

LifeLegacy



Focusing on Mission and Philanthropy

August 2011

AGING WELL — New Senior Program Launched

AGING WELL, a program providing wellness education, health screenings and retail discounts — just for seniors — launched August 17. This new St. Vincent Healthcare program offers:

- Wellness programs, **health screenings**, health education featuring the hospital's programs and services, including physician referrals and discounts on health-related products and services.
- Partnerships with businesses both in Billings and in communities where St. Vincent



has outlying clinics (i.e. Red Lodge, Hardin, Laurel, Absarokee and Cody). These partnerships will provide members with **valuable discounts**.



- St. Vincent Healthcare Foundation will host **quarterly luncheons** highlighting new and exciting programs, services and/or technologies within the hospital.
- The **Good Day Café** and SVH **Gift Shops** will offer discounts and perks to AGING WELL members.



AGING WELL Events Calendar

LECTURES:

The Art of Healing: Healing Faster with da Vinci

September 13 — 2:00 pm
Mansfield Center

Check it Out! Geriatric Assessments

September 20 — 5:30 pm
SVPN North Shiloh

What Everyone Should Know about Alzheimer's

October 18 — 5:30 pm
SVPN North Shiloh

LUNCHEONS:

Orthopedics Center of Excellence

Sept. 27 — 12:00 noon
Mansfield Center

Breast Health Education

November 1 — 12:00 noon
Mansfield Center

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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406-238-6222
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Yellowstone
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Free Event to Support the EVA Project

Saturday, August 27th, 4-7 pm
Yellowstone Cellars & Winery, 1335 Holiday Circle

Join us for a free wine tasting event to benefit the EVA Project! Yellowstone Cellars and Winery have created a Sangiovese Rose' in honor of the EVA Project: For every bottle sold they will donate \$3.

For more information contact Patricia Udelhoven at 237-3633 or Clint Peck at 281-8400.

What is the EVA Project?

The EVA Project provides free mammograms to women over age 40 who are uninsured. Early detection can make a difference. A few years ago EVA was diagnosed with breast cancer detected through a mammogram. She was 48 years old with no family history of breast cancer. Through early detection, EVA's cancer was diagnosed and successfully treated. She created the EVA Project and hopes others will join her in providing free mammograms to women who are uninsured.

The 10th Annual Marynell Heringer Women's Golf Tournament raised \$27,000 to benefit St. Vincent Healthcare's program for women's robotic surgical procedures.



“Life is Amazing!”

56 years ago Edna Mae Duncan graduated in nursing from St. Alexius Hospital School of Nursing in Bismarck, North Dakota — she was only 20. She wasn’t allowed to become a R.N. until age 21 — so she waited. A year later Edna Mae began her nursing career; and, with the exception of a few years of hiatus to care for her own

babies, she has continued nursing. 2011 marks Edna Mae’s 50th year as a practicing nurse!

I’ve worked in hospitals, doctors’ offices and long-term care,” noted Edna Mae. “I retired as the charge nurse at Park View at age 65 ... but I didn’t like retirement. Now, I’m assisting with office surgical procedures at the VA Clinic.”



Edna Mae on a mission in Ethiopia.

Community Healthcare Alumni Scholarship

When Edna Mae received a monetary gift from Dr. Rollins Peterson at his retirement, she wanted to do something special with it that would honor her years in nursing. She was delighted to learn about the new scholarship provided by

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the Community Healthcare Alumni to deserving high school graduates who are pursuing a degree in nursing. Community Healthcare Alumni is an informal group of retired individuals who worked [in any position] in the field of healthcare.

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Edna Mae has a passion for helping those in need. She has been on ten mission trips to Mexico, a mission to Ethiopia, worked for the Red Cross during the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina and the terrorist attack of September 11, 2001, and most recently was stationed in Lodge Grass, Montana helping the community recover after the spring floods. “Life is amazing!” she said. One can only wonder where Edna Mae’s nursing passion will lead her next.

Community Healthcare Alumni

In the spring and fall of each year, more than sixty healthcare retirees come together to share lunch, maintain ties with their colleagues, reminisce, and learn about advances in healthcare.

Donna Dunn, organizer for Community Healthcare Alumni said, “We all look forward to our time together. Each lunch we have a presentation that keeps us up-to-date. This past year we had a presentation on the daVinci. The technological advances are amazing.”



Donna Dunn listens as Jason Barker, SVH CEO, shares updates on the healthcare bill.

If you would like to join the Community Healthcare Alumni at their next luncheon — Wed., September 28 — contact Angela at 237-3616;

Angela.slade@svh-mt.org

Transportation is available for those unable to drive.

Retired ED nurse, Vera Reineking, is active in encouraging the Community Healthcare Alumni Fund as a place where members can honor fellow nurses and other healthcare colleagues with memorial gifts or gifts in honor. “Because of the gifts we received we were able to award a scholarship this year. Helping students pursue an education in healthcare is a cause we can all get behind,” she said.



Community Healthcare Alumni Scholarship recipient, Kaitlyn Johnson

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