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2011 Bal Jeffrey Award Banquet

Plan to join the Stormont-Vail Foundation Board of Trustees to honor Marian Clinic as the 2011 recipient of the prestigious Bal Jeffrey Award on Wednesday, Oct. 12. The award is named for Balfour S. Jeffrey, Stormont-Vail's longest tenured board member, and recognizes individuals or groups of individuals who have made significant contributions to health care in northeast Kansas.

Marian Clinic has made a significant contribution to health care in the region since it was founded in 1988. Marian Clinic serves as a vital link in Topeka and Shawnee County by providing high quality medical and dental care for the uninsured and underserved. They accomplish this with a staff of 40 and a large group of volunteer health care providers and donated supportive services from both hospitals in Topeka, many social service agencies, businesses and individuals.

Marian Clinic also works closely with Health Access and the Shawnee County Health Department to assure appropriate services are provided for each patient served by Marian Clinic.

In 2010, Marian Clinic saw nearly 17,000 patients and partnered with nearly 300 volunteer physicians, dentists, nurses, medical and dental practices and other clerical volunteers who offer their services to clinic patients at no charge. Through this work and the charitable philosophy of the organization, all patients are treated with dignity and respect while they are receiving quality care.

Marian Clinic has changed the lives of

countless patients.

Nominations of Marian Clinic originated from a number of supporters including doctors and other health care professionals and volunteers. The wide-ranging source of nominations serves as evidence of how positively the Clinic has impacted others and those they come into contact with all over the area.

In support of Marian Clinic's nomination for the Bal Jeffrey Award, one nominator wrote, "The Clinic stands by their dedication and mission of healthier lives for the uninsured."

We are pleased to honor an agency that plays a vital role in the health and well-being of the northeast Kansas community we serve. We hope to see all of you on Oct. 12.

Many Thanks from the Care Line

The Foundation would like to thank all the "Friends of the Care Line" and those who participated in the "Joy of Caring" campaign; from the employees of Stormont-Vail HealthCare, to the corporate and individual donors who pledged their support.

The Care Line program was established in 1992 to provide emergency medical assistance to patients who have exhausted all other resources and have nowhere else to turn.

Funds raised during the 2011 Care Line campaign help ensure that emergency medical needs continue to be met, offering

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Cotton-O'Neil Cancer Center Continues to Flourish

The Foundation has had a track record of support for the Stormont-Vail Cancer Center going back many years. The Foundation conducted a capital campaign for the Cancer Center, which funded a portion of the Center's construction and established a small endowment. The endowment earnings are used to fund selected current needs at the Cancer Center.

The Foundation has been pleased to provide funding for other Cancer Center programs and services such as Tai Chi classes for patients, continuing education for patient care staff and small equipment and other items to enhance patient care. The Stormont-Vail HealthCare Auxiliary Angel Fund is managed by the Foundation. Since its inception in 2006, over \$42,000 has been raised for the Angel Fund. More than \$21,000 has been provided to help Cancer Center patients. The Auxiliary established the Angel Fund to provide financial assistance to patients of the Cancer Center. The Angel Fund provides emergency financial assistance for basic living needs of cancer patients and their families including housing, food, utilities,

Tour de Dialysis rides again in 2011



Dr. Scott Solcher, Kansas Dialysis Services (KDS) home dialysis medical director and medical director of the Lawrence Dialysis Unit, and Stan Langhofer,

administrator and CEO for KDS, will bike 100 miles to raise money for KDS patients in need. On Sept. 30, 2011, they will start biking from the KDS dialysis unit in Ottawa and travel to Lawrence Memorial Hospital, which houses the Lawrence KDS dialysis unit and then will finish the bike ride at the KDS dialysis unit in Topeka.

This is the third year for the event. Last year, the pair raised more than \$25,000 and rode 100 miles starting in Topeka and making stops in Seneca and Sabetha at the dialysis clinics in those communities.

If you are interested in helping to support this very worthwhile cause, please send your gift to: Stormont-Vail Foundation, 1500 S.W. 10th Ave. Topeka, KS 66604. Please indicate your gift is designated for the "Dialysis Patient Assistance Fund." All gifts are tax deductible and will be used locally to help KDS patients in need.

The Dialysis Patient Assistance Fund was established in 2009 with the Stormont-Vail Foundation to provide emergency financial assistance to KDS patients and their families.

transportation, cosmetic prosthetics, and medicines.

Recent developments at the Cancer Center include: The Cotton-O'Neil Cancer Center was recognized as the Southwest Oncology Group (SWOG) affiliate institution with the highest patient accrual numbers from the previous year. Stormont-Vail was recognized for the second year in a row. SWOG is one of the largest National Cancer Institute-supported cancer clinical trials cooperative groups. Stormont-Vail placed 32 patients on SWOG trials in 2010. The Cancer Center received recognition at the SWOG conference recently in San Francisco. David Einspahr, MD, and Anita Leonard, RN, BSN, were recognized at the conference. The Cancer Center has been involved in clinical research trials for more than 30 years and has developed a progressive clinical research program for patients with a diagnosis of cancer. It typically has 60 to 70 open research trials available to patients and provides screening to see if they match protocols and are interested in participating.

