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Welcome to Trinity Tidbits. This bi-weekly electronic resource is part of a larger effort to improve communication and help control costs at Trinity Regional Health System. We respectfully request that you not print Tidbits, unless absolutely necessary. Thank you for helping us to conserve our limited resources.

Standards spotlight: EXCELLENCE “In Medical Records we strive for excellence by following HIPAA guidelines every day. We look to excel in our kindness toward other associates, our physicians, our patients and the public. (Submitted by **Sharon Brauneis**, Medical Records.)

NetLearning due Oct. 31 Mandatory NetLearning modules must be completed by Oct. 31. Failure to do so will result in loss of eligibility for performance increases. Contact **Richelle Kuboushek** (309) 779-2305, or KubousRM@ihs.org, with questions.

They want to suck your blood A Halloween-themed blood drive will be held at the Rock Island campus from 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday, Oct. 31, in the Jardine Auditorium. Enjoy the provided treats, no tricks involved, while donating for a chance to win a drawing for a Halloween gift basket! Call (309) 779-2211 to schedule your time.

Go Red for Women Tickets are now on-sale for the American Heart Association’s Go Red for Women event, held Tuesday, Nov. 8, at the RiverCenter in Davenport. Doors open at 10:30 a.m. for educational breakout sessions, silent auction bidding and a vendor fair. Lunch and speakers begin at noon. Tickets are \$35 and may be purchased online at www.quadcitiesgoredforwomen.org. Trinity is a proud sponsor for the 8th year.

Who’s the Biggest Loser? Congratulations to **Karen Martin** (Registration), top loser in Trinity Live Well’s Biggest Loser competition. She lost 13.75% body weight, winning first place and \$250. **Theresa Santee** (Home Care Products) came in second place, losing 12% body weight and winning \$100. **Dawn Rude** (Case Management) came in third place, losing 8.99% body weight to win \$50. The next session of the Biggest Loser will run Nov. 9 to Jan. 4. Entry fee is \$15. Register by Nov. 7 by contacting **Jeni Tackett** (563) 742-4500, Tackettj@ihs.org, or **Ann Sellers** (309) 779-2244, Sellersa@ihs.org.

Do we have your current mailing address? It’s that time of year to check if we have your current home mailing address. Often times, important communication comes through the mail from your employer. Simply log onto Your Benefit Source (<http://BenefitSource.ihs.org>) to update your information quickly and conveniently online. If you have any problems with the login, please contact IT Service Center at ext. 2375 or (515) 241-6288.

Pharmacy hours change The Trinity Retail Pharmacy’s new hours are now 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, The retail pharmacy values their customers and appreciates their business.

Movin’ on up Please welcome **Dr. Ahmed Okba** to his new appointment as the Medical Director for Trinity’s Transitional Care Unit (TCU). Dr. Okba will replace TCU’s long-time Medical Director **Dr. Paul McLoone**, who is expanding his duties as the Chief Medical Officer for Trinity.

Party on! Happy Health Information Technology Week Nov. 6-12. Thanks to all of our associates in Medical Records, Coding and Transcription for their contributions to the Trinity team.

Condolences Heartfelt condolences go out to **Courtney Sullivan** (Sleep Center) and **Chasity Holmquist** (Bettendorf Surgery) on the loss of their grandfathers, **Mary Finch** (Moline Ambulatory Surgery) on the death of her father-in-law, **Melissa Murphey** (OR) on the passing of her grandmother and **Rebecca Navarro** (Registration) on the loss of her mother.

Shop the magnificent mile without driving a mile The Trinity downtown Chicago shopping trip will depart from the Moline campus at 6 a.m. on both Saturday, Nov. 5, and Nov. 12. Cost is \$30 per person. Payment must be paid when signing up at the HR department, no refunds. Contact **Kim Kochuyt**, (309) 779-5852, or **Michelle Laxton**, (309) 779-2286, for more details.

