

June 1, 2016

Congratulations Graduates!

RCH wants to congratulate the employees and family members of our employees who graduated this year.

Braden Gosselin, son of **Jaime Gosselin**, graduated from Plainville Middle School (8th grade) on May 16.

Kandie Morain's daughter, **Alexis Oliver**, graduated from NCK Tech's Culinary Arts Program in Hays on May 14.

Meghan Augustine graduated from Plainville High School on May 14. She is planning on attending Kansas State University. Meghan is the daughter of **Laurie Augustine** and the sister of **Sam Augustine**.

Holly Bedore's husband, **Clint Bedore**, received his Master's degree in Health and Human Performance from Fort Hays State University on May 14.

Pat Ferland's daughter, **Carly Ferland**, graduated from Plainville Middle School (8th grade) on May 16.

Scott & Michelle Carpenter's daughter, **Brianna Andregg**, graduated from Plainville High School on May 14. She is planning on attending NCK Tech and majoring in Nursing or Hays Academy of Hair Design.

David Sowles, son of **Rosie Sowles**, graduated from NCK Tech on May 14 with an Associate's degree in Electrical Technology.

Tonia Werner's son, **Chase Werner**, graduated from Plainville High School on May 14. He plans to attend lineman school in Pratt.

Amanda Claridge graduated from Colby Community College with her RN degree. The DWD staff wanted to let you know how proud they are of you Amanda! ☺

Amelia Rose Werner, daughter of **Jeff & Sami Werner**, graduated Salutatorian of the Plainville High School Class on May 14.

Kimberly McCord-Wunder's son, **Mathew Wunder**, graduated from Hamilton High School in Chandler, AZ on May 24. He has accepted a scholarship to Arizona State University and will be majoring in computer engineering.

Kim Brown's daughter, **Emily Norton**, graduated from Plainville Middle School (8th grade) on May 16.

Caitlin Wessel graduated from NCK Tech's LPN program on May 14.

Tracy Rudman's wife, **Amanda**, graduated from NCK Tech's LPN program on May 14.

Katelin Dohe, granddaughter of **Marlene Dohe** and Niece of **Tonya Bethel**, graduated from NCK Tech's RN program on May 14.

Jacque Harmon graduated from the Colby Community College RN program on May 21.



Patient and family advisors provide a voice that represents all patients and families of patients who receive care at Rooks County Health Center (RCH). They partner with hospital staff to help improve the quality of RCH's care for all patients and family members.

What is an RCH Patient & Family Advisor?

A patient and family advisor is someone who:

- Wants to help improve the quality of our hospital's care for all patients and family members.
- Gives feedback to RCH based on his or her own experiences as a patient or family member.
- Helps RCH plan changes to improve care of patients.
- Works with RCH for either short or long-term commitments, depending on the project.
- Volunteers his or her time (usually at least one hour and not more than four hours per month).

Why should you become an RCH Patient & Family Advisor?

- When you or your family member was in the hospital, did you think there were things that could have been better?
- Do you have ideas on how to make sure other patients and families get the best care possible? Patient and family advisors give RCH feedback and ideas from the patient's perspective to help improve the quality of care provided.

Who can be an RCH Patient & Family Advisor?

No special qualifications are required to become an advisor. You can be an advisor if you, or a family member, received care at RCH in the last five years. What's most important is your experience as a patient or family member. RCH will provide you with any other training you may need.

What does an RCH Patient & Family Advisor do?

As one of RCH's Patient and Family Advisors, you can help in the following ways:

- Share your story. Advisors help by talking about their health care experiences with clinicians, staff and other patients.
- Serve on RCH's Patient and Family Advisory Council. The advisory council meets regularly to discuss and plan improvements for hospital quality. Members include patients, family members and hospital staff.
- Work on short-term projects, for example helping to plan and design a family resource room.

Is being an RCH Patient & Family Advisor right for you?

Being an RCH Patient & Family Advisor may be a good match with your skills and experiences if you can:

- Speak up and share suggestions and potential solutions to help improve hospital care for all.
- Share your experiences as a patient or family member being mindful and forward thinking beyond your own personal experiences.
- Talk about both positive and negative care experiences, sharing your thoughts on what went well and how things could have been handled differently.
- Work with people who may be different than you.
- Listen to and think about what others say, even when you disagree.
- Bring a positive attitude to discussions.
- Keep any information you may hear as an advisor private and confidential.



RCH
PATIENT & FAMILY
ADVISORY COUNCIL

**WE NEED YOU TO
TELL IT LIKE IT IS!**
Your Health. Your Care.
Your Hospital.

Rooks County Health Center
seeks community volunteers to serve
on a new advisory council that will ensure
the patient perspective is integrated
throughout RCH's health care system.

**Join us for an informational
meeting about RCH's
New Patient & Family
Advisory Council**

5:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 14
Rooks County Health Center
1210 N. Washington Street
Plainville, Kansas

If interested but unable to attend, contact:
Casey Arnold
Patient Experience Coordinator
785-688-4446
carnold@plainville.hpmin.com

More information online
RooksCountyHealthCenter.com



HR News

JOB OPENINGS:

- Nurse Supervisor

CHANGES IN EMPLOYEES:

- **Scott Reese** will be a part-time paramedic.
- **Makayla Sanchez** will be a temporary employee in the Dietary Department.
- **Randy Cimino** will be the Certified Dietary Manager.
- **Elizabeth Burleigh** will be the Occupational Therapist.

Rhonda Thyfault & Cathy King are on FMLA. They are asking for your generosity by donating PTO hours to their account. If you would like to do this, please contact Cindi for the form.

