

THE HEALTH NETWORK OF THE CHESTER COUNTY HOSPITAL FALL 2005

SYNAPSE



Ranked One *of the* Best *in the* Nation



Standing left to right are: Nursing student Nicole David, West Chester University; Anne Marie Mashett, R.N.; Beth Stocker, L.P.N.; Rebecca Wagner-Campbell, R.N.C.; Annette Pappas, R.N.C.; Georgine Delozier, R.N.; Linda Solorio, R.N.

Our Maternity Care Program
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★ ★ ★ five star MATERNITY CARE!

The Chester County Hospital has long made it a priority to provide women and newborns with the best possible obstetrical services, from prenatal preparations through labor, delivery, and neonatal care. Patient surveys have consistently expressed a high degree of satisfaction with the Hospital's Maternity Department.

Now it is official. Maternity care at The Chester County Hospital is tops. HealthGrades®, an independent health care quality information and advisory services company, has given The Chester County Hospital a five-star rating – its premier ranking – for maternity care.

"In evaluating the quality of care at The Chester County Hospital and comparing our performance to hospitals nationwide, HealthGrades gave us their highest possible rating – five stars," says H.L. Perry Pepper, President of The Chester County Hospital.

"HealthGrades also ranked our Maternity Care Program among the top 10 percent in the nation and recognized us with their Maternity Care Service Excellence Award. This is a testament to the strong culture of exceptional care and clinical quality that this organization possesses. It is not luck that results in distinction, but hard work and dedication to our patients."

HealthGrades Maternity Care ratings are based on quality indicators related to maternity care and neonatal care: volume, complication rates associated with c-sections; vaginal deliveries, patient choice c-sections, neonatal mortality and number of births.



To put together its ratings HealthGrades compiles data from dozens of independent private and public sources, including the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, state records and state medical board records, publicly available directories and telephone surveys. HealthGrades ratings provide consumers with tools for evaluating and selecting health care providers based on quality.

Consumers are increasingly relying on public "report cards" issued by companies such as HealthGrades to make informed health care decisions. While some of these companies base their ratings primarily on financial data geared to hospital boards and executives, HealthGrades' ratings are based on clinical results aimed at providing consumers with comparative healthcare information so they can make informed decisions.

"The Maternity Care Program at The Chester County Hospital can be proud of these achievements," notes President Pepper. "Providing the highest quality of care requires a systematic approach, collaboration and commitment from all members of the team."

"Without the dedication of our Maternal/Infant health care team this honor would not have been achievable," adds Debra Kent, R.N., Executive Director of Nursing at The Chester County Hospital. "The passion and commitment our physicians and nurses give every day helps us meet our mission and our promise to our community."



Chester County NICU Awarded Level III Certification

Having a baby is both an exciting and anxious time. While parents-to-be eagerly anticipate the arrival of their little one, they also often experience twinges of trepidation about the unthinkable – what if problems arise?

Fortunately, the vast majority of births are simple and straightforward. But for those pregnancies and/or births that do present with complications, The Chester County Hospital's Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) – newly awarded Level III certification from the Pennsylvania Department of Health – is there to provide the best possible care available.

The Chester County Hospital, affiliated with the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP), has the only Level III certified NICU in the County. "We are a great resource for families because – other than our unit – the nearest Level III NICU is quite a distance away," says Pamela Russell, M.D., Medical Director, Neonatal Services, The Chester County Hospital. "Our location provides a real benefit to our community because women can now have their baby in an intensive care unit affiliated with CHOP without having to drive very far."

Statistics show that pre-term and high-risk infants do better when born in a center equipped and prepared to care for them. "That's the best option," Russell says. "Then the baby doesn't have to be transferred, the

family is not separated, and the baby is greeted with a neonatal team when born."

The Chester County Hospital has in-house neonatology specialists available 24 hours a day, seven days a week and can handle babies of all gestational ages. The facility has the capability to treat 12 patients at a time, administering to about 250 infants annually.

The specialized neonatal unit is staffed with

neonatologists, as well as specially trained neonatal nurse practitioners and registered nurses.

The NICU has the capacity for on-site pediatric cardiology, neurology, ophthalmology, and physical therapy services, and is outfitted with all state-of-the-art equipment.

