

For Your Information

April 2008

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Fr. Jack Davis visits Mercy Hospital



Marlene K., Fr. Davis, Donna L., Ibona, Sr. Peggy B., Maribeth B., Vickie B.

Fr. Jack Davis, Sr. Peggy Bryne, and Ibona (Foundation Director), stopped by to thank the employees of Mercy Hospital for their kindness and generosity. Fr. Davis has a mission in Chimbote, Peru, to which proceeds of \$700 from the recent silent auction were

donated. Fr. Davis' mission will continue to be our international mission project.

We will also continue to collect funds with a jar at the cash register in the cafeteria. Some of Fr. Davis' projects in Chimbote include: a project to help alleviate gangs, a recycling project and Hospice. He has hosted many volunteers from our area and invites all of us to join him and see his work.

North Dakota Agri Women

The North Dakota Agri Women sponsored the Ag Day Baby Contest again this year. The first hospital in North Dakota to call in after midnight on March 20th with the birth of a new baby was the winner.

This year's winner was born at Mercy Hospital at 4:20 a.m., on March 20th. We congratulate Ashley and her new son, who will receive gifts from the North Dakota Agri Women.

The North Dakota Agri Women stress the importance of agriculture in everyone's lives.



Computer Sessions

Employees who do not use a computer and/or want to practice the basics of working with a computer, are invited to attend computer sessions to be held in the First Links room.

Contact Ceya H. if you are interested in attending. Please note, however, that these sessions are just for employees who do not use a computer on a regular basis.

We will not be learning the payroll system at this time, but at a later date when we are closer to the CHI Connect "go-live" date.

It is our responsibilities, *not ourselves*, that we should take seriously.

—Peter Ustinov

Remember

Please report needle stick or body fluid exposures as soon as possible to either the coordinator or Joanne Almen, RN. You need to be seen in the ER!

Occurrence reports also need to be reported as soon as possible.

NEW FACES AT MERCY ... PLEASE WELCOME THEM TO THE MERCY FAMILY!



Peggy B., FT
HR/Payroll for
CHI Connect



Michelle C., FT
Environmental Services



Renee G., FT
C.A.R.E. Medical Billing



Sandy W., FT
Environmental Services

Same Face... Different Place



Effective April 10, 2008, Steve H. has accepted the position of Plant and Engineering Manager. Please wish Steve well in his new position!

Easter Basket Contest

A huge THANK YOU to all the employees who participated in the Easter basket decorating contest. How creative! And most of all, how generous of you to donate these works of art to our patients. There were 15 baskets filled with useful items for our patients, and of course, the baskets also included some candy! The baskets were so appreciated by the people receiving them.

The basket winning the employee votes was #26, the one donated by the Operating Room staff. They won the prize of a pizza party. Congratulations!



A note from the Employee Health Nurse

When transporting patients, practice good infection control practices. Environmental surfaces can transfer bacteria and viruses, so help protect yourself and our patients.

- Y If the patient is in isolation, precautions follow the isolation instruction on the sign on the door.
- Y Wipe off the wheelchair or cart after the transfer, using either disinfecting spray and a rag, or disposable disinfecting wipe.
- Y If you use a blanket to cover the wheelchair, either leave the used blanket in the patient's room for their use, or put it in the laundry.

Live your life each day as you would climb a mountain. An occasional glance toward the summit keeps the goal in mind, but many beautiful scenes are to be observed from each new vantage point.
Climb slowly, steadily, enjoying each passing moment; and the view from the summit will serve as a fitting climax for the journey.

FIRE IN YOUR AREA
R: RESCUE
A: ALARM
C: CONTAIN
E: EXTINGUISH
FIRE NOT IN YOUR AREA
Close doors/windows, Follow your department's procedure.

Reminder

Lost and found items are now located in the Admissions area. If you have an item for lost and found, please bring it to Admissions as soon as possible.
Calls regarding lost and found items should also be directed to Admissions.

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