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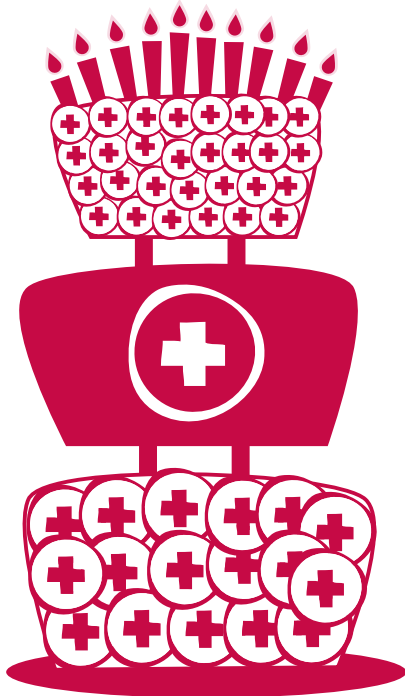
Happy 10th Anniversary

TRI CITY HEALTH PARTNERSHIP!!!

For 10 years Tri City Health Partnership has been supported by YOU; you have generously and graciously donated your time, talents and financial resources.

Because of YOUR outstanding benevolence:

*Celebrating
10 Years!*



TCHP In the past 5 years:

- The Asthma Clinic was established.
- The Acupuncture Program was established.
- The Dental program was initiated.
- The Vision program was initiated.
- The clinic began drawing labs on site.
- Diabetic education classes provided on site.
- The lower level of the clinic was remodeled.

- **15,186 visits** have been provided by our amazing Volunteer Physicians and Nurses!
- **4,700 on-site hours** have been donated by **VOLUNTEER PHYSICIANS!**
- **4,266 on-site hours** have been donated by **VOLUNTEER NURSES!**
- **2,883** local residents have received the gift of free quality medical care!
- **\$3,342.062** in prescription medications(wholesale) distributed.
- More than **705 Referrals** have been accepted by Specialists. (Patients often received multiple follow-up appointments, treatment and surgery as a result of a referral appointment.)
- A minimum of **112 surgeries** have been provided by **VALLEY AMBULATORY SURGERY CENTER**. From the beginning Dr. Bettag generously allowed **TCHP** volunteer surgeons to perform their procedures at Valley. **TCHP** patients continue to receive excellent care, delivered with compassion and respect by Valley staff and medical professionals.
- In 2010 Tri Cities Surgery Center became a **TCHP** volunteer providing surgical procedures for the free clinic.

Statistics provide the amount of care that has been extended to uninsured and low income residents of our local community over the past decade. The numbers do not paint the picture of the compassionate delivery of health care that is provided each day by **TCHP** staff and volunteers. There are hundreds of amazing stories to tell of regained health, better mobility, diagnosis w/treatment and remission, and so much more. Your neighbors in need have received quality medical care, delivered with the utmost respect by some of the most exceptional medical professionals from our community.

Without **each and every one of you**; donors and volunteers, we would not exist. Happy Anniversary **TCHP!** **Thank YOU** for a decade of benevolence and compassion.

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We Would Not Exist Without Delnor Hospital

DELNOR HOSPITAL HAS PROVIDED A FOUNDATION OF SUPPORT THAT HAS ENSURED THE SUCCESS OF **TCHP**. The **Partnership** between the free clinic and the hospital is an essential component in the delivery of quality medical care to those in the community who are uninsured and unable to pay for services.

Delnor has been supportive from the very beginning, providing a generous financial contribution as part of the initial seed money for the clinic in 2001 and 2002.

In 2003, the **Delnor Foundation** began providing funding and continues to do so today. To date, the hospital and **Delnor Foundation** have contributed **\$231,000** in financial support!

Delnor Hospital has provided thousands of labs, x-rays, diagnostic procedures and surgeries, as well as health education to patients of **TCHP**. Addressing the disparities in access to care requires many partnerships within the community. A decade of working together has resulted in tax dollars saved, thousands of emergency department visits avoided and improved health for many who live in Kane County. We are deeply grateful for the services and support provided by Delnor Hospital and the Delnor Foundation as both continue to support our mission to meet the needs of many in our community who are uninsured.

The mission of Tri City Health Partnership is to provide quality Healthcare, in an environment of mutual respect, to those members of the community without the ability to pay for services. We promote better life choices through education and preventative care to foster the growth of the whole individual.

