specialty clinics.

Like many of his executive counterparts, McCleese, a past board chairman of the College of Healthcare Information Management Executives, spent the weeks following the release of the MACRA NPRM on numerous conference calls, as the industry struggles to make sense of the proposed rule and chart a path forward. "We, as an organization, are just starting to get our hands around MACRA," he says.

To view the full article visit:

http://www.healthleadersmedia.com/finance/macra-end-meaningful-use-and-beyond







God's Pantry Food Bank invites you:

#### 2nd Annual Chili Wars

October 1 at the Morehead Conference Center from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

\$25 per person or \$400 for a table of eight

Purchase your tickets online at: http://bit.ly/ChiliWars. Tickets are also available at Kentucky Bank and The Citizens Bank in Morehead.

You can enter your chili in the competition (\$25 booth deposit) or attend and taste some of the best chili in the region!

The funds raised from the Morehead Chili Wars benefit the Morehead Regional Distribution Center (RDC) and local area partner agencies.

Last year the Morehead RDC distributed more than 1.3 Million pounds of food to hungry children, seniors and families in Rowan and surrounding counties.

Contact Susie Basham with questions at (859) 288-5332, or by email at susie@godspantry.org.

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# of Chili

### September 26 - 30

We will feature a new, exciting chili recipe in the cafeteria each day. The chili with the highest sales will be entered into the Chili Wars Competition on Saturday, Oct. 1.

Monday:

Chili Beef Chorizo

Tuesday:

**Chicken Pinto Bean** 

Wednesday:

Chili Verde Pork

Thursday:

Chili Pork Adobo

Friday:

**Bison Chili** 

All proceeds from our chili sales throughout the week will be donated to God's Pantry Food Bank.





## St. Claire Regional is hosting a

## **Memorial Service**

for the families of those who have passed away while admitted at SCR or as a Hospice patient in the last six months.

> Thursday, Oct. 20 2:00 pm SCR Chapel (end of the second floor)

For additional information, call Pastoral Care at 783.6735.



#### \$250/26 hour course **Register online:** kccrb.ky.gov/train/

For more information about becoming a Team Member, go to kccrb.ky.gov

> kccrb1@gmail.com 502-607-5781



#### **Pastoral Crisis Intervention I & II Combo Course**

Oct. 5-7, 2016

St. Claire Regional Medical Center 222 Medical Circle, Morehead, KY 40351

This 3-day course combines ALL of the content of ICISF's Pastoral Crisis Intervention I & II courses.

Class is 8am-5pm all three days. Only those attending all hours of class will be issued certificates. Please plan travel accordingly.

Pastoral Crisis Intervention-I May be thought of as the combination of faith-based resources with traditional techniques of crisis intervention. Pastoral crisis intervention represents a powerful addition to traditional community and organizational psychological support resources. The purpose of this two-day course is to assist the participants in learning how pastoral interventions and traditional psychological crisis interventions may be effectively integrated. Chaplains, pastoral counselors, mental health professionals, ministers and anyone interested in the use of faith-based resources in healing should find this course of interest.

Pastoral Crisis Intervention-II This course builds on the foundations of ICISF's "Pastoral Crisis Intervention" class. More specific advanced concepts and specific field applications where pastoral crisis intervention is applied will be covered. Prerequisite: ICISF's "Pastoral Crisis Intervention" course. Confirmation of full attendance in ICISF'S course "Pastoral Crisis Intervention" is a prerequisite to attend this class. A copy of your certificate for ICISF's "Pastoral Crisis Intervention" class indicating full attendance (13 Contact Hours) must be submitted prior to the start of class.