"But it's not just the equipment, it's also our lab services, radiology, blood bank, pharmacy, and other services found here," continues Russell. "This is a multi-team approach. Everyone here is comfortable and competent to care for these infants."

NICU staff focus on involving the parents every step of the way, Russell says, by meeting with

them before their baby is born, if possible, so they know what to anticipate, and by providing detailed instructions on how to care for their newborn after discharge.

"Parents are encouraged to participate in the care of their babies no matter how small or premature," Russell says. "We have an open visiting policy. Parents are welcome 24 hours a day."



GETTING STRONGER EVERY DAY

Armon Legree of Downingtown holds onto his mom, Charlonda, during her recent NICU visit. Armon was born September 17 at 25 weeks gestation and weighed less than two pounds. Here, at three weeks, he weighs 2 pounds, three ounces and is doing well.

DADDY'S LITTLE GIRLS

Like most parents would be, Robin and Eric Eanone were more than a little shocked to learn that they were expecting triplets. But they were comforted knowing that their trio would be born at The Chester County Hospital.



When Robin was admitted to the Hospital at just over 31 weeks gestation, she learned first hand of how important a Neonatal Intensive Care Unit can be. "Shortly after my admission, a representative from the NICU came to visit me," says Robin. "They explained the role the NICU team would play and what would happen if our children had to be taken to the Unit upon being born."

Olivia, Chloe and Sophia Eanone entered the world weighing four pounds, 3 ounces; 4 pounds, one ounce and 3 pounds, 15 ounces respectively. They were cared for in the NICU for just over one-month. "The nursing staff became like family to us," explains Robin. "They were caring and compassionate, keeping us informed and reassuring us that our girls were receiving the highest level of care."

As Robin and Eric spent much of their time that month in the NICU, they recall the friendships and support networks that they formed with other families who were going through similar experiences. "The Hospital realized the importance of spending time with your newborns and allowed us to visit day and night. When we couldn't be there, we could check in by phone."

The girls are now nearing five years old and have entered a new chapter in their lives... kindergarten. They may not be aware of their fragile beginnings and their extraordinary entrance into this world, but it is an experience Robin and Eric will never forget.

Sophia, Chloe & Olivia Eanone

BOY

Timmy & Sean O'Hara



Timmy and Sean O'Hara are pictured left to right. Close to 50 pounds a piece, the boys are four feet tall.

Timmy and Sean O'Hara of West Chester, were born at The Chester County Hospital on September 19, 1998. Their gestational age was 28 weeks. Most pregnancies last approximately 40 weeks gestation.

The boys' Mom, Helen, had a history of premature labor. She and her husband Tim lost their first child, Ryan, shortly after his birth at 22 weeks gestation. "It took two years to recover from this and with the biological clock ticking, we sought fertility treatment," says Helen.



Becky Toole, Tracey Breeding (holding baby on left), Stacey Jones, Sue Cacciavillano, Gil Pereira, Lisa Patterson, Sandy Cavanaugh's "hand", Pat Hoffheiser, Terry Smith, Nat Werner, Jen Masicioli (holding baby on right).

Not long after, Helen and Tim learned that they were expecting – twins. Given Helen's past history, she fell into a "high risk" category and was monitored closely by her obstetrics team. Upon a routine visit at 22 weeks, Helen had begun to dilate. After surgery, medication, hospitalization and bed rest – all intended to slow her contractions – Helen went into labor at 28 weeks.

The boys were born by c-section at 10:00 p.m. Timmy arrived first and weighed 2 pounds, 13 ounces. Sean followed at 3 pounds, 6 ounces. "They spent the next seven weeks in the exceptional care of the nurses and doctors in the NICU," Helen recalls.

"Their progress was monitored carefully and Tim and I were welcome any time of day or night. It was very comforting for us to see the same individuals caring for the boys at each shift. I still have the picture of their "going home" day with all of the staff that cared for the boys – they were our extended family."

Today Timmy and Sean are like most boys their age – energetic, athletic and playful. "We were truly blessed with a happy ending this time," says Helen.

