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Hospital completes expansion of Emergency Department

Patients coming to St. John Macomb Hospital's Emergency Department experience greater efficiency and privacy now that the final phase of the department expansion and renovation is complete.

The \$6 million project allows registration, triage, and nursing and physician evaluations to be performed simultaneously, improving speed of treatment and patient satisfaction. The 10,000-square-foot addition increased the Emergency Department in size by 60 percent.

"The renovation and expansion of the Emergency Department allows our patients to be better served in their own community," said Joseph M. Tasse, President of St. John Macomb Hospital. "This project demonstrates our commitment to Macomb County to provide excellent and efficient patient care."

"Caring for patients has always been our top priority," said John Bauer, MD, Medical Director, Emergency Services at St. John Macomb Hospital, "and the design enables us to streamline and expedite care while increasing patient privacy."

Patient visits to the Emergency Department have increased approximately 30 percent in the last five years – from 35,100 in 1998 to 45,391 in 2004.

The expansion includes:

- Increased privacy with 47 treatment cubicles (expanded from 22 treatment and eight express cubicles). All of the new treatment areas have walls on three sides, instead of curtains between beds. There are eight private rooms with doors.
- Larger treatment rooms to accommodate patient and a family member. Phones are

present in all of the new rooms for patient convenience.

- Separate ambulance entrance away from the walk-in entry.
- A two-bed trauma room.
- Decontamination room with multiple shower heads (for hazardous materials situations) and a 1,500-gallon holding tank.
- Spacious, comfortable waiting area with a special children's play area.



Dr. Bauer in the new trauma room.

The project was funded with \$4 million from St. John Health capital funds and \$2 million from a capital campaign. So far, \$1.6 million of the capital campaign has been raised through the generosity of private donors, the Auxiliary, the SJMH Medical Staff and associates. Additional gifts, pledges and stock transfers are welcome. For more information or to make a gift, call Doug Skrzyaniarz, Major Gifts Officer, 313-343-7479.



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Bal Gupta, MD, and Helen Shoff, Auxiliary President, were honored as Distinguished Volunteers at the 13th annual National Philanthropy Day Awards Celebration sponsored by the Greater Detroit Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals.



Dr. Gupta with his son

Dr. Gupta helped raise \$400,000 toward St. John Macomb Hospital's (SJM) newly renovated Emergency Department by helping get physicians involved in the fund-raising endeavors. He has been a member of the SJMH Medical Staff since 1996 and serves as Chief of Psychiatry.

Helen began volunteering at SJMH more than 12 years and 5,000 hours ago. She works two mornings at the Webber Cancer Center reception desk, where she greets all with a warm smile, puts people at ease and performs other tasks to help out. Under her leadership, the Auxiliary raised almost \$200,000, much of which is being donated to the hospital for the Emergency expansion.



Helen Shoff with her husband Dan



Hugh Mallory

Hugh Mallory was honored as a Thanks for Giving volunteer. A former SJMH Manager of Security Services, Hugh came back as a hospitality ambassador in 2000. Because of his love of singing, he was quickly tapped to sing at special hospital events. He now leads a choir made up of associates, volunteers and physicians to perform for patients, at special meetings and at the Christmas volunteer luncheon.

Five physicians received the new Physician Excellence Award in recognition of their exemplary concern for patients, strong support of nursing and outstanding demonstration of living the St. John Health (SJH) Values. The honorees were: **Srinivas Koneru, MD**, Critical Care/ED/Cardiology; **Mark Dukaj, MD**, Primary Care; **Benjamin Osowa, MD**, Primary Care; **Lillman Dwarka, MD**, Surgical/Endoscopy; and **Paul Chuba, MD**, Specialty Services.

Susan Guida, RN, BSN, ACM, 7 West, and **Oscar Pilipal Jr., RN, ACM, 5 Center**, received the Raymond Sphire, MD, Nursing

Excellence Award from the SJMH Medical Staff. The award, named after a former Chief of Staff and Chief of Anesthesia, was established to recognize the important role the nursing profession plays in providing care for patients. It recognizes nurses that go above and beyond normal standards of nursing practice and consistently portray a positive image of nursing. The nurses received a plaque and \$1,000 each.

Debra Drulia of Perioperative Services-OR was named the first SJMH Associate of the Year by the Medical Staff. She received a plaque and \$1,000 gift. The award was created to recognize a non-nursing associate who exhibits excellent behavior toward patients, visitors and associates and supports the Mission and Vision of SJH. As the Surgical Inventory Equipment Coordinator for the OR, Debra goes above and beyond to put patients first and make sure the proper working equipment is available for surgery.

Janice Hertel, Senior Development Officer, St. John Macomb Hospital Foundation, has accepted a new position as Director of Development at Cayuga Medical Center in Ithaca, New York. Jan worked with the Foundation at St. John Health for four years and was instrumental in spearheading substantial fundraising efforts at St. John Macomb Hospital, most significantly the Emergency Department \$2 million capital campaign, which is nearing completion. Sincerest gratitude to Jan for her accomplishments and best wishes on her new endeavor, which gives her the opportunity to live near her daughter's family.

