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InTouch, the quarterly newsletter of Madera Community Hospital, informing our readers of services, community benefits and current events.

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Madera, CA 93637

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Message from the CEO - John W. Frye, Jr.



John W. Frye, Jr.

As another year comes to a close, I would like to say thank you for all of your support of Madera Community Hospital (MCH). This allows us to purchase needed medical equipment for our physicians and our patients.

This year has been a very challenging one. We have all had to deal with the poor economy and all of its fallout, and the ongoing budget crisis in California and all of its

uncertainty as well as the anxiety related to preparing for H1N1 flu pandemic in the Hospital and in our homes.

In spite of all of that, MCH had much to celebrate in 2009. We formally recognized the tremendous support of four families and the departments they specifically designated. They include: the Donna Barsotti family (Rehabilitation Services), Lee Da Silva family, (Emergency Department), Bill and Barbara Spillane family (Outpatient Surgery Center) and the Dave and Dorothy Thomas family (Chapel). We are very grateful for their support, both financial and their precious time as volunteers.

We have been very pleased with the new beautiful surroundings for Rehabilitation Services and Infusion Therapy Services, which have benefited both our patients and our staff.

The hospital's Maternity Services and Home Health Services were both nationally recognized for excellence. We successfully


passed our Medical Error Reduction Plan (MERP) Survey and our biannual Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA) Survey. The patient volume remains strong in all areas, especially in the Emergency Department and our clinics in Madera and Chowchilla.

Although the Central Plant project has been delayed by higher than anticipated construction costs, the revised plans are being finalized. We expect to receive state approval by OSHPD soon. Construction will begin in early 2010.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, Medical Staff, employees and volunteers, thank you for your continued support of Madera Community Hospital and our mission to care for patients and their families.

Best wishes to you and your family during this Holiday Season.

John W. Frye, Jr.

Chief Executive Officer 

Mother & Daughter Working Together President MCH Foundation – Jeannie Rodriguez MCH Volunteer – Josephine Gonzales

As President, I am fortunate to work with an outstanding group of individuals that share the same goal and vision for Madera Community Hospital as well as for the betterment of the Community.


I have seen many changes take place. Along with my mother Josephine Gonzales we began working for MCH in 1973. My mother became a CNA while working at MCH caring for ill patients.

Through the work experience program at Madera High School I was given the opportunity to work in the Billing Department, filing large billing records for the hospital. Soon after, Mary Lou

Williams encouraged me to apply for a job in the Outpatient Department, where I began to acquire my knowledge for the healthcare field, which I have been a part of since. I now manage the Business Department for the largest medical group in Madera.

My mother and I enjoy giving back to the Hospital that opened its arms to us so many years ago, and since December 2001 my mother has been a member of the League of Volunteers. She enjoys working with the many dedicated staff members as well as meeting and greeting families that Madera Community Hospital has helped,



be it escorting patients out of the hospital, or just comforting families in the waiting room. 

Equipment Purchases Made Possible With Your Generous Donations


MCH Rehabilitation Services Equipment and Remodel MCH Foundation Donations & Donna Barsotti Memorial

In June of 2009, Rehabilitation Services moved to a new location at 1200 E. Almond Avenue. The new location is larger to better serve our patients. Rehabilitation Services include physical, occupational and speech therapy.

Whether you have suffered a stroke, a fracture, or surgery, MCH therapists are ready to provide the rehabilitation that will get you back on your feet. Trained to consider each patient's personal goals and needs, MCH therapists have diverse skills, training and expertise.

At the dinner dance held on September 19, 2009, the MCH Foundation donated \$110,000 to MCH to fund equipment purchases and remodeling of the Rehabilitation Services Center.

Digital Mammography will be purchased in 2010 MCH Foundation donations & Picayune Rancheria of the Chukchansi Indians \$62,000 Grant Awarded 11/11/09 Chukchansi Gold Resort


This improved method of mammography permits much better delineation of abnormalities and clear images of the breasts, particularly in patients who have very dense breasts, i.e. younger patients and premenopausal and perimenopausal patients. It has a much greater versatility in terms of magnification, side by side comparison and comparison with previous examinations. It is a very excellent improvement over conventional analog mammography. 

