

## Superintendent's Message

As I write this and look out my window, the sun is shining and the last of the leaves are being picked up in front of the Administration Building by the tireless working members of the grounds department. What a difference 24 hours can make. I was also thinking that last night many weren't so fortunate as us when those very scary storm clouds, tornados, and a bunch of rain and wind was all around us. It just made me think again how much I need to appreciate what we have as things can change so quickly, like the saying is in a New York minute! So as I am thankful for the fact that we were spared, I am cognizant of those who again who were less fortunate like those throughout the state or the poor folks in the Philippines. So let us reflect, be thankful, and be supportive in whatever way we can, financially, in our thoughts and prayers, and in our actions.

Again, thanks for your continued dedication and hard work!

*Jeff*

### Congratulations to Wilma Paul — Employee of the Month for October



I was so surprised to receive this nomination! I am the RN on 417C night shift. I have been at RSH for 25 years, and I came to work here right out of Nursing School so this is the only place I have worked as a nurse.

My husband is deceased, my son Jason is Assistant Branch Manager at US Bank in Centerville, and my daughter-in-law, Neva, is a surgical nurse at Fayette Regional Health Care System in our hometown of Connorsville. I have the most wonderful granddaughter, Lenna, who is 8 months old and is one of the greatest joys of my life. My family and I are very involved in our church, and I've been on two missions trips - one to Egypt, then a vacation in Israel, and the other one to Costa Rica. These were both great experiences, and I would love to go on another mission trip someday.

I collect old Fenton glassware, especially the cranberry hobnail. I hope to retire the end of 2014 and spend time with my family and as much time as I can in southern Florida on the gulf side.

RSH is such an unusual place to work. The challenges I face as a nurse here definitely take me out of my comfort zone. Yet I feel I am a stronger person for working here. My heart has been touched by many patients through the years, and that's what I choose to focus on instead of the difficult times that came my way. The think I like most about working at RSH is definitely my co-workers! It truly is like a family here, and they are most generous in times of need. I have been on the receiving end of collections, comfort and encouragement several times throughout the years. Many have "had my back" in crisis situations, and I've made many "forever friends". I'm thankful for my job, and I've always felt like I was supposed to work here and that's why I stayed.

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### New Faces at RSH

Please welcome our new employees at RSH when you see them on grounds.

**Welcome to RSH!**



Brett Dane, BHRA



Daniel Hampton, BHRA



Sarah Martin, BHRA



Stephanie Dowell, BHRA



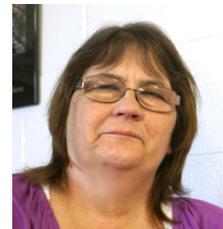
Kenny Weatherly,  
Housekeeping



Kenneth Johnson,  
Security



Josh Alcorn,  
Maintenance



Jayme Chalfaut, LPN

## In the Spotlight George Mittenthal

By Jesse Hodges



I sat down today with a long time employee here at Richmond State Hospital, George Mittenthal. George has been an employee here at RSH for 12 yrs as a BHRA. He was in the Marine Corps for 5 1/2 years as an Infantryman and has lived in several different countries.

George is married to Maria Mittenthal who also is a Nurse here at RSH. They have 2 kids together, 1 boy and 1 girl. Nikki is 15 and is a straight A student who also plays soccer. Jaeden is 9 yrs a old and is also a straight A student who plays basketball and soccer. George states that “obviously they take after their mother”.

He enjoys working with the clients to help them be constructive with their lives and to become a part of society. He also enjoys the staff here at RSH, the compassion that they show, and their willingness to help the mentally ill.

He shared that he enjoys coaching soccer and spending time with his fam-ily. Swimming and summer time activities are his favorite. He likes to read history books and learning about the history of the world and countries he has visited.

George loves to travel to other countries and sample their foods and culture. In the Philippines he tried a local dish called “Adidas” and it consisted of chicken feet in a soup. “It’s really good,” he says.

In 2008 they went to Cebu, Philippines to visit Maria’s family and introduce them to the children. They visited around Christmas time.

