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MESSAGE FROM A CLINIC MANAGER



Harlene Hoyt
Clinic Manager
WNH Physician Clinics

William Newton physician clinics (Health Professionals of Winfield, WN Hillside Family Medicine, WN Pediatrics, and WN Surgery & Services) continue to see patients during this time, all while providing a safe environment. Upon scheduling a follow up appointment or sick visit appointment, patients are screened for any COVID symptoms.

Our schedules are fairly and consistently full and we are happy to see patients in our clinics for a face to face visit. It is safe to visit our clinics in person; our staff follows a strict COVID-19 protocol to

keep everyone safe. However, we also provide the option of telehealth which has been an option for patients since the pandemic began in our area. We have had a number of patients utilize this service as it is a safe approach for patients with underlying conditions.

We are also anticipating the option of being able to provide the COVID vaccine to our patients. We are patiently and anxiously awaiting notification and we pride ourselves in being able to provide these services and more to our patients in the community.

THANK YOU

Thank you again to those who helped us provide care packages for frontline staff. Along with a grant from Rise Cowley & BCBS, these donors made it possible to purchase snacks and day-to-day comfort items for the care packages: **Mike & Linda Harvey, Todd & Holly Peters, Craig & Diana Duncan, Teresa Cramer, and Blake Boswell.** We recently received this note from the radiology department:

"The radiology department enjoyed the gift bags and the Sonic tokens that were given to us. It's the small things that make a difference and bring a smile! Just to know you are thought of and appreciated means a great deal right now (and always). Thanks to everyone that had a hand in this project."

UPLIFTING NEWS

On the Cover: Mel Burnett, Clinical Educator, applied for the COVID Tech Connect program and received 15 tablets to be used by patients. COVID Tech Connect is a program designed to give some dignity to those spending what could be their last days in the hospital alone by giving them the opportunity to see and talk to their loved ones.

+ **Willy's Care Cab:** Our auxiliarians were sent home during the pandemic to keep them safe, meaning the Willy's Care Cab program was put on pause. In the meantime we've added a brand new bench for patients to sit on while they wait! The bench was generously donated by an anonymous donor. We look forward to safely welcoming our wonderful volunteers back and promoting this service again as soon as we can!

UPCOMING EVENTS

+ **Wine-O Trail Run - May 22:** Registration opens Feb. 8. Visit the Wine-O event page on Facebook for more info! **We're looking for volunteers!** See pg. 4 for details.

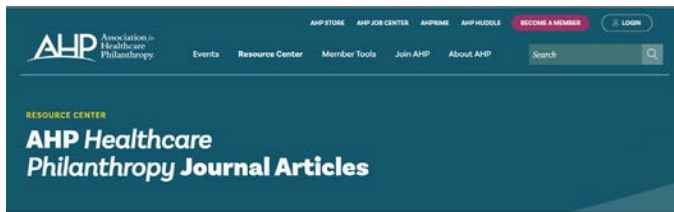
+ **Gala - October 16:** Watch for your invitations in late spring or early summer!

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WNH FEATURED IN NATIONAL PUBLICATION

William Newton Hospital would like to share an article about the Second Century Campaign featured in a national publication, written by Annika Morris (who also recently received a national 40 Under 40 award!). We celebrate these



recognitions from the Association for Healthcare Philanthropy with you, our generous and supportive community. The article featured in the Association for Healthcare Philanthropy, titled "11 Ways a Rural Hospital Transforms Community Perceptions to Exceed Campaign Goals," describes the success of phase one of the capital campaign. The biggest single contribution to this success is the support shown by the communities served by William Newton Hospital. Our community is only as strong as how we work together. Click this box or the links below to read the article and news about Annika's 40 Under 40 recognition if you haven't yet.

11 Ways a Rural Hospital Transforms Community Perceptions to Exceed Campaign Goals

Annika Morris
Published: 11/05/2020



Photo, left to right, accepting donation from William Newton Hospital Auxiliary are: Annika Morris, CFRE, Director of the William Newton Hospital Foundation; Ben Quisen, CEO of William Newton Hospital; Georgia Larson, 2018 Foundation President.

The prospect was daunting at first. How would we transition a fiscally conservative community of donors from "I'm willing to consider a token gift if the hospital has its back against the wall" to "I never thought we would give \$1 million dollars" But that is just what we did. This campaign has shown us how important the hospital is to the community on so many levels and that we should be supporting

Meet The Author



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William Newton Hospital Foundation

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AHP Journal article: <http://bit.ly/WNHFAHPjournal>

Annika Morris recognition: <https://bit.ly/Morris40Under40>

THANKFUL THURSDAYS



Travis Pitterle is part of our awesome I.T. team. He received a \$100 Graves Drug gift certificate from our generous anonymous donor.