A Decade of Generous Financial Support

In October of 2001 **Tri City Health Partnership** was founded by a group of local citizens who realized the need for quality healthcare for those in the community without insurance and struggling financially. The clinic's founders remain involved in the clinic today as board members, volunteers and donors. Their spirit of compassion and generosity has rippled through our local community resulting in a thriving free clinic where hundreds of volunteers donate their time and talents, and local health care providers partner to provide comprehensive care.

More than 1,600 individuals (29% of total funding) have contributed to the health of their friends and neighbors by supporting **TCHP** financially. Generous support through grants received from local private trusts and foundations, service clubs, churches and the United Way organizations have resulted in 52% of the clinic's funding. Local city and county government grants, along with fund raising efforts of the clinic have resulted in 18.5% of the overall support. In the past 10 years, \$2,713,091.33 in funding support has been received by **Tri City Health Partnership**. Such benevolent support is key to the success of the free clinic and continues to reflect the compassionate character of the founders.

In keeping with the theme of celebrating 10 years, below is a listing of Foundations and Organizations contributing \$10,000 or more in the last decade.

Foundations and Organizations giving \$10,000 or more:

The St. Charles Country Club Charity Event	\$460,625.00
The Dellora A. & Lester J. Norris Foundation	\$250,000.00
Delnor Foundation	\$231,000.00
Kane County Riverboat Funding	\$145,421.00
VNA Foundation	\$135,000.00
Hansen-Furnas Foundation	\$134,500.00
Alfred Bersted Foundation	\$100,000.00
The St. Charles 708 Mental Health Board	\$ 93,500.00
Attorney General's Office	\$ 85,000.00
United Way Central Kane	\$ 83,340.00
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Illinois	\$ 76,482.00
The Blowitz-Ridgeway Foundation	\$ 68,500.00
The Batavia United Way	\$ 56,300.00
Evelyn D. Carter Foundation	\$ 53,500.00
The Geneva Community Chest	\$ 48,703.00
Pentair Foundation	\$ 26,500.00
Kara Foundation	\$ 25,000.00
Pedersen Family Foundation	\$ 23,630.00
Geneva Lions Club	\$ 22,000.00
Town of St. Charles	\$ 21,950.00
The Walter J. & Edith E. Best Foundation	\$ 19,500.00
Community Foundation of Fox River Valley	\$ 17,425.00
Batavia Township	\$ 16,000.00
Shodeen Family Foundation	\$ 16,000.00
Geneva 708 Mental Health Board	\$ 15,800.00
Pfizer	\$ 15,300.00
Gordon Flesch Charitable Foundation	\$ 15,000.00
Saint Patrick Church	\$ 15,000.00
The Alben F. & Clara G. Bates Foundation	\$ 11,000.00
Bethany Lutheran Mission Development Fund	\$ 10,200.00

Welcome New Volunteers

Daniel Brady DDS Kevin Krol MD
Nan Jones RN Susan Schwaubauer RN
Kayla Koller RN Cathy Snyder RN

360 Hours and Counting...

Ask the small staff of **TCHP** what we would do without the medical volunteers and you would hear a resounding "We couldn't exist without them!" Currently there are 108 wonderful medical volunteers who provide care to patients of the free clinic. We are extremely grateful for the gift of time and talents from each and every volunteer and know that they are the backbone of **TCHP**. As we celebrate a decade of extending care to those in need, we thought it would be appropriate to shine a little light on a group of medical professionals who have been volunteering for **TCHP** for the past 8 to 10 years. On the average this computes to at least 360 hours donated to the free clinic by each volunteer.

Carol Ahmad RN	Steve Holtsford MD
Keven Arnold DDS	David Hulsey MD
Steven Baginski MD	Sarah Kimber MD
Norbert Becker MD	Kevin King MD
Steven Bielski MD	Tracey Louis RN
Jeff Bohmer MD	Bill Mackin MD
Peter Cladis MD	Robert Maganini MD
Steve Coker MD	John Mason DDS
Clare Elms RN	Darren Moxon MD
Michael Galle MD	Art Proust MD
Patrick Gannon MD	Joyce Proust RN
Bahram Ghaderi MD	Wes Ryd MD
Pam Gossman NP	Paula White RN
Susan Hamada MD	Susie White MD
Anjali Hawkins MD	David Zepeda MD

"It is people like Dr. Kimber that give this world hope. Thank you for your service to the community."

"Both times I have been to the clinic I have been treated like family by Dr. Kimber which helps ease the tension."