Madera Community Hospital

1200 E. Almond Ave
Infusion Center Relocation



MCH Employees
Julie Kennedy, RN, Gail Rowel, RN, Lisa Ashworth, RN, Esperanza Cano, RN and Steve Rowe, RN

The excitement continues at Madera Community Hospital with the grand opening of the newly relocated Infusion Center. The new Infusion Center is located on the MCH Outpatient Services building at 1200 E. Almond Ave. According to Gail Rowell, BSN, R.N. Infusion Center Director, the relocation provides a spacious, pleasant, and relaxing space for our MCH patients and their visitors. Equipped with new comfortable recliner style infusion chairs, the center is a therapeutic setting for patients in need of infusion services including chemotherapy, biologic infusions, blood transfusions, hydration, injections and IV line maintenance. The MCH Infusion Center, staffed by Registered Nurses specially trained and certified in Infusion of Chemotherapy and Biologics, is open Monday thru Friday 7:30 AM to 7:30 PM. For additional information, please contact the Infusion Center Clinical Coordinators at 675-5460. 

Madera Community Hospital Home Health Agency Ranked Among Top 500 Of Home Health Providers In The Country For 2009

Madera Community Hospital Home Health Agency announced that for the fourth year in a row it has been named in the Top 500 HomeCare Elite ranking – a ranking of the most successful Medicare-certified home health care providers in the United States. This annual review identifies the top 500 agencies, ranked by an analysis of performance measures in




quality outcomes, quality improvement, and financial performance. The MCH Home Health Agency is only 1 of 59 agencies who have been awarded this ranking continuously for the past 4 years.

In making this announcement Home Health Director, Gail Rowell noted that there are approximately 8,400 home health agencies in the United States. She said that to be ranked in the top 500 agencies in the nation is an honor of which the entire organization is proud. Ms. Rowell attributes success to having a small but knowledgeable and experienced staff of nurses, therapists and support personnel for the company's ability to rank as one of the HomeCare Elite.

The 2009 HomeCare Elite is the only performance recognition of its kind in the home health industry. The data used for this analysis was compiled from publicly available information. The entire list of the 2009 HomeCare Elite agencies can be viewed by visiting the Outcome Concept Systems (OCS) web site at www.ocsys.com.

Madera Community Hospital Home Health Agency has been serving Madera and its surrounding communities since 1985. Medicare certified and state licensed, the agency serves 600 to 700 patients a year in their place of residence. The goal of home health care is to enable people to remain at home. Under the direction of their physician, the home health staff teaches and assists families and caregivers to provide the skilled care a patient needs to avoid hospitalization. Ms. Rowell notes that ranking in the top 500 is partly due to the agency being able to successfully keep patients in their home.

MCH Home Health Agency also received a commendation for this award from Assemblyman Mike Villines. 

2010-2011 Medical Equipment Goals

\$48,000 Defibrillators for Medical Surgical Unit

\$124,000 Nursery Equipment for Labor & Delivery

\$85,000 Laparoscopic Tower Gen/Gyn/Ortho for Surgery and Recovery

MCH Foundation Attends Sunrise Rotary's Trees for Charity

The MCH Foundation tree theme was "Peace on Earth" the tree was adorned with peace symbols, vintage mirrored ornaments and silver olive branches with white twinkle lights. It was a vision in silver and white.

The total donated amount was \$5,625⁰⁰. Todd and Melissa Spencer purchased the tree for \$4,000. We also had a consortium bid with donations from: Anna da Silva; Matt Crum; Carrie Der Garabedian; Madera Anesthesiology Consultants, Inc.; Pathology Associates; Jan and Lyle Zitek; Creative Copy; Diane Neff; Duane and Pat Furman, and Charles Ugwu-Oju, M.D. Thank you all for sponsoring our tree.

Several Foundation members and hospital employees attended the annual event. The meal prepared by Rotarians was excellent. Everyone was dressed in their holiday finest and the room was filled with holiday cheer.

Happy Holidays!



Foundation members who participated in the decorating of the MCHF tree, pictured here, include, Gail Jones, Bobbi Purewal, Stella Blackwell, MCHF Event Chair Cheryl Breedlove, Rae Gomes, and Joe Alberta.

