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## Annual Tree Lighting & Prayer Ceremony Kicks off Christmas at St. Claire Regional



Mark J. Neff, SCR President/CEO, welcomes those in attendance and introduces the 2015 Nursing Excellence Award winners: Mary Caric, APRN; Sigrid Turner, RN; Kasey Hickerson, RN; and Rita Sammons, RN.

The Morehead State University Student Jazz Combo plays popular Christmas carols during the ceremony.

St. Claire Regional's (SCR) annual Tree Lighting and Prayer Ceremony was held on Wednesday, Dec. 2, at the hospital's main entrance. Sr. Marla Monahan, SND, vice chair on the SCR Board of Directors, gave a blessing of the season to start the ceremony. The tree, purchased by the SCR Auxiliary from Hutton-Loyd Tree Farm, was lit this year by 2015 Nursing Excellence Award winners Sigrid Turner, RN, critical care; Kasey Hickerson, RN, acute care; Rita Sammons, RN, post acute care; and Mary Caric, APRN, St. Claire Medical Group. The Morehead State University Student Jazz Combo played a wonderful assortment of Christmas carols, creating a joyous atmosphere for all who attended. Immediately following the ceremony, SCR volunteers served hot chocolate and snacks to staff and visitors. Refreshments were prepared by Aramark Catering and sponsored this year by SCR administration.

### SCR Tree Lighting Hot Cocoa Recipe

### **INGREDIENTS:**

- 1 package of instant hot cocoa mix
- 3 oz. hot water
- 2 oz. hot heavy cream
- 2 tbls Hershey's syrup
- Whipped topping & marshmallows

### **DIRECTIONS:**

- Stir together hot water & hot heavy cream
- Stir in instant hot cocoa mix
- Add chocolate syrup
- Add whipped topping & marshmallows





# BREAKFAST with SANTA

Every year during his busiest of times, Santa Claus makes a special trip to St. Claire Regional for a couple of hours to pass out treats and spread Christmas cheer to the children of SCR. This year, Santa (played by Andy Baker) visited on Dec. 5 and passed out stockings filled with tasty treats to all the children in attendance.

While here, Santa visited and passed out candy canes and stockings to all of the children and patients on the fifth floor.

















## St. Claire Regional wins second place during Christmas Parade

St. Claire Regional once again participated in the annual Rowan County Christmas Parade. This year's parade theme was "The Songs of Merry Christmas." St. Claire Regional's float won second place and was designed by SCR's EMPACT team. Its theme was "Winter Wonderland."









Winter Wonderland

## St. Claire Regional welcomes two new members to its Board of Directors

St. Claire Regional Medical Center (SCR) is pleased to announce the appointment of two new members to its Board of Directors: Gary Ermers and Anthony E. Helton.



Gary Ermers is a Lexington, Kentucky, resident. He graduated from University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire with a Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting in 1982, and from DePaul University in Chicago with a Master of Business Administration in Finance in 1993. He is affiliated with the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, the Wisconsin Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Healthcare Financial Management Association.

Ermers previously served on the Board of Directors for both KORE Academy and Bluegrass Tomorrow. In addition to the SCR Board of Directors appointment, Ermers also currently serves on the Board of Directors for Omega Protein Corporation.



Anthony E. Helton is an Erlanger, Kentucky, resident. He currently serves as the vice president of Revenue Cycle Operations for St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Edgewood, Kentucky. Helton graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Organizational Studies from Northern Kentucky University in 1994. He is an affiliate of the Healthcare Financial Management Association, as well as the Knights of Columbus, Kehoe Council and the Izaak Walton League of America.

In addition to the SCR Board of Directors appointment, Helton currently serves on several other boards, including: DCCH Center for Children and Families, Alliance for Catholic Urban Education and the Southwest Ohio Chapter of the Healthcare Financial Management Association.