"Dr. Kimber treats me like I'm a superstar. And when it comes to health issues, she treats me like she's my big sister suggesting that I work on my bad habits, yet always encouraging me."

"I'm so grateful for the excellent care and compassion I've received from Dr. Kimber. What a blessing everyone is and what a relief to have medical care. Thank You!!"



**Beth Bilsley ANP
Clinical Director**

league for the rescue mission. A first time grandma, Beth spends vacation time in Austria visiting her daughter Anda, son in law Mark and granddaughter, Daphne. We warmly welcome Beth!!



at her job, she is quick witted and does not hesitate to pitch in wherever there is a need. It has not been uncommon to find Joan and her husband Joe at the clinic weeding or trimming the bushes, or volunteering for a fund raising event to benefit the free clinic. We have all marveled that she has been able to do such a fantastic job as Clinical Manager as she clearly "fits us in" when she is not hanging out with her 10 grandchildren. Joan intends to stay in touch by volunteering and filling in when needed at **TCHP** after she retires. In January she will take her first medical mission trip to Nicaragua; and thus her adventures continue. Joan, we love you and wish you the very best!!!



Dr. Sarah T. Kimber receives the 27th Annual William D. Barth Award

In October of 2011, Dr. Sarah T. Kimber received the William D. Barth Award for her investment in the local community through her volunteerism through the free clinic. For the past 10 years Dr. Kimber has provided extraordinary care for hundreds of **TCHP** patients, donating more than 1,700 hours of her time at the clinic. The number of hours donated represent a selfless gift of time, talents and certainly in Dr. Kimber's case, a great deal of extended compassion to those in need.

Patients of the clinic often take the time to provide anonymous comments through patient satisfaction surveys provided at each appointment. The comments to the left were taken from recent surveys and provide a glimpse of the outstanding care Dr. Kimber provides to each patients of **TCHP**.

Congratulations Dr. Kimber, you are most deserving of this award and we are honored to know you!

New Staff Addition

TCHP welcomes our new Clinical Director, Beth Bilsley, ANP. Beth was hired as of October 1, 2011 after volunteering for **TCHP** for 10 months. In the coming months Beth will assume the position currently held by Joan Burke who will be retiring. She has 31 years of experience as a nurse practitioner, the majority of which has been in community health. Her initial training was at Allegheny General Hospital in Pittsburgh, PA and her internship was with St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Youngstown, Ohio. Beth lives in St. Charles, and is active in church and other community activities such as coaching little

Joan, Say It Isn't So.... We Don't Really Want To See You Go

Joan Burke, RN and current Clinical Manager of **TCHP** announced this fall that she will be retiring as of December 31, 2011. Joan has been an RN for approximately 29 years and has been with the free clinic almost from the very beginning. For four years Joan was a volunteer nurse and then agreed to come on board as a staff RN in January of 2007. In 2009 Joan became the clinic's Clinical Manager where she will continue until the end of 2011. Not only is Joan excellent

NOW and THEN

2011		2006-2010		2001 – 2005	
Age		Age		Age	
Under 18	2%	Under 18	6%	Under 18	9%
18 – 24	13%	18 – 24	11%	18 – 24	8%
25 – 34	18%	25 – 34	27%	25 – 34	30%
35 – 44	18%	35 – 44	19%	35 – 44	20%
45 – 64	48%	45 – 64	33%	45 – 64	28%
65 +	1%	65 +	4%	65 +	5%
Race		Race		Race	
African Am.	3%	African Am.	3%	African Am.	3%
Asian	3%	Asian	2%	Asian	2%
Hispanic	10%	Hispanic	22%	Hispanic	24%
White	83%	White	71%	White	69%
Other	1%	Other	2%	Other	2%
City of Residence		City of Residence		City of Residence	
Batavia	13%	Batavia	15%	Batavia	13%
Elburn	4%	Elburn	4%	Elburn	2%
Geneva	11%	Geneva	13%	Geneva	12%
St. Charles	68%	St. Charles	62%	St. Charles	64%
Other	4%	Other	6%	Other	9%
Status		Status		Status	
Full Time	9%	Full Time	18%	Full Time	26%
Part Time	29%	Part Time	29%	Part Time	24%
Unemployed	60%	Unemployed	46%	Unemployed	26%
Students, Retired or Cannot Work	2%	Students, Retired or Cannot Work	7%	Students, Retired or Cannot Work	24%



Mom's of St. Charles Make a Difference

The St. Charles Mother's Club is an organization that works together to improve the lives of women, children and families in the community through philanthropic activities and community outreach events. These amazing ladies have logged in over 900 volunteer hours at the clinic volunteering once a week for the past 10 years to assist the staff with administrative, clerical and miscellaneous tasks. The fact that

they chose the free clinic over a pedicure, bubble bath, or shopping, speaks to the character that is representative of the mother's club. Thank you SCMC ladies for 10 years of help; you are all worth your weight in bon bons!!!