WOMEN'S HEALTH

Serving generations with comprehensive care

Women have their own set of health needs distinct from men and children and The Chester County Hospital is there to take care of those needs every step of the way with a spectrum of care that begins with gynecological and obstetric services and extends to a full range of services tailored just for women.



And Baby Makes Three—William Atkins, M.D., shares the joy with patient Kate Burke of Conshohocken as he holds her son, Owen.

"The Chester County Hospital offers a complete array of health services for women of all ages," says William R. Atkins, M.D., Chairman, Department of

Obstetrics and Gynecology. "We recognize that many women do view their gynecologists as their primary physician and we strive to fulfill that role responsibly."

That's why The Chester County Hospital provides women with the opportunity for total health care, from routine gynecological exams and mammograms to obstetric care and fertility assistance to heart health, physical therapy, fitness classes, and more.

Obstetrics

A hallmark of care at The Chester County Hospital is the warm and inviting atmosphere in the Maternity Department, but along with this comforting setting the Hospital offers an extraordinary depth of high-technology services.

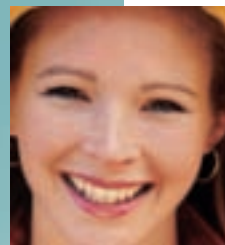
For routine pregnancies, the Hospital's prenatal health care and labor and delivery services are unsurpassed (see accompanying story about the Maternity Department's five-star rating!). Plus, Chester County offers a host of childbirth education programs, including breastfeeding, newborn care, a class to prepare siblings for the new arrival, and prenatal and post-partum exercise programs.

Chester County's partnership with the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia guarantees patients exceptional maternity, infant and pediatric healthcare services.

In the event of complicated or high-risk pregnancies, the Hospital's Perinatology, or Maternal and Fetal Medicine Department, is there to administer the requisite specialized care.

"We take care of pregnant women with medical diseases such as diabetes, hypertension, vascular diseases, thyroid conditions, seizure disorder, and more, as well as in utero babies with medical problems," says Anthony Sciscione, D.O., Perinatologist and Medical Director of the Maternal and Fetal Medicine Department at The Chester County Hospital.

"Should a woman have concerns about her medical history she can take advantage of the Hospital's pre-conception and perinatal counseling services. Prenatal testing, such as amniocentesis, can determine the genetic status of the embryo, while antenatal surveillance testing, such as stress tests, ultra-



sound, and Doppler studies can evaluate fetal well-being."

And if a woman experiences difficulty conceiving, she can undergo an initial infertility assessment with her gynecologist at The Chester County Hospital, who can also administer ultrasound evaluations, laparoscopies, ovulation induction, and intrauterine insemination.

"We make a specific timeline and if a pregnancy

injected directly into an egg, a laboratory procedure used largely in male factor infertility.

The Chester County Hospital also has a donor egg program to benefit women who have exhausted their own supply of eggs or who have been rendered infertile due to disease or medical treatment such as chemotherapy.

"People today are more educated about their options and are more proactive than ever in pursuing help if they have difficulty in

conceiving," says John Orris, D.O., M.B.A., Reproductive Endocrinology, The Chester County Hospital. "I consider The Chester County Hospital a one-stop shopping place to not only get pregnant but to have excellent obstetrical care."

Gynecology

The Chester County Hospital also offers comprehensive coverage for the pre- and post-reproductive woman, including breast examinations, cervical screenings, menopausal counseling, a full range of state-of-the-art diagnostic

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does not occur after three cycles, we then refer the woman to our reproductive endocrinologists," Atkins says. "We give these physicians all the woman's records, which enables them to move forward immediately, rather than having to retrace all those steps."

Infertility affects about 10-15 percent of the population and can be caused by ovulatory disorder, endometriosis, uterine fibroids, tubal disease, premature ovarian failure, male factor, and more. Options to overcoming infertility can include in vitro fertilization, where eggs retrieved from the mother are placed in a laboratory culture dish with sperm from the father for fertilization, or intracytoplasmic sperm injection, where sperm is

imaging capabilities, and more.

One of the Hospital's newest and most exceptional services was recently created to support women diagnosed with breast cancer.

Understanding the emotional difficulty such a diagnosis can bring the Hospital created a special program led by a Nurse Navigator trained in the area of cancer and breast health.

