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New Direction

Memorial Foundation sponsors Nac Half, staff honors fellow employee

Last month, the Nacogdoches Memorial Foundation hosted the annual Nac Half race. Around 175 runners and 50 volunteers came out for the half marathon/10K/5K. Many ER employees ran in honor of their co-worker Carmen Martinez's late son, Junior, who passed away earlier this year. The ER crew sported custom t-shirts with Junior's photo on back.



Congratulate Michelle Nash on CPHQ certification

Michele Nash, director of performance improvement, recently attained the prestigious international credential Certified Professional in Healthcare Quality, a certification that signifies professional and academic achievement by those in the field of healthcare quality management. A CPHQ is proficient in healthcare quality management at all employment levels and in all healthcare settings. The comprehensive CPHQ credential covers the profession of quality, case, care, disease, utilization and risk management and emphasizes how all of these programs and processes integrate into an effective system. Michelle joins the ranks of over 10,000 colleagues in the United States and internationally who have achieved this important career milestone.



Safety Fair now online, all staff must complete by Dec. 30

The annual Safety Fair is now on Health.edu. The courses are in the "site produced" section of the website. All employees are required to complete specific training by Dec. 30.

- ~ All employees must complete sections 1, 2 and 3.
- ~ All clinical employees must complete sections 1, 2, 3 and 4.
- ~ All nurses (LVNs, RNs, and APNs) must complete sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 and must also complete the glucometer competency quiz.

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Stop by Human Resources or call 936.568.8543

Memorial celebrates our 90th anniversary

You've probably seen all the 90s on the Christmas trees in the lobby and the Auxiliary Conference Center, the 90s hanging from the lobby ceiling and the recent addition of a giant banner on the brick wall. That's all in celebration of the 90th birthday of City Memorial Hospital, now known as Nacogdoches Memorial Hospital. We're celebrating our longevity with a 90th anniversary party on Friday, from 4 to 6 p.m. in the lobby. We've invited the community and you're invited too. Please join us!

Staff Christmas party rescheduled to Monday, Dec. 17

The Miracle on Mound Street first floor Christmas parade is slated for **Monday, Dec. 17** at 3 p.m., followed by hospital-wide food and fun in the Auxiliary Conference Center from 4 to 7 p.m.

Santa and Mrs. Claus will be on hand for photos with kids of all ages and a photo booth will also be set up for fun.

Other festivities planned for next week will include scavenger hunts, a word search competition and a random employee prize drawing.

Blood drive, waterpark sales slated for Wednesday

It's time for our quarterly blood drive and we have some special things planned in partnership with Splash Kingdom Waterpark. They're donating a four-pack of one-day passes to the waterpark to be raffled amongst participants who successfully donate blood. The park mascot, Smiley the Shark, will also be on hand to encourage blood donations in the afternoon.

You can sign up for a donor time slot at the blood drive table currently in the Bright Café and check out the cute blood drive t-shirt that all successful donors will also receive.

As they've done a couple of times recently, Splash Kingdom staff will be on hand during lunch Wednesday in the Bright Café to sell season passes at a Memorial exclusive discount, just in time for a perfect stocking stuffer! Memorial employees can take advantage of the exclusive discount online as well. Visit their website online at www.splashkingdomtimberfalls.pfstore.com/retail/waterparktickets/SKCorpPartners. Or email carlie@splashkingdomwaterpark.com for more details about the winter special for the Memorial team.

PT team says goodbye to Gene

His colleagues and friends were sad to say goodbye last week to physical therapist Gene Belz, but wished him well in his retirement. Gene practiced for 46 years and was proud to make his goal of retiring at 70, after 12 years on the Memorial team. He'll certainly be missed, but maybe not for long... He plans to work PRN and is already scheduled for duty during the holiday season.

