



SRH Pulse

Happy St. Patrick's Day

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Dates to Remember:

- ☺ 3/4—3/11: 'Guess my first car contest' on Events Committee bulletin board
- ☺ 3/17: Events Committee contest winner announced
- ☺ 3/20: Employee of the month celebration in hospital dining room.
- ☺ 3/30: Doctor's Day



THANK YOU!!!

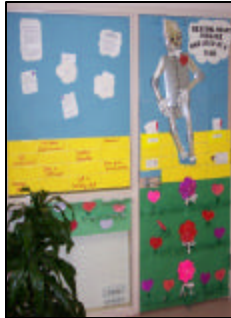
I would like to personally thank the following employees that graciously volunteered their time to help with the SRH rest stop at Buescher State Park on Saturday for the Family Crisis Center's Pedal thru the Pines bike-a-thon. The rest stop was host to over 200 bikers providing such items as fruit, power bars, crackers, water & Gatorade.

Dennis Jack Jared Jack
 Elizabeth Rinker Darrell Campion
 Duane Ritchie John Chabot

CONGRATS

February
 Employee of the Month

Leah Okotinsky



Laboratory



L & D



ICU



ER



"Squatters"



Home Health

Events Committee Heart Awareness Contest Winners

Door Decorating Contest:

- 1st place: Laboratory
- 2nd place: Labor & Delivery
- 3rd place: ICU

Honorable Mention:

- *Home Health
- *The Squatters: Human Resources, Payroll, Account Payables & CFO
- *ER

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March Hospital Events

- ☆ Nutrition Month
- ☆ Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month

What's Cookin' in John's Corner...

Make plans to order take-out when you don't feel like going home and preparing a large meal after a hard day at SRH...

John Chabot and the dining room staff have prepared a delicious evening menu that will take care of both your appetite and sweet tooth. Be sure and stop by the time clock to pre-order your meal before 3 pm!

Pick-up is at 6 pm.

It's just that easy!!!

Getting to know Paula Goss Professional Recruiter



The entire staff at SRH would like to say **'THANK YOU'** to all of our *doc-tors* who make this hospital so special! We appreciate all of the hard work you do by caring for the sick, advancing medical knowledge and promoting good health!

Keep up the good work!

Did you know...

100,000 workers each year are disabled because of vision loss due to an eye injury?

Full Name: Paula Jean Goss

Birthplace & Date: Longview, Texas on January 26th

Family: Dr. Adrian K. Goss, husband; Elissa Courtney Goss, step-daughter

Favorite Sports Team: Tennessee Titans

Favorite Color: Cerulean Blue

College: Stephen F. Austin State University—

Working with physically & mentally challenged

Favorite Drinks: Cosmopolitan or Chardonnay

If I could meet anyone in the world: Jesus

Most Memorable Vacation: Our trip to see friends in Germany & Paris

Most Adventurous thing: I tried to out drink a German in Germany...I lost!

Favorite Restaurant: Umi Sushi House in Austin

Dream Car: Astin Martin GB5 (Bond, James Bond's car)

A relaxing day: Putting on my pj's and curling up with my dogs to watch TV

Favorite Book: The Body Thief by Anne Rice

Favorite Dessert: Death by chocolate

My Pets: 2—dogs: Wilhemina Jenice Goss & Lexi Goss (Alexis)

If I could live anywhere: Costa Rica

High School Nickname: "The Flaming Star" - ask me sometime!!!



A Note from Dennis

Well, it has been a busy month for all of us, and I thought I might take this time to go over a few items. First and foremost, the Board approved to move forward with the Hospital remodel, as well as build a new hospital in Bastrop. The new addition/remodel work for SRH should start fairly soon, we just have to make a few changes when we meet with the architect this week.

One of the first big changes on our agenda will be the expansion of our parking lot, which I am sure all of you will be excited about! We have plans to expand the ER, more than doubling its current size, and consolidate the radiology services to one location, bringing the MRI and Nuclear Camera into the main building. We will also add a better day surgery holding area, with a dedicated Endoscopy Suite.

The big change you will notice is we have decided not to expand the Ob services at SRH. Instead, those services will be moved to Bastrop in the opening of that new hospital. Other services in Bastrop will be an imaging center, day surgery, ER and medical beds. ICU will remain here in Smithville. The Bastrop facility will also include a setup for short-stay patients and simpler surgeries, whereas Smithville will be the location for the more intensive procedures and sicker patients. It is an exciting time at SRH and I am proud to be the leader of the best team of healthcare workers to go through such an important transition as this one.

I also wanted to take a minute to say how great SRH is, as a consumer. The recent surgery I had at our Hospital let me see it from a patient's perspective, and what I saw was a dedicated and caring staff. Thank you to all who wished me well...I am far down the road to recovery.

Thanks for all you do, and remember, be careful, smile and have a great day!



March Birthday Calendar

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|---------------------|------------------------|
| 1—Pat Booher | 10—Keri Pierson |
| 3—Heidi Latham | 18—Shella Brummitt |
| | 23—Marc Hemann |
| 4—Jennifer Thompson | 26—Kathy Ann Rodriguez |
| 5—Louis Gritzbach | 27—Robin Dixon |
| | 29—Wendi |
| Stanley | 31—Beverly Martin |
| Bobbie Scott | |
| Josh Vickland | |



Happy Birthday...

And many more!!



Contest

The Event Committee is sponsoring an employee contest for March! Make sure to look at the Event Board by the time clock **March 4th—11th** and make your guess as to which staff member belongs to their 1st car! The winner will be announced March 17th at 3 pm in the dining room!

Please Welcome these new Faces to the SRH Team:

- Celeste Wadlow—RN Med/Surg
- Joyce Whited—R.T. Respiratory
- Sandra Fisher—RN Home Health
- Tamera Ramirez—NA Med/Surg
- Norman Payne—NA Home Health
- Oscar Rivera—Housekeeping
- Connie Tingley—ER Admissions
- Beverly Martin—Dr. Costello's Receptionist
- Margret Robinson—LVN ER
- William Bartlett—Kristen's DECA Student (file clerk)
- Barbara Taylor - X-ray Tech
- Debra Wied - LVN Med/Surg
- Kathryn Metzger - RN for Dr. Dougherty
- Gabriella Worley—RN Med/Surg
- Amber Beck—LVN Home Health
- Robyn McCarthy—Foundation Director

"A positive attitude will not solve all your problems, but it will annoy enough people to make it worth the effort."

Herm Albright

Guess Who for February?
Derek McKinley

EDITOR'S CORNER:

*May You Always Have...
enough luck to make you smile,
enough trials to keep you strong,
enough of all life's treasures
to keep you truly happy.*

Happy St. Patrick's Day!!!

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