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BRIDGING DREAMS TO REALITY

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Thanking YOU!

Dear Friends,

We all have plenty of reasons to be thankful. If you are like me, family and the opportunity to live in this beautiful area are at the top of the list. However, I am just as grateful for my role at Mackinac Straits. This opportunity has been very rewarding, giving me a chance to witness the great work our staff does every day, and then seeing the way community members support the organization.



MIKE GRISDALE
FOUNDATION DIRECTOR

It is my privilege to promote our services and our staff. I take great pride in that, and I know you do, too. Our dedicated employees work hard to bring you the highest quality of care, and they truly appreciate the way you show your appreciation.

2019 has been a very productive year for the Mackinac Straits Health Foundation. *The only way that is possible is because of you.*

Our events continue to grow (you can read more about them in this newsletter). Our biggest purchases this year involved new equipment for radiology and surgical services. With your gifts, we were also able to

purchase additional equipment for the Emergency Department, three new EKG machines for our clinics, and a security upgrade for the Evergreen Living Center.

I am impressed at the way our small community continues to support the organization's efforts. The overwhelming approval of the Mackinac County Health Services Millage in May was a true indicator of that. Increased participation at our events and our annual giving campaign play such an important role in our success. There was also a sharp rise in employee giving this year during our "Bridge Builder" campaign.

Still, we all have more work to do. In this newsletter, we have listed all of our donors and sponsors over the last year. We also outline some of the organization's plans in 2020. While we continue to face challenges in the ever-changing healthcare industry, we are excited about the plans for expansion. Your continued support will help us get there.

On behalf of our board of directors, best wishes for continued good health to you and your family!

Mike Grisdale, Director

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KAREN CHEESEMAN

Dear Friends,

I am pleased to share two of our recent initiatives regarding new radiology equipment throughout the system and a significant expansion of our orthopedic program.

The health system has recently completed a radiology upgrade that allows us to utilize the latest advancements in digital technology. We have invested in new digital fixed and mobile equipment at the St. Ignace and Mackinac Island locations, as well as software update for our Mackinaw City Medical Clinic.

Additionally, we have invested in an upgrade from 2D to 3D mammography technology. The new technology enhances the quality of care for our patients by decreasing the level of radiation exposure, improving result times, and providing earlier detection of disease.

The expansion of orthopedic services includes additional providers in the immediate future and the development of a total joint program, allowing us to offer full joint replacements in 2020.

In order to provide adequate space for our new orthopedic specialists and other key providers, we

will need additional clinical space. Plans are underway for a Medical Office/Professional Building. The new building will be located on the northwest side of our campus on the ridge near the Evergreen Living Center. The project will replace the existing modulars and provide additional parking areas. We are submitting an application to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) to help with financing and we will be applying for various grants. We will also be asking for community support.

While we are looking forward to utilizing new equipment and offering new services, we realize it would not be possible without a dedicated staff and a supportive community. I would like to thank our employees, medical staff, board, patients, and donors for playing a key role in our success!

Thank you for your generous support and your commitment to healthcare,

Karen Cheeseman, Chief Executive Officer
Mackinac Straits Health System

The Jewel at Mackinac Golf Tournament

18 YEARS & STILL GOING STRONG



The 18th Annual Jewel at Mackinac event was held August 23, 2019 under sunny skies. Since 2002, the Jewel has raised a significant amount of money to help purchase vital equipment and fund key programs for the Mackinac Island Medical Center, as well as the hospital in St. Ignace. The event has also strengthened the many relationships and partnerships that have also played a very important role in helping our system grow.

Not only does our golf outing help support the mission of the Mackinac Straits Health System, it also brings together many community leaders, state officials and several agencies that work with us to continue provide access to quality health care in the Straits region. We thank all the golfers and volunteers for making it such a great event; we truly owe a lot of our success to our generous sponsors. Their support is key to making this whole event so worthwhile!

PHOTOS: Top – Andrew Doud, Charlie Olson, Run Steensma and Orv Reid were one of many foursomes that participated in the annual golf outing on Mackinac Island. Bottom – Grand Hotel Club Pro, Jason Horricks gives final instructions to the golfers before they head out on the course.



