



Medical Staff Calendar

- 1/8 Medical Staff Executive Committee
- 1/14 Anesthesia Department Meeting
- 1/15 Pediatric/Neonatology Department Meeting
- 1/16 CTMC Blood Drive
- 1/29 CTMC Credentials Committee
- 2/4 Have A Heart for Hospice Annual Luncheon

CTMC debuts new smartphone app

CTMC has a new free mobile app that is replacing the hospital's MyCTMC app. CTMC Connect, which is now available for download, allows users to access ER wait times, learn about services and treatments, find hospital directions, pay their bill, and securely save health records and insurance information on mobile devices.



The app also gives users the ability to send patients e-cards, request prayer from chaplains and search physicians by name or specialty.

Please visit the iTunes App Store or Android Market on your mobile device to download.

CTMC implements out-patient IV therapy unit for oncology patients

CTMC is now administering chemotherapy to cancer patients through the introduction of its newest service line, an out-patient IV therapy unit.



J. Michael Kerley, M.D.

in conjunction with Radiation Oncologist J. Michael Kerley, M.D., of Phoenix Oncology and the Wonder World Centers for Cancer Care, which allows local cancer patients to receive chemotherapy and radiation treatments closer to home.

Dr. Julia Symon elected ACP Fellow

Dr. Julia B. Symon, an internal medicine physician on CTMC's medical staff, recently was elected a Fellow of the American College of Physicians (FACP).



Dr. Julia B. Symon

Being an FACP is an honorable distinction earned from colleagues who recognize a doctor's accomplishments and achievements over and above the

practice of medicine. The most important considerations for ACP Fellowship are excellence and contributions made to both medicine and to the broader community in which the internist lives and practices.

Women's Center exceeds 1,000 births in 2013, welcomes New Year's Baby

For the first time since 2010, the CTMC Women's Center delivered more than 1,000 babies in one year, closing out 2013 with 1,007 births.



Rose and Justin Latham are the proud parents of Austin James Latham, who was the first baby born in the CTMC Women's Center in 2014.

Alexander Viktor Mora was the 1,000th birth of the year on Dec. 31. Dr. Jenifer Kowalik delivered him at 2:59 a.m., and he weighed 6 lbs., 4 oz. CTMC presented Viktor and his parents, Maria Olivo and Cesar Mora, with a Pack N Play crib to commemorate the milestone birth.

San Marcos' first baby for 2014, Austin James Latham, was born to Justin and Rose Latham of New Braunfels. He was delivered at the CTMC Women's Center via cesarean section by Dr. Kowalik on Jan.

1 at 10:06 a.m. and weighed 8 lbs., 12 oz. He was 20 1/4 inches long.

CTMC presented the Latham's with a Pack N Play crib filled with toys, clothes and other baby accessories, as well as a matching bouncy chair and a gift basket.

Welcome to our Medical Staff

Freddy Angulo, MD
 Anna Boecker, MD
 Timothy Braatz, MD
 Frederick Dixon, MD
 Tara Otto, MD
 Nagakrishna Reddy, MD
 Tracy Strandhagen, MD
 Aisha White, MD

January Birthdays

Jan. 1 Albert Cobb, MD
 Jan. 2 Rex Cole, MD
 Jan. 3 Joshua Tao, MD
 Jan. 4 Dorota Malinowski, MD
 Jan. 4 Ruby Rose, MD
 Jan. 4 Kimberly Wheeler, MD
 Jan. 5 Jay Gruhlkey, MD
 Jan. 6 John Ransom, DPM
 Jan. 7 Patrick Williams, MD
 Jan. 8 Ghassan Freiha, MD
 Jan. 8 Steven Minor, MD
 Jan. 10 Robert Duran, MD
 Jan. 13 Dale Capener, MD
 Jan. 14 J. Michael Kerley, MD
 Jan. 14 Lance LeDoux, MD
 Jan. 16 Anna Lincoln, MD
 Jan. 18 Lenore DePagther, DO
 Jan. 18 Gregory Moore, MD
 Jan. 20 James Baker, MD
 Jan. 22 Emily Hirsh, MD
 Jan. 23 Douglas Elenz, MD
 Jan. 25 Jeff Henke, DPM
 Jan. 26 Rene Castillo, MD
 Jan. 26 Jon Mazursky, MD
 Jan. 27 Kody Kunda, MD
 Jan. 28 Brooks Mullen, MD
 Jan. 28 Jason VanShaar, MD
 Jan. 29 Linda Carney, MD
 Jan. 29 Lee Johannsen, MD
 Jan. 31 Roger Gammon, MD

Do you know of a non-profit in Hays County that is dedicated to serving women and children? The CTMC Women's Council will once again award impact grants to such organizations. To apply for a grant, download an application at ctmc.org/giving/womens-council and submit it by February 14.

Medical staff honors 2013 employee of the year

Each year the CTMC Medical Staff recognizes a hospital employee that has gone the extra mile. James Garza, a CTMC maintenance engineer was selected as the 2013 medical staff employee of the year. He received a special plaque and a gift card.

The following CTMC associates were also nominated for medical staff employee of the year: Nathalie Austin – Laboratory; Debbie Cox – Human Resources Director; Reagan Gobin – Surgery, Recovery Room; Matt Allen – Surgery, Robotics; Don Dionisi – Surgical Services Director.



Dr. Faisal Syed presents a plaque to James Garza, the 2013 medical staff employee of the year.

CTMC Hospice becomes We Honor Veterans partner

CTMC Hospice recently became a national partner of *We Honor Veterans*, a pioneering campaign developed by National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization in collaboration with the Department of Veterans Affairs.

As a *We Honor Veterans* Partner, CTMC Hospice Care will implement ongoing Veteran-centered education for their staff and volunteers to help improve the care they provide to the Veterans they already proudly serve.

HAVE A HEART FOR HOSPICE LUNCHEON
Feb. 4, 11:30 - 1 p.m.
Tickets cost \$40
Please call 754-6159 to reserve your seat.

Auxiliary donation will provide new stretchers for ER

The CTMC Auxiliary recently presented a check to the hospital for \$3,000 that will go toward new stretchers for the hospital's Emergency Department.

Besides serving CTMC with their time, Auxiliary members hold fundrais-

ers throughout the year to raise money for important equipment upgrades. Last year, donations from the Auxiliary helped purchase a new ergonomically friendly microscope for the CTMC Laboratory.

Get involved with this year's HealthCheck event

CTMC will host its 28th annual HealthCheck on Monday, April 14 from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Embassy Suites in San Marcos. The low \$45 fee covers the basic HealthCheck screening panel, which includes more than \$500 in valuable health screenings and services. In addition, there are several optional tests also available for a low fee.

Registration is now underway and several pre-event blood draws will take place beginning in February throughout area communities. If you or your patients would like more information or want to register for HealthCheck, please call CTMC's Institute for Healthy Living at 512.753.3818 or stop by the Healthy

Living Community Resource Center in the main lobby of CTMC.

HealthCheck is a great opportunity for you to market your services to a large number of people interested in improving their health status. We are offering all CTMC Medical Staff a discounted rate for a booth and hope you consider joining us this year as an exhibitor. In addition, there is also an opportunity for CTMC Medical Staff to review results at the Health-

Check event for patients who have had their blood drawn. If you are interested in either of these opportunities, please contact Dalia Hernandez at (512) 753-3676 or email dalia.hernandez@ahss.org.

