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MRMC receives 'A' for patient safety

Maury Regional Medical Center (MRMC) has been awarded an 'A' rating from Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grades for the ninth consecutive time. The Leapfrog Group assigns an A, B, C, D or F grade to hospitals across the country based on their performance in preventing medical errors, infections and other harms among patients in their care.

"To be recognized for the ninth consecutive reporting period with Leapfrog's highest safety grade is a reflection of the commitment of our physicians and staff to provide outstanding care to our patients. They are to be commended for their dedication," said Maury Regional Health CEO Alan Watson.

The Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade uses 27 measures of publicly available hospital safety data to assign grades to approximately 2,500 U.S. hospitals twice per year.

"This is the only national rating of how well hospitals protect patients from preventable harm and death, such as medical errors, infections and injuries," said Leah Binder, president and CEO of The Leapfrog Group. "Receiving an 'A' Safety Grade means a hospital is among the best in the country for preventing these terrible problems and putting their patients first, 24 hours a day."

To see MRMC's full grade details or learn more, visit HospitalSafetyGrade.org.

Milk bank donation site opens at MRMC

MRMC recently became a milk bank depot for donated breast milk to support premature infants in Neonatal Intensive Care Units (NICUs). MRMC is partnering with the Mothers' Milk Bank of Tennessee to serve as a donation site for mothers' milk to be processed by the Mothers' Milk Bank of Austin, Texas.

"Donor milk helps to decrease the number of life-threatening infections in newborns and provides nourishment for premature infants in NICUs when their mothers are unable to produce milk as needed," said Women's and Children's Services Administrative Director Beth Himes.

Mothers who would like to donate breast milk should complete an online form at MilkBank.org, followed by a phone screening,

informational packet and free blood test to determine approval status. All supplies needed to package milk donations will be provided to those who are approved.

Donation appointments must be scheduled in advance by calling the medical center's Lactation Services Department at 931.490.7074.



Pictured (l-r) are Peggy Lewis, director of the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) program for the State of Tennessee; Elizabeth Cook, nutrition director for the Tennessee Department of Health South Central Regional Office; Anna Childress with the La Leche League of Lewisburg; Neonatologist Elizabeth Harrelson, M.D.; Neonatologist Donna Whitney, M.D.; Administrative Director of Women's and Children's Services Beth Himes; Brittney and Krew Lopez; Lactation Coordinator Virginia Kirkpatrick; Mothers' Milk Bank of Tennessee representative Teresa McMahon; Lactation Consultant Angela Scott; Lactation Consultant Melissa Lynn; Nurse Manager Lacy Estes and Peer Counselor Jimmie Calvin.

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Gregory Whitlock

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Savannah Edwards
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Megan Pierce
Anissa Reed
Tabitha Walton
Brandi Wyatt

OUTCOMES MANAGEMENT

Danielle Ainsworth
Jill Boes
Brandon Powell
Lauri Ruby
Dana Walker

PALLIATIVE CARE

Katie Estes

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Physician joins medical staff

Cyrylyn A. Walters, M.D., a specialist in internal medicine and pediatrics, has joined the MRMC medical staff as a hospital medicine physician associated with Maury Regional Medical Group Hospital Medicine.

Dr. Walters received her medical degree from the University of Minnesota Medical School in Minneapolis, Minnesota. She completed an internship and residency in internal medicine and pediatrics at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center in Memphis, Tennessee. Dr. Walters is board certified in internal medicine and pediatrics.



DR. WALTERS

Ovarian cancer seminar presented

Dr. Brenda May, a specialist in gynecologic oncology associated with Maury Regional Medical Group, presented a community seminar on ovarian cancer on May 3 in Columbia.

“While ovarian cancer may impact any woman, it predominately affects post-menopausal women. Because the signs and symptoms are very subtle, they are often dismissed. As a result, ovarian cancer is not often detected in its early stage when it is most treatable. It is vital that we increase awareness and improve early detection,” said Dr. May.

More than 22,000 women will be diagnosed with ovarian cancer in 2018 and more than half will not survive. Dr. May’s presentation addressed the signs, symptoms, diagnoses and treatment options for ovarian cancer. She also discussed genetic testing options.



DR. MAY

Becker is webinar presenter

Debbie Becker, clinical operations manager for Maury Regional Home Services, recently presented a webinar offered through the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

Becker presented “Strategies for Improving Patient and Caregiver Engagement: Voices from the Field.” The presentation focused on the use of AIDET (Acknowledge, Introduce, Duration, Explanation and Thank You) principles, along with clinical awareness of the patient’s home environment, technical assistance and development of trust.