# Kristin Yarman, APRN, now accepting new patients at St. Claire Regional Family Medicine in Sandy Hook



Kristin Yarman, APRN, St. Claire Regional Family Medicine in Sandy Hook

St. Claire Regional Medical Center is pleased to announce the addition of Kristin Yarman, APRN, to its medical staff. Yarman is now seeing and accepting new patients at the St. Claire Regional Family Medicine location in Sandy Hook.

Yarman, a native of Olive Hill, completed a Bachelor of Science in Nursing at Morehead State University and her Master of Science in Nursing at Eastern Kentucky University.

"I'm excited to be a part of the team at St. Claire Regional," Yarman said, "I'm from the area, so working here feels like home. I hope to live up to SCR's mission, and to provide quality care to the people of Eastern Kentucky."

St. Claire Regional Family Medicine - Sandy Hook is located at 390 KY Highway 7S, and is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. To schedule an appointment with Kristin Yarman or any provider at St. Claire Regional Family Medicine - Sandy Hook, call (606) 738-5155.

## David Gross elected to Rural Health Congress

David A. Gross, St. Claire Regional's administrative director for education and research, was recently elected to the National Rural Health Association's Rural Health Congress (NRHA). He will serve a two-year term representing the association's Research and Education Constituency Group beginning in 2016.

Gross has been an NRHA member since 2003, received the NRHA LaVonne Straub Memorial Student Research Paper Award in 2009, and has served on the NRHA Communications Committee since 2010. He has also presented at NRHA's annual conference multiple times. "It's an honor to be elected by my NRHA Research and Education peers to serve in this leadership role," said Gross, whose duties include directing the Northeast Kentucky Area Health Education Center. "This is a critically important time for rural health care in the United States and I look forward to helping craft NRHA's positions on the healthcare workforce, quality initiatives, telemedicine and other public policy issues."

The Rural Health Congress determines NRHA's position on healthcare-related public policy through a series of policy briefs and issue papers, and is made up of elected representatives from the association's nine constituency groups, the State Association Council, the State Office Council, issue groups and officers. This gives the Rural Health Congress representation that reflects the concerns of the NRHA's diverse membership.

The NRHA is a nonprofit organization with a mission of providing leadership on rural health issues through advocacy, communications, education and research. The NRHA has been serving rural communities for more than 30 years and has more than 21,000 members.



David A. Gross, St. Claire Regional's director for education and research.



## A very merry St. Claire Regional Christmas

St. Claire Regional held its annual staff Christmas parties on Dec. 10 and 11. Staff Christmas parties provided holiday cheer, lots of food and presents for all! The jolly bearded Santa Claus (played by Tom Lewis) was on standby for several hours, passing out candy canes and listening to last-minute Christmas wishes from the children and adults who attended.

Merry Christmas and thanks to ALL of our staff members for their dedicated service.



Sr. Jean Francis Cleves is pictured here with Santa Claus during the annual SCR Christmas celebration.



SCR staff members pose with Santa during the annual Christmas celebrations. Pictured, from left, are Dr. Will Melahn, vice president of medical affairs and chief medical officer; Mark J. Neff, SCR President and CEO; Santa Claus, played by Tom Lewis, SCR Foundation executive director; Wendy Jarrett, Human Resources office assistant; Jill Rhodes, Human Resources benefits analyst; Sr. Judi Lambert, director of mission integration and pastoral care; and LeRae Wilson, DNP, RN, NEA-BC, vice president patient services/CNO.



SCR's food service staff were Santa's little helpers during the Christmas celebrations, working around the clock to provide wonderful food for each of the three parties.



SCR Human Resources staff played the role of Santa's elves during the Christmas celebrations, handing out gifts to all of the good staff who work at St. Claire Regional.









