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## Cancer Center expands services

Cancer treatment services offered by Maury Regional Medical Center (MRMC) have been consolidated to one convenient location. Relocation of radiation therapy services from the medical center campus to the Cancer Center

at Columbia Mall was recently completed.

The facility at 808 South James Campbell Boulevard is home to physicians and staff who specialize in medical and radiation oncology, offering a range of services for cancer treatment.

The Cancer Center

opened in June 2012 with an outpatient infusion center and offices of Family Health Group medical oncologists. In 2014,

renovation work began on a 12,600 square foot area to house radiation therapy services.

The new space includes offices of radiation oncology physicians, treatment planning areas, exam rooms and treatment suites with two linear accelerators used to deliver radiation therapy. A mobile positron tomography (PET) unit will be located onsite.

For patients and families, the Cancer Center offers a tranquil garden area, resource center and a monthly cancer support group, as well as assistance from clinical and financial navigators.

An open house will be held on Thursday, August 20 from 5 to 7 p.m. to allow the public to see the newly expanded facility and the services it offers to patients and families. For information about the open house, call 840.4446.

Open House  
Cancer Center at  
Columbia Mall  
August 20  
5-7 PM



## Students complete MASH program

The 2015 Maury Academy for Students in Health (MASH) program was held at MRMC June 8-19. The two-week program, sponsored by MRMC and the Auxiliary, allows high school students to learn how science is used by health care professionals. The group visited numerous departments and participated in an emergency training exercise with physicians, staff members and other organizations.

Volunteer Services Assistant Director Cindy Short, who coordinated the program, is pictured (far right) with participants (in alphabetical order) Shelby Anderson, Phoebe Barber, Kennedy Bell, Griffin Birdsong, Jamila Bush, Grace Anne Butt, Sophia Campos, Rachel DeBoe, Emma Jane Farmer, Allison Henderson, Rachel Hicks, Aerial Hood, Jack Huckaby, Ellie Jackson, Maneika Loggins, Hannah Lightfoot, Madison Newberry, Priya Patel, Riya Patel, Morgan Phillips, Stephany Rider, Dylan Self, Christopher Short, Nathaniel Williams and Sara Williams.

## NEW EMPLOYEES

### EMS

Andrea Kelly  
William Miles

### ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Jasmine Busby  
Beverly Hill  
Christy Kennedy  
Cory Walden

### HEALTHCARE TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT

Kyle Riddle

### LABORATORY

Anthony Bardwell  
Kayla Goodwin  
Audrey Rogers

### LEWIS HEALTH CENTER

Michael Peters

### NURSING

Justis Batchelder  
Kristin Brown  
Kalijah Lee  
Crystal Mathers  
Dorothy Newton  
Hailey Singleton

### NURSING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Jessica Prince

### PATIENT ACCOUNTS

Holly Baker  
Anyia Jones

### TRANSPORTATION

Austin Williams

## PROMOTIONS

Allison Gulley, from RN, to nurse manager, Nursing

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## Excellence Through Leadership



Eleven staff members from MRMC, Lewis Health Center and Maury Regional EMS completed the latest Excellence Through Leadership program on May 29. Pictured above are (front row, l-r) Christi Smith, Natasha Holt, Vickie Pullen, Alissa Taylor; (standing) coordinator Joan Stephens, Connie Lentz, Heather Norris, Margo Andrews, Todd Chessor, Jason Griggs and Dawn Cashion. Not pictured is Kerry White.

## Blood sugar programs offered

More than 85 million Americans age 20 and older have pre-diabetes and diabetes remains the seventh leading cause of death. In May and June, Diabetes Educator Michelle Kennedy BSN, RN, offered two community seminars on controlling blood sugar levels.

Kennedy presented a seminar at Wayne Medical Center on May 21 and a program at MRMC on June 18. Approximately 60 people attended the two programs.

