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From Sherry's Desk-

Happy New Year! At the risk of repeating myself – where did the year go?! Where did the first 10 years of the 2000's go?!

Health care in 2010 will be interesting as the final pieces of health care reform legislation are worked out between the Senate and the House. As yet we do not know how coverage and payment mechanisms will change but we can be certain that they will change. MHLC will be tasked with continuing to provide quality

health care while accommodating the new reform rules.

The electronic medical record that we converted to 18 months ago takes on an even more important role with health care reform legislation and the in-

centives that accompany it. The "meaningful user" standards and definitions coupled with quality payment incentives will enhance Medicare payments and eventually all payments. MHLC's goal for 2010

is to continue with and add to the services that our community needs in order to become healthy and stay healthy. Have a safe and healthy New Year.



Giving Blood Saves Lives...

Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center will be here for a blood drive

Wednesday January 27th

12-4 p.m.

MHLC Conference Room

Please call 776-5731 for an appt...walk ins always welcome!

Save the dates...

- Jan 13-Club Scrub
- Jan 27-Blood Drive
12-4 pm
- Feb 27-Families First
Birthday party
- Mar 27-MHF Annual
Dinner-Luau
- April 18-Our Town



Celebrations....

January Birthdays

Deanna Cheeney	2
Margie Malott	4
Rita White	4
Sandy Bryson	4
Janet Fox	5
Annie Eveland	7
Dr. Mark Rich	10
Dr. Everett Lindsey	23
Ashley Ruf	24
Marilyn Kilcoyne	25
Kay Davis	27
Nikki Martin	28



**With hopes that the
new year brings
many blessings!**

January Anniversaries

Marna Howery	1986
Nancy Edwards	1987
Joann Plear	1989
Tina Brugger	1990
Dana Hatlan	1999
Brittany Long	2001
Bridget Whited	2003
Sue Jacobson	2004
Joanne Huntington	2009

*“How beautiful a day
can be when kindness
touches it!”*

George Elliston

MHLC forms “Team Club Scrub”

Memorial Hospital of Lafayette County is launching a brand new program designed to educate and encourage young students to have an interest in health care careers. “Club Scrub” was designed by the WI Office of Rural Health for the Rural WI Health Cooperative a few years ago and includes a detailed program outline designed to spark 7th and 8th grade students interest in the health sciences. MHLC will begin its pilot program with 3 of Lafayette County’s 7 school districts. Argyle,

Belmont and Darlington schools expressed interest immediately and combined will be sending 20 students to MHLC each month for a fun, hands-on session to learn about health-care careers side by side MHLC employees. The Rehab, Surgery, Laboratory, Radiology, Respiratory Therapy and Nursing departments were selected to create interactive sessions including suturing pig’s feet, balance activity, casting a fractured arm, emphysema demo, microbiology and giving an orange an injection

are just a few of the interesting things these lucky students will get to perform during their “Club Scrub” sessions. The Memorial Hospital Auxiliary has also offered to purchase each participating student a scrub top to wear during each session as a gift for taking part in this excellent opportunity. Watch for more news and pictures from “Club Scrub” as our first session is coming up soon on Jan 13th.



Notes from Marie...

Greetings from your MHLC CFO...

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for the support throughout this past year. We had so many amazing and enjoyable fund raising activities with the annual Memorial Healthcare Foundation Dinner, Memorial Hospital Auxiliary Golf Outing & BAND-AID. With all the wonderful support from everyone we were able to award education scholarships, purchase new furniture, equipment and several comfort items for our patients, visitors and employees. I would also like to thank the members of these organizations for all their hard work and dedication, as well, without their support these things would not have come to-

gether so nicely. It has been a great year for MHLC. Over the past year, several new clinics had been added including, Peripheral Vascular, Pacer-maker, Diabetic Educator, and Endocrinology Clinic. These were all nice additions to our already successful specialty clinics, including Cardiology, Urology, Podiatry, Audiology, Orthopedics, Neurology, Ear Nose & Throat, Nephrology, and Gynecology. It is always wonderful to have our family and friends able to see their specialist in a convenient location, close to home at Memorial Hospital of Lafayette County. Please visit our new website at www.memorialhospitaloflafayettecounty.org, please take

some time to view the website and see the many great things you can find right here in your hometown neighborhood. If you have any questions or concerns regarding your billing statements, please call us at 608-776-5733. We appreciate your feedback and are very happy to serve you. MHLC is proud to support Patient Friendly payment plans and Patient Financial Assistance Program. Please contact our Billing Department with any questions or concerns at 608-776-5733 or visit our website for more information. Thank You for choosing Memorial Hospital of Lafayette County for all your healthcare services!! Best Wishes as we move into 2010!

Marie

Diabetic Education Team...