Cathy Scallon, R.N., M.S.N., C.S., The Cancer Center of Chester County, helps women coordinate appointments, treatment and follow-up care; accompanies them to doctor appointments, and provides support and encouragement.

"I can be involved in a woman's care as much or as little as she wants," Scallon says. "It's her deci-



Serving Generations of Women

The Chester County Hospital has been Janet West's hospital for more than 30 years. Her daughter Jennifer and Jennifer's two daughters - Taylor West, 10 and Mia Palma, 3 months were all born here.

sion. Sometimes it's just helpful for a woman to know someone is available to help or listen, if and when she needs it."

Another special program is offered by the Hospital's Center for Physical Rehabilitation and Sports Medicine for women who suffer from pelvic pain. Physical therapy, the least invasive treatment option for pelvic pain, can include internal massage, relaxation techniques, stretching, physiological quieting, electrical stimulation and biofeedback. These treatments can help women improve and strengthen their pelvic muscles and alleviate pain.

However, if a woman's pelvic pain is due to uterine fibroids, The Chester County Hospital can offer relief through a procedure known as Uterine Artery Embolization (UAE). While women previously had to choose between surgical removal of the fibroids or possibly a hysterectomy, UAE offers an alternative treatment that uses angiographic techniques to block the blood supply to the fibroids. It is less invasive, spares the uterus, and has a quicker recovery.

While not a health problem unique to women, incontinence does affect women twice as much as it does men. The Center for Physical Rehabilitation and Sports Medicine offers physical therapy for incontinence treatment that can include therapeutic exercise, biofeedback, changes in diet, and behavior modification.

Heart disease is another condition common to both women and men. The difference? The way symptoms present themselves. "Men usually experience crushing chest pain with heart attacks, pain that sometimes radiates to the arm or neck," states Verdi J. DiSesa, Chief, Cardiac Surgery, The Chester County Hospital. "Women's symptoms can be more subtle—shortness of breath, nausea, neck pain, even fatigue," DiSesa continues, "And should be evaluated in women of any age, especially those with risk factors like strong family history of heart disease, high blood pressure, high cholesterol, diabetes, obesity or smoking."

All of the professionals at The CardioVascular Center at The Chester County Hospital seek to preserve heart health by engaging patients and their doctors in the life long management of cardiac disease. "For Dr. DiSesa and the multi-disciplinary team of cardiologists, cardiac nurses and technicians, managing heart disease is a commitment to excellence that includes but is not limited to heart surgery or inserting a stent," notes Jean Caulfield, Senior Vice President of Professional Services at The Chester County Hospital. As Caulfield explains, The CardioVascular Center engages patients in the five components of disease management including:

- **Prevention—risk factor identification and management with wellness programs to eliminate or modify risks**
- **Diagnosis—the latest technologies including echocardiography, nuclear medicine imaging, multi-slice CT scanning, and cardiac catheterization**
- **Medical, Catheter, and Surgical Interventions—medications, angioplasty, coronary stents and cardiac surgery**
- **Rehabilitation—essential exercise and lifestyle practices for recovery after heart surgery or heart attack**
- **Secondary Prevention—for patients with existing cardiovascular disease, identifying and reducing risk factors to limit the progression of cardiovascular disease**

Another health challenge women often face is osteoporosis, a disease in which bones become porous, fragile and more likely to break. Of the 10 million Americans estimated to have osteoporosis, eight million are women, and of the 1.5 million osteoporosis-related fractures that occur each year, 700,000 are vertebral fractures.

The Chester County Hospital offers these women hope in the form of vertebroplasty, a minimally invasive, non-surgical procedure that typically provides rapid pain relief, the reduction of pain medication requirements, and the return of mobility.

Additionally, women at risk for osteoporosis can have a test done to detect bone loss in its earliest stages through Dual Energy X-ray Absorptiometry or a DEXA Scan, which is like an X-ray, only it uses much less radiation.

