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Methodist Mansfield Celebrates First Year

Mansfield Methodist Medical Center is one year old today and has welcomed more than 500 new lives into the world, performed 1,600 surgeries, and treated nearly 32,000 patients.

The hospital is one of the largest employers in Mansfield with more than 400 nurses, allied health workers, and support employees. In addition, 278 independently practicing physicians have joined the medical staff. Methodist Mansfield has received full Joint Commission (JCAHO) accreditation, lab accreditation from the College of American Pathologists.

“It has truly been a privilege to serve our patients and families here in Mansfield,” Methodist Mansfield President Laura Irvine said. “We have beautiful, patient-centered, advanced facilities, but it is our dedicated people who are highly skilled and trained at some of the nation’s finest institutions who are the heart and soul of this hospital.”

Honored by being named Outstanding Business of the Year by the Mansfield Rotary Club, Methodist Mansfield also earned the Metroplex Technology Business Council’s Tech Titans award.

The number of volunteer auxiliary members is also growing; the auxiliary now has 150 members providing important fundraising and volunteer services including operating the gift shop, manning the information desk, and assisting visitors, patients, and staff.

“We all feel very happy to have the hospital here in our hometown and are proud to be a part of it and do something worthwhile to help people,” Auxiliary President Pat Miller said. “The profits we derive from operating the gift shop and other fundraising activities including our annual Holly Days help us give back to the hospital to assist the special care nursery.”

Committed to giving back, Methodist Mansfield conducts educational seminars and health screenings throughout the year and has supported a diverse range of programs in its first year, including Building Healthy Families – a hospital-sponsored back-to-school event; Meals on Wheels; American Red Cross Blood Drives; and Mansfield Kiwanis, Lions, and Rotary clubs; as well as Mansfield Parks & Recreation Department and Activities Center, to name a few. The hospital’s partnership with the Mansfield Independent School District has also provided opportunities for health and wellness education throughout the district. Additionally, the hospital supported Bethlehem Baptist Church Summer Sports Camp and the American Cancer Society Relay for Life in Tarrant and Ellis counties.

Hospital staff members also serve on community boards and promote important community activities including Mansfield Planning & Zoning Commission; Mansfield Chamber of Commerce board of directors; YMCA of Arlington board of directors; Mansfield Cares board of directors; Mansfield and Midlothian ISD Education Foundations; Walnut Ridge Baptist Church Vacation Bible School; Mansfield Senior Wellness Expo; National Night Out; MISD – Methodist Mansfield Hand Washing Campaign; Midlothian ISD Stadium; Mansfield Ben Barber Career Tech Academy; and Mansfield Activities Center Kid Zone program including summer safety, infection control, and nutrition.

The hospital has also received philanthropic support from Frost Bank, Mansfield Women's Club, Arlington Orthopedic Associates, and Community Bank, as well as individual gifts from numerous community leaders, physicians, and caring individuals through the Methodist Health System Foundation.

"This year to keep pace with the more than 25,000 emergency room visits and increasing number of patients who place their trust in us, we will be adding new employees and new physicians to our medical staff and expanding our services," Laura Irvine said. "And we look forward to being a part of the health of this community for many years to come."

For more information on Methodist Mansfield Medical Center programs and events, or to find a physician on the medical staff, call the Methodist Health Connection toll free at 877-637-4297 or visit the Web site at www.methodisthealthsystem.org/mansfield.

About Methodist Health System

Guided by the founding principles of life, learning, and compassion, Methodist Health System (Methodist) uses some of the latest medical technology and research to bring quality health care to individuals and families throughout North Texas. Methodist Dallas Medical Center, Methodist Charlton Medical Center, Methodist Mansfield Medical Center, Methodist Midlothian Health Center, and four Methodist Family Health Centers are part of the nonprofit Methodist Health System, which is affiliated by covenant with the North Texas Conference of the United Methodist Church. Additional information is available at www.methodisthealthsystem.org.

Texas law prohibits hospitals from practicing medicine. The physicians on the Methodist Health System medical staff are independent practitioners who are not employees or agents of Methodist Health System.

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