

The Cutting Edge

September has proven to be a busy month for Surgery on Sunday this year. On Sunday the 10th, we enjoyed the SOS Volunteer Appreciation Picnic at the home of Dr. Paul and Stephanie Kearney. We could not have asked for a more beautiful day to celebrate all of you and how you give back to your community through your time and talents. In addition to all of the clinical and administrative skills our volunteers possess, I assure you there are some excellent dessert chefs, corn hole players, and Gator drivers in the mix. Thank you to everyone who turned out to celebrate the generous spirit of Surgery on Sunday!

Sunday, September 17th was our surgery day and 11 more patients received life-changing procedures including cataract removal, hernia repair, and lipoma excision. Each patient was so appreciative of their excellent care, and you can be sure every mother, father, son, daughter, brother, sister, and friend who came were as well. Many thanks to Dr. Andrew Moore, Dr. Paul Kearney, Dr. Fred Hadley, Dr. Matthew Bailey, and Dr. Johannes Evans for operating.

Also on Sunday, we hosted Dr. Febe Wallace, a physician from Cherokee Health Systems, who is working to start a similar program in the Knoxville, TN area. She and her cohorts are observing our full scheduling process over the next few months, from patient referral through surgery and follow-up. Thank you for welcoming Dr. Wallace as she seeks to serve patients in east Tennessee.

Finally, I would like to thank Alan Sutherland, public relations manager for Clark Material Handling, and his company for their generosity in providing weekly volunteers for us in the Surgery on Sunday office. The ladies that have been visiting us have been so very helpful to Kim Jones and me!

Gratefully,

Amanda Ferguson
Executive Director

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Volunteer Spotlight



This month's volunteer spotlight salutes our dynamic duo of scrub techs, husband and wife team Michael and Brenda Hendrix. Brenda has been with Good Samaritan Hospital for almost 10 years, and Michael has been with the UK College of Nursing for almost 7. Both have been volunteering with Surgery on Sunday for about 5 years.

Together for 11 years, the Hendrixes have 4 children between them and one adorable granddaughter, Emma Grace, who is rumored to have Michael absolutely wrapped around her finger. They also have a new baby - a 7-month old German Shepherd puppy named Zeke.

Brenda and Michael are both from Ohio but met while they were living in Ft. Myers, FL. After Brenda had Michael as her scrub tech instructor, they realized a connection, married, and moved back to Kentucky to be closer to family. They are both big Ohio State football fans - O-H-I-O! - and have Brutus the Buckeye prominently displayed on their phones.

In an act of self-less love and generosity not surprising from these two, Brenda donated one of her kidneys to Michael 7 years ago and he is most grateful to her for that. Already with a Master's degree in education, we



wish Michael well as he begins his coursework a Ph.D. degree.

Thank you, Michael and Brenda, for all you do to help Surgery on Sunday and our patients!



Sips and Cigars

Plastic Surgeons of Lexington has generously planned a fundraiser for Surgery on Sunday and we thank them for their support. Sips and Cigars will be from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 29 at Belle's Cocktail House in downtown Lexington. In addition to fine local bourbon and hand-rolled cigars, guests will learn the fine art of horse handicapping from noted racing analyst Ellis Starr. Tickets are \$35 and available at the link below.

[Sips and Cigars tickets](#)

Sweat4Surgeries 3.0

Mark your calendars now! Josh Bowen of Aspire Fitness is again partnering with us for the third edition of Sweat4Surgeries, a 24-hour fitness marathon which raised nearly \$60,000 total from the first two events. Please visit the link below for more information or if you are interested in participating as a sponsor.

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