OUR Place Where in the World Winner Announced

Congratulations to Security’s John Chapin, the winner of the 2017 Where in the World photo contest!

John (at right and in insert) submitted a photo of himself wearing his OUR Place T-shirt in a helicopter while deployed for four months aboard the USS Wasp off the coast of Libya. John, a former history teacher, has been with MMC for 19 years. He deploys for several months each year and teaches history to sailors and marines, who earn college credits while deployed.

Thanks, John, for supporting OUR Place and our country.

We are appreciative of all colleagues who submitted photos for the Where in the World contest, and of the 550 of you who voted!

Thank you to everyone who participated in the 2017 Employee Giving program. Your generosity and dedication make MMC a great place to work and a wonderful place for our patients and their families. Remember, MMC colleagues – keep taking pictures in your 2017 OUR Place T-shirts for next year’s Where in the World photo contest.

MMC Purchases One Riverfront Plaza in Downtown Westbrook

Maine Medical Center announced on June 8 its purchase of the One Riverfront Plaza Building in Westbrook.

The office building will house the medical center’s integrated Information Services team along with other administrative functions, which are currently spread across eight office locations throughout Greater Portland.

“We are incredibly excited to bring our Information Services team together in one location,” said Marcy Dunn, senior vice president and chief information officer for Maine Medical Center and MaineHealth. “We believe this will increase our team’s operating efficiencies and ultimately benefit our providers, nurses and the patients who benefit from their care.”

The building is being purchased for $10.75 million from the One Riverfront Plaza Holdings, LLC. MMC expects to complete transition of its IS team to Riverfront Plaza by about the end of 2017.

Information Services plays a critical role in modern healthcare. MMC’s IS Department supports the hospital and the MaineHealth system’s electronic medical record system used by clinical staff, as well as the large computer networks accessed by administrative and support staff employees every day.

By bringing the team together into one location, MMC can increase its efficiency, reduce the number of real estate leases it holds and consolidate its investments in information technology infrastructure.
MMC Team Trains on Infectious Disease Protocols

MMC’s Special Infectious Disease Team members took part in a two-hour training on June 8 to keep their skills sharp should they need to care for a patient with a highly infectious disease. The team is comprised of specially trained nurses and doctors, and works closely with MMC’s Safety and Emergency Management professionals. Colleagues interested in the team can contact Melissa Fairfield, Nurse Manager, Emergency Services, or Deb Jackson, Nurse Manager, SCU.