An outpatient program on self-management of diabetes is offered on a regular basis at MRMC. Topics include meal planning, exercise, medications and prevention of complications. The program is covered by most insurance plans. For information, call 540.4324.



KENNEDY

## Nurse earns certification

Annette Phillips, a registered nurse on ICU Stepdown, recently earned certification in progressive care nursing.

Phillips, who has worked at MRMC for three years, earned the designation from the certification body of the American Association of Critical Care Nurses.



PHILLIPS

## PROMOTIONS

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Brenda Norris, from supervisor to manager, Environmental Services  
Audrey Rogers, from phlebotomist to certified phlebotomist, Laboratory

## TRANSFERS

Janice Breece, from phlebotomist, Laboratory, to patient care assistant/phlebotomist, Nursing

Andrea Derryberry, from phlebotomist, Laboratory, to patient care assistant/phlebotomist, Nursing

Jessica Kinzer, from pre-service analyst, Admitting/Registration, to scheduler, Pre-Service

Cathy Lopez, from supervisor to claim recovery specialist, Patient Accounts

Kara Wheeler, from phlebotomist, Laboratory, to phlebotomist, Maury Regional Spring Hill

## BIRTHS

Hannah Currington, Nursing, and her family welcomed Paisley Mae Currington on June 10. She weighed 6 lb. and 11 oz.

Dr. Brandie Gorrell and her family welcomed Elijah Michael Viney on June 10. He weighed 7 lb. and 6 oz.

Savanna Jenks, Nursing, and her family welcomed Leland Steven and Lynden Calvin Jenks on June 1. Leland weighed 4 lb. and 10 oz. Lynden weighed 4 lb. and 4 oz.

Drs. Julie and Luke Taggart welcomed Lila Marie Taggart on June 2. She weighed 6 lb. and 12 oz.

Julianne Thomason, Home Services, and her family welcomed Boone Franklin Thomason on June 10. He weighed 8 lb. and 13 oz.

## IN MEMORY

Jean Thomas passed away on June 3. She worked in Accounting at MRMC from 1953 to 1995.



## Auxiliary names officers

The MRMC Auxiliary held its annual meeting on June 16 and installed new officers. Those who will serve the organization as officers for the coming year are (l-r) Recording Secretary Sue Greenfield, Corresponding Secretary Bonnie Kennedy, President Janet Allen, Vice President Margaret Wells and Treasurer Betty Wells.

## Albright presents at national conference

Administrative Director Carey Albright, MBA, MSN, was a presenter addressing physician relationships and engagement during the Becker's Hospital Review 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting in Chicago on May 8.

Albright shared ways in which the organization involves physicians in operations, including the service line advisory councils and Quality Council. During these meetings, physicians are involved in discussions regarding hospital data on volumes, outcomes, patient safety, core measures, patient satisfaction and financials. In addition, physician feedback is used in discussing products and services with vendors.



ALBRIGHT

## Staff speak at webinar

Two MRMC staff members were presenters for a webinar broadcast by the Planetree, Inc. organization on June 4. Jerry Coulter and Keri Howell shared information on the food pantry that is available to patients at discharge.

The presentation focused on the methods used by the Maury Regional Health Care Foundation, employees and community partners to offer nutritious food to patients who are struggling to meet basic needs.

The webinar was attended by representatives of Planetree-designated organizations. MRMC earned designation from Planetree as a patient-centered care organization in early 2015.



# 2015 SERVICE AWARDS

MRMC held its annual Service Awards Banquet on May 14, honoring 283 employees who have provided 3,555 years of service. Pictured below are those who attended the event.