Donors Make a Difference

Radiology

Mackinac Straits Health System (MSHS) has recently invested over \$1.5 million in several new pieces of radiology equipment for three of its locations. Additions and upgrades include a 3D mammography unit in the hospital, fixed and mobile X-ray units for St. Ignace and Mackinac Island, as well as an upgrade for the X-ray unit in Mackinaw City.

These purchases were made possible, in part, with funding through Mackinac Straits Health Foundation, Mackinac Island Community Foundation and fundraisers for the Mackinac Island Medical Center.



Karen Myers, Mammography Tech is shown with a gift basket promoting Breast Cancer Awareness month. Patients who had their mammogram in October were entered in the drawing. The new 3D mammography machine is pictured in the background.



Melissa Porter, Radiology Tech and Amy Goehler, LPN are shown during training with a new mobile X-ray unit at the Mackinac Island Medical Center.



Guy Thayer, CT Tech utilizes the new X-ray machine recently installed at Mackinac Straits Hospital in St. Ignace.

Orthopedics

There has been steady growth in the number of outpatient surgical services being offered in St. Ignace. A complete list of services and providers can be found on page seven of this newsletter, and the list is also updated regularly online at www.mackinacstraitshhealth.org. This expansion will see a big boost at Mackinac Straits Hospital in 2020.

Recently, we were proud to welcome two well-known and well-respected orthopedic surgeons to our Medical Staff. Daniel Wilcox, MD joined our team October 1. He is seeing patients in the St. Ignace Medical Clinic, exclusively. Dr. Wilcox will be in clinic two days per week and perform surgical cases one day a week.

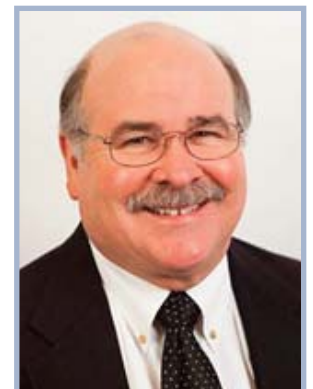
Joseph Hance, MD will practice at the Mackinaw City Medical Clinic on a part-time basis, two days a week, alternating weeks. He will also perform outpatient surgical cases two days a month in St. Ignace.

Additionally, we have signed a multi-year agreement with Bay Street Orthopaedics to provide additional clinic and surgical services in St. Ignace. Over the next several weeks, we will welcome Drs. Scott Nemec (foot & ankle), Anthony Bozzio (spine) and Eric Mancini (knees, hips and shoulders), while Dr. Alfred Wroblewski (wrist & hand) continues his practice at Mackinac Straits.

Our staff will be working hard into the new year to develop a total joint program allowing us to perform full joint replacements in St. Ignace, including knees, shoulders and hips. **Stay tuned, Mackinac Straits is ready to become your Center for Orthopedic Care!**



Daniel Wilcox, MD
St. Ignace Medical Clinic



Joseph Hance, MD
Mackinaw City Medical Clinic

Hooping for a Cure Event Honored with Award

MSHS proudly accepted the MHA Ludwig Community Benefit Award on behalf of the “Hooping For a Cure” event which has raised \$180,000 over the past 11 years to help our oncology patients who need assistance when traveling outside the area for further treatments. The presentation was part of the 100th Annual Conference of the Michigan Health & Hospital Association on Mackinac Island in June.



Pictured above after the ceremony, standing left to right are Karen Cheeseman, MSHS CEO; Mike Grisdale, Foundation Director; Kimberly North, Foundation Coordinator; Doug Ingalls, St. Ignace Athletic Director; and Dr. Edward Smith, Oncologist. Seated, holding the award is Dorene Ingalls, St. Ignace Girls Basketball Coach.

2nd Annual Health Partners Luncheon on Mackinac Island

The MSH Foundation hosted its 2nd Annual Healthy Partners Luncheon at Grand Hotel in the Pavilion Room.

A large turnout of supporters throughout the region heard updates regarding the Mackinac Straits Health System and responded with contributions totaling over \$65,000! These gifts will help support projects and purchase equipment throughout the organization.

One of the special tributes is pictured below when Mayor Margaret Doud presented Betty BeDour with a plaque recognizing her retirement after more than 20 years of outstanding service to patients and her many contributions to several community efforts on Mackinac Island.



Above: Mackinac Island Mayor Margaret Doud and Betty BeDour.