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Respiratory Therapy **Environmental Services** 4th Floor Nursing Pharmacy

Cheryl Kay Bridenthal Melissa R. Thomas

Hospice Central Billing Office

1/3

Mildred K Cooper Patricia Ruth Eldridge Marsha A Horsley William D Lewis Shannon L. Moore Melinda Elaine Oakley Shamika Latrice Williams FM - Owingsville

Family Medical Supply FM - Olive Hill Home Health Radiology Physicians Home Health **Emergency Department** 

1/4

Dreama D Rucker

1/5 Calvin R Conn

OPCC Crystal L Donathan Marla Kaye Kearns Melissa D Montfort Laboratory Jo Ann Pennington Financial Services

1/6

Magan Haley Meade

1/7

Judy M Buelterman Dakota Marie Cooper

1/9 Cathy J Blair Jennifer Giggenbach Robin Rena Munday Melinda Sturgill Andrea Paige Sweet

1/10

Alicia Swim

Nancy J Conn Raymond Cecil Steagall

Rupa Murthy Shawna Leann Rose David White

1/12

Caitlin Noelle Cox Debra L Dickerson Rebecca L Downs

FM - Frenchburg

Bio Medical Engineering 4th Floor Nursing

Behavioral Health Unit

Palliative Care Diagnostic Imaging

Respiratory Therapy Infusion Solutions Central Billing Office **Food Services** Laboratory

Patient Access Facilities Management

FM - Morehead

Pharmacy Nuclear Medicine Laboratory

**Environmental Services** Home Health FM - Owingsville

Carl Jones Rebecca Lou Parker William Grant Roberts Melinda J Sexton

1/13

Nancy Jo Bond Tracey Lynn Dickerson Linda Teresa Stahl Leigh Anne Stiltner

1/14

Emily C Bailey Amy Dawn Brown Melanie Ann Hurst Amber Brooke O'Neal Glenna S Stevens

1/15

Tracy Fannin Kia L. Littleton Ashley Marie Shade Jennifer Lynn Yenke

1/16 David Alan Gross

Lorri Danielle Raleigh Michael T Smedley

1/17

Shelia Calton Angela Lynn Gillespie

1/18

Robert D. Craft Stephanie Renee Logan Dawn Lyanne Ranshaw

1/19

Emily M Ginn Connie B Mavhorn Johnny B. Napier Mandy L Smith

1/20

Andy L Cooper Lisa Ann Goldstein Anita Gullev Jessica N Henderson Lillie Melissa King Catherine D Mettey Amanda K Rose Chad Allen Wilson

1/21

Kathy Blevins Joyce K. Dulin Cindy J McKenzie Leslie D Watts

Information Services Home Health **Environmental Services** Nursing Administration

Environmental Services Central Billing Office Behavioral Health Unit Patient Financial Services

Patient Access Infusion Solutions Hospice Occupational Therapy Food Services

Cardiology Laboratory **Emergency Department** 3rd Floor Central

AHFC. FM - Owingsville Security Services

Food Services Behavioral Health Unit

Pharmacy **Environmental Services** Rehab Unit

Diagnostic Imaging TCU Home Health ICU

**Environmental Services** FM - Sandy Hook MMS Clinical Services MMS Administration Same Day Surgery Central Billing Office Diagnostic Imaging Sleep Lab

Environmental Services **Environmental Services** FM - Frenchburg FM - Olive Hill

1/22

1/23

Latoshia Nicole Morris

Ada Ruth Albert Cheryl Annette Barker Pamela Sue Christy Veronica Gail Hinton

Susana Yeboah-Mantey 1/24

Veronica Nicole Fannin Cynthia Gaye Fields Sarah B Newcomb Tracy Manley Stewart

1/25

Donna Frances Lucas Victor J Pilewski

1/26

Connie Lynn Alexander Chantae Brianne Bryant Megan Jane McDowell Frances A Meritt

1/27

Alice C. Ferguson Victoria Henderson Kimberly Lynn Lambert Kimberly L Smallwood

1/28

Hal W Bledsoe Kayla Michelle Cantrell Bethany Lynne McClure Crystal Monique Moon Jessica Nicole Oldham