All women deserve the opportunity to access the best healthcare possible, regardless of their insurance status. Ob/Gyn Clinic Services of The Chester County Hospital has been delivering hands on care to women, young mothers, and

expectant parents in office locations in West Chester and Kennett Square for over 30 years. Many patients, especially those in the southern portion of the County, are Spanish speaking and have turned to the Ob/Gyn Clinic Team, as not only medical professionals but as friends. Ob/Gyn Clinic Services offers reduced rate gynecology care, affordable pre-natal care and

childbirth deliveries in a comfortable, personalized, first rate setting. Interpretation services are available onsite.

And because staying healthy should also be fun, The Chester County Hospital offers a varied menu of yoga and pilates classes, cooking demonstrations, and even a Women's Health Expo featuring a wine tasting!

"I'm proud of what we do to make women's health a top priority at The Chester County Hospital and we're not stopping yet," says Atkins. "We're going to keep making The Chester County Hospital a health Mecca for women to come to."



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Mind and Body

A Health Expo Just for Women



Save the Date!

**The Chester County Hospital Proudly
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Take a break from the children, forget about supper and be sure you and your girlfriends join us for this fun-filled, wine and cheese-tasting event designed to incorporate relevant information about your unique needs. Health screenings including blood pressure, body mass index and hydration will be available. Health displays, cooking demonstrations and nutrition/fitness information will help keep you motivated. Enjoy complimentary skin and hair analysis. Our special "Ask the Doc" stations will allow you to engage personally with our physicians and health care providers. Mini-lectures, focusing on Fad Diets, Alternative Treatments for "Hot Flashes" and Fitness Demonstrations including Pilates and Yoga will set you on your way to wellness success. So bring yourself, your mom, your sister, a friend and your sneakers too! This program is FREE but pre-registration is required by calling 610-738-2300.

Women's Expo

Thursday, March 23, 2006

5:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Fern Hill Medical Campus

For more info — www.cchosp.com

THE CHESTER COUNTY HOSPITAL WELCOMES

THE FOLLOWING NEW PHYSICIANS

David Bobman, M.D., Attending Staff, Department of Medicine, Section of Gastroenterology. Dr. Bobman graduated from Temple University School of Medicine. He completed an internship, residency and fellowship at Cooper Hospital in New Jersey. Dr. Bobman is Board Certified in Internal Medicine and Gastroenterology. He has joined West Chester G.I. Associates.



Timothy Chen, D.P.M., Attending Staff, Department of Surgery, Section of Podiatry. Dr. Chen graduated from Temple University

School of Podiatric Medicine. He completed an internship and residency at Frankford Hospital in Philadelphia. Dr. Chen has an office in Exton.



Neha Mehta, M.D., Attending Staff, Department of Pediatrics. Dr. Mehta graduated from Albert Einstein College of Medicine

in New York. She completed an internship at UMDNJ – Robert Wood Johnson Medical School in New Jersey and a residency at St. Christopher's Hospital in Philadelphia. Dr. Mehta is Board Certified in Pediatrics and has joined Chester County Pediatrics.



Christine Meyer, M.D., Attending Staff, Department of Medicine, Section of Internal Medicine. Dr. Meyer graduated

from Hahnemann University School of Medicine. She completed an internship and residency at Thomas Jefferson University. Dr. Meyer is Board Certified in Internal Medicine and has an office in Exton.



Marc Platt, M.D., Attending Staff, Department of Medicine, Section of Cardiology. Dr. Platt graduated from Northwestern

University in Chicago. He completed an internship and residency at Harbor General Hospital in California and a fellowship at Cedars Sinai Medical Center in California. Dr. Platt is Board Certified in Internal Medicine and Cardiology and has joined West Chester Cardiology.



Uzma Quraishi, M.D., Attending Staff, Department of Medicine, Section of Internal Medicine. Dr. Quraishi graduated

from King Edward Medical College in Pakistan. She completed a residency at Cooper Hospital in New Jersey. Dr. Quraishi is Board Certified in Internal Medicine and has an office in Kennett Square.

Ali Ahmadinejad, M.D., Courtesy Staff for Coverage Only, Department of Surgery, Section of Vascular Surgery. Dr. Ahmadinejad graduated from Ferdowsi University in Iran. He completed an internship at Hahnemann University and a residency at Hahnemann University and Mercy Catholic Medical Center. He completed a fellowship at the Medical College of Pennsylvania. Dr. Ahmadinejad is Board Certified in General Surgery and has an office in Darby.