BECKER

Representatives of home health agencies in the nine states participating in a CMS pilot program for value-based purchasing attended the webinar.



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Awards presented during Nurses Week

National Nurses Week was celebrated by Maury Regional Health in May. At MRMC, the annual Nursing Awards ceremony was held on May 9. Award recipients were:

- Rising Star: Ashley Lowe, Cardiology
- Nightingale Award: Angela Hunter, Mother/Baby Unit
- Preceptor of the Year: Vickie Pugh, Orthopedics
- Renown Outcomes: Brenda Bishop, Stroke/Chest Pain Coordinator
- Charge Nurse of the Year: Becky Roberson, ICU Stepdown
- Nurse Leader of the Year: Tiffany Crews, Orthopedics/Surgical
- Support Staff Excellence: Amy Thomas, Critical Care



Chief Nursing Officer Deborah Lumpkins (center) is pictured with award recipients (l-r) Vickie Pugh, Becky Roberson, Amy Thomas and Tiffany Crews. Not pictured are Brenda Bishop, Angela Hunter and Ashley Lowe.



Hospital Week 2018—Maury Regional Health celebrated Hospital Week in May. Special activities were held as a token of appreciation for the commitment to quality care that our employees, physicians and volunteers provide to patients throughout the year. A system-wide service awards banquet was held on May 17. See the June edition of *The VitaLink* for photos of service award recipients.

Congratulations to the CLASS OF 2018



Hannah Alfred
PharmD, Harding
University
Jana Wright,
Pre-Admission Testing



Brooklyn Ballard
A.A.S., Remington College
Dana Ballard, Pre-Service



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Judy Cross, LHC,
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Maxwell Beck
Columbia Academy
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Same Day Surgery



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Collinwood High
Nancy Berry, WMC



Martha Kristin Bevis
A.A.S., CSCC
Madora Bevis, WMC



Yasmine Biffle
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Tamika Biffle,
Respiratory Care



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Casey Boshers, Nursing
Third West



Ryan Bowling
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Dakota Chaney
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Tunisia Chaney,
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Southern College
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Gateway Christian
Michelle Collins, Pharmacy



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Chi Dahlgren, MRMG



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Robinn Davis,
Human Resources



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A.A.S., CSCC
Shery Dawson, MRMG



Tiffany Dawson
LPN, TCAT
Pam Dawson, MRMG



Chase Delk
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Wayne County High
Greg Eaton, WMC



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Summertown High
Terri Estes,
Care Management



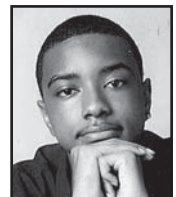
Caleb Estes
Marshall County High
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Grace Ford
Columbia Academy
Ann Ford, Accounting



Shelby Fox
Columbia Academy
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Columbia Central High
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Information Technology



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Charles Gilbert
Wayne County High
Karen Butler, WMC,
Grandmother



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Summertown High
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Third West



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Forrest High
Danielle Griffin, Payroll



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Methodist College
Karen Harbison,
Physical Therapy



Kaithyn Harder
Wayne County High
Patsy Harder, WMC



Tristan Hargrove
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Michelle Hargrove, CCU



Katherine Harlan
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Patrick Harlan,
Business Development

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B.S., Martin
Methodist College
Melissa Haymons,
Laboratory



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Centennial High
Randal Hendrix,
Information Technology



Chelsey Hensley
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Michael Hensley,
Care Management



Kedron Hensley
Collinwood High
Sharlon Hensley, Primary
Care Waynesboro



Allison Holder
B.S., MTSU
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Columbia Central High
Sharon Holmes, MRMG



Jaleel Howard
Marshall County High
Bonetia Howard, Surgery



Bradley Huckaba
Summertown High
Kim Huckaba,
Cancer Center



Aidan Huffman
Columbia Central High
Stephanie Huffman,
Cancer Center



Courtney Hughes
B.S., Tennessee Tech
Kristi Hughes,
Pre-Admission Testing



Andrea Inghilleri
M.S., Syracuse University
Sal Inghilleri,
Information Technology



McKenzie Jones
B.B.A., Martin
Methodist College
Erica Watkins, Nursing



Adam Kilgore
Columbia Central High
Joe Kilgore, Foundation



Ashley Kimes
Wayne County High
Shannon Winger, WMC



Zachary Kurtz
Columbia Academy
Dr. Bryan Kurtz



Nicole Lancaster
Collinwood High
Amanda Lancaster,
Home Services



Richard Long
Lawrence County High
Sumika Long,
Patient Accounts



Hannah Martin
SHINE Tutorial
Jasmine Martin,
Physical Therapy



Jake Martin
Hickman County High
Brett Martin, MRI



John McElroy
Franklin High
Laura McElroy, Pharmacy



Sarah Melton
A.S., Liberty University
Deborah Melton,
Endoscopy



Jacena Miles
B.S., MTSU
Jackie Miles,
Nursing Prof. Dev.



