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## Clyde Clifton Award

The 48th annual Stormont-Vail Employee Awards Banquet was held on February 18, 2011 at the Capitol Plaza. The evening was filled with great food and fun. Many important recognition awards were presented throughout the evening.

The Clyde Clifton Leadership Award, sponsored by the Foundation, was presented to Beverly Rice, Director of Volunteer and Chaplaincy Services.

The Clifton Award was established in 1993 in honor of Clyde Clifton, Stormont-Vail's

Chief Financial Officer for more than 40 years. The Award recognizes Stormont-Vail HealthCare managers, supervisors, charge nurses and directors who have demonstrated outstanding leadership characteristics. Nominees are recognized for their

honesty and integrity, and their ability to lead *(Clyde Clifton, continued on page 3)*



*Beverly Rice, with Agnes Clifton and Don Schepker, President and Executive Director of the Foundation.*

## 2010 Holiday Wish Campaign Successful

The Foundation 2010 Holiday Wish Appeal was very successful with an amount raised from generous donors that was more than 30 percent greater than in 2009. The focus of the 2010 campaign was stroke care and the Stormont-Vail HealthCare Primary Stroke Center.

Gifts from generous Stormont-Vail supporters in the community, supplemented by other funding provided by the Foundation, will allow the acquisition of a number of the "wishes" requested by the clinicians featured in the holiday card who work with stroke patients. These items and the patient care professionals requesting them include: Portable Bi-Pap Machine, Douglas Rose, MD, Chief Medical Quality Officer; Bariatric Treatment Table, Gerald Appelhans, Manager of Rehabilitation Services; Swallow Study

Procedure Chair, Lorraine Brazier, Speech Language Pathology Supervisor; Portable Notebook Screen Projector, Susan Gray, Clinical Stroke Educator; Lift and Sling, Mindy Olberding, Nurse Manager; and Clot Retriever, Tim Allen, MD, Special Procedures Physician. Also, \$2,035 from donors will be provided for Community Stroke Awareness activities as requested by Frisco Morse, DO, Hospitalist.

In addition to the specific staff "wishes" funded, donors to the campaign also gave support to other areas of need such as nursing scholarships, Neonatal IntensiveCare and the Care Line.

The Foundation greatly appreciates the support from the community for stroke care and stroke patients received through this appeal.

# HealthWise 55 Celebrates 20 Years of Outstanding Service to

## Our Community

Stormont-Vail's HealthWise 55 program is celebrating its 20th anniversary this year. Anticipating the rapid growth of an aging population, HealthWise 55 was started in 1991 with a focus on health education and prevention for those ages 55 years and above. HealthWise 55 has been providing resources and services that benefit this population in northeast Kansas ever since.

Connie Wood, RN, has served as the HealthWise 55 coordinator for all 20 years and has seen the tremendous growth in the program that started with 500 members and now boasts nearly 9,000.

In 2009, HealthWise 55 was recognized for its efforts by the Kansas Hospital Association and received the Community Connections Award. The award is given to hospital-based programs that have undertaken extraordinary efforts to improve the health and well-being of their communities.

Today, HealthWise 55 still offers the services it began with two decades ago, but has expanded to include numerous other programs. Such programs include health clinics on specific disease issues, nutrition counseling, medication and insurance clinics, educational programs and resource and referral services. The HealthWise 55 sponsored Senior Suppers are very popular with

members, offering a nutritious meal, an opportunity to socialize and an educational presentation from a health care professional.

The Stormont-Vail Foundation has been pleased to partner with HealthWise 55 as a proud sponsor of the HealthWise 55-produced exercise program entitled "HealthWise After 55" which airs the first and third Saturdays of the month. The first part of the program features a health topic of interest to seniors, followed by a 20-minute workout routine. Anyone can participate regardless of his or her fitness level. The HealthWise television programs are available on Cox cable channel 11, MyTV, the sister channel of WIBW-TV. MyTV is also on cable channel 12 in Manhattan and Junction City, and on channel 13.2 with an off-air antenna.

A new program this year, "For Family Caregivers," airs on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month and highlights information for people providing caregiving service to loved ones. This program targets a growing segment of our community providing care for our aging population and airs on the same cable channels cited above in Topeka, Manhattan and Junction City.

The Foundation congratulates Connie Wood and the HealthWise 55 program on 20 years of outstanding service to the citizens of northeast Kansas.

## The *Care Line*—Connecting Those Who Care With Those Who Need Care

Established in 1992 to provide emergency medical assistance to patients who have exhausted all other resources, the *Care Line* program helps when a patient has no other place to turn. The program is funded solely by charitable contributions, and each year the Foundation holds two campaigns to replenish the funds needed to support the *Care Line*. Both campaigns launched on March 28, 2011.

The public campaign, called the Friends of the *Care Line*, receives support from caring individuals throughout the community who are committed to making a difference in the lives of patients in need.

The Stormont-Vail HealthCare employee campaign called the Joy of Caring, gives Stormont-Vail employees an opportunity to make one-time gifts or sign up for regular payroll deductions to provide support all year long to our patients in need. Employees may also participate in games during the kick-off, purchase flowers and/or appreciation cards for their co-workers, with all of the proceeds going to the *Care Line*.

The Joy of Caring employee campaign is made possible by generous support from Envista Credit Union and the Stormont-Vail Hospitalists. It is also made possible by generous prize donations from area merchants and organizations for the

games that are played during the kick-off.

