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Scholarships and Tuition Assistance Awards

The Greene County Memorial Hospital Foundation is pleased to once again offer scholarships and tuition assistance awards to eligible Greene County students. Last year GCMHF awarded \$45,000 to local students pursuing careers in healthcare.

Graduating seniors from each of the five school districts are eligible to apply for one of the five, \$2,000 healthcare scholarships. These will be awarded to students who are planning to study a healthcare related field in a qualified secondary education institution. Applications may be obtained in the guidance counselor's office at each of the high schools.

Nursing students may also be eligible for one of the two, \$5,000 tuition assistance awards. The candidate must be a Greene County resident (for the past four years) and have completed at least one year of an accredited nursing school. Awards are also available for a Registered Nurse interested in obtaining a Nurse Practitioner's license.

Lastly, GCMHF is extremely pleased to be able to once again offer \$25,000 for a Greene County resident enrolled in medical school. This is the third consecutive year the foundation has offered the medical student tuition assistance award. Deadline for submitting any of the applications is May 4, 2012. All tuition assistance awards are on behalf of the Auxiliary of Southwest Regional Medical Center and the applications may be downloaded from our website (www.GCMHFoundation.org).

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GCMH Foundation Supports Greene County Volunteer Fire Departments with Increased Technology

Technology is an ever increasing aspect of today's medicine and in many cases places a financial burden on providers that cannot be ignored. In the spring of 2008, GCMH Foundation provided a grant in the amount of \$32,000 collectively, to eight local volunteer fire departments to greatly enhance their ability to record patient data electronically and to better communicate with Southwest Regional Medical Center's (SRMC) Emergency Department.

However, each year these same fire companies are charged a fee in order to continue to be able to utilize the latest in electronic record keeping. Receiving individual grants this past year in the amount of \$1,308, were volunteer fire companies from Mt. Morris, Richhill, and Nemacolin.

This electronic patient care reporting system is required by Pennsylvania's Department of Health, Bureau of EMS. The report becomes part of the patient's medical record at SRMC and complies with all current state mandates regarding electronic patient record keeping.

GCMHF Provides Free Safety Helmets

For the second year in a row, GCMHF has purchased and donated dozens of helmets to the borough of Waynesburg. The Pro Tec SPX helmets will be given free of any charge to area youth on a first-come, first-serve basis.



They are certified for both bicycle and skateboarding activities and are available in a variety of sizes. Waynesburg Mayor Blair Zimmerman and Council President Charles Berryhill were thrilled to be able to provide helmets of this quality free to any youngster who is in need of one, especially with the

skateboard park on Greene Street getting more and more usage. The helmets are limited to two per household and may be picked up in the borough office anytime between 8:00 am and 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday, while supplies last.

Getting to know your GCMH Foundation personnel

Sheryl Wilkinson, RN, MSN, Coordinator of Wellness Outreach



Sheryl Wilkinson joined the foundation's team a few months ago as the Coordinator of Wellness Outreach. She conducts health and wellness seminars throughout the county at no charge to any group she meets with. Funding for this program is provided by the Auxiliary of Southwest Regional Medical Center.

She graduated in 1983 from Washington Hospital School of Nursing, and worked in maximum care units in Philadelphia for 8 years, before returning to Greene County in 1990. She completed her Bachelor's in Nursing from Waynesburg University in 2010, and then a Master's degree in Nursing with a focus on health promotion and health education in 2011. She has vast experience in ICU and cardiology, currently serving as the Director of Cardiopulmonary Services and ICU for Southwest Regional Medical Center. She also initiated the tobacco free campus at the hospital and serves as the Employee Wellness Champion of SRMC. She has taught basic and advanced life support classes to health care professionals as well as lay people in the community.

Her personal experience with her father's heart illness drove her to have an undying desire to promote health, wellness and disease prevention to the people of this county and the surrounding areas. She gained insight into just how few resources for education and help were truly available, and the limited time healthcare professionals have to spend on important educational topics. Sheryl plans to work diligently, teaching as many people as are willing to learn, about health and wellness, disease prevention and disease management, as well as CPR, AED, and first aid training. Ultimately, her goal is to empower the residents and workers of Greene County by improving their knowledge and health so they may improve their quality of life for many years and generations to come.

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