Tee off

“FORE...the good of St. John Macomb Hospital (SJMH) and St. John Oakland Hospital,” the 6th Annual Golf Benefit, will be held on Monday, August 29. Proceeds will be shared equally between the two hospitals. SJMH will use its portion toward the cost of the recent Emergency expansion.

Golfers will have the option of playing at Cherry Creek Golf Club in Shelby Township or Glacier Club in Washington. Players will register at their selected course from 10:30-11:45 a.m., where a buffet lunch will be served. Play will be a scramble format, and each course will have its own contests. Dinner and the award presentation for all golfers will take place at Cherry Creek Banquet Center at 7 p.m.

The golf package is \$300; various sponsorship/participation levels are also available. Call 248-967-7772 for registration forms or more details.

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Palliative care begins

A new Palliative Consult Service at St. John Macomb Hospital provides high quality, effective management of patients with debilitating chronic disease and life-threatening illness.

Palliative care is offered at any stage of illness and is helpful for seriously ill patients who require complex pain and symptom management or have a high demand for communication. It improves quality of life and focuses on prevention and relief of suffering by early identification, impeccable assessment and treatment of pain and other challenges, including those of a physical, psychosocial and spiritual nature. It is not the same as hospice care. For details, call 586-573-5440.

Message from the Hospital President

Excitement is in the air at St. John Macomb Hospital in Warren, and we want to share it with you.

We reached a milestone February 7 when we completed our Emergency Department expansion and renovation project. Almost one-third of our \$6 million project came from generous donors like you—community members, area business owners, our physicians, our volunteers and our associates. Thank you for your strong support that made our Emergency Department project a reality. You’ll find more about our new Emergency Department and our plans to streamline care on page 1.

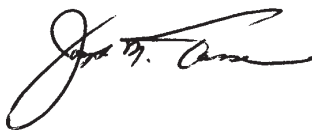
We received state approval for our request to add a third cardiac catheterization lab to our rapidly growing Cardiovascular Services Program, which also includes open-heart surgery. We are working on a renovation project for a new Cardiac Catheterization Center which will be completed soon. This will enable us to handle the strong demand for heart care services at St. John Macomb Hospital. We anticipate that in 2005 we will surpass the 2,726 catheterization cases (of which 1,193 were interventional cases such as angioplasty and stents) we performed last year.

Other recent noteworthy accomplishments include:

- Addition of mobile state-of-the-art PET/CT scanner services to detect cancer and heart disease. We will construct a docking station in the next year. (See page 4 for details about this new service.)
- Celebration of the second anniversaries of our open heart and interventional cardiology programs and the first anniversary of our Webber Cancer Center.
- Opening of several new patient care units, including our 3 Center Progressive Care Unit and 4 Center South Medical/Surgical Unit to expand the number of beds available.
- Installation of a new OB TraceVue Fetal Monitoring System.
- Adoption of Six Sigma philosophy and change methodology.

The reason we’re here is to provide excellent clinical services for the community. We hope you share our enthusiasm for the many exciting things happening at St. John Macomb Hospital as we continue to meet the community’s health care needs. We appreciate your generous support.

To your good health,



Joseph M. Tasse
President, St. John Macomb Hospital



Joseph M. Tasse

PET/CT scanner enhances care



A medical device on wheels is helping physicians at St. John Macomb Hospital (SJM) and throughout St. John Health (SJH) better diagnose and treat cancer and heart disease. SJH is one of the first health systems in the state to offer a mobile PET/CT scanner, one of the most advanced diagnostic technologies available. Housed in a plush motor coach, the PET/CT scanner is available at SJM on Monday mornings and Fridays.

The technology combines images from the highly sensitive PET scan, which detects changes in the way cells behave, with detailed pictures of internal anatomy from the CT scan. PET and CT exams can be viewed independently or superimposed. The combined image shows precisely where abnormalities exist, making it possible for earlier cancer and heart disease diagnosis, and more precise treatment and monitoring.

Scans can be scheduled by calling 866-667-7226. A physician's referral is required.

Growth continues, unit added

St. John Macomb Hospital (SJM) achieved a 5.5 percent growth in its inpatient business in calendar year 2004, according to the Southeast Michigan Hospital Data Exchange Survey report. During 2004, SJM admitted 18,039 patients, up from 17,096 in 2003.

To help address the need for more medical/surgical beds to handle the increasing patient admissions, SJM has opened a new 12-bed Medical/Surgical Unit (4 Center South). Twelve former Rehabilitation beds on 4 Center were closed to create the new unit.



Double your income from a gift?

Yes, you may double your current cash flow from low-earning stock or CDs by donating cash or securities for a gift annuity of \$25,000 or more. You receive fixed payments guaranteed for life, and you designate the St. John Macomb Hospital program to benefit from your gift. The Foundation pays an annual annuity rate (based on your age) that is typically two or three times higher than what CDs pay. The older the donor, the higher the annuity rate. Call Joe McKay, 586-582-7506, for a complimentary Gift Annuity Fact Kit.

Welcome to *SPiRiT*, a new publication by St. John Macomb Hospital Foundation.

If you would like to learn more about giving opportunities at St. John Macomb Hospital, please call Priscilla Khoury, CFRE, 586-582-7503.

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