Happy Orthopedic Nurses Day! TMC total joint replacement surgery is up 20% or more over last year's volume at both Rock Island and Bettendorf campuses. Orthopedic Nurses Day is Oct. 30. The Total Joint Replacement team would like to recognize everyone involved in the care of orthopedic patients on this day. We appreciate all you do to make a difference for our orthopedic patients!

Magnet moxy Congratulations to **Mary A. Petersen** (Director of Professional Nursing Practice), **Michelle Blackmer** (Nurse Manager, Inpatient Behavioral Health), **Diane Laake** (staff nurse, 7 South) and **Paula Maddox** (Clinical Nurse Educator), who were selected to give a poster presentation in Baltimore at the ANCC National Magnet Conference recently. There were 1,600+ abstracts submitted by Magnet hospitals across the world, and less than 8% were accepted for live presentation. Trinity's "Urine-8 Project: Eliminating Catheter Associated Urinary Tract Infections" was one of the 120 projects selected. The conference was attended by over 7,500 nurses from all 50 states and 13 different countries.

Sam's Club Pre-Season Gala Stop by the Davenport Sam's Club from 6-8 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 6, for an invitation-only, after-hours shopping event. Bring the invitation, or simply show your Trinity badge for admittance. Feel free to bring a family member or friend to this exclusive event featuring free cake, nachos, warm cider, and punch. Food will be served at 6:30 p.m. The first 100 employees to attend will receive a free product bag. Contact Linda Ketelsen (563) 355-1253 with questions.

Friends with "Mr. Thanksgiving" Friends of Trinity Medical Center will welcome "Mr. Thanksgiving" Bob Vogelbaugh as guest speaker at their luncheon/general meeting on Monday, Nov. 7, at Jumer's Casino and Hotel, Rock Island. Doors will open at 11:30 a.m., with a luncheon at noon and program to follow. Since 1970, Vogelbaugh has served the Quad-Cities with his passion for bringing people together for the holidays. For reservations please call (309) 779-2343 by Nov. 1. Cost is \$18 per person. The public is welcome.

New combination equals multi-specialty clinic Trinity Pulmonary Clinic from Suite 127 and Trinity Physical Rehabilitation from Suite 125 have combined into a multi-specialty clinic that now occupies Suite 124 in Medical Office Building 2. Contact them at 779-3670.

Rx convenience Beginning Nov. 1, you can call your prescription in to Trinity Retail Pharmacy by 11 a.m. and pick it up at the Rock Island or Bettendorf campus Home Care Products store between 1-3 p.m., Monday through Friday. You must fill out a Trinity Retail Pharmacy prescription pick-up release, which can be found under the Forms and Documents section of the Intranet. Over-the-counter drugs will be available at those locations as well on Nov. 1. For further information, please see the Intranet.

Happy trails A big thank you to **Jolene McKoon** (Administration) for her 30+ years of dedicated service to Trinity and to the community. The entire Trinity team wishes her much happiness in her well-deserved retirement.

Try out the Y Trinity and the Quad City YMCAs have entered into a corporate partnership that allows Trinity employees to receive a multitude of benefits, including free one-week passes, wellness coaching and class sessions and access to all YMCA facilities in the U.S. For more information, contact the nearest YMCA location or **Colleen Borts**, Trinity Live Well team leader, at 779-5041.

Volunteer at the gift shop Are you or anyone you know interested in volunteering as a clerk at Trinity's Moline or Rock Island gift shops? Applications can be picked up outside any Trinity gift shop or online at trinityqc.com by clicking on "Ways to Give" and selecting "Volunteers & Friends." Applicants should be comfortable interacting with the public and have retail and/or computer experience. Varying shifts available.

Need someone to listen? Contact EAP at 779-2273 or (800) 383-7900 for a FREE and confidential consultation.

Want to share a tidbit? Send ideas to tidbits@lhs.org. The next *Tidbits* comes out on Friday, Nov. 11. Content deadline is noon on **Wednesday, Nov. 9.**