



## Redmond Participates In GHA Infection Prevention Project

**R**edmond Regional Medical Center is participating in a program that aims to prevent bloodstream infections in Georgia hospitals. The project is sponsored by the Georgia Hospital Association's (GHA) Partnership for Health and Accountability (PHA) in partnership with the Johns Hopkins Quality and Safety Research Group (JHRG). It is a part of a national initiative that focuses on the elimination of central-line-associated bloodstream infections (CLABSI) in hospital intensive care units (ICU) and other units where central lines are used.

The initiative is part of a project titled, "On the CUSP: Stop Bloodstream Infections." It is led by JHRG in partnership with the Michigan Health and Hospital Association (MHA) Keystone Center for Patient Safety & Quality. The project will implement a comprehensive unit-based patient safety program across Georgia and several other states to help prevent infections related to the use of central line catheters.

"Redmond is delighted to be a part of this initiative," said Brenda Waltz, CEO of Redmond. "Patient safety is



our top priority and we are pleased to participate in a project that will help us face the daily challenge of infection prevention."

Redmond will work with a GHA infection preventionist and national experts, including Dr. Peter Pronovost, from the JHRG who will provide education, toolkits, coaching and other resources to encourage adoption of specific, evidence-based steps hospitals can take to reduce CLABSI and learn how to establish a comprehensive unit-based safety program (CUSP) throughout the hospital.

### About GHA

Established in 1929, GHA is the

state's largest trade organization of hospitals and health systems providing education, research and risk management services to its 174 hospital and health system members. Additionally, it represents and advocates health policy issues benefiting Georgia's citizens before the state legislature and U.S. Congress as well as before regulatory bodies.

### About PHA

The Partnership for Health and Accountability (PHA) was established in January 2000 to improve patient care and patient safety in hospitals and other healthcare facilities and create healthy communities.

## Jeremy Hardy Named Patient Access ER Supervisor

Jeremy W. Hardy, has been named Patient Access ER supervisor for Redmond Regional Medical Center. In this role, Jeremy will be responsible for the Supervision of the ER Registration team and ensuring superior patient and customer care. Jeremy brings eight years of healthcare experience to his new role, three of which were spent at Redmond working as an Account Representative with Quality Med Care, INC.



Jeremy graduated from Berry College with a Bachelor of Science degree in History, Religious Studies and Psychology. He is a member of USTA, the Summerville/Trion Optimist Club and the Rotary Club. Jeremy, his wife, Jenny, and their two boys reside in Trion.

## Crysty Cornett Named Oncology Data Coordinator



Crysty Cornett, CTR, has been named Redmond's Oncology Data Coordinator. In this role, Crysty will be responsible for the day to day operations of the Cancer Registry including assisting in the development, coordination and implementation of new programs, training and mentoring cancer registry staff and supervising cancer registry staff. She will also

maintain the cancer registry database, performing state and national data submissions as required and ensuring compliance with all requirements for an approved cancer program as mandated by the American College of Surgeons, Commission on Cancer.

Crysty has worked in healthcare since 1995 and has worked as an independent contractor for Redmond since 2004 in the Cancer Registry. In 2005 Crysty became a Certified Tumor Registrar (CTR) and is currently pursuing her Bachelor's Degree in Organizational Management through the Covenant College Quest Program.

Crysty and her husband, Dean have one daughter and reside in Summerville. Outside of work, Crysty coaches softball and cheerleading.

# AngioScreens: On the Road Again!

Redmond Occupational Health is excited to announce that they are now providing AngioScreens, our revolutionary heart and stroke screening, at churches. ROH has been providing AngioScreens to business and industry clients for approximately three years. This program offers the following advantages:

- Cost \$80 vs. \$129 or above
- Immediate Results vs. receive in mail 4 – 6 weeks following the screening
- Color Photos of Carotid Ultrasound
- Report provided on a CD which can be shared with physician and added to electronic medical records
- Private consultation with an RN to review results immediately following the screening
- Only takes 12 – 15 minutes for entire screening
- Entire screening provided at one station by our experienced team. You lay down once & get up once.
- Four page educational document explaining the screening and risk factors of stroke and heart disease
- Letter to physician from Dr. Callahan explaining the screening results
- Top of the line equipment- the same as Redmond uses for inpatient care
- Screening provided by your reputable local hospital, Redmond Regional Medical Center, the only full-service Heart Center of Northwest Georgia.

If you are interested in having AngioScreens at your church, please contact Nancy Gribble at 706-290-8015.

Our first church screening will be at:

- North Rome Church of God
- August 20th, 3pm - 7pm.

Encourage your family and friends to call 706-802-3000 to book an appointment for this screening!

## Save the Dates...



August 13 – Compassionate Friends 7 p.m. CR B  
August 14– AngioScreens Rehab LL  
August 10- Cancer Support 6 p.m. CR A  
August 17- Bosom Buddies 6 p.m. CR B  
August 21-23 Redmond Weekend at the Rome Braves

# Listen. Speak. Act.

You took the opportunity to speak during the employee engagement survey. Now that the results are in, what did they say and what happens next? Read on to find out!

## What were the highlights of the 2009 Employee Engagement Survey?

The most exciting news is that our Overall Engagement Score went up another 2 percent this year, for a 78 percent positive score. In addition, we were amazed by the participation level. We saw 86 percent participation across the HCA organization. More than 161,000 individual voices were heard as employees provided confidential feedback during the survey process.