Ashlyn Mitchell
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Teresa Mitchell, Imaging



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Lawrence County High
Crispy Springer, NICU



Christina Oakley
B.S., UT Knoxville
Linda Oakley, GM
Occupational Medicine



Tommy O'Donnell
M.B.A., University
of Alabama
Tom O'Donnell,
Supply Chain



Laura Parmley
Zion Christian Academy
Lori Parmley, Endoscopy



John Patterson
Lexington High
Melissa Patterson, CVSD



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Collinwood High
Michelle Pigg, WMC



Cynthia Pitts
Columbia Central High
Elizabeth Pitts, CCU



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Columbia Central High
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Day Surgery, Grandmother



Tedra Polk
B.A., Trevecca
Nazarene University
Imaging



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A.A.S., CSCC
WMC



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Columbia Central High
Rochelle Ribley, MRMG



Jacob Rich
Forrest High
Malea Rich, Endoscopy



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Linda Rippey Moore,
Administration



Katherine Rippey
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Linda Rippey Moore,
Administration



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Lewis County High
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Grandmother



Olivia Selvey
B.S., UT Martin
Julie Selvey, Urgent Care



Micaiah Severe
Cedarburg High
Sandra Studebaker,
Care Management,
Grandmother

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Nurses complete residency program—Nineteen nurses recently completed the clinical nurse residency (CNR) program at MRMC. Pictured (l-r, seated) are Brittani Moyers, Taylor Prince, Jessie Johns, Samantha Jenkins, clinical nurse educator Alissa Long; (standing) Timothy Creps, clinical nurse educator Tracy Ferguson, Joshua Crist, Kassidy Henson, Laura Trammell, Michelle Deason, Carla Rogers, Olivia Neely, Amanda Chumbley, Hiral Patel, Mikaylee Chapman, Allie Lusk, Haley Newton, Becky Walters, Amber Bair, Jillian McCord and clinical nurse educator Jamie Casteel.

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Kayla Smith
Shelbyville Central High
Sara Smith, MMC



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Hampshire High
Brunetta Owens,
Endoscopy, Grandmother



Rachel Springer
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Crissey Springer, NICU



Braden Staggs
Columbia Academy
Stephen Staggs, Imaging



Beau Studebaker
East Carteret High
Sandra Studebaker,
Care Management,
Grandmother



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D.P.T., UT Chattanooga
Jennifer Bassham, Medical
Staff Administration



Jeffrey Sullivan
Columbia Central High
Heather Sullivan, MBU



Madison Summers
Martin Westview High
Kim Thomason,
Care Management,
Grandmother



Danielle Thornsbury
Culleoka High
Erica Moyer, MRMG



Cameron Troutman
Hampshire High
Christie Troutman,
Pharmacy



Aleaha Vandygriff
Columbia Central High
Brandy Vandygriff, MRMG



Paul Vargas
Spring Hill High
Olga Vargas, MRMG



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A.A.S., CSCC
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Mack Walker
HomeLife Academy
Connie Dickens, HR,
Grandmother



Taylor Walls
Marshall County High
Leanne Walls, Compliance
Brenda Boenker, MRMG,
Grandmother



Anna Marie Waugh
B.S., Samford University
Lori Waugh, MBU



Aiden White
Richland High
Kerry White, Spring Hill
Surgery Center



Adam Whitley
Columbia Academy
Hope Whitley,
Surgery Center



Emily Whitney
Columbia Academy
Dr. Donna Whitney



Caleia Wilkes
Columbia Central High
Tamara Miles,
Patient Access
Carol Dawson, Cardiac
Diagnostics, Grandmother



Samuel Wing
B.S., MTSU
Teresa Lewis-Wing,
Laboratory
Jay Wing, Anesthesiology



Daley Wood
Centennial High
Walter Wood,
Plant Operations



Julie Wright
Mt. Pleasant High
Jenni Wright,
Home Services



Benton Wunner
Lawrence County High
Becca Wunner, NICU

Retiree honored

TERRI MORRIS, an associate in Environmental Services, retired from MRMC on April 10. She provided more than ten years of service to the medical center.