Matthew H. Herynk, Ph.D., joined the Cancer Center as oncology research and program development manager. Herynk, a native Topekan, will build on the foundation of clinical research trials offered at the cancer center to bring the most advanced trials to the region. Herynk has been involved in cancer research and is published in numerous medical journals

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11th Annual BIG HEARTS for little hearts Golf Tournament

The 11th Annual BIG HEARTS for little hearts Golf Tournament will be held on Monday, Sept. 19, at the Topeka Country Club. The tournament will begin with a shotgun start at Noon.

Thank you to our many generous sponsors who have committed already, including Co-Title Sponsors, Hospital Assistance Program and Lockton Companies. This year's event promises to be another success that will benefit the Children's Endowment Fund.

The Children's Endowment Fund supports important services and programs dedicated to children at Stormont-Vail HealthCare including: Neonatal IntensiveCare, Birthplace, Breastfeeding Clinic, Pediatric Intensive Care Unit, Young Adult Center, Stork's Cradle, Child and Adolescent Behavioral Medicine at Stormont-Vail West and the Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner/Sexual Assault Response Team (SANE/SART) program.

If you would like to be a sponsor, please contact the Foundation at (785) 354-6851 or visit us online at www.stormontvail.org.

Foundation Sponsors 2011

Excellence in Nursing Awards



Recipients of the 2011 Stormont-Vail nursing excellence awards.

The Stormont-Vail Foundation was the proud sponsor of the 2011 Stormont-Vail HealthCare Excellence in Nursing Awards. The awards were presented to recipients on April 27, 2011, in the auditorium of Stormont-Vail's Pozez Education Center. The awards recognize and celebrate outstanding professional work by Stormont-Vail HealthCare patient care staff.

Seventeen award winners were chosen from a large number of high quality nominations. The Selection Committee included Bernie Becker, Donna Bishop, Kevin Cassidy, Agnes Gosselin, Deborah Heaney, Carol Perry, Connie Pritchard, Don Schepker and Danielle Schiller. The Selection Committee had the difficult task of selecting recipients who were both highly qualified and accomplished caregivers. While the task was challenging, it also provided a sense of gratification and appreciation for the importance of the work done at Stormont-Vail and the quality and compassion with which patient care services are delivered.

The Excellence in Nursing Awards was initiated to recognize Stormont-Vail HealthCare employees for outstanding work in patient care and community service. Awards in a variety of categories recognize staff for direct patient care, strong leadership and interpersonal skills, inspiring others through their service as mentors and preceptors and performing community service. Physicians, nurses, colleagues, mentors and friends submitted nominations.

The award recipients received cash awards from the Foundation, as well as a certificate and a beautiful etched crystal and metal recognition piece

marking their achievement. The Distinguished Community Service award also included the opportunity for the recipient to designate a \$250 contribution from the Foundation to a charitable organization chosen by the awardee.

The 2011 Excellence in Nursing Award recipients are:

Excellence in Nursing Practice

Jami Potter, RN - Emergency Department
Dianna Sloan, RN - Case Management

Excellence in Nursing Leadership

Dana Jones, RN - 7 North

Excellence in Nursing Mentorship

Marda Drobek, RN - Stormont-Vail West
Mary Lawhon, RN - 3/4 Pavilion

Excellence in Nursing Preceptorship

Mary Robertson, RN - Post-Surgical

Excellence in Nursing Research

Della Anderson, RN - EP Lab

Excellence in Licensed Practical Nursing

Holly Bartlett, LPN - Cotton-O'Neil
Nephrology
Sarah Dittman, LPN - 3/4 Pavilion
Connie Pritchard, LPN - Cotton-O'Neil
Research

Excellence in Patient Care

Erica Combs, PCT - Critical Care
Sally Gonzalez, PCT - 7 North
Brandy Meyer, PCT - Emergency Department
Amy Pannone, Surgical Tech - Surgery

Distinguished Community Service

Connie Wood, RN - HealthWise 55

Rising Star

David Dean, RN - 3/4 Pavilion
Denise King, LPN - Cotton-O'Neil Asthma
Allergy

By the Numbers . . .
representative needs funded by the Foundation during the quarter.

- Remodel of Registration Area at Emporia Clinic \$ 49,250
- Insulated Coolers and Ice Packs for NIC. \$ 4,138
- Tai Chi Classes at the Cancer Center \$ 1,440
- Laser Printer for PICU \$ 1,155
- Rollaway Cot for Family Members of Palliative Care Patients \$ 253
- CPR Manuals and Video for SV West \$ 227

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and books. He also wrote the book Mastering the Skills of Live Presentations.

A Cancer Survivorship Series for patients with a cancer diagnosis, caregivers and families started in April 2011 at the Cancer Center. The series will focus on topics to live with, through and beyond cancer. Topics include: The Impact of Cancer Treatment on Memory, Thinking and Attention; Weight Changes After Cancer Treatment; Stress Management for Caregivers; and Fear of Recurrent and Late Effects.

Be a Difference Maker for Stormont-Vail HealthCare. Include the Stormont-Vail Foundation in your estate plans. Legacy gifts help ensure services you value will benefit our community for many years into the future.

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Stormont-Vail Foundation Honor/Memorial List - April 1 to June 30, 2011

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

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patients at Stormont-Vail the best possible opportunity for recovery and wellness.

Thank you for making a commitment to improve the lives of patients in need. On behalf of all the patients and families served by the Care Line, we sincerely thank you.

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