



**SCOTT COUNTY HOSPITAL**

*Leading You To A Healthy Future*

October 2011

**Welcome New Associates**



**Darleen Arnold**—*Housekeeping.* Darleen has 2 children and 4 grandchildren. She enjoys baking, sewing, reading, and knitting.



**Nikki Cersovsky**—*Home Health & Wound Care.* Nikki graduated from Colby Community College with an ADN. She is married to Eric and they live in Holcomb.

October 21st is designated as **PINK DAY** in Scott City. This is a great time to show support in raising awareness of the fight against Breast Cancer. BCUP will be selling Pink t-shirts and hoodies to help PINK out the town. We'd love for you to join us!



"Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment or the smallest act of caring, all which have the potential to turn a life around." -- Leo Buscaglia



**ER doc appreciates "All-America" welcome**

I want to thank the residents of the All America City of Scott City for welcoming me into their community as one of their own. As a second-year resident from KU Med, I found myself driving across the state wondering what would be in store for me when I first started my emergency room shift at the Scott

County Hospital. During my first four days I had to life flight or ground ambulance eight people to various other hospitals for critical care and saw tons of patients in the clinic. With but a few hours of sleep each night and then going all day with a busy clinic schedule I was absolutely exhausted by the day I left. What was only four days seemed like two weeks. Since that time I have returned to Scott City for a week on a monthly basis and have nothing but praise for all with whom I have had the privilege to work with. No matter what time of day or night the nurses, radiology techs, lab personnel, EMS personnel, respiratory therapists and nurse anesthetists were always ready to go as the next patient would come through the door. Each member of the team was committed to doing everything necessary to make sure the best care was given to yet another member of their community in their time of need. In the sometimes overwhelmingly busy clinic everyone worked as a well-oiled machine to give great patient care in a timely and efficient manner - never missing a beat as they briefly stopped to chat with their friends, family and fellow community members who had stopped in for an appointment. Even when just out and about, people treated me with the utmost hospitality. The ladies at the front desk would always welcome me with a cheerful greeting, the kitchen staff cooked me breakfast with a smile, the cleaning ladies helped me improve my Spanish and the maintenance people installed a smoke detector in my apartment with but a moment's notice. Ultimately, what I discovered in Scott City was a great community with warm, welcoming people and a hospital full of smiling faces and supportive caregivers and support staff. To all of you at the hospital, in the clinic and in the community it was truly my pleasure coming to the appropriately awarded All America City of Scott City. Chris Warholc, MD, MS

**Staffing Updates**

**New Hires**

Nikki Cersovsky - Wound Care RN/  
Home Health RN – DOH 09/14/2011  
Darleen Arnold – Housekeeping Aide –  
DOH 09/14/2011

**Status Changes**

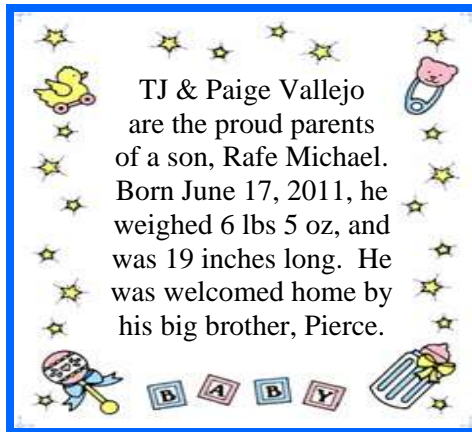
Jim Hunter went PRN 09/01/2011 – he had previously resigned.

**Resignations**

Gloria Fulton – last day 10/31/2011 – moving to Amarillo where her sister is.

**Name Change**

Rebecca Kjellberg married Brad Venters on 08/27/2011 - Her name is now Rebecca Venters.



**Mission Statement**

Scott County Hospital recognizes the inherent value of every person. We treat each person with respect and compassion while promoting wellness and restoring health.

**September Birthdays**

- Oct 1—Vicki Carson
- Oct 2—Ron Boyson
- Oct 2—Deanna Kennedy
- Oct 3—Katie Beach
- Oct 5—Donna Melies
- Oct 6—Dorsi Cupp
- Oct 7—Stephanie James
- Oct 8—Niki Depperschmidt
- Oct 10—Joe Meyer
- Oct 11—Cindy Miller
- Oct 14—Barbra Berry
- Oct 15—Brett Kendrick
- Oct 19—Tracey Obeso
- Oct 19—Keith Thomas
- Oct 22—Andrea Gerstberger
- Oct 23—Cindy McRae
- Oct 25—Cara Cramer
- Oct 27—Melissa Norman
- Oct 28—Karma Huck



Open Enrollment for Aflac insurance and Flex Spending Accounts will be Wednesday, November 9 and Thursday November 10<sup>th</sup>. Watch for sign-up sheets. This is your opportunity to enroll in new Aflac coverage, change coverage or stop coverage. Those who are currently enrolled in Flex Spending Accounts need to meet with Trent to sign on or sign off for 2012. If you have questions, please contact Human Resources.

Craig Richards our pension advisor will be here on October 27<sup>th</sup> from 8:30-12:00. If you would like to meet with him, contact Pam Wheeler in HR to schedule an appointment time.

## SAFETY FIRST

from Dana Shapland R.N.

Emergency Preparedness & Safety Coordinator

### Code Orange: Hazardous Material incident

The Potential for emergency presentation of individuals contaminated with hazardous chemicals and possibly biological or radiological agents.

### Code Yellow: Patient Surge

The ability of the health system to expand beyond normal operations to meet a sudden increase in demand usually the result of a large scale public health emergency due to natural or manmade disaster.

### Code White: Combative Patient

Code white indicates that someone is in physical trouble or that a patient is out of control and possibly violent.

### Code Grey: Tornado

Tornado Watch is forecast when weather conditions are such that a tornado can be produced. Tornado Warning is given up on visual or radar sighting of a tornado or funnel cloud.

### Code Red: FIRE

To immediately respond to a fire detection of smoke and/or the sound of the fire alarm. A code red alarm may also be initiated automatically by electronic fire detection equipment heat and smoke sensor, ventilation equipment and water pressure sensors:

#### Basic Instructions:

**R-Remove patients and personnel**

**A-Activate the alarm**

**C-Contain the fire-smoke**

**E-Extinguish or evacuate**

### Code Blue: Cardiac Arrest

Cardiac or Respiratory arrest, page overhead location of the incident, medical personnel responds.

### Code Pink: Infant abduction

All employees on premises are expected to assist with observation of suspicious individuals in and around the building. Monitor exits for suspicious individuals.

### Code Black: Bomb Threat

Code Black is activated in the event of a bomb threat, whether it be written or verbal.



**Please become familiar with the policy and procedures in the Emergency Plan.  
The manual is located at the nurse's station on the south wall filing cabinets.**