Crystal Lynn Dunaway Fhonda K Hitch

1/30

Latisha M Fyffe Kristina L. Kegley Trina M. Pierce

1/31

Kara Danielle Holbrook Nina J McCleese

**CRSS** 

Hospice Behavioral Health Unit SPD

Hospice ICU

4th Floor Nursing 3rd Floor Central **CRSS** Quality Management

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ICU

FM - Morehead

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Misti Ann Fannin Nursing Administration

Chelle Deneen Gilliam **HIM** 

Kristen Elaine Greene Diagnostic Imaging

**Matthew Tyler Greene** Infusion Solutions

Caitlin Jeanelle Hall Patient Access

**Betty Jean Hamm** Medical Group Admin

Jennifer Marie Harty Patient Access

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**Sean Clinton Kelsey** Physical Therapy

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Alicia Ann Martin Behavioral Health Unit

**Candace Renee Nickell** FM - Morehead

Caitlin P O'Callaghan Emergency Physicians

Jonathan Carlos Perdue Pharmacv

> John A Sanders Palliative Care

**Ashley Lauren Sargent** Respiratory Therapy

Laurie Jan Sparks Respiratory Therapy

**Holly Lyn Staton** Nursing Administration

Michelle Lynn Wetzel 3rd Floor Central

## Recognizing November as National Home Care Month



Front row: Leah-Ann Owens, SCR Patient Care Coordinator, Annette Sparks, SCR RN. Back row: Gary Trent, Thelma Trent, Wales Trent and caregiver, Madge Plank.

Wales and Thelma Trent, current patients of St. Claire Regional HomeCare, are looking forward to celebrating their 75th wedding anniversary in 2016. Their home care team is pictured with them above.

"We've been fortunate that our parents are as healthy as they are, thanks to St. Claire HomeCare services," their son, Gary, said. According to their son, Ted, "Home health is one of the best ambassadors for St. Claire and what the hospital stands for. Home health seems to be a full extension of the primary care physicians in our area."

It means so much to families to have that quality of care come to you when you can't get out and go to the doctor.

Ted Trent, son of Wales & Thelma Trent



You are invited to enter SCR's

# Christmas Decorating Contest



All entries must be submitted by photo before Dec. 21, 2015 @ 3 p.m.

Winner will be announced Wednesday, Dec. 23.

#### Entry may be Door, Window or Tree

Prizes will be awarded in each of the following categories:

- Most Representative of Department
- Most Beautiful
- Most Creative

Contact Barb Davis (bldavis@st-claire.org) or Angel Beamon (ambeamon@st-claire.org) if you have any questions.





# UPCOMING C.E. Programs

#### January 1 | Tumor Board

7:30 - 9:00 AM

SCR Teleconference Room

Credit: Pendina

### **January 5 | Changing Documentation Requirements** in the ICD-10 Era for Common Diagnoses - Sepsis, Diabetes, Heart Failure and Others

6:00 - 7:00 PM

SCR Cafe D

Credit: Category 1 AMA, Nursing

Register at www.neahec.org/ICD10

### January 6 | Changing Documentation Requirements in the ICD-10 Era for Common Diagnoses - Sepsis, **Diabetes, Heart Failure and Others**

8:00 - 9:00 AM

SCR Cafe D

Credit: Category 1 AMA, Nursing Register at www.neahec.org/ICD10

### January 6 | Journal Club

12:00 - 1:00 PM

SCR Library - Education Room

Credit: Pending

### January 12 | Morbidity & Mortality

8:00 - 9:00 AM

SCR Library - Education Room

Credit: Pending

### January 15 | Tumor Board

8:00 - 9:00 AM

SCR Teleconference Room

Credit: Pending

### **January 20 | Interdisciplinary Grand Rounds**

12:30 - 1:30 PM

SCR Library - Education Room

Credit: ACPE, Category 1 AMA

#### January 26 | BLS Check Off

1:00 - 4:00 PM

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**Location:** St. Claire Regional Medical Center

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