George is a family oriented person, and it shows in his ability to treat clients and staff here at RSH as if they were his extended family. He wishes everyone the best of holidays.

## Training Schedule

### Recertification in Bridge Building

Dates: Nov. 25, Dec. 12 & 27  
Time: 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.  
Location: Staff Development

### Recertification in Professional CPR

Dates: Nov. 25, Dec. 12 & 27  
Time: 12:15 to 3:45 p.m.  
Location: Staff Development

### Evening shift recert in Bridge Bldg.

Date: Dec. 9 & 26  
Time: 3:30 to 7:00 p.m.  
Location: Staff Development

### Evening shift recert in Professional CPR

Date: November 22  
Time: 3:30 to 7:00 p.m.  
Location: Staff Development

\*Annual recerts are scheduled during your birth month.

**These new employees have completed their orientation in Staff Development:**

- Blaine Allen – BHRA 420B/even**
- Todd Bailey – Maintenance**
- Mary Crandall – BHRA 420A/even**
- Kassandra Fields – BHRA 417C/even**
- Trenton Ford – BHRA 417A/night**
- Jason Hall – BHRA 417A/night**
- Ellen Lewis – BHRA 420A/even**
- Kaitlyn Mosier – Secretary**
- Sara Roupe – BHRA 421A/night**
- Aaron Stevens – 420B/even**
- Kenneth Terhaar – 421B/even**

Staff Development will be closed to observe the following holidays:

- Nov. 28 – Thanksgiving
- Nov. 29 – Lincoln’s Birthday
- Dec. 24 – Washington’s Birthday
- Dec. 25 - Christmas



Thanks to everyone who participated dressing up for Halloween! The staff and patients enjoyed it!



The winner of the drawing is **Jessy Dalby** from RTC! Congratulations!



## ADOPT-A-PATIENT PROGRAM

The Adopt-a-Patient program is one of our most popular methods of providing gifts for our patients

For some people, playing “Santa” for the patients at Richmond State Hospital is more rewarding knowing a particular person by their first name and selecting gifts for that person. If you would like to participate in this program, just fill out the bottom portion of this brochure and mail it to the address which is provided or call the telephone numbers on the back. We will send you all the information you will need to start your shopping.

### HERE’S HOW IT WORKS

All you need to do is follow these 3 easy steps.

Return the request on this flyer or call the Community Relations Department at 765-935-9394. We will supply you with the patient’s name and wish list.

Purchase items on the patient’s wish list. You can purchase as many items on their list as you are able to. Do not feel obligated to purchase all the items since this is only suggestions for that particular patient.

Bring gifts to Richmond State Hospital and have the patient’s name and your name attached. Please do not wrap presents.

Don’t let someone with mental illness be forgotten this  
**HOLIDAY SEASON!**

Please cut or tear on the dotted line and return the form to Richmond State Hospital:

Yes, I/my organization would like to sponsor a Richmond State Hospital Patient for Christmas. Please send a Christmas “Wish List” to the following:

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Organization Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

I, or my group, will sponsor \_\_\_\_\_ patients



**Grassroots  
Christmas  
Raffle**

Drawing will be at the  
Employee Christmas  
Dinner December 19th

Tickets are \$1.00 each  
or Six for \$5.00



Contact any Grassroots Member for Tickets: Beth Thompson, Rick Searcy, Mike Lowden, Terresa Bradburn, Kathy Tuggle, Carmie Kitchen, Janice Doty, Luanne Handysaylor, Trisha Turman-Smith, Joanna Smith, Terri Ogle, Kristi Johnson, and Penny Sams

- Colored Pencils
- Large Pencil
- Extra Large USA Shirt
- Girls Thermal Gloves
- Man's Hat
- Men's Body Wash
- Measuring Cups
- Necklace and Earring Set
- Plush Stockings
- Santa Hat
- Crayons
- Christmas Socks
- Hand Lotion
- Cough Drops
- One Size Christmas Gloves
- Large Candy Cane
- Two - \$10 McDonald's
- Coupons
- Two - \$10 I-Tune Gift Cards
- Table Santa
- Christmas Throw
- Warm Glow Candle and Gift Card
- Girls Nail Polish Set
- 3 Piece Candle Set
- Batman activity
- Christmas Cards
- Ladies Robe
- Scentos (Scented Markers)
- 2014 Calendar
- Coloring Book
- 2 Tickets To Civic Hall & Assoc. Performance
- Large Paper Christmas Plates
- Small Paper Christmas Plates
- Christmas Napkins
- Mug with Nestle Hot Chocolate
- Christmas Containers
- 3 Piece Snowman Pot Holders