August 21, 2011, Sammy's Bikes Did It Again

For the second year in a row, Sammy Radi, owner of Sammy's Bikes and Dr. Bob Maganani, **TCHP** volunteer and surgeon extraordinaire, organized the Tri Cities Gran Fondo charity cycling event, raising more than \$8,000 to benefit the free clinic. On a gorgeous August morning approximately 200 riders of all ages departed from Sammy's Bikes, cycling 15, 50 or 100 miles in support of **Tri City Health Partnership**. We would like to gratefully acknowledge Sammy and his staff, Dr. Bob and his entire family for the preparation and participation that made this event a success. Also key to the success of the event are those who provided generous financial sponsorship and healthy snacks and beverages; BMO Harris, Costco, PhotoFax and Power Bar. Once again Sammy out did himself providing fantastic prizes and awards for those in attendance. Dr. Bob and Sammy indicate that next year will be bigger and better and we believe them. We are looking

forward to next year's ride and invite you to participate in this fun event. For all your cycling needs, visit Sammy's newly remodeled shop at 602 South 1st Street in St. Charles. 630.444.0609

Tri City Health Partnership Board of Directors

The Board of Directors is a group of people who donate their time and talents behind the scenes and are often overlooked. Since 2001, the **Tri City Health Partnership** board of directors has donated a minimum of 1400 hours. This does not include significant time spent in the "early days" in just about every capacity imaginable. Back then it was all hands on deck where many of the board members (and their spouses) had full time jobs, were treating patients, writing grants, providing public presentations, emptying the garbage and more. Their donation of time, talents and support is invaluable. (Past members: Father Beekman, John Mason and Dr. Susan White)

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Joan Burke, RN.....	Clinical Manager
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That's a number that just about knocks our socks off. It represents the largest donor of **Tri City Health Partnership**. It represents an organization and a group of people who like many of the **TCHP** supporters, truly care about those in need. The number represents hundreds of hours of preparation and dedication, resulting in over the top fund raising outcomes. The number represents loads of generosity, tons of fun, golfing, raffles, fantastic food and beverage. It represents a beautifully maintained country club in St. Charles. The number, \$460,625.00 is the amount of support **TCHP** has received in the past decade from The St. Charles Country Club Charity Event! For every \$1.00 donated to a free clinic, \$5.00 to \$8.00 in medical services is provided to someone in need; $\$440,625.00 \times \$5.00 = \$2,303,125$. Thank you is not enough, but perhaps knowing that over two thousand nine hundred individuals have been cared for as a result of that generous number; well, that should provide a sense of heartfelt satisfaction.





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**If You Have an Email Address,
 we NEED YOUR HELP!**

TCHP has qualified for the finals in a contest to win a VW Beetle. This is a local contest hosted by Fox Valley Volkswagen. They are generously giving away 2 VW Beetles; one to a deserving individual and one to a non-profit organization. If the free clinic wins the car, a lucky person could actually win a 2012 VW Beetle for \$100.00 and **TCHP** will have \$50,000 to be utilized in providing medical care.

Helping us win will take no more than 5 minutes of your time. The contest requires that people vote for their favorite non-profit and favorite individual. We need votes and lots of them for the month of December. Will you vote everyday? **CHANCES ARE YOU WILL NOT** and this is why **WE WILL VOTE FOR YOU**. You simply need to register on line, submit the registration and then respond to the email that will be sent to you for verification of your email. When you respond to the email you will be taken back to the voting site. At this point you can simply close the screen and you are finished. With your permission, we will then take over and vote for you every single day. We will not win this car without your help so please consider registering today.

Once you have registered and verified your email, call or send us an email indicating the email address you used to register and the password that you chose. A good password might be lovebug, or freehealth.

When we win (**WITH YOUR HELP**), we will contact all voters who have provided their emails first to offer a chance at purchasing a \$100.00 raffle ticket to win the car. We intend to only sell 500 raffle tickets. **Register on line at: www.lovebugcontest.com** Questions? 630.377.9277