On Aug. 8, 45 employees and guests participated in this year’s Vintage Ohio Wine Festival trip to Lake Metro Parks Farmpark in Lake County, Ohio. Participants enjoyed wine tasting, shopping, live music and other activities around the Farmpark. This is the third year for this trip and the weather was beautiful.

Dr. Walz Honored by PCU Staff as Legendary Caregiver

Elizabeth Walz, M.D., is the most recent recipient of a Legendary Caregiver award through the Fairfield Medical Center Foundation. The staff of the PCU honored Dr. Walz with this award and a letter of thanks signed by dozens of staff who are grateful and proud to be a part of Dr. Walz’s team.

“What makes Dr. Walz’s award particularly special is that it came from those who work most closely with her and recognize what an outstanding asset she is to FMC and the entire community,” said Ricki Chenalt, FMC Foundation executive director.

Dr. Walz is the physician who made the swift diagnosis of botulism in April. Botulism is so rare in this day and age. Her calm, swift and decisive action enabled FMC to take almost immediate action to appropriately treat the patients and communicate to the community.

Foundation Employee Campaign Kick-off

FMC Employees came out in full force to kick-off the annual 1916 employee giving campaign! The café was packed with people enjoying “dime a dog” day complete with complimentary peanuts, Cracker Jack and root beer. Volunteers from all over FMC came to help out the Foundation, serving food, playing trivia games, and passing out prizes. More than 600 pledge cards were turned in at the kick-off. After the first week, the Detroit Tigers are in third, the Baltimore Orioles are in second and the Boston Red Sox are in first. Pledge cards were still streaming in for double runs last week, so stay tuned for results today and see if your team has moved up in the rankings!
Now it is time to build the infrastructure to begin our journey. For this endeavor to be successful, we need your engagement, optimism and trust. This is a journey that we will take one step at a time together. Over the next few months we will be asking everyone for their feedback.

Beginning Aug. 21, we will be sending you a survey that has been designed to capture the current state of our organization and will help guide us through our journey. We know we have asked for your help in completing surveys in the past, but your feedback is crucial for us to make the most out of our partnership with Disney.

So, why Disney? This is a question many of you wondered and even asked during the kick-off meetings. The answer is simple. We want to learn from the best and Disney is recognized for their business and customer service practices. We want to be very clear, that this is not about creating a theme park or asking staff to wear costumes, it is about building our culture and creating an exceptional experience for our customers.

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Volunteer for the Rock Party

There are just a few weeks left to sign up to volunteer for the Rock Party Celebration. Volunteer with us on Aug. 22 for the opportunity to personally thank our community for 100 years of their support. Numerous volunteers are needed for this event to work in two-hour shifts.

We still have many openings available. To volunteer, contact Don Duvall, Rock Party volunteer coordinator, at ext. 6829 or email dond@fmchealth.org. We also are in need of ice coolers that we can borrow for the event, and tent canopies for use by our volunteers.

New Employees at FMC

Please welcome the following new employees who joined the team on Aug. 10:
- Janet Cramer, ED
- Tiffany Dalrymple, Vascular Lab
- Sandra Decot, Nursing Services
- Lauren Farrell, Registration
- Debra Gilmore, Respiratory
- Brittany Haddix, Third Med./Surg.
- Michael Hall, ED
- Regina Hines, FHP
- Boyce Isabel, ED
- Sarah Martin, ED
- Danielle Metcalf, Respiratory
- Lisa Meyers, Sleep Lab

Carnival Foods Express

Carnival Foods in Lancaster is offering an express “Personal Supermarket” service to FMC employees. This service will allow employees to shop online at www.carnivalfoodsohio.com or call 740-687-1495 to order groceries. Employees will be able to pick up this order at the end of their shift. A picking fee of $5.95 per order will be assessed. Each employee is asked to note in the comments section that they are an FMC employee.

How Do I Contact a Hospitalist?

Our Hospitalist physicians here at Fairfield Medical Center are located by the Cath Lab across from the Service Elevators. Their Administrative Assistant, Debbie Roberts is onsite and more than willing to help answer your questions or needs. Debbie is here at the center Monday-Friday from 7 a.m.-3:30 p.m. and can be reach at ext. 6907.

Volunteers are needed to help set up, tear down and help with the route during the Heart & Lung Run on Aug. 29 at Fairfield Medical Center. All volunteers will receive a free T-shirt. Set-up begins at 6 a.m. and tear down will take place at approximately 11 a.m. Please contact Noelle Pierce in Cardiac Rehab if you are interested in volunteering at ext. 8262.