MCH Foundation Members

President	Jeannie Rodriguez	Vice-President.....	Ted Pistorosi
Secretary.....	Gail Jones	Treasurer	Virginia Poore
Advisor.....	Rae Gomes		

Joe Alberta	Belva Bare	Stella Blackwell
Sally Bompreszi	Cheryl Breedlove	Mary Ann Chairez
Jimmy Da Silva	Mike Diebert	Sheila Hollender
Christopher Monroe	Sabrina Nassar, DDS	Vickie Nino
Art Padilla	Bobbi Purewal	Blanca Rios
Elizabeth Salas	Wayne Tegt	Mary Jo Walker

MCH Foundation Annual Letter

Dear Friends of Madera Community Hospital:

The Madera Community Hospital Foundation is grateful for the continued support of community individuals and local businesses. As each year draws to a close, we become more aware of how richly we are blessed. There is no gift more precious than the gift of life and health.

We are fortunate to work with dedicated physicians and employees who are committed to improving the quality of Madera Community Hospital. The support of our Board of Trustees, MCH Foundation members and League of Volunteers is essential to the success of our mission to provide quality healthcare for the residents of our community.

In 2009, with your generous support, we were able to move forward with plans to purchase state of the art digital mammography equipment. Foundation funds also helped furnish the Rehabilitation Services Center with new physical therapy equipment.

As you consider your gift to the Annual Fund we would like to remind you that Madera Community Hospital is your hospital and dependent upon the financial support of community individuals and local businesses. Illness and injury never take a holiday and Madera Community Hospital is always ready with modern equipment and a dedicated, professional staff to provide the needed healthcare for you and your family.

May the holiday be a time of reflection of the many blessings we have received, and may the New Year bring health, happiness and contentment to you and your family.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Salas
Annual Fund Chairperson

Jeannie Rodriguez
MCH Foundation President

Upcoming Foundation Events

Music Festival

Presents a Tribute to Santana • Played by Zebop

Saturday, March 13, 2010 • 6:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

Outdoor Stage -Madera Fairgrounds – Hatfield Hall

BBQ Catered by MCH Custom Catering

Tickets \$35 - \$40 at the door

(All proceeds used to purchase medical equipment)

Tickets and info at the MCH Foundation Office

(559) 675-5503 • www.maderahospital.org

Sponsorships Available • Check out Zebop at zeboptributeband@aol.com

Dinner Dance

September 18, 2010

Henry Spouses Hall • Details to be announced

For more information on these events call the Foundation Office at 675-5503

**MADERA COMMUNITY HOSPITAL
FOUNDATION**



Thank you for your continuing support!
Best Wishes for a Happy Holiday Season!



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In Memory of Rae Marie Gross

Darwin & Wilma Shebelut

In Memory of Rocky Valorosi

Darwin & Wilma Shebelut

In Memory of Bernice Biancalana

Duane & Pat Furman

In Memory of Donna Erwin

Jim Barsotti

In Memory of Kate Reagan

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Mary Farrell

In Memory of Jerry Venturi

Albert & Norma Prosperi

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In Memory of James Beatty

Duane & Pat Furman

MCH League of Volunteers

In Memory of Joseph Arias

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In Memory of Helen Acuna

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Mary Farrell

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In Memory of Helen Mariscotti

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Anna da Silva

Jim Barsotti

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Georgia Baker

Blanche Martin

Wayne Gomes

Ross & Barbara Thornton

Dan Cartago

Louise Bidegain

Mike & Mickey Purl

Bill & Dana Prosperi

Albert & Norma Prosperi

Keith & Krickett Rigby

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Don & Peggy Schnoor

Betty Schmitz

Larry & Pat Osuna

Henry & Evelyn Shein

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In Memory of Lorena Driggs

Ila Schoettler

In Memory of Jean Hawkins

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In Memory of Mary Alice Pistoressi

Barbara Sparks

MCH League of Volunteers

Anna da Silva

Wayne Gomes

Richard & Rae Gomes

Stan & Lynda Oberti

Duane & Pat Furman

Bill & Elsie Bottorff

Annual Fund Donations

Rogelio Hernandez, M.D.

Duane & Pat Furman

Brad & Shirley Baymiller

Stan & Lynda Oberti

Carris Reels

Jack Mahon

Fred & June Clow

In Memory of Betty Cosyns

Albert Cosyns

In Memory of Lee da Silva

Anna da Silva

In Memory of Joseph Areias

Joan Lopez

In Memory of Lou Miller

Tom Miller

In Memory of Maynard Anderson

Lucia Martin

In Memory of Donna Barsotti

Steve & Kandra Barsotti

Jim Barsotti

In Memory of Lorraine Weber

Marion Overgaard

In Memory of Aubrey Baker

Georgia Baker

Honoring MCH

Physicians

Dr. & Mrs. Cyril Rebel

Trees for Charity

Pistoressi Ambulance

Lyle & Jan Zitek

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Stephen Bruny, M.D.