## In general, what are employees saying about working at HCA?

In summarizing the more than 147,000 comments employees wrote-in, the tone of the comments was much more positive this year. Perhaps most gratifying was acknowledgement from employees that they see action. That is, they're seeing positive changes made as a result of taking the survey.

## What actions can we expect from this year's survey, and when?

As changes are implemented from hearing your voice, they will be communicated through the eNews, Redmond News, vNews and departmental meetings. You should expect to hear results in some level of detail before the end of summer so stay tuned!

## REDMOND EMERGENCY SERVICES



## NOW SERVING POLK COUNTY

Redmond Emergency Medical Services has a proud history of saving lives in our community. Excellent response times and quality patient care has earned us Georgia's highest distinction as EMS Service of the Year, and ranks Redmond EMS among the top services in the nation.

As the chosen 911 provider for Polk County, our highly trained EMTs and Paramedics are committed to providing Polk County residents superior service with the utmost professionalism and responsiveness. With state-of-the-art equipment and dedicated staff stationed in Cedartown and Rockmart—**24 hours a day, 7 days a week**—we stand ready to provide you with the most advanced life support and emergency medical services when you need it.

Professional.

Determined.

Quick.



In the event of an emergency, dial 911.

## Condolences:

Sympathy is extended to:



- Esther Brazier on the loss of her son.
- Mrs. Shaw on the loss of her brother.



## Kidz Corner

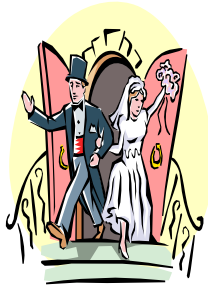
Congratulations to the Following:

- Barb Rees on the recent marriage of her daughter, Mandy Rees, to Sean Stout.
- Congratulations to Garren Ramey, son of Deleah Ramey of third floor, for making Allstars.
- Alisha Holtzendorf, daughter of Pam Williams and Special Education Teacher at Model, on achieving her Administrative Degree in Education July 2009.

## Weddings

Congratulations to the following:

- Belinda Pruitt on her marriage to Jacob Strickland.
- Rod Stephens on his recent marriage.



## Accomplishments

- Third floor welcomes Belinda Pruitt, RN, Debbie Highfield, RN, Jennifer Wright, LPN, RN eligible and Yolanda Janes, nurse tech.
- Valerie Leonard, RN, on passing the PCCN exam.
- Theresa Compton of Central Sterile on completion of her radiation treatments.
- Redmond welcomes Kay Rhodes, RN, who will start as Redmond's Assistant CNO as of August 3.
- Lindsey McAllister completed certification as Breath Alcohol Instructor Trainer and NIOSH spirometry course.
- Connie Taylor, Lindsey McAllister & Tara Strickland (Kellogg) completed certification as AHA instructors (BLS, First Aid, AED, BBP).
- ROH welcomes the following new employees: Brenda Tate, RN for Bekaert Corporation and Connie Taylor, RN, Clinical Coordinator.

## Buy, Sell, or Trade:

- **For Sale:** "Crop-in-Style" rolling large scrapbook caddy paid \$120/ selling for \$45. John Deere motorized jeep with lift wagon on back. Needs battery. Selling for \$70 dog kennel 10ftx4ft-\$50. Contact Christy at 706-767-3608.
- **For Sale:** 1930's Steinway & Son, 47 inch upright piano. Excellent condition. Appraises at \$4000. Asking \$1800. Entertainment center, black wood with four doors and crown molding at top. Paid \$700 new, Asking \$150. Call 706-346-4860.
- **Free to a Good Home:** Beagle puppies and parents. Call 706 936-0735 and leave a message.
- **For Sale:** IKEA furniture; credenza - Red with chrome legs. 3 drawers down the middle with cabinet on either side (57w x 29h x 17d), mirror - Red with chrome shaped like a daisy, table lamp - Chrome with 5 vertical light bulbs. Will sell as a set for \$85. Call Marsha at 706-802-3194.
- **For Rent:** Newly remodeled home in Armuchee area on highway 156. 3 BR, 1BA, c/h, large yard. Contact Donald at 706-506-6952.
- **For Sale:** 1994 Ford Ranger, extended cab, 4 cylinder, 5 speed, 105k miles, \$2500. Call 706-767-3366.
- **For Sale:** 1990 Chevy Camero V8 - \$1500, Call John at 404-272-8134 after 5 P.M.
- **For Sale:** Large power wheelchair, silver flute. Beautiful kittens, 3 months old, free to a good home. Call Sandy at 770-378-7609.
- **For Sale:** 87 Sundowner, 4 horse slant, living quarters, aluminum - asking \$9,500. Call 256-422-5686 or 706-331-5096; 4 year old mule, very gentle, trail broke - asking \$600. Call 256-422-5686 or 706-331-5096.
- **Free to a Good Home:** Two adorable black/white kittens. Healthy, playful, cute and free! Call 706-234-1880.

## Births:

Congratulations to:



- Dr. Molnar, his wife Sarah and big brother Whitt on the birth of Grant Charles, born June 10, weighing 7 lbs 6 oz.
- Cindy Potts, LPN on the birth of her granddaughter, Gillian Reagan Gant.
- Marilyn Allison on the birth of her grandson, Eli Pressley Strickland, born June 18<sup>th</sup>.
- Sally Noble on the birth of Ryan Noble Dougherty born Saturday, June 20 weighing 7 lbs 12oz.

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