In coordination with our new Endocrinology services, Memorial Hospital is proud to announce our Diabetic Education Team. As a certified diabetes educator, Carol Lancaster assists people in developing a healthy lifestyle necessary to manage their diabetes. She graduated from Columbia Hospital School of Nursing and joined Monroe Clinic in 1990. She worked for many years in the Home Care and Hospice department and joined the Patient Education department in 2000. She achieved certification as a Diabetic Educator in

2003 and has actively been involved in patient care since then. Becky Kerkenbush, RD, CD is a Registered Dietitian with a special interest in diabetes, weight management and heart-healthy nutrition. She not only provides outpatient nutrition education, but also has experience within the inpatient and long-term care settings. Becky received a Bachelor of Science degree in Community Health Education from the University of Wisconsin-Lafayette and her dietetics degree from the University of Wisconsin-

Madison. She completed her dietetics internship at the University of Wisconsin-Hospitals & Clinics. "As a registered dietitian, I am committed to providing clients the most accurate, up-to-date information. My purpose is to assist people in making informed food choices, while developing sound eating and lifestyle habits." If you think you would benefit from Diabetic Education, please contact your medical provider or the Memorial Hospital Outpatient Clinic or Dietary Departments.



**Carol Lancaster, RN
Certified Diabetic
Educator**



**Becky Kerkenbush,
Registered Dietician**

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... "We treat you like
family"

Thanks to all who have supported our fund and we are in our 3rd year and going strong. A 2010 list of participants will be sent out to each Department Manager along with copies of the policy and notification forms.

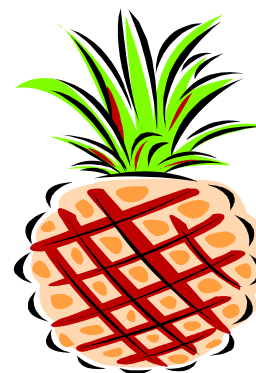
Happy New Year!
The Helping Hearts

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Save the date for Luau...

Dig out your favorite Hawaiian shirt or hula skirt for a fun night of fundraising with the Memorial Healthcare Foundation (MHF). Mark your calendar this year, the "Luau" is scheduled for Saturday March 27th at Bridges Banquet Center in Darlington. You won't want to miss this one! The mission of

the Memorial Healthcare Foundation is to support and promote Memorial Hospital of Lafayette County through the endowment of new and existing services, scholarships and capital improvements. The Fundraising Committee of the MHF



is working hard to plan a night filled with food, fun and fabulous fundraising! Watch for more details on how you can support the Memorial Healthcare Foundation's Annual Dinner & Luau!

Sometimes we just need to be reminded!

A well-known speaker started off his seminar by holding up a \$20.00 bill. In the room of 200, he asked, "Who would like this \$20 bill?"

Hands started going up. He said, "I am going to give this \$20 to one of you but first, let me do this."

He proceeded to crumple up the \$20 dollar bill. He then asked, "Who still wants it?"

Still the hands were up in the air.

"Well," he replied, "What if I do this?"

And he dropped it on the ground and started to grind it into the floor with his shoe. He picked it up, now crumpled and dirty.

"Now, who still wants it?"

Still the hands went into the air.

"My friends, we have all learned a very valuable lesson. No matter what I did to the money, you still wanted it because it did not decrease in value. It was still worth \$20. Many times in our lives, we are dropped, crumpled, and ground into the dirt by the decisions we make and the circumstances that come our way. We feel as though we are worthless. But no matter what has happened or what will happen, you will never lose your value. Dirty or clean, crumpled or finely creased, you are still priceless to those who love you. The worth of our lives comes not in what we do or who we know, but by who we are and whose we are.

You are special. Don't EVER forget it."

Author Unknown

Count your blessings, not your problems.

And remember:

amateurs built the ark ...professionals built the Titanic.

January 2010

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OF LAFAYETTE COUNTY**

... "We Treat You Like Family"



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 <i>Happy New Year!</i>	2
3	4 <i>Cardio-Dr. Mason Podiatry-Dr. Chubb</i>	5 <i>Audio-Dr. Rubert Ortho-Dr. Sathoff</i>	6	7 <i>Vascular-Dr. Carr Diabetic Ed- C.Lancaster RN</i>	8 <i>Cardio-Dr. Hinderaker</i>	9
10	11 <i>Cardio-Dr. Stoiber GYN-Dr. Lindsey Podiatry-Dr Chubb</i>	12 <i>Ortho-Dr. Sathoff</i>	13 <i>Neuro-Dr. Perry Urology-Dr. Graf</i>	14 <i>Pacer-R. Fields Endocrinology- Dr. Bekx ENT-B Knutson</i>	15 <i>Cardio-Dr. Hinderaker</i>	16
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24	25 <i>GYN-Dr. Lindsey Podiatry-Dr. Chubb</i>	26 <i>Ortho-Dr. Sathoff</i>	27 <i>Neuro-Dr. Perry Urology-Dr. Graf</i>	28 <i>Cardio-Dr. Grogan Neuro-Dr. Kazkaz</i>	29 <i>Cardio-Dr. Stoiber</i>	30
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