HAT'S HAPPENING

A newsletter for the Maine Medical Center family

Be Sure to Thank a Volunteer this National Volunteer Week!



Dinah and Bob Johnson volunteer at the Turning Point Cardiac Rehabilitation Program in Scarborough.

April 7 - April 13. More than 500 volunteers donate more than 40,000 hours of their time to about 75 departments at MMC each year.

National Volunteer Week is Please take a moment to recognize and thank a volunteer this week! Here are some examples of what our incredible volunteers do for patients:

Dinah and Bob Johnson

Dinah Johnson first started volunteering in the Hospital Elder Life Program from 2010-2016, helping older patients prevent delirium while in the hospital. She took some time off to recover from hip surgery and to care for her husband, Bob, when he suffered a heart attack. Bob Johnson spent time at the Turning Point Cardiac Rehabilitation Program during his recovery. One of his nurses suggested he might be able to help other patients once he finished the program. Bob soon was volunteering as a gym assistant, and talked Dinah into doing clerical work in the Turning Point office.

Jessica Jean Fletcher

Jessica Jean Fletcher has been a Reiki volunteer since 2009, visiting MMC's Scarborough campus about twice a week. She has volunteered nearly 4,000 hours!

Donna Ackerson Green, the director of Clinical Oncology at the Maine Medical Center Cancer Institute said, "Through her kind and caring approach, Jessica has supported countless patients to ease their pain and suffering. Her kind, supportive words soothe them tremendously, and her Reiki treatments help them heal."

Look for more volunteer profiles on the MMC Facebook page this week!

April Anniversaries

40 Years

Susan Soper, Family Birth Center

35 Years

Vicki Jackson, HR Susan Mathews, Admitting

30 Years

Elizabeth Bennoch, HR Michael DeCesere, IS M McLeod, SCU4 Stephen Plourd, Carpentry

25 Years

Russell Britton, South Portland Pediatrics Kenneth Cournover, Cardiac Surgery

Robert Faucette, Saco **Pediatrics** Candie Hazelton, R7 Lisa Joseph, Operating Room Beatriz Mulkern, Sterile Processing

Steve Osborne, South Portland Pediatrics

20 Years

Megan Bartholomew, Operating Room Emily Benevento, CICU Andrea Elfring, Coding William Foley, Copy Center Karen Marsh, Accounting Johanna Pulkkinen, Portland Pediatrics

Alexander Szafran, Radiology

15 Years

Anita Charland, Neurosurgery Virginia Cook, R6 Carole Duperre, Infection Control

'Anniversaries' Continued on Back

People News



Sunil Malhotra, MD, has joined Maine Medical Partners — Cardiothoracic Surgery. He will serve as the Director of Congenital Cardiac Surgery at Maine Medical Center.

Before coming to Maine, Dr. Malhotra served as the Director of Pediatric and Adult Congenital Surgery at Children's Hospital of New Jersey in Newark. He was also an assistant professor at interests have centered on the Department of Cardiothoracic Surgery, NYU Langone Medical Center, New York, NY. He is Board certified in Thoracic Surgery and in Congenital Cardiac Surgery.

Dr. Malhotra's clinical

interests are focused on innovative surgical approaches to complex congenital heart defects. His research optimizing neurologic outcomes in children undergoing heart surgery. He has investigated novel biomarkers to trend perioperative neurologic insults to identify potential neuroprotective strategies in pediatric cardiac surgery.

Jeffrey Little, IS

'Anniversaries' From Front

Michael Gobeil, Supply Chain Sandra Goudreau, Pharmacy James Humphrey, Quality Customer Service Debbie Kilmartin, Support Services Jennifer Lambert, IS Priscilla McAllister, P6 Sharon Michaud, Vascular Surgery Allison Perry, Property Management

George Smith, Operating

10 Years

Room

Jennifer Albert, ASU Stacy Barrows, Security Gina Blaszyk, Oncology Caitlin Caldwell, R2 Julianne Ciraldo, Women & G Callender, Hospitalists Infants Boutique Michael Dumas, IS Sarah Finnegan, R4 Ewa Gadek, EVS Karen Gagne, MMCRI

Tammie Garland, Sterile Processing Celeste Green, Behavioral Health Damien Harris, EVS Nicholas Morris, SCU4 Colin Smith, Poison Control Frances Terroni, Quality Customer Service Olivera Tomic, Adult Medicine Clinic Tammy Turgeon, R4 Michael Yunes, IS

5 Years

Abebanesh Abdela, Food Services Daphne Backman, Child Health Programs Austin Baugh, Food Services Christine Bragg, Endoscopy Emily Brown-Dyer, Patient Access Michelle Carpine, VP Medical Affairs Paul Chausse Jr, Billing Paul Connair, Vocational Services

Karen Deshaies, Access to Care Mary Fitzgerald, Radiology Nursing Chrismelly Galvez, General Surgery Christopher Gelwix, Cardiology Eliza Giberson, Philanthropy Oscar Gonzalez, EVS Nancy Guimond, Food Services Emily Hancock, Child Psychiatry Robert Hunter, IS Frank Isakson, Financial Planning Patricia Johnson, Patient Access Medrilina Jumapit, EVS Hilary Lalancette, Pharmacy Kaitlynne Lambert, ED Nursing Deborah Lambert, Supply Chain Jared Lapointe, IS Candace LeClair, Gynocologic Oncology Margaret Ledoux, MaineHealth ACO

Shani McGill-Morehead, Family Birth Center Jennifer Mercier, Employee Health Lisa Monroe, Family Birth Center Fabienne Namuhoranye, R6 Michelle Packhem, Finance Patient Accounts David Phillips, Pharmacy Christina Porter, Outpatient Care Robert Provoncha Jr, IS Thomas Rumery, EVS Melissa Schulz, Continuing Care Nursery Domonique Smith, R3 Sherri Stockwell, Psychiatry Chelsea Strumph, NICU Lisa Torrey-Roderick, Neurology Laura Totta, Weight & Wellness Program Christopher Verrill, MMP Administration Iason Welborn, Maine-Health **Education Services** Sarah Withee, Supply Chain



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