Community Food Drive

Sept. 3 at Fairfield Medical Center

- Be a part of Hunger Action! Consider bringing a can of food to the food drive display in the cafeteria on Sept. 3.
- All donations will be shared with Fairfield County food pantries.

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Martha Buckley, M.D.
Chief Quality Officer

Debra L. Palmer, M.S., R.N.
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Make a Difference on Community Care Day
Sept. 8 has been designated as the annual Community Care Day, sponsored by the United Way. Each year, individuals from various organizations throughout the county get together to complete projects for those in need or for the betterment of our community. We are proud to say that last year 12 people from Fairfield Medical Center volunteered their time to clean the bike path along Goslin Drive. Please call John Belin at ext. 8127, or email at johnb@fmchealth.org. This is an excellent opportunity to do volunteer work that will benefit our community and to share our time and talents with those that may not be as fortunate as we are.

Enhancing Our Patient’s Experience Through Art
Several years ago, I went to an art show at my son’s school and witnessed amazing talent that the children had when drawing the human skeleton. Working in Imaging, I thought that this would be a perfect solution to our bare walls and was granted approval to seek donated artwork from our local schools for display in the Imaging Department. Shannon Fish, the Art teacher at Lancaster High School, immediately responded and was eager to share her student’s work with me. We have maintained our relationship through the years and the Imaging Department continues to receive artwork from our local high school students.

Our Radiology group, Columbus Radiology, was also impressed and wanted to support this initiative and our community. During the first year, our radiologist’s made a cash donation to the Art Department at Lancaster High School and has paid for the framing of all of the pieces that we have received so far. We routinely receive positive comments on the artwork and even have family members come in to take a picture of their child standing beside their framed artwork that is now on display. What a wonderful partnership that we have formed that allows our community youth to share in our commitment to enhance our patients and family members visit to FMC.

Thank you to those decision makers here at FMC that allow for ideas like this to come to fruition, and to our radiologists who support us. I am truly blessed to work at FMC and with such wonderful radiologists.

~Kelly Russell, Imaging supervisor

Pictured on front (from left): Art students Leah Camps, Madison Bemis, Haili Mathias, Charles Blackston and Jenna Ford (not pictured: Jessie Six and Jennifer Valentine)

OB-GYN Associates of Lancaster Offers Gentle C-Section
OB-GYN Associates of Lancaster is now offering the option of a gentle c-section, or family-centered c-section, at Fairfield Medical Center for mothers who require non-emergent cesarean deliveries. Unlike a typical c-section, in which a curtain separates the mother from the doctors who are doing the procedure, a gentle c-section allows the mother to view the birth of her child through a clear plastic drape.

In addition, the mother, father or support person has immediate bonding time with their child following delivery. Suzanne Barnhart, M.D., performed the first gentle c-section at FMC on June 2; in all, seven gentle c-sections have been performed. Mothers who are interested in the gentle c-section option are encouraged to talk to Drs. Barnhart, Froman and Santino with OB-GYN Associates of Lancaster for more information. An article featuring the first gentle c-section patient, Amanda Horn, will also appear in the fall issue of The Monitor, which comes out in October.

Pictured on front page: Dr. Barnhart holds Luke Humphrey, son of Tom and Kealee Humphrey, who was born by a gentle c-section on July 7.

Kealee Humphrey smiles at her son, Luke, moments after he was delivered by a gentle c-section on July 7.
Hospital Happenings

Centennial Celebration Rock Party
Join us Aug. 22 from 9 a.m.-10 p.m. at the Fairfield County Fairgrounds, 157 E. Fair Ave., for a full day of rock music from local bands that will conclude with a spectacular fireworks display. In addition to rock music, a Community Healthfest, food and crafts for purchase, and fun giveaways will be offered throughout the day. Admission is FREE.

Imlay’s Uniforms Shop at Work Day
Sponsored by FMC TWIG 9 to Benefit Patient Care on Aug. 21 from 6 a.m.-4 p.m. in Assembly Rooms 1 & 5. Payroll deduction available. Shop the latest scrub fashions while doing your part to support FMC TWIG 9! (Imlay’s Uniforms donates 15 percent of sales to TWIG 9 to Benefit Patient Care)

Looking for something special? Call our Zanesville Store at 740-453-2400. We will bring it for you!