**CHRISTMAS GIFT LIFT PROGRAM WISH LIST 2013**  
**POPULATION – 210 MEN 150 – WOMEN 60**

CLOTHING

- Baseball Caps
- Coat
- Hat and Gloves
- Hoodie
- Socks
- Robes
- Sweat Pants
- Sweat Shirts
- T-Shirt
- Jeans/Pants
- Pajamas
- Slippers
- Tennis Shoes
- Underwear

PERSONAL HYGIENE

- Body Lotion
- Body Wash
- Deodorant
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Brush/Comb
- Hair Accessories
- Shampoo
- Conditioner

UNIT GIFTS

- Board Games
- Footballs
- Basketballs
- Volleyballs
- Puzzles

**SPECIAL REQUEST  
PLEASE NOTE:  
NO GLASS BOTTLES  
OR GLASS MIRRORS  
  
PLASTIC CONTAINERS  
ARE ACCEPTABLE**

MISCELLANEOUS

- Postage Stamps
- Watches
- Books
- Playing cards
- Wallets
- Journals
- Stationery Bibles
- Puzzle Books
- Art Supplies
- Sketch pads
- Markers
- Crayons
- Color Pencils
- Bibles

**We have twice as many men  
as women and always need  
more men's items**

SNACKS & BEVER-

AGES

- Candy
- Nuts
- Chips
- Microwave Popcorn
- Instant Coffee
- Plastic Jars
- Hot Chocolate
- Regular and Sugar Free
- Tea Packets
- Water Flavoring Packets

**No Personal Care Product  
and Supplies Containing  
Alcohol**

Clothing sizes needed  
medium through 3X



## Years of Service Recoginees

Below are the names of those that are to be recognized for their years of service at our Christmas dinner. If you feel your name should be on this list or you are on here by mistake, please give me a call at 9201 or send me an email at [donna.crist@fssa.in.gov](mailto:donna.crist@fssa.in.gov).

### Five Years of Service

Gary Ash  
Alfred Bowen III  
Donna Brown  
Jessica Dalbey  
Toni Gesler  
Gretchen Gibbs  
James Gordon  
Pamela Johnson  
Karie Miller  
Kathy Oler  
Martha Pollitt  
Ashley Stevens  
Sherry Taylor

### 10 Years of Service

Ron Bailey, Jr.  
Jean Begley  
Sharon Boggs  
Sharon Bragg  
Lenora Brockman  
Damita Burden

Thomas Beam  
Wanda Butts  
Mary Clark  
Rebecca Conley  
Jacqueline Cox  
Shannon Day  
Lynnette Deloney  
Lisa Gentile  
Jesse Hodges  
Timothy Holt  
Cheryl Hylton  
Lori Krick  
Robert Lainhart  
Joanna Lance  
Angelina Mays  
Cheryl Moore  
Janet Moore  
Michael Morrow  
D'Aune Murray  
Diane Mustard  
Michelle Poe  
Carolyn Rayburn

Michael Stevens  
Heidi Stolle  
Jay Wenning  
Brian Wilks

### 15 Years of Service

Sandra Smith  
James Webb Jr.

### 20 Years of Service

Dawn Coates  
Mark Deregnaucourt  
Ruth Edwards  
Melissa Ervin  
Corey Laughlin  
Jana Laymon  
Roberta Walter  
Cynthia Wasson

### 25 Years of Service

Kimberley Byers  
Dixie Gabbard

Tina Holmes  
Wilma Paul  
Larry Reed  
Steven Sacre

### 30 Years of Service

Keith Burkman  
Alan Horseman  
Vanda Nunley

### 35 Years of Service

Lynda Dean  
Kenneth Girten  
John Jantz  
David Shelford  
Dana Smith  
Earl Throop.