“Terri always brought her very best to every endeavor and brought a cheerful smile to everyone she encountered. We are grateful to have had Terri as a part of our team and we wish her happiness and good health as she begins the next exciting part of her life. Happy Retirement Terri! You will be missed by all of us,” said Administrative Director Mike Short.

MMC provides sports screenings

Marshall Medical Center (MMC) joined community partners to offer free sports physicals for middle and high school students in April. Physicals were offered on April 18 for high school athletes at Marshall County High School, Cornersville High School and Forrest High School. Physicals for middle school students in Marshall County were offered on April 26.

According to MMC Physical Medicine Director Jamie Davis, there were 508 students screened.

Physicians on the medical staff at MMC conducted the screenings along with physical therapists, athletic trainers, nurses and other providers. More than 30 volunteers provided support to the providers. Assisting MMC in offering the screenings were providers from Lewisburg Family Practice, Lewisburg Pediatrics, Mid-Tennessee Bone & Joint Clinic, Celebration Family Care, Fast Pace Urgent Care and PCL Express.

JUNE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 2

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

June 2

FREE COPD SCREENING: 10 a.m., Annex, call 381.1111, ext. 1347

June 4

FEELING FABULOUS: Noon, Cancer Center, register at 490.7192

June 5

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP: 5:30 p.m., Chapel, call 540.4243

June 7

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

June 7

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP: Noon, Marshall Medical Center, call 359.6241

June 11

NEW EMPLOYEE ORIENTATION: 8 a.m., Auxiliary Conf. Room, call 380.4017

June 16

FREE CLASS: SAFE SITTER: 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m., call 490.7046

June 18

BREAST CANCER SUPPORT GROUP: 5:30 p.m., Women’s Center, call 540.4166

June 18

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

June 28

OSTOMY SUPPORT GROUP: 11:30 a.m., Annex, call 490.4600

June 28

STROKE SUPPORT GROUP: 6 p.m., Annex, call 840.4446

The 2018 Maury Academy for Students in Health (MASH) program will be held June 11-22.

KUDOS FOR CAREGIVERS

Dr. Jeff Adams
 Dr. James Grant Barr
 Mark Breece
 Sarah Brewer
 Dr. John Brown
 Vickie Butler
 Henry Canaman
 Alison Carlisle
 Eric DeLaBruere
 Sharla Deschaine
 Shirley Droke
 Dr. Dwayne Fulks

Dr. Anthony Haase
 Edith Hill
 Jackie Hill
 Jennifer Hirst
 Shelly Hobbs
 Ashley Holt
 Kristen Horst
 Rebecca Hughes
 Marc Jackson
 Dr. Jawaid Kamal
 Dr. Amit Keswani

Michele Kimbrough
 Dana Long
 Lauren Long
 Lynn Lott
 Dr. Anuradha Mann
 Dr. Carrie Marchman
 Jason Martin
 Valerie Mayberry
 Michelle McBride
 Dr. Scott McCall
 Karen Miller

Fagan Moritz
 Dr. Padma Narra
 Brooks Parker
 Dr. Lisa Phillips
 Flamonte Roberts
 Dr. Danny Robinson
 Joan Rochester
 Dr. Andres Rodriguez
 Dr. Cason Shirley
 Leah Skipworth
 Sloane Smith

Dr. Heather Steele
 Kendall Stevenson
 Tammy Stokes
 Charina Tijing
 Dr. Amy Vertrees
 Dr. Freddie Wade
 John David Waller
 Regina Walters
 Leigh Ann Whitfield
 Natalie Whittaker
 Jana Wright

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Extraordinary Hero program reintroduced

The Maury Regional Health Care Foundation has reintroduced its Extraordinary Hero program to provide patients and family members with an outlet to recognize those who provide excellent care during a visit to one of our facilities.

When a donation is made in honor of a physician, employee or volunteer, the honoree receives a certificate and a lapel pin. The donor's gift enables the Foundation to continue its mission to make a difference in the lives of those less fortunate.

Two Extraordinary Hero displays featuring physicians and staff members were recently placed at MRMC. A QR code posted on each display allows someone to make an electronic nomination or the nomination may be submitted by mail.

Gifts received in honor of caregivers are used by the Foundation to assist community members through a variety of programs including medication assistance, a food bank, transportation assistance and the new mobile health unit. For more information about the Extraordinary Hero program, call the Foundation at 931.380.4075.



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