

The Monitor

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OAHS, Northside Medical Clinic & Big Stone Health Care Foundation present:

HOLLY HOFFMAN, CBS' SURVIVOR NICARAGUA

OAHS is celebrating a year of survival with construction & EPIC GoLive



Now we are inviting **YOU**, the public to a night of Inspiration, Determination and Motivation!

Thursday, August 16

at 6:00 p.m.

Ortonville High School Auditorium

Meet **Holly Hoffman, CBS' Survivor Nicaragua finalist**; hear her inspirational story which will truly endear your heart with the experience of Life **BEFORE.... DURING and AFTER...** her time on Survivor and her growing determination to never give up.

This event is free to the public and we invite you to celebrate our accomplishments over the past year.

Her book will be released in July and she will be available for book signing and photos following the program.

Refreshments will be served.

NORTHRIDGE RESIDENCE HAS NEW RAISED GARDEN



At the Health Fair on May 9th, OAHS served a freewill offering BBQ and chip lunch with proceeds to be used to purchase a raised flower bed. The generosity of the public made it possible for a 3 ft x 9 ft cedar raised bed to be constructed and placed near the gazebo. The bed was designed and constructed by Jim Scheff, who donated part of the labor costs. His donation left us more funds for a variety of flowers and our new raised garden was ready to go within a week. So off to Lou's Greenhouse we went—a bus full of residents eager to find the best plants for our garden. They chose a variety of hardy plants to keep Northridge blooming all summer long.

Thanks to the generosity of the community & to all who made this possible!

Twyla Hinneberg, Isabel Kraemer, Edna Paasche, Rena Bagne and seated Lalah Holtquist



Kelsey Henningson-Kaye, PA-C and Scrubs at Clinton Clinic picnic



Reese Cronen & Scrubs at Library Summer Reading Program Event



Kristine Meyer accepts congratulations as new Laboratory Manager from retiring manager, Sandy Hanson

INTRODUCING....SCRUBS!

Meet the new mascot for Ortonville Area Health Services....SCRUBS! In an effort to increase and improve our visibility, the OAHS Marketing Committee made a decision to come up with a mascot that could appeal to our younger generation. The costume was chosen and ordered and OAHS sponsored a "Name That Dog" contest for ages 3-12. With over 150 entries, the Marketing Committee had a tough decision but ultimately unanimously chose Scrubs for the dog's name. Caden Unzen of Hugo, Minnesota was the winner of the contest and received a new bike for his submission. 10-year old Caden is the grandson of Brad and Sandy Hanson of Big Stone City, SD.

Scrubs has been busy already appearing at the community picnic at Clinton Clinic, at the Summer Reading program for the Ortonville Library and also taking part in the Celebrate Clinton parade. Future appearances include parades and special events in the area.

Congratulations Caden and welcome Scrubs to the OAHS team!

Retirement & New Lab Manager

Congratulations to Sandy Hanson who after dedicating 35 1/2 years to OAHS has decided to retire effective July 31, 2012. Sandy began her employment January 10, 1977 as a lab tech, appointed as interim lab manager in 1999 and accepted the formal position in 2000.

Sandy states her plans for retirement are to "not have a plan" at first to see if it is possible to be bored! Seriously though she plans to spend more time with family and friends, catch up on some things at home, continue with puppet shows and church and telling "Camel Stories" as well as vacation with her husband, Brad, when he retires.

Congratulations to Kristine Meyer, who will take over the helm as Lab Manager. She is transitioning into this role currently. Kris has been a lab tech at OAHS since November 1, 1999 and was a lab tech at Mayo Clinic in Rochester for 10 years prior to that. She and her husband, John (full time National Guards) have three daughters.

Best Wishes to Sandy in her retirement and thanks for your years of dedication. Also, congratulations to Kris Meyer in your new role!

ANNOUNCING THE ADDITION OF SUSAN KECK-ANDERSEN, MD

OAHS and Northside Medical Clinic Ortonville Area Health Services is pleased to announce the addition of Susan M. Keck -Andersen MD. Dr. Andersen will be joining OAHS as a Family Medicine Physician in the summer of 2013. She completed her Medical Degree at the Sanford School of Medicine and currently is a 3rd year resident at the Sioux Falls Family Medicine Residency Program. Dr. Andersen is from Stockholm, South Dakota and is married to Ed and they have a nine-year-old son.

LUNCH & LEARN PRESENTATION**CONCUSSIONS & ON-THE-FIELD INJURIES**
Featuring Dr. Casey Johnston

Thursday, August 23, 2012
12:00 Noon
Lower Level Dialysis Center
Ortonville, MN

Dr. Casey Johnson is an Orthopedic Specialist from Glacial Lakes Orthopedic Center in Watertown. He treats and manages orthopedic injuries such as fractures, pain and injury to the shoulder, knee and hips. Some arthroscopic surgery and joint replacement surgery of the hips and knees can be done in Ortonville.

Enjoy a FREE lunch while attending this FREE presentation.

Pre-registration preferred, but not required, by calling Donna at 320-839-4138.



Outreach Services

This column is a continuing effort to familiarize our area with the specialists that provide visits to our facility. In the last two issues, we introduced you to several of our specialists. This issue highlights the specialists who have not been featured in previous issues.

Dr. Curt Wischmeier is an ophthalmologist. He treats disorders of the eye including glaucoma, eye injuries, cataracts and eye infections. Dr. Wischmeier is from Aberdeen, SD. He performs cataract surgery every other month in Ortonville. He sees patients at Conroy Eye Care in Ortonville and Milbank monthly.

Dr. Patrick Retterath is a pain management specialist. He treats and manages chronic and acute pain conditions. Dr. Retterath performs injections of the back, neck and joints here in Ortonville. He comes from Watertown, SD one time a month.

Dr. Steve Saccoman comes from Willmar, MN and is a podiatrist (foot doctor). He is on-site two times a month. He treats nail, heel and foot problems such as plantar fasciitis and bunions, ingrown toenails, etc. Dr. Saccoman performs surgery here in Ortonville.

Dr. Rob Kruger is our general surgeon from Willmar, MN. He is on-site most Tuesdays. Dr. Kruger performs general surgeries such as laparoscopic gallbladder, hernias, mastectomies, colon surgeries and also does colonoscopies and endoscopies 2-3 times per month.

Dr. Kevin Unger is a urologist from Willmar. He comes to Ortonville one time a month. Dr. Unger treats and manages urinary problems in males and females, including kidney problems and prostate problems in men. Surgeries can be performed in Ortonville.

Neuro Telemedicine—Dr. Jerome Freeman and Dr. Bassel Salem provide neurology consults via telemedicine. They are able to see and talk to you in real time. The nurses assist with the exams and ordering tests. They treat and manage such conditions as headaches, tremors, stroke, and problems with the nervous system..

For additional information on our specialists or other Outreach questions, please call the Outreach department at 320-839-4120.



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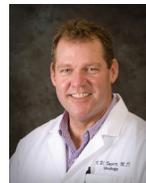
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