7 East High Street Waynesburg, PA 15370

www.GCMHFoundation.org

Spring 2011 Volume 3.3

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 can 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.

Lastly, GCMHF is extremely pleased to be able to once again offer a \$25,000 annual scholarship 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 6, 2011. The nursing and medical student applications may be downloaded from our website (www.GCMHFoundation.org).

In This Issue:

Scholarships and Tuition Assistance Awards

Local VFD's

Waynesburg University Nursing Program

Board member bio:



Save the date:

Golf Outing
@ Rohanna's
July 15, 2011



Call now to register!

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 \$1,808, were volunteer fire companies from Clarksville, Mt. Morris, Richhill, Nemacolin and Rices Landing.



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.

Waynesburg University Nursing Program Receives Grant



Waynesburg University's Nursing Program received a grant submitted by Mikey Macosko and Jessica Northen to purchase a prize wheel to be used in health fairs and other various settings. The prize wheel is a tool that can be used for schoolage children, all the way up to senior citizens.

It is very versatile due to its interchangeable slots and can easily be customized and changed in order to be as specific as possible per event.

Mikey and Jessica feel education can play a major role in improving the health of

our community and this item should greatly enhance their ability to do so, and hopefully make it fun as well.

Both students are graduating in just two months and are working towards achieving goals listed in the Healthy People 2020 initiative, such as eliminating preventable diseases and promoting healthy development and healthy behaviors at every stage in life.

Getting to know your GCMH Foundation Board Members Matt Blair, Technology Coordinator, Central Greene SD



Matt Blair is a life-long resident of Waynesburg, PA. He graduated from Waynesburg Central High School in 1989 and went on to study at West Virginia University, where he received a Bachelor's Degree in Education with an emphasis in Biology. He received his Masters Degree in Special Education and earned his Principal's Certification both from California University. He recently completed his Superintendent Letter of Eligibility from Edinboro University.

He wrestled at both WCHS and WVU. He was a two time National Qualifier for the WVU wrestling team. Matt enjoys coaching and currently helps coach at both Waynesburg's Little League and the Waynesburg University wrestling teams. He is also a youth soccer coach.

Matt has been employed at Central Greene School District for the past 15 years. He taught Emotional Support at WCHS then went on to be a principal at Margaret Bell Middle School. Currently he is the Technology Coordinator for the entire school district.

He is married to Heidi Gernert Blair and they have 3 children, Nathan (12), Caleb (10) and Madison (1). They currently reside in Waynesburg. He is a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Waynesburg.



Board of Directors

Jay Hammers, President

Matt Blair

Daniel Church, MD

John Dorean

John Kendralla

Kirk King, Treasurer/Secretary

Sheila Stewart, Vice President

Don Headlee, Emeritus

Staff

David Jones

Executive Director

Contact us

Phone: 724-852-2060

Fax: 724-852-2063

Email: <u>DJones@GCMHFoundation.org</u>

The official registration and financial information of the Greene County Memorial Hospital Foundation may be obtained from the Pennsylvania Department of State by calling toll free, within Pennsylvania 1-800-732-0999. Registration does not imply endorsement.



7 East High Street Waynesburg, PA 15370