June Anniversaries

Krista Muir	1 Year
Jeanie Rolfe	2 Years
Ashley Moeder	2 Years
Naomi Wyatt	3 Years
Kelsey Wyatt	3 Years
Lisa VonFeldt	4 Years
Eleanor Wherry	5 Years
Tara Staab	6 Years
Joselyn Wilkens	6 Years
Judy Munsell	8 Years
Cindi Knipp	12 Years

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Rad 239	Kitchen 231	
Nursing 211	Payments 250	Post Rock 434-2622
Therapy 235	Outpatient Services 242	
Med Records 227	Cardiac Rehab 341	

RCH Departments and Stockton EMS Ace State Inspections

Over the past few months, various departments at Rooks County Health Center (RCH) as well as the Stockton Emergency Medical Service underwent inspections by state agencies. All were found to be in complete compliance with zero deficiencies found in the inspections.



“The number of agencies that have been out to survey us in the last couple months that have noted zero deficiencies for RCH Pharmacy, Lab, Radiology and the Stockton EMS testifies to the fact that we are constantly striving to achieve these results in Rooks county,” said Pam Harmon, RCH Chief Nursing Officer.

RCH’s laboratory department underwent an inspection by The Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) in December 2015. RCH’s CLIA (Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments) certified laboratory has a state inspection every two years. The thorough review of every aspect of the laboratory found everything to be in compliance.

In March, the Kansas State Board of Pharmacy, which also develops the regulations and requirements, surveyed the pharmacy at RCH. Lisa Karlin, Director of Pharmacy at RCH, reports that her department also passed the inspection with flying colors.

The RCH Radiology Department went through state inspections in April. The inspections involved examining specific policies, procedures, quality control paperwork, tracking radiation doses, Radiologists’ reports, etc.

“The state inspects mammography every year, and this is the fourth year in a row that RCH has not had any deficiencies. The ACR sets the standards for mammography and the state does the inspection. The Radiology department as a whole, excluding mammography, is inspected by the state every three years. The state also sets the standards. This year, we came away again without any deficiencies,” said Karen Harris, Director of Radiology at RCH. The Stockton Emergency Medical Services (EMS) also received a Zero Deficiency score for the ambulance service in an inspection performed by a compliance officer for the Kansas Board of EMS in February. The annual inspection covers operations and medical protocols, response records, staff certifications as well as equipment inspections. On the inspection sheet, the compliance officer noted that the service was well organized, compliant and complimented the staff on the excellent job they were doing.

“I have a dedicated staff. It is their dedication and hard work that needs to be recognized. Because of their professionalism and highly trained skills, we are able to provide excellent service and patient care to our communities. As a group effort, we have received a non-deficiency inspection for yet another year,” said Julie Cole, Director of the Stockton EMS.

RCH Auxiliary NEWS

Mr. K's gift cards!!! RCH Auxiliary is still selling \$50 and 100 gift cards in the gift shop. Help us meet our goal to raise funds for Phase 2 of the hospital expansion. (5% of all profits goes to the Auxiliary)

Thank you for all who helped with the blood drive. The Auxiliary was just a little short on their goal this time but were able to get 36 donations.



Auxiliary Annual PIE SALE

at the
Paradise Creek Festival
June 11 9:00am - ?
Located at the Scout House



BAKE. DONATE. ENJOY

All Auxiliary members are asked to bring 2 pies for the sale. If you can't bring pies, please consider making a donation. Thank you!

RCH Auxiliary will be hosting a Bed Sheets Sale coming up in August. More information will be coming about this soon!

 Lunch Menu 

Wednesday, June 1

Legend steak, mashed potatoes/gravy, cauliflower, tossed salad, sherbet

Thursday, June 2

Taco salad, Hawaiian cake

Friday, June 3

Reuben casserole, bacon spinach salad, chips, 2 cookies, ice cream

Saturday, June 4

Pork burnt ends, French fries, creamy coleslaw, cake – cook's choice

Sunday, June 5

Legend steak, mashed potatoes, corn, tossed salad, cherry pie

Monday, June 6

Fajita chicken casserole, Mexican corn salad, chips and salsa, chocolate scotcheroos

Tuesday, June 7

Million dollar spaghetti, garlic breadstick, green beans, small salad, Rice Krispie treat

Wednesday, June 8

Pub burgers, baked beans, potato salad, Milky way poke cake

Thursday, June 9

Chicken strips, cheesy potatoes, peas, small salad, salted caramel ice cream cones

Friday, June 10

Chicken cordon bleu, baked potato, cheesy broccoli, bacon spinach salad, Texas sheetcake

Saturday, June 11

Ham or turkey rollups, chips, pudding



Sun

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Fri

Sat

			1 Disaster/Safety Mtg @ 1 pm.	2 Policy Committee @ 1:15 pm	3  Ashley Green	4 AJ Thomas
5	6 <i>Turn in Time Sheets</i> James Christopher Sheila Koch	7 Caitlin Wessel	8 By-Laws Mtg @ 9 am	9 New Employee Orientation 8am to 4 pm Ron Williams	10 PAY DAY Paradise Creek Festival Jerry Keyes	11 Kim Brown
12	13	14 PFAC Informational Mtg @ 5:30	15 Med Staff & Grand Mtgs 8:30 to 1 pm	16	17 Jan Jones	18
19 Mikki Ebner	20 Foundation Board Mtg @ 12:00 pm <i>Turn in Time Sheets</i> Tara Staab Crystal Mahan Nancy Sterling	21	22	23	24 PAY DAY Bethany Couse	25
26	27	28 RCH Board Mtg @ 6 pm Wendy Walker	29 Avry St. Peter	30 RCH Auxiliary Mtg @ 10 am RCH Dept. Head Mtg @ 2 pm.		