Courses written by International Critical Incident Stress Foundation (ICISF)





## October 2016 Birthdays

10/1

Aaron P Banks Stefanie Sue Markwell Violet D Vago 10/2

Michael B Ash Randa Michelle Hall Durinda A Logan Melissa Carpenter Yates

Anna Waltz Armstrong Judine Lambert Shelia J Logan

10/4 Daniael N Hamm Pauline Maddix

10/5 Bonnie Louise Cooper Cheryl A McClain Kelley J Mobley Emmala J Stamm Dessie Trent

10/6 Edna Marie Adams Brenda Gayle Pendleton Home Health Samantha J Skaggs

Khoi Tan Nguyen Tran

10/7 Rhonda S Thomas

Kavla O'Neal 10/9

10/8

Charles A Ratliff 10/10

Candra Nicole Bailey Billie Jo Hanshaw Rocky Lee Stacy Naomi Irene Williams

10/11 Natalie Lisa Back Wilma Jean Markwell

10/12 Sheila Ann Brown Kayce Cheyenne Fraley Sheila L Wooley

10/13

Sarah Ann Bradley Donna Yovonnie Kilgore Environmental Services

FM - Sandy Hook Home Health Home Health

Marketing and PR Nursing Administration Nursing Administration Surgery

Hospice Administration Central Billing Office

**Emergency Department Environmental Services** 

**Outpatient Center** Medical Group Admin Laboratory Nursing Administration Rehab Unit

Financial Services Michael Thomas Burling Emergency Department Home Health House Staff

Ultrasound

HIM

Informatics

Home Health **Environmental Services** Family Medicine Quality Management

Family Medicine Express **Food Services** 

Behavioral Health Unit 3rd Floor Central Facilities Management

ICU

10/14

Rebecca Jo Hitchcock Kimberly Dawn Moore 10/15

Polly A Forbes Stephanie A Jolly Rebecca J Montgomery Felicia Dawn Stacy

10/16

Matthew W Caudill Margaret I Conn Rita Marie Sammons

10/17

Natalie K Thompson 10/18

Michael Lynn Anderson Donna E Conkright Kyle R Evans Nicole R Gifford Whitney Faith Jamison Karen L Stone Lanetta D Winkleman

10/19 Kendall L Bloomfield Linda Cheryl Haddix Kayla Lynn Harrison Hannah Marie Howard Jessica Danyale Hunt

Geneva E Blankenship Nancy J Henly Jessica R Litton W Chris McClurg Judy M Roaden Autumn Brooke Shipley Joshua Andrew Weikle

10/21

10/20

Jo Frances Chapman Nicholas Tucker Ellis Christopher A Greene Shawnte LeRae Nichols Patrick Scott Robinson Julia Ann Shannon

10/22 Bryan A Cardenas Brittany Lynn Francis

Jo Ann Griffith 10/23 Thadis C Cox

Quality Management Home Health

Infusion Solutions Home Health Family Medical Supply Same Day Surgery

Laboratory **Emergency Department** Rehab Unit

Nursing Administration

Nursing Administration FM - Sandy Hook Laboratory Cardiology ICU Surgery Nursing Administration

Information Services Home Health Marketing and PR 3rd Floor Central Cave Run General Surgery

**Environmental Services** MMS Clinical Services Infusion Solutions Administration HIM Infusion Solutions Materials Management

Cardiac Rehab **Environmental Services** Information Services Pharmacy Laboratory FM- Owingsville

Physical Therapy ICU Cardiac Rehab

**MMS Clinical Services** 

Jeffrey H George Norma Jean Ginter Lisa Carol Wall 10/24

Tamara L Brandenburg Melinda Gayle Davies

10/25

Melissa Franks Haber 10/26

Jennifer Lee Adkins Ryane Michelle Davis Leashia D Duncan Misti Ann Fannin Vergie Elaine Phipps

Cathy Lynn Richardson

10/27 Bonnie S Bausch Meredith Davis Lamkin Alicia Ann Martin Charles L Mers 10/28

Afton Michelle Fairchild Wenda Denette Hawks Brenda E Logan Crystal R Smith William Thomas Toler

10/29

Carolyn S Barnes Ray Melvin Evans Jr. John C Gibson Jordan Matthew Howard Laboratory Larry Wayne Hutchinson Home Health Whitney Elaine Joseph Stephen Todd Loomis Julie Beth McKinney Regina S Pettit 10/30

Lori Lynn Crouch Christopher Dean Scottie L Fultz Jennifer Lynn Garner Jennifer Lynn Hardin Meagan Breann Price 10/31