Travis helps keep everybody online and ready to go, and has been a tremendous help for those currently working from home. He always helps with a smile and he is appreciated. Graves Drug has been a very strong supporter of the hospital's mission and the foundation, including but not limited to partnerships through event sponsorships and participation, Dared's presence on the foundation board and Renee's assistance with the gala planning committee, among many other health-centered initiatives from their pharmacies.



Chelsie Bane, one of WNH's awesome employees at the Tallgrass Rural Health Clinic in Sedan, was the lucky winner of a \$100 gift certificate to Rejuvv' Spa. What a great way to start your new year! Rejuvv' Spa has been a passionate supporter of both the hospital and foundation, an active partner who has supported both the Wine-O Trail Run and the Gala for multiple years. Tracie Gordon, owner of the award-winning spa, is also one of the foundation's board members.



Som Khammanyong was the lucky winner of a \$100 gift certificate to the Winfield Recreation Commission. She looks forward to enrolling in an annual gym membership, or using it to take some classes. Another great way to start your new year! Som is our laundry supervisor and helps keep the hospital sparkling and clean, and we appreciate it. Winfield Rec Center has partnered with the hospital on various events including the Wine-O Trail Run, Junebug Jog, Crop Hop, and Mile of Lights. We are grateful for what they do to improve the quality of health in our community.



IN THE NEWS:

WNH NURSE JENNIFER OWEN

Jennifer Owen was featured in last Tuesday's edition of the Wichita Eagle talking about the effects of COVID on healthcare workers. Jennifer has been working in the 2East COVID Isolation Unit, and takes photos of the outdoors to show her patients who aren't able to see outside on a regular basis while in the hospital. Click this box, visit our Facebook page, or visit the link below to read the article!

<https://www.kansas.com/news/coronavirus/article248450785.html>

High COVID hospitalizations — and deaths — take a toll on Kansas health care workers

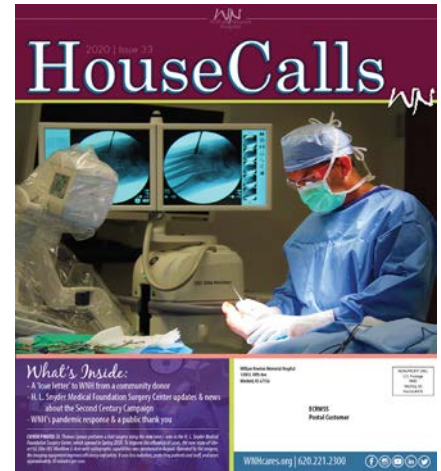
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A patient with unknown ailments is unloaded from an ambulance outside of Wesley Medical Center on Thursday, Nov. 19, 2020. Availability of ICU beds in Wichita area hospitals have improved in the last week, but the area remains the worst region in the state for ICU availability. TRAVIS HEVING THE WICHITA EAGLE

HOUSECALLS IS HERE!

HouseCalls 2020 features WN Orthopaedics, WN Foot & Ankle, WN Interventional Radiology, the H. L. Snyder Medical Foundation Surgery Center, updates from the foundation, a letter from a community donor, our 2019 annual report, Q&A with employees of the quarter, a big thank you to those who have supported the hospital during the pandemic, and a spotlight on pain management and the addition of spine/neurosurgery services at WNH. If you didn't receive a copy in your mailbox last week, contact our office. We'd be happy to send you a copy! Or keep an eye on our Facebook page to see the digital version.



WILLIAM NEWTON HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION

Message from the Director



ANNIKA MORRIS
WNH Director

This has been an interesting year for all of us. A big change this year in the foundation is that our annual gala—for the safety of our guests—was moved online. That night, we made a little less than our annual in-person event, but are overwhelmed by the support we continue to have for this event and for our hospital. Our goal for this event was \$50,000. Donations continue to come in after the event totaling over \$48,000, a record sum raised for this event.

