

Monthly Newsletter

**Happy
Valentines
Day**



Happenings here at.....

Memorial Hospital of Texas County

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From the Desk of our CEO

Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow! This is the first time since I have been here that I have seen back to back snow falls. The moisture has been welcomed for sure.

We need to thank Tommy, Frank and Steven for the excellent work they have done clearing our parking lots and walkways. They have been at it without complaint and we truly appreciate them.

Many of you have seen the ads for Dr. Azizeh Asgari, our new OB/GYN who joined our team mid January. Dr. Asgari is located in the North Medical Plaza by United off of Roosevelt. Please be sure to welcome her when you see her.

In addition, we are expecting Dr. John Kim to join our facility next month. Dr. Kim is an orthopedic surgeon who will be moving here with his wife from Indiana. He and his wife will be here this week February 10th and 11th to look for housing. I had discussed the addition of a general surgeon and we thought we were going to be able to bring a candidate in November to fill this role. Unfortunately the timing did not work out so we will have to delay this process indefinitely.

The hospital was also informed that Dr. Michael Hensley will be leaving Guymon in March. He has accepted a position in Clinton, Oklahoma. Dr. Hensley has a very busy OB practice and the hospital and medical staff will discuss our plan to ensure coverage for his patients after he departs.

On a brighter note you should be watching our patient satisfaction scores. They are improving greatly due to all your hard work and effort. We need to not only give each other

a pat on the back but be sure to continue supporting the efforts of everyone involved in driving this process forward from Sheldon's slogan "Always Ten, Service with a Smile" to our service philosophy I hope you all embrace.



Getting to Know Your Hospital

Nothing feels as good as climbing into a bed with freshly washed sheets or taking a hot shower and drying off with a towel that is soft and smells oh so clean. It is the responsibility of our laundry department to give this feeling to the patients of our hospital.

The laundry Department is of course responsible for the cleaning and sanitizing of the linens in the hospital. Daily they receive the dirty linens through the chutes and from there they are sorted into different groups. They are washed in HOT water

and bleach to ensure they are not just clean but sanitized. The linens are then dried in commercial type dyers, then folded and placed in their proper places ready for use by the patients and staff. They are responsible for Med/Surg, OB, ER, and the hall closet.

The laundry crew's day starts at 6:45am and ends at 3:15pm, six days a week. They are an extremely dedicated group of ladies who take pride in their work for the hospital. They have a combined total of 48 years of service for the hospital. The department is headed by Linda Barker. Linda Barker is among the most dedicated employees of MHTC. Linda has been here for over 35 years! She has served in the same department and position the entire time. She has been here through the good and the bad, she has seen it all.

The ladies who make up the department are: Linda Barker, Sonja Smith – 9 years, Rosio Perez – 2 years, Teresa Albata – 2 years. They

work as a complete unit helping each other in any way they can. According to Sonja, "We are a team. There is no I in team."

Linda invites any and all to drop in for a visit. They are proud of their department and we are proud of them. Everyone at MHTC appreciates the Laundry Department for their dedication and excellent service.



**Department
Supervisors
News of the Month**

*What the Business
Office is admitting
to...*

Maria Chavez would like to encourage everyone to join the MHTC Relay for Life Team. This is a fun and very rewarding experience. As you may know, the fundraising

for 2010 has already begun. Maria encourages all to come out and make this a success. For more information please call Maria at ext. 2371.

*A Shot in the arm
is what we get from
Med/Surg...*

Best Wishes to everyone for the New Year. A big THANKS for our bonuses this year. The Christmas meal was yummy. Thank you for the United gift card and the ornaments. Thanks to all from the Med/Surg Department. We think it is great to have the Newsletter again. Thank you!

A big congratulations goes out to Shayla Koehn and Adrienne Kirkwood on their graduation from the OPSU nursing program. Wishing you the best on your NCLEX. We are proud of you both!

WELCOME our newest American citizens: Audrey Vergara and family!

*Stretching the
truth from
Physical Therapy...*

Wedding bells are going to be ringing for Britney Willour. The wedding is set for September 2010. Congratulations!

*No white lies from
Laundry...*

Linda Barker is a Great Grandmother! She has a great grandson named Jackson Boynton. Mom and baby are doing great.

*Health
Information, just
for the record...*

Karisa Vela is back in school from Christmas break. She is working on for her Nursing degree. We are very proud of her.

Diane Bowers is the newest member in HIM. She is the file clerk and is doing a super job.

Bobbie Cooper is going to be a grandma...again. This will be number 12! That is enough, it fills an egg carton.

Brenda Jarrett, department supervisor, spent the Christmas holiday with her family in Arkansas.

The department has gotten new files for the records. The cleaning up and getting the files put away has begun and the department is looking good. Come and see!

*Positive Words
from Quality
Improvement...*

Christine Kirk wishes everyone a Happy Valentines Day! Do something special for your sweetheart!

The new pocket sized Culture of Patient Safety/Culture of Patient Satisfaction booklets will be available this week.

**HAPPY
VALENTINES DAY**



**WELCOME THE
2010 NEW YEAR
BABY BORN AT
MHTC**

Kaily Alyn Garcia was born at MHTC January 4, 2010 at 3:57pm. She weighed 6 lbs. 7.3 oz. and was 19 ½ inches long. She was born to Adriana Isela Casas of Beaver, OK. She was welcomed home by her big brother, Carlos Garcia and big sister, Victoria Casas.



**Joining the
MHTC Crew**

Dr. Michael Green –
Radiologist

Arlene Winfrey –
Ultrasound Tech

Beverly Brown –
Mammography

Dr. Azizeh Asgari –
OB/GYN

Danielle Cheatwood –
High Plains Women's
Clinic Receptionist

Sherry Nye, RN, PRN -
High Plains Women's
Clinic

Melissa King – OR
Scrub Tech

Judith Galbraith –
CRNA

Janice Casper – Tech I
Med/Surg

February 2010 Birthdays



**Happy Birthday from
all of us at MHTC.**

2nd – Rena McBee
(Business Office)

4th – Frank Martinez
(Maintenance)

6th – Sheldon Spence (IS)

8th – Kindall Moon
(Pharmacy)

9th – Ronald Lewis
(Radiology)

14th – Julie Hicks
(Med/Surg)

15th – DeeAnna Tehan
(Business Office)

15th – Carla Miller
(Medical Records)

15th – Sonja Smith
(Laundry)

17th – Isabel Calderon
(Houskeeping)

18th – Whitney Silva
(Med/Surg)

18th – Kim Ray (Business
Office)

21st – Trisha Campbell
(Home Health)

24th – Priscilla Kellogg
(Dietary)

25th – Kristina Pal (Lab)

25th – Judith Austin
(Business Office)

27th – June Chiu
(Radiology)

NOTICE!!

If you would like to see
your departments
activities listed in the
newsletter let us know.
Contact Jim Grocholski,
CEO or Bobbie Cooper
(ext. 2248) in the
HIM/Medical Records
Department.

Service Philosophy

- 1. Positive first
Impressions are
your First
Priority**
- 2. Treat Customers
as Guests**
- 3. Practice Service
Recovery**
- 4. Always Project a
Positive Attitude**

**5. Do Everything
From a Team
Centered
Approach**

**6. Make Excellence
a Goal in
Everything You
Do.**

Words of Wisdom

*“The essence of true
nobility is neglect to
self”*

J.A. Froud

So give someone a
Valentine this week or
just do something nice
for someone else!