Shirley A Blair Tessa Paige Bradley Thomas David Murphy Amanda Sue Rudd

Infusion Solutions Medical Group Admin Behavioral Health Unit

Quality Management Pharmacy

Surgery

Float Dept - Unit Sec **Emergency Department** Food Services 3rd Floor Central TCU Patient Access

OPCC

Cave Run General Surgery Behavioral Health Unit **Environmental Services** 

Marketing and PR OPCC Cardiac Rehab Food Services Infusion Solutions

**CRSS** Infusion Solutions

Information Services **Emergency Department** Family Medical Supply ICU

**OPCC** 

FM- Owingsville Facilities Management Security Services 3rd Floor Central Palliative Care **Environmental Services** 

Human Resources Financial Services Infusion Solutions Home Health



## BERTHA ROSS HOUGH ENDOWMENT FUND



Need financial assistance for nursing education?

Bertha's Fund can help cover expenses to obtain nursing degrees and/or certifications!

- ✓ Certified Nursing Assistant
- ✓ Certified Medical Technician
- ✓ Licensed Practical Nurse
- ✓ Registered Nurse
- ✓ Bachelor of Science in Nursing



For more information about this and other scholarships or to apply, please visit us online

www.st-claire.org/scholarships





#### **September 24 | Immunization Conference**

8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

CHFR 102

Credit: ACPF P/T

#### October 1 | Domestic Violence Prevalence, Impact and Interventions: Social Work **Practice and Ethical Considerations**

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

CHER 102 ABC

Credit: Social Work

Register with Kimberly Budia at

kimberlybugig@live.com or 937-694-1452.

#### October 5 | Journal Club

12:00 - 1:00 PM

SCR Library - Education Room

Credit: ACPE, Category 1 AMA

#### October 7 | Kentucky Rural Behavioral **Health Symposium (KRBHS)**

8:30 AM - 4:00 PM

**CHFR 102D** 

Credit: Category 1 AMA, Nursing, Social Work

(Pending)

Register by September 30th at

www.neahec.org/KRBHS.

#### October 7 | Tumor Board

8:00 - 9:00 AM

SCR Teleconference Room

Credit: ACPE, Category 1 AMA, Nursing

## St. Claire Regional

#### Learning and Organizational Development Educational Offerings

Register through careLearning using the following link: http://scrvmportal:9000/

#### **September 29 | NICHE Series Part II:**

Teach-Back

8:30 AM - 09:30 PM

Café D

Credit: 1.2 CE credits

#### October 4 & 18 | Basic Dysrhythmia **Interpretation Class**

8:30 AM - 11:30 PM

Library Education Room

Credit: 6 CF credits

#### October 5 | Orthopedic Class

8:00 AM - 09:00 PM

Library Education Room

#### October 7 | Basic Life Support (BLS) Skills **Check Off**

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Café A

## NEWS & EVENTS

## God's Pantry Food Bank Chili Wars

**Date:** Saturday, October 1

**Time:** 5 - 8 pm

**Location:** Morehead Conference Center

Purchase your tickets online at: http://bit.ly/ChiliWars. Tickets are also available at Kentucky Bank and The

Citizens Bank in Morehead.

Visit www.godspantryfoodbank.org for more information.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Kentucky Rural Behavioral Health Symposium

**Date:** Thursday, October 7

**Time:** 8 am - 4 pm

**Location:** Center for Health, Education & Research

316 West 2nd Street, Morehead, KY

Registration Deadline: Sept. 30

#### **Topics include:**

Alzheimer's dementia, suicide and depression in adolescents, community and crisis services for those with intellectual disabilities, and more.

Visit www.neahec.org/KRBHS for more information.

## FALL FOR FASHION

**Date:** Thursday, October 20 | 7 am - 7 pm **Date:** Friday, October 21 | 7 am - 4 pm

Location: Cafe D

Featuring Michael Kors, Brahmin, Kate Spade, UGG, Under Armour, Nike, Polo, Fitbit, Fossil and many more!

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## Need a Camera to Cover an SCR Event?

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