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Madera Family Medical Group

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Employee Contributions

Madera Community Hospital offers payroll deduction for employees who wish to contribute to Nursing Scholarships and the Building Fund. Scholarships are awarded each spring.

Employee Contribution
7/1/08-6/30/09
Building Fund
Total \$2,592.50

Eleonora Angelini
 Karl Brunn
 Marian Burch
 Lynn Butler
 Dorothy Carrasco
 Betty Cates
 Kathrine Chappell
 Rebecca Clark
 Donalee Davie
 Lerrri Deedon
 Mary Farrell
 Jessie Garcia
 Nina Garcia
 Tammy Godina
 Rae Gomes
 Victoria Green
 Lupe Guillen
 Sharon Hatfield
 Heather Hibner
 Tim Hieger

Kathy Hogue
 Kathleen Hudson
 Gloria Huerta
 Donna Hummer
 Victor Leone
 Joan Lopez
 Rosa Martinez
 Lourdes Menyhay
 Rosemary Mercado
 Marie Ramirez
 Irene Riemer
 Gail Rowell
 Ila Schoettler
 Christine Watts-Johnson
 Jane Winning

Nursing Scholarship
Total \$4,445

Donna Aldrich
 Eleonora Angelini
 Mary Arroyo
 Shirley Baymiller
 Michael Brink
 Lynn Butler

Nancy Calderon
 Dorothy Carrasco
 Elvira Castellanos
 Lucy Cerbo
 Celia Cisneros
 Meri Combs
 Aurora Cortes
 Fernando Cruz
 Lynda Delfin
 Barbara Den Heyer
 Lena Escamilla
 Dolores Evaristo
 Mary Farrell
 Mark Foote
 Peter Garcia
 Tammy Godina
 Sharon Hatfield
 Feliciano Hernandez
 Jennifer Holt
 Shannon Hopfer
 Kathleen Hudson
 Donna Hummer
 Amy Ivy
 Helene Johnson
 Jim Johnson

Brook Justice
 Taran Kaur
 Julie Kennedy
 Victor Leone
 Lanette Leung
 Joan Lopez
 Joseph Lopiccolo
 Heather Magdic
 Christine McCullough
 Daniel Meisner
 Lourdes Menyhay
 Rosemary Mercado
 Kristie Moglia
 Sara Noe
 Kathleen Nyberg
 Cristina Oregel
 Bertha Ortega
 Karen Paolinelli
 Kristi Paolinelli
 Martha Piceno
 Yvonne Portillo
 Teanna Randrup
 Dennis Reeves
 Janice Reitz
 Crystal Rendon

Irene Riemer
 Gail Rowell
 Kelly Rudolph
 Printess Schlist
 Ila Schoettler
 Carolyn Schroeder
 Daniel Scroggins
 Jennifer Showalter
 Eva Singing
 Phyllis Spradley
 Linda Strum
 Robert Toman
 Patricia Torres
 Marilyn Tuazon
 Patricia Van Hoogmoed
 Socorro Velasco
 Beatrice Vidales
 Sophia Villa
 Magdalena Walls
 Christine Watts-Johnson
 Shirley Willis
 Paula Wilson
 Jane Winning
 Carol Zielins

Your Gift Helps...

*Continue to provide
 new state of the art equipment,*

Expand diagnostics and treatment capabilities,

Advanced education and training programs,

...Bringing today's medicine close to home.

Yes, I wish to support Madera Community Hospital!

Enclosed is my contribution to Madera Community Hospital in the following amount:

- \$500 \$6,000 Room Sponsor*
- \$1,000 \$8,000 Nurses' Station*
- \$2,500 * Payment options available
- \$5,000 available
- \$10,000 Other _____

My gift is a Memorial Donation
 in MEMORY of _____
 in HONOR of _____

*Please make checks payable to
 Madera Community Hospital Foundation.*

To receive information regarding Special Bequest / Estate Planning, or for more information about the MCH Foundation or your tax-deductible donation call the Foundation office at 559-675-5503.

Please return your donation to:

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P.O. Box 1328
Madera, California 93639-1328

Thank you!

Your Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____

My check is enclosed in the amount of _____

Please charge my contribution of _____

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