*Pictured (l-r, seated) are Andrea Derryberry, Michele Tankersley, Chastity Johnson, Maegan Potts, Alissa Taylor, Leslie Webb, Alicia Tears, Jane Smith, Valerie Huffstetler, Paula Wilt; (standing) Jayce Pickle, Brandy Crowell, Shirley Sparks, Tim Pounders, Linda Hudson, Christie Jones, Sarah Crowell, CEO Alan Watson, Board of Trustees Chairman Doug Williamson, Jennifer Hartsfield, Neal Coke, Courtney Carrington, Jeff Strawn, Courtney Stacy, Dan Bright, Christopher Gorbatoff, Charles Lardie and Daryl Odom.*

**FIVE YEARS**



**TEN YEARS**

*Pictured (l-r, seated) are Miranda Harmon, Rebecca Brady, Jana Wright, Bonnie Roder, Heather Norris, Sharon Chapman; (standing) Glenda Hunt, Greg Meador, Watson, Kate Cassidy, Williamson and Jeff Binkley.*



**FIFTEEN YEARS**

*Pictured (l-r, seated) are Angie Sargent, Pauline Thomas, Jacqueline Hendrix, Theresa Pitts, Jeri Lynn Morton, Lindsey Chapman, Cherrie Mayes, Henrietta Weaver, Ginger Cothran, Dianna Butt; (standing) Trent Lewis, Stephen McGee, Breanna Andrews, Donna Thornton, Kristi Burklow, Jewel Bedford, Watson, Williamson, Deborah Lumpkins, Chanda Foutch, Karen Summers, Beverly McCoy and Miranda Roberts.*



**TWENTY YEARS**

*Pictured (l-r, seated) are Annette Carpenter, Wanda Workman, Dana Burchman, Marie Skelton, Phyllis Callaro, Jeannette Kennedy; (standing) Rodney Parnell, Lydia Benefield, Watson, Williamson, Tina Johnson and Cindy McCann.*



**TWENTY-FIVE YEARS**

*Pictured (l-r, seated) are Nancy Delk, Shirley Malone, Carol Dawson, Debbie Grooms, Christy Wright, Becky Mallard; (standing) Bobby Turner, Hugh Johnson, Mark Stinson, Watson, Williamson, Chantel Phillips and Calvin Hoover.*



**THIRTY YEARS**

*Pictured (l-r, seated) are Rosemary Edmonds, Cindy Fox, Sherian Fox, Amy Bridges; (standing) Carolyn Webster, Watson, Williamson, Marva Booker and Mike Dugger.*



**THIRTY-FIVE YEARS**

*Pictured (l-r) are Watson, Teresa Straight, Delilah Andrews, Teresa Grimmatt and Williamson.*

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# 2015 SERVICE AWARDS

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**FORTY-FIVE YEARS**

*Dee Housch is pictured with Watson and Williamson.*

**Marshall Medical Center** held its annual Service Awards Banquet on May 12. The event honored 20 employees who have provided 315 years of service.

**Wayne Medical Center** held its annual Service Awards Banquet on May 21, honoring 16 employees who have provided 185 years of service.

## MAURY REGIONAL HEALTH CARE FOUNDATION *News*

### FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES 5K RESULTS

More than \$4,000 was raised for the Family and Friends Nutrition Fund of the Maury Regional Health Care Foundation through a 5K event on May 30. The Feed the Need, Run for Fun 5K and one-mile fun run was held at Maury County Park with 137 participants.

Thomas Quinn III logged the fastest time at 18:11, winning first place in the men's division. His father, Thomas Quinn II, M.D., took second place in the men's division with a time of 21:45. Terry Quillen finished at 22:09 for third place in the men's division.

In the women's division, Erika Hasford, Pharmacy, posted a time of 24:53, placing first. Gale Moore finished at 25:00, for second place in the women's division. Kristin Davis finished at 28:39, for third in the women's division.

The event, sponsored by the MRMC Legal and Compliance Department, benefited the Foundation's Friends and Family Nutrition Fund to provide food to patients who might otherwise go without a healthy meal. Since the fund was established in July 2012, more than 480 families have received assistance. Participants donated 320 pounds of non-perishable food items for the food pantry at MRMC.