All \$48,000 will benefit the long-term vision of William Newton Hospital's Second Century Campaign, directly impacting the care given to thousands of patients that come through our doors each year. Pivoting to virtual prompted us to incorporate technology in new ways and enabled us to connect with donors who wouldn't have been able to attend otherwise. In the future, our team plans to integrate some of those virtual aspects used this year to extend the foundation's reach during the fundraisers. In addition to the change in our gala, our 6-Phase, 10-year Second Century Campaign has been put on pause. Due to obvious reasons, we are unable to proceed with Phase 2 (emergency department expansion), but we are still actively engaging with you to show you how your \$4.6 million investment for Phase 1 (expansion of the surgery center; now named the H. L. Snyder Medical

Foundation Surgery Center) is positively impacting and changing the healthcare services we are able to offer you. Hopefully you have been receiving our bi-weekly newsletter, *Connect During COVID*, outlining the impact of your investment. We here at the foundation remain grateful for our donors who continue to give even in these uncertain times. I walk down the hall regularly to check in with the nurses on Zeat. One of them mentioned, "We really appreciate when people bring by food and do things for us." This year I just want to say thank you again and remind you that the good things you are doing are being recognized, not only by our office and board members, but by the staff that utilizes this facility and all of the new services. We look forward to seeing you in person and connecting with you virtually until then.

2020 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- Cory Helmer, President
- Mike Mildfert, Vice President
- Ben Quinton, WNH CEO
- Brian Barta, WNH CFO
- Joan Cales, WNH Board of Trustees
- Tracie Gordon
- Dick Vaught
- Dr. Todd Peters
- Dr. Daniel Miller
- Becky Long
- Bonnie Gatton
- Dr. Dan Freeman
- Dared Price
- Danny Huckvale



2019 FUND DISBURSEMENT & PUBLIC SUPPORT



WNH gave \$11,150 in annual mini grants used to improve patient care at WNH



WNH Auxiliary gave \$55,000 as the third installment of their \$250,000 Second Century Campaign pledge

2019 AREAS OF FUNDING

Building and Facilities.....	\$1,189.79	Endowment.....	\$861.87
Physician Recruitment.....	\$825.00	Capital Campaign	
Scholarships.....	\$430.00	> Phase 1.....	\$487,946.57
Medical Equipment.....	\$3,609.55	> Phase 2.....	\$66,860.71

Save the Date
MAY 22 | **OCT 16**
9th Annual Wine-O Trail Run
Registration opens February 8
WNH 14th Annual Gala
@ the Burford Theatre

HOUSECALLS SPONSOR, RCB BANK

The best investment you can ever make is in your own health. One of the best investments a community can ever make is in a progressive and patient-focused hospital. Those ideals have been magnified this year more so than anyone could have

imagined. Thank you, William Newton Hospital, for putting yourself in the way of danger to save others and providing outstanding healthcare to our family, neighbors and friends. Your actions follow the deep legacy of the hospital. May our

community continue to give cheerfully to the William Newton Healthcare Foundation and accept gratefully the many blessings it provides to all.



GREGG CONKLIN
RCB Bank, Winfield Market President



LEFT: Second Century Campaign donors were honored for VIP reception on January 9 to get the first look at their new H. L. Snyder Medical Foundation Surgery Center. Over 100 donors gathered to celebrate the official opening of the new surgery center.
ABOVE: The Greg Conklin Thompson Recovery Nurses Station sits in the middle of patient recovery areas and the infusion center. The new surgery center centralizes surgical care and patient recovery and opened up space for new services at William Newton Hospital.

H. L. SNYDER MEDICAL FOUNDATION SURGERY CENTER

by the numbers
through October 2020

- 848 SURGERIES
- 631 ENDOSCOPIES
- 78 CATH LAB PROCEDURES

LEFT: Katie Chittick, RN, CN, prepares a patient for a procedure in the new orthopaedics lab.



WINE-O TRAIL RUN

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION



May 22
8:30am - 1:00pm
time subject to change

WHAT TO EXPECT:

By volunteering at the Wine-O Trail Run, you'll be part of a community of top-notch individuals focused on bringing this event to life. Now in its 9th year, the Wine-O Trail Run has seen thousands of runners and walkers, and an event of this scale would not be possible without people like you. Volunteer duties can include registration and bag pickup, wine servers, crowd control, trail helpers, and more.

WHAT YOU'LL GET:

- volunteer t-shirt
- glass of wine
- commemorative Wine-O Trail Run wine glass
- scones & coffee on the day of the event

INTERESTED? Contact Brittney Carson at brittney.carson@wnmh.org or call 620.222.6275

**we reserve the right to postpone or cancel this year's event if deemed necessary by local health officials.*