Abass Alavi, M.D., Courtesy Staff, Department of Radiology. Dr. Alavi graduated from the University Tehran School of Medicine in Iran. He completed an internship and residency at Albert Einstein Medical Center and a fellowship at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Alavi is Board Certified in Nuclear Medicine.

Timothy Fisher, M.D., Courtesy Staff, Department of Radiology. Dr. Fisher graduated from the University of California School of Medicine. He completed an internship and residency at Santa Clara Valley Medical Center in California. Dr. Fisher is Board Certified in Radiology.

Heather Jones, M.D., Courtesy Staff, Department of Radiology, Section of Radiation Oncology. Dr. Jones graduated from Howard University School of Medicine in Washington, DC. She completed an internship at Washington Hospital Center and a residency at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Jones is Board Certified in Radiation Oncology.

Thomas Jones, M.D., Courtesy Staff, Department of Radiology. Dr. Jones graduated from the University of Tennessee Health and Science Center. He completed an internship at the University of Tennessee Health and Science Center, and a residency and fellowship at Vanderbilt University in Tennessee. Dr. Jones is Board Certified in Radiology.

Joseph LaBricciosa, D.O., Courtesy Staff, Department of Family Practice. Dr. LaBricciosa graduated from New England College of Osteopathic Medicine. He completed an internship at Kennedy Memorial Hospital in New Jersey and a residency at Somerset Medical Center in New Jersey. Dr. LaBricciosa is Board Certified in Family Practice and has an office in Broomall.

Martye Marshall, M.D., Courtesy Staff, Department of Medicine, Section of Internal Medicine. Dr. Marshall graduated from the Medical College of Georgia. She completed an internship and residency at the University of Kentucky Medical Center. Dr. Marshall is Board Certified in Internal Medicine and Preventive/Hyperbaric Medicine, and practices at The Wound Care Center at The Chester County Hospital, West Chester.

Andrew Newberg, M.D., Courtesy Staff, Department of Radiology. Dr. Newberg graduated from the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine. He completed an internship and residency at Graduate Hospital in Philadelphia and a fellowship at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine. Dr. Newberg is Board Certified in Nuclear Medicine.

Aalpen Patel, M.D., Courtesy Staff, Department of Radiology. Dr. Patel graduated from UMDNJ - Robert Wood Johnson Medical School in New Jersey. He completed an internship at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, a residency at Temple University Hospital and a fellowship at UT-MD Anderson Cancer Center in Texas.

Dr. Patel is Board Certified in Diagnostic Radiology and Vascular and International Radiology.

Guy Ross, M.D., Courtesy Staff, Department of Radiology. Dr. Ross graduated from the University of Cape Town in South Africa. He completed an internship at Albert Einstein Medical Center, a residency at New York Presbyterian Hospital and a fellowship at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital. Dr. Ross is Board Certified in Radiology.

Douglas Rusnack, M.D., Courtesy Staff, Department of Radiology. Dr. Rusnack graduated from Columbia University in New York. He completed an internship at Mount Sinai Medical Center in New York, and a residency and fellowship at New York University Medical Center. Dr. Rusnack is Board Certified in Radiology.

Bradley Snyder, M.D., Courtesy Staff, Department of Radiology. Dr. Snyder graduated from Washington University School of Medicine in Virginia. He completed an internship at The Miriam Hospital in Rhode Island, a residency at Rhode Island Hospital and a fellowship at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston. Dr. Snyder is Board Certified in Radiology.

Hongming Zhuang, M.D., Courtesy Staff, Department of Radiology. Dr. Zhuang graduated from Beijing Medical University in China. He completed an internship at Hahnemann University and a residency and fellowship at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Zhuang is Board Certified in Nuclear Medicine.

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William Brazzerol, M.D., Attending Staff, Department of OB/GYN. Dr. Brazzerol graduated from Wright State University in Ohio. He completed a residency at Pennsylvania Hospital. Dr. Brazzerol is Board Certified in OB/GYN. His practice, Associates for Women's Medicine, is in Lionville, PA.