For a complete list of 5K results by age division, visit [amatteroftiming.com](http://amatteroftiming.com). To learn more about the Foundation or to make a gift, visit [www.mauryregionalfoundation.com](http://www.mauryregionalfoundation.com) or call 380.4075.



*Top men's finishers were the father/son team of Thomas Quinn III (left) who finished at 18:11 and Thomas Quinn II, M.D., who finished at 21:45 for first and second place overall.*



*Top women's finishers were Erika Hasford (right) who finished at 24:53 and Gale Moore who finished at 25:00.*



## Employees honored at retirement



CHAPMAN

HELEN CHAPMAN retired on June 2. She was an associate in Environmental Services and had worked at the medical center for more than ten years.

"Helen has been an important part of our evening shift team, providing service to many of the clinical support departments. Based on the number of those who visited with her at her retirement celebration, it is easy to grasp the impact she had on so many folks. Helen always had a kind word of encouragement to share with everyone she encountered. She will be greatly missed by everyone at the medical center," said Director Mike Short.



COLEMAN

PAT COLEMAN JR., an imaging technologist in MRMC Imaging, retired on June 12. He had worked at the medical center for more than 25 years.

"We will miss Pat in the Imaging Department. He has been a loyal co-worker and friend to all of us. I hope Pat enjoys his retirement doing the things he loves," said Imaging Director Pam Williams.



CRIGGER

LINDA CRIGGER retired from MRMC on May 29. She was a department support coordinator in Human Resources and had worked at the medical center for more than 23 years.

"Linda has been a dedicated employee for 23 years—in the same role and in the same department. That type of dedication to one position is certainly hard to come by! We thank Linda for her many years of service and wish her all the best as she takes the next step in life and enjoys her wonderful family," said Vice President of Human Resources Kaye Brewer.



DELK

NANCY DELK retired on June 12. She had worked at MRMC for more than 24 years and was an anesthesia coordinator in Anesthesia.

"Nancy's knowledge of our department will not be replaceable. She has a variety of skills and expertise that show years of experience. I am excited that she can spend time with family and enjoy her retirement but we will miss her," said Chief CRNA Beth Foster.



FOSTER

LATHETTE FOSTER retired on June 12. He was a nurse technician in Surgery at MRMC and had provided more than 41 years of service to the medical center.

"Lathette has been a wonderful employee for Surgery. His quiet, compassionate demeanor has been very comforting for patients and families. For 41 years, he has worked as a dedicated and loyal team member. We will all feel the void upon his retirement but are excited that he is moving to a new chapter in his life," said Nurse Manager Debbie Webster.



HICKS

MAUREEN HICKS retired on June 1. She was a registered nurse in Critical Care and had been employed for 13 years.

"Maureen was a valuable team member in Critical Care. She was passionate about clinical growth and providing excellent care to her patients. Maureen was always interested in learning the latest in evidence-based practice and helping others to grow. We appreciate her years of service and wish her many happy years in her retirement," said Nurse Manager Ginger Dickens.

MARY JEWELL retired from MRMC on May 22. She was a registered nurse in Cardiovascular Stepdown and had been employed at the medical center for more than six years.

"We congratulate Mary on her retirement. During her years at the medical center, she was a kind and dedicated nurse who was always an advocate for our patients. We wish her much happiness," said Nurse Manager Lisa Chambers.



LYKINS

PAULA LYKINS retired from Marshall Medical Center (MMC) on May 22. She was a supervisor in Respiratory Therapy and had worked at MMC for 18 years.

"Paula provided compassionate care to patients and family members. She had a number of responsibilities within our facility including employee orientation and policy stat. We will miss her and wish her the best in this next chapter of her life," said CEO Phyllis Brown.



MASSEY

JIMMY MASSEY, a maintenance specialist III in Plant Operations, retired on June 12. He had worked at MRMC for more than 23 years.

