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A NEWSLETTER FOR MHC STAFF, PHYSICIANS & VOLUNTEERS

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: WISHING YOU PEACE AND JOY



"Gifts of time and love are surely the basic ingredients of a truly merry Christmas."

- Peg Bracken

The holiday season is always special at Misericordia: Angel Squad angels waving along the Maryland bridge, Santa ho-ho-ing at tea with our residents and at our children's party; inspiring carols wafting through the halls; mouth-watering aromas of turkey dinners; creative decorations throughout our centre ... and so much more.

I know Christmas is always a time of giving and of sharing, but I feel truly fortunate to see our Mission of

compassionate care in action every month of the year.

I am inspired by the blessings Misericordia has received - not only in terms of the continued support of our generous donors, but the dedication and compassion of our staff, volunteers and physicians.

Christmas is also a time of reflection and giving thanks. I am grateful for MHC's successes – and for opportunities to improve.

The new year is almost upon us: I hope you also find some restful time to recharge as you enjoy time with your family and loved ones this festive season.

Our Corporation, Board of Directors and senior leadership team join me in expressing our appreciation for your continued efforts in living our Mission and values. Our strength truly is our people.

Have a happy and healthy Christmas!



MHC FOUNDATION: ANGEL SQUAD 2018!

Karen Woloschuk, Executive Director, **MHC** Foundation

We had angels! We had coffee and hot chocolate! We had softly falling snow! And we had generous donors!

The 23rd annual Angel Squad was, once again, a wonderful success and a fun event thanks to the amazing host of angels that came out to support the Foundation! We are so very grateful to all of the staff, volunteers, community members and our neighbouring schools who came out to support Angel Squad, including students from Mulvey School, Westgate Mennonite Collegiate, Balmoral Hall and St. Mary's Academy.

We would like to recognize our 2018 sponsors, MacDon, Starbucks for the donation of coffee and hot chocolate, the Winnipeg Free Press, our media sponsor, and Quantum Graphics and Consulting, our print sponsor.

Funds raised through Angel Squad help us to provide the best programs, equipment and services to our patients, residents and clients.

Thank you to each and every Angel that helped to ensure that Angel Squad was a wonderful event! While some of you were obvious Angels, dressed in white, we would like to recognize the Angels in Environmental Services and Laundry who helped with set-up and clean-up and weren't wearing a halo and wings. We couldn't do it without your support!





MHC Advent Zalendar







Long Service & **Retirement Dinner**



Angel Squad!



Celebration of Lights



International Volunteer

Day



Resident Christmas Dinner, Cornish 2



Staff Christmas Dinner



Resident Christmas Dinner, MP3



Resident Christmas Dinner, Cornish 2



December 16, 2018

MHC Staff Kids Christmas Party



CIVP Grand Opening!

Resident Christmas Dinner, MP2



Resident Christmas

Dinner, Cornish 5



Resident Christmas Dinner, MP1

Client Christmas Dinner PRIME

January

Mission Day Celebration!

CDI COLLEGE RECOGNIZES MHC

Linda Lee & Eileen Coates, Education Facilitators

Recently Misericordia Health Centre and Misericordia Place were recognized by CDI College at their winter graduation ceremony for our valuable contributions to student success.

Nadine Grawberger presented the Practicum Partnership Award on November 27 in appreciation of MHC's coordination of student placements.

CDI College recognized the entire team at MHC including managers and staff for coordinating and participating in the success and enjoyment of the students' experiences. Many of these students are now employed by MHC.

We look forward to a long and successful working relationship with CDI College!





From Jane McSwiggan, Education and Research Coordinator - Wound Care, WRHA Just wanted to let you know that we had a great crew of staff from MHC at the Wound Care Level 2 - Venous/Arterial/Mixed Lower Leg Ulcers course today, excellent clinicians!

Felona Kitt is so up to date and knowledgeable, I would love to see her teach. Riza Sheen De Guzman, Cachel Clarete, Emmanuel Magalong and Sarah Goddard were the others, great learning with Coban 2.





Cathy-Anne Cook, Corporate Administrative Assistant

I would like to thank everyone who made the staff Christmas dinner possible. From housekeeping staff who set up the cafeteria and auditorium to laundry and linen staff who provide clean gloves, aprons and tablecloths. Security who make sure everything runs smoothly in line to resident food services who make it to so our night shift staff can enjoy a hot turkey dinner during their shift. MHC's mail room where tickets are printed and cut to MHC's Board of Directors and SLT for volunteering to serve each year. Without you and so many others, this event would not be possible!

This year I would specifically like to thank Jason Hamade, Computer Services, and Peri Venkatesh, MHC Board Director, who both volunteered for all three lunch serving shifts and the evening serving shift. I would also like to thank Kelly Cormack, Manager, Plant Services, and Ronald Perreaux, Supervisor, Environmental Services, for offering their assistance on the day without being asked. This is the spirit of the holidays, this is the spirit of Misericordia!

NEW HIRES

Ruzica (Rose) Djukic Patient Care Manager Acute Care Programs

Jessica Lavigne RN, C6

Jennifer Nobles RN, Health Links – Info Santé

Manjit Gill RN, Health Links – Info Santé

RETIREES

Dorothy Wiens RN, Health Links – Info Santé