

Director's Message

Clay County Medical Center is the cornerstone of healthcare in Clay County with nearly a 100 year tradition of medical service to the area's people. Clay County Hospital Foundation, the fund-raising arm of the medical center, raises dollars through your generous annual contributions and your thoughtfulness as you establish your estate. The hospital is an essential part of healthcare in the community, serving over 20,000 people each year. The generosity of donors such as yourself has played a large part in the hospital's ability to continue its service to the community. We want to thank you for your past support of the foundation's efforts to help Clay County Medical Center provide vital health services to the residents of Clay and neighboring counties.

As a small token of our appreciation, we are now making available to all foundation members complimentary planned giving illustrations. These illustrations can help you in answering many of your questions about the affects a charitable gift will have on your estate. Whether you are planning to give to the Hospital Foundation, some other charity, or both we will be happy to help you determine what is best for you. Our focus is to help you meet your charitable goals. For more information on planned giving illustrations or to make an appointment, call the Clay County Hospital Foundation at (785) 632-2144.

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CCMC to Offer Continuing Education

Typically, small rural health care facilities such as CCMC have to send their staff to larger regional centers to receive the necessary continuing education credits. Because of the added costs in doing this, educating staff can be expensive. In order to help in the effort to maintain quality health care, CCMC recently instituted an education program that will provide affordable, quality and convenient educational opportunities to health care professionals in the region.



Foundation News

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Foundation Receives Bequest

The Clay County Hospital Foundation recently received official word that it will be receiving a bequest from the Adelia C. Meyer Trust Agreement. The bequest is expected to be between \$225,000 - \$275,000. According to Edward Wieggers, trustee of the Meyer estate, Adelia felt that the staff members she came in contact with at Clay County Medical Center had a genuine interest in her welfare. "On more than one occasion Mrs. Meyer told me how much she appreciated the care she received from the nursing staff," said Mr. Wieggers.

The Trustees of the Hospital and the Trustees of the Foundation have agreed to use the trust funds to create the "Gustav H. and Adelia C. Meyer Educational Memorial Fund." The memorial fund will be used to help finance medical and health related education activities for the hospital staff and the communities that Clay County Medical Center serves.

It seems fitting that the Meyer bequest be used to establish an education memorial, because in part it will continue to improve the skills of those who provided the level of care Adelia was so appreciative of.

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Tips for Giving . .

Sometimes people say they wish they could do more when they give gifts to the foundation. The truth is that there are several ways for friends of Clay County Hospital Foundation to “do more” for the future of health care – often at a low cost to them. Below are a couple of examples of how you can increase your personal satisfaction and the amount of support you provide for worthwhile organizations through planned giving.

•**Give appreciated securities instead of cash.** Gifts of appreciated stocks held more than one year entitle you to deduct the full fair market value of the shares on the date of the gift. You pay no tax on your “paper profit,” but it’s included as part of your deduction!

•**Increase your income with a gift.** You can also use appreciated stock to fund gift arrangements that result in an immediate charitable tax deduction, provide you or others with income for life and minimize capital gains taxes as well. Some donors may find they actually

receive more income after the gift than they enjoyed previously.

For more information on giving tips or charitable instruments that can benefit your family and the Hospital Foundation we invite you to call the Clay County Hospital Foundation at (785) 632-2144.

Hospital News

New Wellness Director Hard at Work

Clay County Medical Center recently hired Jason Metz to fill the vacant Wellness & Fitness Center director position. Prior to coming to Clay County Medical Center, Jason was a Personal Trainer in Colorado and Michigan. Jason is a graduate of Colorado State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Human Nutrition and Dietetics with an emphasis in Exercise Physiology. He is also a Certified Physical Trainer and a Certified Fitness Professional. Jason is married and he and his wife, Amy, are expecting their first child in July.



When asked if people could expect any changes at the Wellness & Fitness Center Jason replied, “We will continue many of the great programs that Heather began as well as develop new programs for more ages.” Two new programs Jason said the public would be hearing more about in the near future are TNT and Fit Start. Both of these programs are geared toward individuals of all ages who are serious in obtaining their fitness goals.

Outpatient Clinic Visits Continue to Increase

Last year was a successful year for the newly constructed outpatient clinic. In its first full year of operation, the clinic had 2,905 patient visits which surpassed the projected visits for 1999 of 2,800. The clinic continues to have a major impact in terms of benefit to the community because it brings specialty areas of healthcare to the people that might not have driven elsewhere for the needed care.

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