City Council Approves MMC Project Zoning

By a vote of 7-0, the Portland City Council approved the zoning changes necessary for Maine Medical Center’s $512 million renovation and expansion project.

The step forward keeps MMC on its anticipated timetable, which has the hospital breaking ground on the first phase of the project around March of next year.

“We are committed to continue to work with neighborhood groups to build trust, understanding and cooperation as we move forward with our immediate plans and beyond,” said MMC Executive Vice President and COO Jeffrey Sanders.

The next segment of the plan up is for city approval is the Site Plan review. The Site Plan phase will begin to identify construction logistics, methods for MMC to increase the use of alternative modes of transportation to and from the Medical Center and the design of the buildings.

End-of-Year Training

All employees are required to complete four training modules by December 31. Modules do not have to be completed all at once. The modules are:

- Privacy and Security Training
- Confidentiality Agreement
- Online Hand Hygiene Education
- Safety Test

See eNews for more information and for links on how to get started.

Do You Know the Signs of Stroke?

Time is critical when it comes to treating strokes. That means you need to know when to get treatment.

F.A.S.T is an easy way to spot the signs of stroke

F - Face drooping
A - Arm weakness
S - Speech difficulty
T - Time to call 911

Radiologists Give Back With a Food Drive

November brings National Radiologic Technology Week. MMC Radiologists celebrate with everything from raffles to pot lucks to ice cream. But this year, they also decided to give back to their community.

During Radiologic Technology week, they put together a food drive called, “Stuff the Shuttle Bus.” The event netted 731 pounds of non-perishable food that was donated to the Stroudwater Food Pantry.

Michelle Ricker, Chad Spickel, Heidi Brown, Andrea Doria and Vickie Olfene help Stuff the Bus for the Stroudwater Food Pantry.
Patients at the Barbara Bush Children’s Hospital had some very special visitors this month. Pat the Patriot and the Patriots Cheerleaders brought pom-poms and big smiles to entertain the children.