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Dr. Eddie Thompson
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Upcoming Dates:

- April 13th
- May 11th
- June 8th

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Congratulations to our 2016 Great Iowa Nurses

Four nurses at UnityPoint Health – Allen Hospital and two more at Community Memorial Hospital have been recognized on the 2016 list of 100 Great Iowa Nurses.

- Jan Erpelding (Jesup), clinical recruiter, Allen Hospital
- Kathy Howard (Sumner), surgery, Community Memorial Hospital
- Sheila Markham (Cedar Falls), emergency department, Allen Hospital
- Susie Meyer (Sumner), emergency department, Community Memorial Hospital
- Jennifer Nagel (Dunkerton), operating room, Allen Hospital
- Amanda Wagner (Waterloo), NICU, Allen Hospital

In all, over 500 Iowa nurses were nominated for this honor. Those nominations came in from patients, colleagues and friends. Committee members then looked for those who made meaningful, lasting contributions to their patients, colleagues and the nursing profession, and are viewed as mentors to other nursing professionals. Those selected are known for courage, competence and commitment to the field of nursing.

“This honor is a testament to the great work being done by these nurses each and every day,” said UnityPoint Health – Allen Hospital President and CEO Pam Delagardelle. “To even be nominated takes a commitment to providing great care, and this award is something to be proud of.”

The nurses will be honored at the 12th annual celebration of Iowa’s Great Nurses on May 1 at the Iowa Events Center’s Community Choice Credit Union in Des Moines. The event is a prelude to National Nurses Week, May 6-12.

This statewide program is made possible through the support of sponsors. The Iowa Nurses Association, Iowa Nurses Foundation and the University of Iowa College of Nursing collaborate on this project each year.

To see the entire list, visit www.greatnurses.org.

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Allen College: Upcoming Events

- Friday, April 22nd – Allen College Alumni Reunion, social hour to begin at 5:30 p.m. in Winter Hall
- Thursday, April 28th – Allen College Spring Chorus Concert, doors open at 6:30 p.m. in the Gerard Auditorium
- Thursday, May 5th – Allen Alumni Association Spring Plant Sale, 7 a.m. – 4 p.m., Allen Hospital, South Dining Room

“Thank you for all you did for my husband.”

Each and every day comments of gratitude are shared among associates, nurses, physicians and volunteers at UnityPoint Health – Allen Hospital. Just like the quote above, these comments come through surveys filled out by patients and families who have visited Allen Hospital.

After being cared for at UnityPoint Health – Waterloo, you may wish to thank those who assisted you or your loved ones. Patients and families share their appreciation in a variety of ways. Some with their words, others with cookies or treats for a department and many do so with donations to the Allen Foundation.

Patients and families, through a tangible expression, recognize those who've made their journey easier. Patients offer a donation to the Allen Foundation in honor of an Allen physician, provider, nurse or other employee or as a way to recognize an entire department. These donations help to fund programs and equipment that add to enhancing the patient experience at UnityPoint Health – Waterloo.

“How can I express my gratitude for my exemplary care?”

A tribute gift can be any size – there is no minimum or maximum donation amount to honor your caregiver. The Allen Foundation will share with your honoree that a gift was made to recognize his or her care and any kind words that you may write.

The gift amount will not be shared.

To learn more about honoring your caregiver, please call Mike Lind, Development Director, at 319-274-6710. Or make your gift online by visiting www.unitypoint.org/waterloo/foundation.

Donate to Educate: The Results Are In

The Allen College Alumni Association hosted their 6th annual *Donate to Educate* scholarship benefit on Thursday, March 3, 2016 in Winter Hall on the Allen College campus. Thanks to the support of over 100 guests, more than \$12,000 was raised for Allen College student scholarships.

Featured auction items included handmade dollhouses crafted by Former Allen Hospital CEO, Larry Pugh, diamond and pearl sets, and gift baskets donated by area businesses. New this year, was a dessert auction which kicked off an exciting evening for those in attendance.

The Allen College Alumni Association's mission is to promote and support Allen College and its heritage. The Association is extremely grateful for the gifts of donations and volunteered time to make this such a successful event. To learn more about the Allen College Alumni Association, contact Allison Jensen at 319-226-2016.



CDO Perspective



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“Thank you Doctor!”

These words were uttered many times as we celebrated Doctors' Day on March 30th.

This special day, recognized all over the country, is a chance for patients and family members to say “thank you” to their caregiver.

As we reflect on this wonderful occasion, it is important to express gratitude for our doctors every day. The contributions made by physicians to our health are endless.

This is why we at the Allen Foundation took March 30 to extend our appreciation to our many extraordinary doctors and providers for their dedication and devotion to helping and healing.

In addition, we thank these physicians for their role in philanthropy. Doctors have been a very important part of philanthropy at Allen. Their own generosity encourages others to support Allen's mission.

We have established a great deal of partnerships and friendships with physicians at Allen who truly understand the importance of philanthropy and are willing to help facilitate a giving culture.

So next time you see your doctor, thank them for everything that they do. You will probably make their day!

Chief Development Officer