During Fiscal Year 2010, the *Care Line* provided emergency medical assistance to nearly 5,000 patients and their families with almost 9,000 medical needs. Types of emergency assistance provided through the *Care Line* include:

- Prescription drug assistance for vital medications
- Taxi, bus and medical transportation for patients who need rides
- Overnight lodging for parents of newborns who are in NIC
- Meals for family members when their loved ones are in the hospital

If you would like to make a donation to the *Care Line*, please call the Foundation at (785) 354-6851. Your contribution to the *Care Line* ensures emergency medical needs will continue to be met and gives our patients the best possible opportunity for recovery and wellness.

**The number of patients assisted through the *Care Line* in 2010 increased 25 percent from 2009.**

*(Clyde Clifton, continued from page 1)*

by positive example. They emphasize fairness, good judgment and respect when dealing with others, and are recognized for their desire to teach, mentor and coach. In addition, they display a high degree of motivation to learn and excel beyond their present level.

Beverly Rice, this year's recipient of the Clifton Leadership Award, has more than 25 years of service to the Stormont-Vail organization. She has made a positive impact on the lives of the many employees and volunteers with whom she works. Nomination forms were received from three Stormont-Vail colleagues who work closely with Beverly.

Beverly was described in the nominations as being "quiet and unassuming, with a rather low profile" but nonetheless someone who does "BIG things" for this organization. Also cited for her honesty and

integrity, Beverly was described as someone who "among her peers outside this institution" is "recognized as one of the best at what she does."

In presenting the Clifton Award, Foundation President Don Schepker noted Beverly's role in the Stormont-Vail organization requires a unique blend of leadership skills given the diverse groups for which she provides leadership. These groups include the employed staff in the volunteer office and chaplaincy services and also the nearly 300 members of the Stormont-Vail HealthCare Auxiliary, 325 adult volunteers and 130 youth volunteers.

Congratulations Beverly, on this prestigious honor.

## Thank You to Joy of Caring Prize Donors

Many thanks to the wonderful merchants who provided the prizes awarded during the Joy of Caring Campaign.

*Aboud's Catering • Annie's Place • Beauty Brands • Capitol Plaza Hotel • Carlos O'Kelly's • Country Legends 106.9 • Curves North • Dairy Queen • Dillon's • Eagle Auto Wash & Detailing Salon • Gordman's • Herman's Meat Market • Jackson's Greenhouse • Jason's Deli • Jersey Mike's Subs • Jimmy John's • Johnny Carino's • McFarland's Restaurant • Olive Garden • Papa Murphy's • Performance Tire and Wheel • PT's Coffee Roasting Co. • Sneaky Weasel BBQ • SVHC Marketing Department • T-Bones • Texas Roadhouse • Wal-Mart North • Westside Imports & Automotive*

A special thank you to...

*T and T Management, Inc., dba McDonald's, for donating more than 700 coupons entitling recipients to a Frozen Strawberry Lemonade.*

## 2011 Joy of Caring Campaign Kick-Off Celebration

Stormont-Vail HealthCare employees left all the "madness" behind as the activities for the Joy of Caring campaign kicked off with the basketball-theme "March Madness" but was replaced with March Kindness! All activities were focused on raising money for the Care Line, an emergency medical assistance program maintained to help our neediest patients.

Employees enjoyed a March Madness inspired menu and were able to take part in a Pop-a-Shot game, a Sweet Treat Trot and a Basketball Obstacle Course during the kick-off week.

*Sheryl Wilson tries her hand at the Basketball Obstacle Course at the Joy of Caring Kick-Off.*



## By the Numbers . . .

representative needs funded by the Foundation during the quarter.

- Human Patient Simulator for Patient Care Staff and BUSN Student Simulation Training . . . . . \$50,000
- PICU Equipment . . \$42,064
- March of Dimes Family Support Program License Renewal for NIC . . . \$6,500
- Computers for PICU . . . . . \$5,516
- Syringe Pumps for PICU . . . . . \$4,990
- Red Blood Cell Exchange Training for IV Therapy Department . . . . . \$3,075
- Infant Scale for Lebo Clinic . . . . . \$1,895
- Supply Cart Locks for NIC . . . . . \$1,800
- Bariatric Stand-On Scale for Medicare Wellness Nurses . . . . . \$1,695
- Pediatric PICC Insertion Training for Patient Care Staff . . . . . \$1,500
- Tai Chi Classes for Cancer Center patients . . . \$1,200
- NRP Instructor DVDs for NIC . . . . . \$1,039

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## Stormont-Vail Foundation Honor/Memorial List - January 1 to March 31, 2011

The Stormont-Vail Foundation received gifts in honor or memory of the following people during the quarter:

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## BIG Hearts for *little hearts*

The 11th Annual BIG HEARTS for little hearts Golf Tournament is scheduled for Monday, Sept. 19, at the Topeka Country Club.

Proceeds from the tournament help support important services and programs dedicated to children at Stormont-Vail HealthCare including: Neonatal IntensiveCare, Birthplace, Breastfeeding Clinic, Pediatric/Adolescent Department, Child and Adolescent Behavioral Medicine Program at Stormont-Vail West, the Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner/Sexual Assault Response Team (SANE/SART) program and the Stork's Cradle program.

Your support helps us continue to improve the health of children in northeast Kansas. Please contact the Foundation at (785) 354-6851 for more information.