Jack Glaser Legacy Award Advances Skills in Health Care Ethics

From his passion for health care reform to his belief that justice should be St. Joseph Health’s fourth core value to his commitment to community and work on end-of-life patient care issues, theologian and ethicist Jack Glaser left a profound legacy in his 25 years here.

Now, St. Joseph Health will honor Jack’s memory and his vast contributions to our health system with a scholarship that gives our employees the opportunity to advance their skills and knowledge in health care ethics. The Jack Glaser Legacy Award for the Advancement of Health Care Ethics will be given every year to an employee or employees in the Southern California region. The first application period opened on Jan. 1.

Jack died at age 78 in January 2012 at St. Joseph Hospital. Educated in Jesuit schools, he was ordained as a Jesuit priest and earned his doctoral degree in moral theology. Jack was executive vice president of theology and health care ethics and served in leadership on the boards of St. Joseph Health Ministry, Share Our Selves and The Wooden Floor.

The award is open to all SJH employees and physicians, including those at Hoag and in the Southern California region who have been working with the organization for a year. Grants will be awarded on a yearly basis; funds will cover any expenses directly related to the educational curriculum such as tuition and supplies. The first scholarship for at least $1,500 will be awarded in May; the application period runs from Jan. 1 – April 30. The awardee will commit to having his or her skills and knowledge integrated into the ethics programs of the Southern California region.

Click here for more information. You can view the application form here. If you have questions, contact Sabine Pokryska in the SJH department of theology and ethics at sabine.pokryska@stjoe.org.

Congratulations Rideshare Cash Drawing Winners!

Congratulations to the following employees. Your winnings will be included in your Feb. 7 paycheck.

- Mike Humphries, Laboratory ($50)
- Pilar Lara de Jaramillo, OR ($50)
- Jose Martin Narvaez, 3 North ($50)
- Maria Solis, Kidney Transplant ($75)
- Cynthia DeLaPaz, Nursing Support ($75)
- Denise Hoon, Administration ($100)
- Tim Rinks, Maintenance ($100)

Emergency Care Center Receives New Wheelchairs

Last week the Emergency Care Center (ECC) received 17 bright red, brand new wheelchairs to help with patient transport activities. The additional wheelchairs were made possible through a donation by the Volunteer Services Department. ECC Volunteer Coordinator Kathie Mullins (pictured) has already put the new wheelchairs to use!
Volunteer at the 2014 Golf Tournament

Please join fellow St. Joseph Hospital supporters for the 2014 St. Joseph Hospital Golf Tournament on **Monday, April 7 at Coto de Caza Golf and Racquet Club**. Proceeds from this fun-filled event will benefit the St. Joseph Hospital Emergency Care Center: Preparing for the Future.

We are looking for volunteers! Please check with your supervisor for approval to volunteer (unpaid, employees eligible to use PTO). There are five different volunteer shifts available to accommodate your schedule. *(If you would like to volunteer for B or C shifts, please choose one or the other):*

- **Set-Up (A):** 6:30 – 8 a.m.
- **Check-In (B):** 8 – 10:30 a.m.
- **Tournament (C):** 9:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.
- **Reception/Auction (D):** 3 – 6:30 p.m.
- **Clean-up (E):** 6 – 8 p.m.

Approximately 80 volunteers are needed to ensure that the event is a success! Please call Izi Martinez-Green at 714-347-7896 or email Isabel.Martinez-Green@stjoe.org to volunteer or receive more information about the event. You can also visit our website at [sjo.org/golf2014](http://sjo.org/golf2014).

Patient Portal Goes Live at Covenant Health

Covenant Health in Texas went live with the first phase of their new patient portal. The portal – now known as the Covenant Health Hub – is a secure, online interface for patients and physicians that is part of St. Joseph Health’s (SJH) strategy to meet Meaningful Use requirements.

Patients will initially use the health hub to access acute care X-rays and test results, search for doctors, and view their history of vital stats, procedures, medications and more. In subsequent phases, it can also be used to request prescription refills, schedule appointments and access helpful articles with the latest health care news, essentially connecting them to their care and their providers at every moment. The health hub also allows physicians a holistic view of their patients’ health across the network of care by centralizing patient information.

Dâtu Health, headquartered in Boulder, Colo., is developing the health hub open platform methodology for SJH, connecting the health system’s clinical records with personalized health care data for patients and physicians. This open architecture provides important requirements for “freeing the data” and will be essential as we pursue initiatives for population health management.

The first phase roll out in Southern California is scheduled for March. At all ministries, the first phase will be limited to acute care patients only. The next phase, which will be available in the ambulatory setting and for the general public, will be ready by September.

Reflection

“*Nature holds the key to our aesthetic, intellectual, cognitive and even spiritual satisfaction.*”

- E.O. Wilson

This Week’s Menus

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