### 40 Years of Service

Patricia Blankenship

## Christmas & Employee Recognition Dinner

Don't forget the Christmas and Employee Recognition dinner on December 19th, CTC Gym, 11:00 a.m. and 9 p.m.

**Employee recognition begins at noon.** For those being recognized, you may invite family members to come if you'd like, and all retirees are always welcome to attend as well.

Be sure to bring your canned goods for the food pantry!

Also, if anyone would like to donate deserts, they would be greatly appreciated.

See you then!



**Do you know this building  
and its location?**

**It's building 307, Motor Pool/Maintenance  
Offices located on 3rd Street between Grove  
Road and the Print Shop/Industrial Building.**

## Christmas Announcements

**Hit the Can** – Please hit the can with any monetary donations i.e. spare change, you might have in your pocket or purse. Christmas Cans are placed at the Credit Union, AIT lobby, Administration Lobby and the CTC timekeepers office. Every little bit helps with making Christmas for our patients a special one.

### **Monetary Donations for our Patient's Gifts** –

Don't have time to shop and/or shopping is not your thing? The RSH Christmas Elves will take care of it. Please contact us at Community Relations, Connie Taylor, Kathy Tuggle, Denise Townsend and Tara Jamison and we will be happy to shop for you for our patients. (Extensions 9350, 9394, 9352 and 9217.)

**Christmas Gift Wrap** – At Christmas time we have volunteers who help us wrap all of the patients Christmas gifts. All patients get three gifts in boxes so with 200 patients we have 600 gifts to wrap. We are in need of rolls of Christmas wrapping paper and tissue paper. We do not need any Christmas bags. Please look in your supplies at home and you can bring them into us at Community Relations Office or drop them off at the Switchboard.



## Soon It Will Be 2013 Tax Time!

**Does your personal information in PeopleSoft have your correct address? Does your check stub have the correct address?**

Changing your address in PeopleSoft personal information **does not** correct the address on your payroll records (check stub) or the W-2. PeopleSoft personal information is used to update your address for your benefits. You must update address changes with the Payroll Department so we can change the address on your pay check and the W-2.

Please make sure you review your current address so there will not be a delay in your W-2. You may email Shannon Newman with any address changes.

Shannon Newman  
Payroll

**FREE PICTURE WITH SANTA CLAUS  
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2013  
11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. & 4:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.  
IN STAFF DEVELOPMENT**

**Enter at the main lobby/front porch of building 416**

**NO LINE TO STAND IN!**

**Treats and Crafts for little ones provided while you wait.  
Courtesy of your Grass Roots Committee**

**For Employees of RSH— may bring child, grandchild, etc.**





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 <u>NAMI Christmas Party</u> 6:00pm CTC Building	4	5	6 <u>Gifts For Adopt A Patient Are Due</u>	7
8 <u>Unit Christmas Parties 2 p.m.</u> Brunch at noon	9	10	11	12 <u>Christmas Bazaar</u> 6:00am to 6:00pm CTC Living Skills	13 <u>Christmas Bazaar</u> 7:30am to 11:00am CTC Living Skills	14 <u>Luncheon for Veteran Patients</u> CTC Training Center 1:00pm
15	16 <u>Christmas Music Concert &amp; Sing along</u> 1p.m. CTC Training Center	17 <u>Christmas Movie</u> 6 p.m. CTC Training Center	18 <u>Cookie Decorating &amp; Storytelling</u> 6 p.m. CTC Living Skills	19 <u>RSH Employee Dinner</u> Starts 11 a.m. Noon - Awards 9 p.m. Evening/Nights <u>Christmas Karaoke</u> 6 p.m. CTC Training Center	20	21
22	23 <u>Patients gifts Delivery Day in the Morning</u>	24 <u>Day off Christmas Eve</u>	25 <b>MERRY CHRISTMAS</b>	26	27	28
29	30	31	<b>HAPPY NEW YEAR</b>			