Left: 2nd Annual Health Partners Luncheon at Grand Hotel

Chilly Temps and Rain Didn't Stop Racers from Rockin' & Runnin' in 2019

We'd like to extend our appreciation to everyone who participated in the 2019 St. Ignace Rock & Run on May 18.

As you can see in the pictures below, participants had to dress warmly, but we had a great time! Many commented on how much they liked the T-shirts, the medals, the course and all the friendly faces they saw along the route. We can't say

enough about our volunteers and those who donated their time to play music that morning.

I would like to recognize all our great sponsors and our Foundation Coordinator, Kim North who does a fantastic job of organizing this event each year!

– Mike Grisdale, Foundation Director



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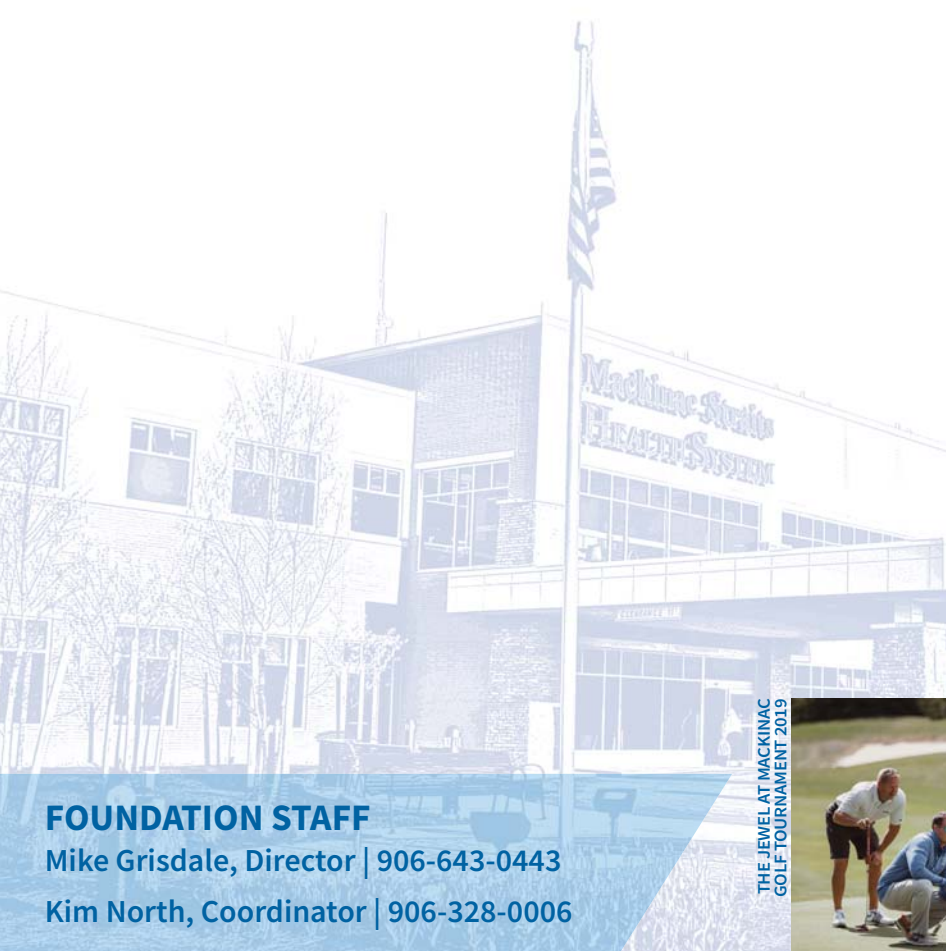
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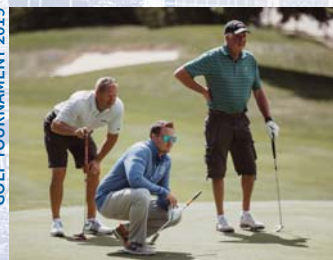


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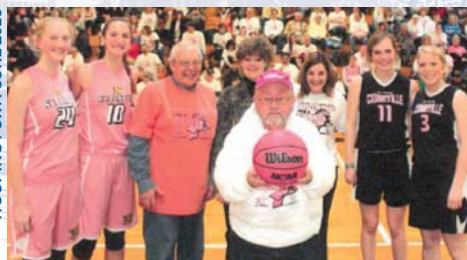
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