

Friday FACTS

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LVHN Heart Valve Treatments

Your heart has four valves, one at the exit of each heart chamber. Flaps on the valves open and close to allow blood to flow smoothly in one direction only. Birth defects, infections and changes that occur as you age can cause any of your valves to not fully open or close. These valve disorders can make your heart work harder, affect its ability to pump blood through the body and cause symptoms that affect quality of life.

While valve disease can be managed medically, many people reach the point where their diseased valve needs to be repaired or replaced. At Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN), we provide a variety of minimally invasive and surgical procedures to treat valve disease.

To help people with heart valve disease return to good health, we're spreading the word about the exceptional heart valve care we provide at LVHN. We're starting a new multichannel marketing campaign, and you may see pieces of the campaign online and on social media.

The campaign provides free guides that contain information about treatment options and tell people how to schedule a second opinion consultation with one of our heart specialists. We're also sharing the stories of LVHN patients who had TAVR (a less invasive procedure to replace an aortic valve), or open-heart surgery to have a valve repaired or replaced.

Congratulations

Elizabeth Wysocki, RN, LVH–Hazleton fourth floor nursing, has successfully passed the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX), becoming a registered nurse.



Congratulations on your professional accomplishment.

Welcome New Colleagues

Please welcome the following colleagues to the LVHN family:

Lehigh Valley Hospital (LVH)–Hazleton: **Tiffany Miller**, seventh floor pediatrics; **Edward Stish, Jr.**, seventh floor pediatrics; **Kim Schmidtgall**, seventh floor medical-surgical; **Kayla Oster, RN**, obstetrics; **Yanira Hernandez**, fourth floor medical-surgical; **Jessica O'Keefe, RN**, fourth floor medical-surgical; **Maria Camier, RN**, fifth floor telemetry; **Gene Culp**, security guard, security; **Deborah Polashenski**, central sterile specialist, central sterile; **Lynn Rodriguez**, central sterile specialist, central sterile

Health & Wellness Center at Hazleton: **Renee Taylor, RN**, oncology office

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Call Lisa Marie Halecky (x4249 or email Lisamarie_E.Halecky@lvhn.org) to contribute information.

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Milestone Years of Service

Congratulations to the following colleagues who are celebrating milestone work anniversaries in July:

5 Years

Mary Beth Scarcella, registrar, Health & Wellness Center; **Richard Baranowski, RN**, emergency room; **Valerie Domines, RN**, step-down unit; **Fred Melnick**, microbiology medical technologist; **Katherine Moore**, pharmacist; **Christine Snyder**, speech therapist

10 Years

Bernadette Martoccio, medical receptionist/secretary, Lehigh Valley Physician Group Family Medicine–Vine St.

15 Years

Stacey Tarity, radiology technician

25 Years

Carol Capozzelli, nurse aide, fourth floor medical-surgical

30 Years

Marybeth Gallucci, operating room technician; **Charmane Welsh**, pharmacy systems coordinator

40 Years

Janice Fontana, dietary aide; **Catherine Hoffman**, clerk typist/patient registrar

45 Years

Anita Gregory, medical lab technician; **Mary Catherine Pituch**, medical lab technician

~ Happy Anniversary ~

Golf Tournament Raises Funds for LVH–Hazleton Programs

Throughout the year, residents of the Greater Hazleton Area have access to many health related programs presented by Lehigh Valley Hospital (LVH)–Hazleton. To provide these vital community programs, LVH–Hazleton holds an annual invitational golf tournament to raise the monies necessary to help offset the cost.

At the recent LVH–Hazleton annual golf tournament, generous donations made by numerous community organizations successfully raised \$35,000.



From left to right: Kurt Hutter, executive vice president, Anchor Properties; Denise Ressler, senior vice president, BB&T; Pat Munley, president, Pinnacle Cleaning Service and his son, Declan Munley; John Fletcher, president, LVH–Hazleton; Jon Morrell, tournament co-chair; Kevin Brennan, vice president of operations, Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield; Joseph Candio, Jr., physician advocacy liaison, Lehigh Valley Physician Hospital Organization.