"Jimmy will be missed as he was the life of the shop and made people smile wherever he was. He was an outstanding employee with exceptional maintenance skills. We once received a compliment that no sooner than an employee had submitted a work request, they looked up and there was Jimmy to take care of the issue. Thank you, Jimmy, for your dedication, quality of service and great attitude," said Plant Operations Director Paul Corvin.



PRUITT

DARLENE PRUITT, a certified registered nurse anesthetist in Anesthesia, retired on June 9. She provided 27 years of service to the medical center.

"Darlene is a skilled provider for anesthesia and a delightful person. She is positive and her patients know she cares for them. We will miss her but I know she will keep busy," said Chief CRNA Beth Foster.



STEWART

BEVERLY STEWART, an associate in Environmental Services, retired on June 5. She had worked at MRMC for more than 20 years.

"Beverly has provided incredible support to the patients of First West. She has been such an inspirational example of dedication and faithfulness to our mission and organizational objectives. The kindness and genuine warmth that she poured out on her patients and her co-workers has set the bar very high for our team. Beverly was always about putting others before herself," said Director Mike Short.



SUMANG

FELIX SUMANG retired from MRMC on June 9 after nine years of service. He was an associate in Food & Nutrition.

"Felix has been a huge asset to our department with his uplifting attitude, work ethic and energy. We are all sad to see him leave and he will be missed. Food & Nutrition employees wish him a great retirement," said Director Mac Olivier.

RACHEL TAYLOR retired from MRMC on June 11. She was a certified nurse technician in Orthopedics and had been employed for more than 15 years.

"Rachel is the quintessential nurse technician. She has always provided excellent care to her patients with kindness and compassion. Her smile is contagious and brightens any room," said Nurse Manager Nick Harmon.

# Hospitots has openings

The Children's Academy at Hospitots currently has openings in the classrooms for ages two and older. Hospitots has been serving families of MRMC



and affiliates since 1988 and was the first employer-sponsored child care program in Maury County.

The center is open Monday through Friday from 6 a.m. until 6 p.m.

Hospitots uses nationally recognized curriculum and is one of only two centers in Maury County accredited by the National Accreditation Commission. It was one of the first centers to receive the three-star rating from the State of Tennessee.

For more information or to schedule a tour of the facility, call 380.2920 or email [hospitots@bellsouth.net](mailto:hospitots@bellsouth.net).

## JULY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### July 1

DIABETES EDUCATION GROUP:  
11 a.m., Auxiliary Conf. Room, call 540.4324

### July 6

NEW EMPLOYEE ORIENTATION:  
8 a.m., call 380.4017

### July 8

BLOOD DRIVE: 7 a.m.-5 p.m., Aux. Conf. Room, call 840.4446

### July 9

CELIAC SUPPORT GROUP: 5 p.m., First Floor Conf. Room, call 381.1111, ext. 1275

### July 11

EXPECTANT PARENT CLASS – UNDERSTANDING BIRTH: 9 a.m.-3 p.m., call 490.7046

### July 11

FREE TOUR OF LABOR & DELIVERY: 3 p.m., call 490.7046

### July 14

COPING WITH CANCER: 5:30 p.m., Cancer Center, call 490.7192

### July 15

FREE BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK:  
9:30 a.m., Columbia Senior Center, call 490.4600

### July 16

FREE BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK:  
9:30 a.m., Lewis County Senior Center, call 490.4600

### July 18

EXPECTANT PARENT CLASS – NEWBORN CARE: 9 a.m., call 490.7046

### July 18

EXPECTANT PARENT CLASS – INFANT CPR: 12 p.m., call 490.7046

### July 20

NEW EMPLOYEE ORIENTATION:  
8 a.m., call 380.4017

### July 25

EXPECTANT PARENT CLASS – JUST FOR SIBLINGS: 9-11 a.m., call 490.7046

### July 27

EXPECTANT PARENT CLASS – BREASTFEEDING: 7 p.m., call 490.7046

### July 30

SCRUB SALE: 7 a.m.-7 p.m., Auxiliary Conf. Room, call 380.4075

### July 31

SCRUB SALE: 7 a.m.-4 p.m., Auxiliary Conf. Room, call 380.4075

MRMC and Family Health Group will participate in the annual Spring Hill Chamber of Commerce Business Expo on Saturday, July 18, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at Spring Hill High School.