Anthony Sciscione, D.O., Attending Staff, Department of OB/GYN, Section of Perinatology. Dr. Sciscione graduated from the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine. He completed an internship at the University of New England, a residency at St. Joseph Hospital in New Jersey and the Medical Center of Delaware. He also completed a fellowship at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. Dr. Sciscione is Board Certified in OB/GYN and Maternal Fetal Medicine.

Newsletters



Volunteer Coordinator, Kathy Stocker recently served as a guest speaker at the United Methodist Church Breakfast Club, where she spoke on the value of volunteering at The Chester County Hospital. In attendance were, as pictured kneeling from left, Hospital Volunteers Harry Barr and Alan Clark; standing from left, Ben Summers, Keith Padgett, Kathy Stocker, Barb Fell, Liz Conner, Ann Clark and in the rear, Gil Fell.

May Fest, Huge Success

The 22nd annual May Festival was a resounding success raising \$150,000 to be donated to the Hospital's Operating Fund. Earning \$20,000 over last year's proceeds, this record breaking year was realized through the dedication of the May Festival Committee and its many volunteers.



Pictured proudly displaying the sum of this year's proceeds are from left to right: May Festival Co-chairs, Bruce Burt and Joan Orr; Roberta Feder, Vice Chairman; Kevin Holleran, Chairman, The Chester County Hospital Foundation; H.L. Perry Pepper, President and CEO, The Health Network of The Chester County Hospital; and representing First National Bank, the Festival's Presenting Sponsor, John Featherman, Chairman and CEO.

Good Fellowship



As part of its mission to educate community-based healthcare professionals, The Chester County Hospital will serve as the main clinical site for Good Fellowship Ambulance and EMS Training Institute's new paramedic program. This certifying Advanced Life Support (ALS) training program is the first of its kind offered in Chester County. Pictured left to right Josephine Lupo, President, Good Fellowship; Michael Barber, Chief Operating Officer, The Health Network of The Chester County Hospital; Jerry Peters, B.S., EMT-P, Program Director, Good Fellowship Training Institute; Bill Wells, Executive Director, Good Fellowship; John Fellicetti, Supervisor, Medic 91.

Chester County Day

This year's Chester County Day House Tour took place in the

northwestern section of Chester County, including Honeybrook, Eagle, Guthriesville and Hibernia. Having raised more than \$3 million for the Hospital, this autumn tradition attracts approximately 4,000 participants.





(L to R) Joan Snyder, Vice President, Development; Tyson Award recipient Rick Stevenson aside his wife, Christina Valocchi.

TYSON AWARD Richard Stevenson, Chair of the Chester County Challenge for Cancer Bike Tour, was awarded The Russell R. Tyson Award of Hope for his tireless efforts to support an annual event which has raised nearly \$100,000 since its beginning 7 years ago. Proceeds of the Challenge support The Cancer Center of Chester County and Neighborhood Hospice.

"Lighting the way to excellence in cancer care close to home"

Shine, held this year outdoors at a beautiful private estate, hosted over 300 people at the elegant annual benefit complete with cocktails, dinner, dancing, an artisans boutique and a live auction and raffle. Raising over \$25,000 for The Cancer Center of Chester County in 2003, hopes are high to top that number this year.



Fore Health Golf Tournament Keeps All Swinging

The 20th Annual Fore Health Golf Tournament was held in September at the Chester Valley Golf Club in Malvern and the conditions could not have been nicer. Special thanks to the Willistown Auxiliary for organizing the event and to the following sponsors:

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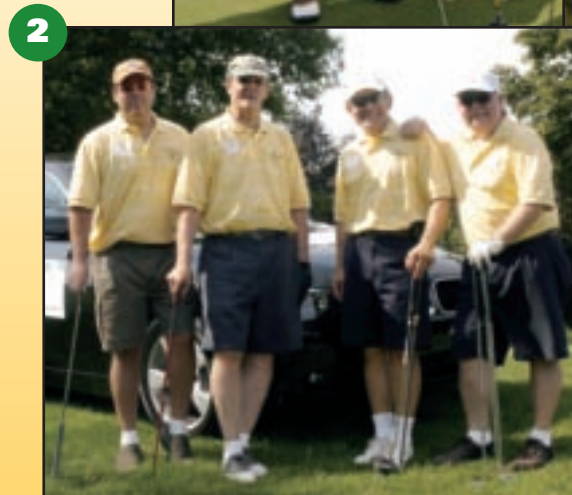
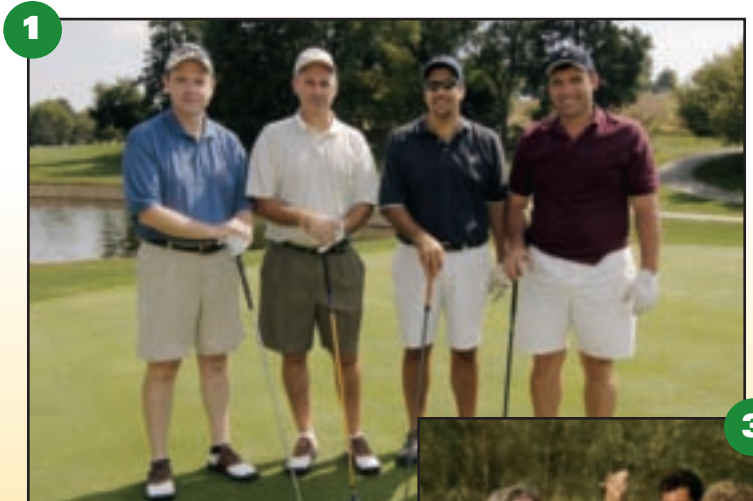
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- 1** Michael McHugh, Bill Mahoney, John DePalo, and Dave Harlan (L to R) round out the Siemens' foursome.
- 2** Rich Mansfield, M.D.; John Bell; Morrie Gold, M.D., and Bill Atkins, M.D., of Hole Sponsor CC Ob/Gyn Associates look almost as good as the handsome BMW from Otto's, the tournament's Hole-in-One Sponsor.
- 3** Rhoda Quickel of team CCH celebrates with Ken Flickinger and First National Bank's Tony Poluch. First National Bank of Chester County was a Hole Sponsor.

Two New Auxiliaries Join The Chester County Hospital



The Hospital welcomes the Greystone and Turks Head Auxiliaries. There are now eleven active auxiliaries to The Chester County Hospital, each of them working year-round to raise friends and funds for The Chester County Hospital. Pictured seated from left to right are Greystone Auxiliary members Annette MacLachlan, Jenn Blazek, President, and Karen Cole-Sung. Pictured standing are members of the Turks Head Auxiliary including Katie Fultz, Colleen Herbst, Jodi Wooten, Valerie DeMarino, Lisa Kitchen, President and Kristin Dolan.



ARE WE READY?

NOW IS THE TIME TO SUPPORT YOUR COMMUNITY RESOURCES.

With catastrophe comes contemplation. Reflective prose like "What we should have done" or "could have done," are sadly whispered a day too late. In the wake of recent hurricanes all of us witnessed the magnitude of destruction a natural disaster can cause. And we have taken stock in our own preparedness should such an event happen close to home. It is during times like these when individuals come to fully understand the true meaning of a "community resource".

911. Police and Fire Departments. Emergency Medical Technicians. Ambulance Drivers and Crews. The Red Cross. The Chester County Hospital.

These are among the many resources that are always ready and prepared to serve the residents of this community in their moment of need. It is a level of preparation made possible through the ongoing support of the same community we stand ready to serve. That community is you.

In November, The Chester County Hospital will embark on its Annual Appeal, an initiative aimed at gathering financial contributions from the community so that we can continue to meet the ongoing healthcare needs of the generations of men, women and children who have counted on us for more than 110 years. It is a fundraising campaign that supports technological growth within the Hospital as well as our ability to reach out to those less fortunate by providing necessary healthcare, no matter what the cost.

With tragedy comes triumph. "How can I help you?" and "Are you alright?" are phrases heard when communities come together as one. By supporting our common resources, collectively we are sustained. We invite you to support The Chester County Hospital through our 2005/06 Annual Appeal. Through you we are made stronger.

To make your contribution, please use the giving envelope found inside. THANK YOU.



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