Heart and Lung Run
Join us on Aug. 29 for a 10K run or a 5K run/walk to help provide financial assistance for the rehabilitation of heart or lung patients at FMC. Registration is from at 6:30-7:45 a.m. The race begins at 8 a.m. and includes chip timing. The entry fee is $25 pre-race and $30 the day of the race. Bring the kids for a 100 meter dash, which will follow the 10K and 5K Run/Walk! No entry fee for Kids’ Race. For race information or a registration form, contact Kelly Marion at 740-887-8951. Register online by going to fmchealth.org and clicking on the Heart & Lung Run link.

Renal Access Symposium
Have you ever wanted more information on the different types of dialysis accesses and how your patient began this journey? Join us Sept. 8 at the 3rd Annual Renal Access Symposium. This year’s event will take place 7:30-11:15 a.m. in Assembly Rooms 2 and 3. More information coming soon!

FMC Foundation Food & Wine Tasting
Planning for our Annual Food and Wine Tasting is underway. Join us Sept. 24 at Fisher Catholic Alumni Hall for this fun, lively event! Create memories while transforming healthcare, as all proceeds will benefit women’s health initiatives. This event is open to the public. Volunteers for this event are still needed! If interested, contact Carol at ext. 8107 or carolr@fmchealth.org.

ACE Adventure Resort – Enjoy discounted rates for reservations made between Aug 1-31 for whitewater rafting, zipline, paintball, lake passes and mountain biking packages at Ace Adventure Resort in West Virginia. To order tickets call 1-800-787-3982, code “Fairfield 2015” to apply nonprofit/group rates. For more information, contact Linda Cottrill at ext. 8025.

Ohio State Tickets
Human Resources will soon have Ohio State football tickets to sell to employees. The tickets may be purchased with cash or payroll deduction over two pays. Tickets will be for the following games and all seats are located in Level C Deck:
- Sept. 26, Western Michigan at 3:30 p.m. – $82 per ticket
- Sept. 19, Northern Illinois at 3:30 p.m. – $80 per ticket
- Sept. 12, Hawaii at 3:30 p.m. – $80 per ticket
- Sept. 1, Illinois at 3:30 p.m. – $80 per ticket

For questions, contact Jennifer Dicken at jenniferd@fmchealth.org.

Wishes Gift Shop Sale
Wishes Gift Shop is holding an end-of-summer sale! Stop in and find a great selection of items marked 40% off. Help say goodbye to another summer with some great deals, and welcome a new school year with new bookbags, lunch boxes and other great supplies!

Mark Your Calendars

Fall Wellness Lunch n’ Learn Series - Register to attend any or all of these upcoming educational opportunities by calling 740-689-6822. Preregistration is required as seating is limited. Lunch is provided!

Fall Harvest - Discover your Local Farmer’s Market - Lynne Schultz, Schultz Valley Farms, Wednesday, Sept. 2 from noon-12:30 p.m., Assembly Room 3 - When it comes to fresh fruits, vegetables and herbs, the farmers market is the perfect place to experience food at its finest. For many folks, farmers’ markets begin and end with the summer and they miss out on a wide variety of fresh produce. Come learn what to look forward to at your local farmer’s market during the cooler fall months.

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Marvel Universe LIVE! at Nationwide Arena from Dec. 26-28. Show times vary. Tickets starting at $22. Please see the FMC Intranet/Employee Activities button for pricing, seating chart and order instructions. Marvel Universe LIVE! will bring Marvel’s most iconic heroes and fearsome villains to life like never before during a live-action arena spectacular. Marvel Universe LIVE! will redefine the LIVE show experience through a Marvel character-driven story featuring state-of-the-art special effects, pyrotechnics, aerial stunts and martial arts.

Hocking Hills Laser Tag on Sunday, Oct. 4 from 1-4 p.m. Sessions begin at 1 p.m. 1:45 pm, 2:30 p.m. and 3:15 p.m. Maximum 20 people per slot. Discounted price is $10 (originally $20). Go to hockinghillslasertag.com for more information. To purchase tickets: go to the Intranet/Employee Activities button for the registration form. For questions or more information, contact Jennifer Dicken at jenniferd@fmchealth.org.

Ethics & Compliance Hotline: 1-855-541-4169 or go to fmchealth.ethicspoint.com

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Fairfield Medical Center’s Vision:
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