# KUDOS FOR CAREGIVERS

Rodney Adams	Debra Craven	Jessica Hargrove	Michele Kimbrough	Victor Padron	Honey Sharp
Samantha Adams	Tiffany Crews	Chandler Harlan	Harley Larson	Jennifer Parnell	Patty Shelton
Brady Aderholt	Laura Crockett	Tina Harney	Lisa Lewis	Melissa Patterson	Debbie Sides
Sarah Allen	Niccole Crowley	Talitha Harris	Dr. Maura Lipp	Rachel Peery	Beverly Sisk
Kevin Ambrose	Sherrill Crutcher	Emily Hartwig	April Long	Miranda Pelzer	Charlotte Smith
Amber Anderson	Kimberly Daily	Jan Hayes	Angela Lowe	Annette Phillips	Sara Smith
Molly Anderson	Michael Dawson	Robbie Haynes	Mary Luna	Paige Phillips	Stacy Smith
Breanna Andrews	Eric DeLaBruere	Michael Hensley	Glinda Malugin	Mary Pilkinton	Warren Spencer
Shan Azar	Connie Demumbreum	Robin Hensley	Dr. Kevin Maquiling	Jerusha Pitts	Annette Sullivan
Emily Baltz	Sharla Deschaine	Elizabeth Hernandez	Tabitha Manor	Amanda Polan	Corey Sullivan
Belinda Beard	Teresa Dixon	Savannah Hibbs	Stephanie Marks	Tedra Polk	Natasha Thompson
Lydia Benefield	Michelle Edwards	Anne Hill	Darryl Marlin	Morgan Pope	Donna Thornton
Shannon Bennett	Julie Espinoza	Jackie Hill	Patricia Marston	Tonya Poteete	Kendra Tinin
Mike Bergman	Connie Flowers	Sue Hinson	Brett Martin	Kathryn Powers	Lisa Trimble
Kellie Blackwood	Kyle Fortman	Hannah Hogan	Jason Martin	Savannah Powers	Cassandra Turner
Tammy Bowden	Bryant Foster	Amanda Holt	Shakeema Martin	Dr. Thomas Quinn	Tamara Turner
Jessica Bowling	Josh Franks	Ashley Holt	Dale Mason	Terri Redd	Dr. Freddie Wade
Beth Bradshaw	Angela Frierson	Sue Hooker	Cindy Massey	Samantha Reese	J.D. Waller
Jonathan Brown	Aaron Gignilliat	Regina Horton	Susan Mayfield	Dr. James Richardson	Brian Walters
Vickie Butler	Candy Giles	Jane Hubbell	Courtney McCord	Gordon Ricketts	Erica Watkins
Allison Carlisle	Keith Gordon	Sarah James	Lindsay McCord	Chasity Riggs	Jamie Waugh
Anne Carpenter	Clarinda Griffin	Mary Jewell	Lori McGee	Janie Rodriguez	Nicole Waynick
Mary Casteel	Katie Grimaud	Nicki Jones	Linda Meier	Jerry Ross	Leigh Ann Whitfield
Kacey Clemons	Amanda Grooms	Brigitte Karpati	Dorothy Newton	Ramona Rosser	Ashley Wilkinson
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Pat Coleman	Julianne Hambacher	David Kelley	Dr. Candice Olechowski	Steve Sandlin	Chris Woo
Shannon Cotham	Leslie Hamby	Misty Kelley	Ashley Orr	Tera Scaife	Sandi Wood
Terry Cotham	Angela Hargrove	Sam Keyser	Tara Owens	Tiffany Sensat	Pamela Youngblood

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