

MADISON VALLEY MEDICAL CENTER

MADISON VALLEY HOSPITAL FOUNDATION

# Madison Valley Medical Center Health News



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### Open for Business!



MVMC employees and volunteers enthusiastically cut the ribbon — March 16th, 2009

The new Madison Valley Medical Center opened its doors for business on March 16th, 2009!

The facility is up and running a mere 19 months after the official groundbreaking ceremonies took place (August 16, 2007) with Governor Schweitzer in attendance. Only a few years passed from the beginning of the Capital Campaign Fundraising efforts in the Fall of 2005, to the reality of this Phase I & II of the project.

Many thanks go to you, the entire Madison Valley Community. More than 800 separate donations, pledges, and gifts-in-kind have gone toward the project. Plans are underway for a beautiful Donor Wall to recognize all

of the generous donations.

Even as we thank you for all you've done so far, we'd like to ask for your continued generous support to complete Phase III of the project. Phase III includes replacing the old building with parking, a permanent brick memorial, a park area to share with the MV Manor, and overall landscaping.

### Save the date.... July 23rd, Grand Opening -

Stay tuned for more information on Grand Opening Ceremonies. The Madison Valley Medical Center and Project Giveback Founders Ted

and Heidi Gildred.

once again have extended an invitation to Governor Schweitzer and other elected officials, and are in the process of making other plans for the day's events.

Interior Designer, Linda Mitchell of Mitchell Interior Designs, has plans for the public waiting and reception areas of the new facility. Her work (a percentage donated) will be unveiled at the Grand Opening Ceremony.

The Donor Wall and permanent signage by Harmon Nelson, the signage consultant who donated a percentage of his time, will be unveiled on July 23rd also.



Clinic and Hospital staff, along with many community volunteers worked over the weekend in order to be open for business as usual Monday morning. The first patients at the new facility were presented with a basket of goodies.



**Kyler Elliott**, First Clinic Patient with MVMC Staff, Elaine Ripley, M.A. and **Nancy Stewart** 



First Hospital Patient -**Esther Warburton** 

# Greeting you with a Smile!

### New Auxiliary At Work

The newly formed Madison



**MVMC** Auxiliary Members-Paula Jenks, Jan Beekman and Sally Sandell

Valley Medical Center's Auxiliary has recruited twenty members so far. They have been staffing the hospital reception desk, with no less than two volunteers. Monday through Friday from 8 am to 4pm.

Additional auxiliary functions include assisting nurses and clerical staff, as they request, reading to patients, updating magazines in the waiting areas, gardening (as our landscaping

is completed), and giving tours of the hospital and clinic. Dottie Fossel, (an auxiliary founder, and MVMC board of trustees member) says, "We believe each volunteer will view her time with the auxiliary as a valuable work experience. It is an opportunity to give back to our community, and to meet and work with some great people."

Auxiliary volunteers represent many backgrounds and interests. Among them are: retired nurses, and counselors, business associates, artists, writers, and administrators. Interests range from animals to astrology, basketry to bull-riding,

gourds to grandchildren, reading to rowing. Come and add your interest to the list.

By her purple jacket and welcoming smile, you will recognize an auxiliary volunteer ready to help you when you enter the hospital.

President—Sally Sandell Treasurer-Judy Maddox Secretary—Lorrie Millford

Any community members wishing to learn more about the auxiliary, or interested in joining, may request an application at the reception desk or call Sally Sandell at 682-4788.

"Dedicated to providing highquality care with modern services and qualified professionals to comfort and heal all those in need of medical care"

### The Clinic Crew



Stephanie Houston, Josie Sutter, and Kristy Gilbert

The new clinic has three fulltime receptionists to greet

Stephanie (pictured, and on the left) moved from the hospital reception desk to the clinic position after the move into the new building. You may remember Josie and Kristy

from the old clinic.

They will staff the clinic reception desk Monday through Friday, 8am to 5pm.

### They'll keep It Like New!

Facilities Manager, Doug Skillman says "We have 38,000 square feet to keep clean and maintain in the new facility, and it's a big job. We are pleased to have quality help."

Christy Todd is doing a wonderful job at cleaning and she comes to MVMC with lots of customer service experience.

David MacKenzie is filling a new position created with the **MacKenzie** and Christy Todd

new facility. He is cleaning floors and has been an



### Nurse's Get New Equipment!

The Madison Valley Medical Center nursing staff is very excited to be in the new facility caring for patients. A new Electronic Medical Record (EMR) has been established. To support the process, new equipment has been acquired. It includes:

- A Telemetry system from WelchAllyn. This system will allow nurses to monitor a patient's heart throughout the new facility, as well as allow Cardiac Rehabilitation to be available for patients in the Physical Therapy Department.

- The new whirlpool tub with its special lift, gives nurses the ability to bathe even the most immobile of patients.
- Two new COWs, yes that's right COWS (Computer on Wheels, that is!). Nurses will be taking the COWs to the patient bedside for

everyday assessments, new patient assessments, and medication passes.



Janine
Clavadetscher
D.O.N.
and
Kris Croy
L.P.N.
with the
new COW

# **Emergency Services**

The Emergency Room in the new Medical Center is equipped with a covered drive up, automatic double doors for ambulance entry, another emergency entrance for walk-ins, a waiting room, and three separate treatment rooms.

Two of the three treatment rooms have the ability to become one large room. This will allow space to care for multiple patients if necessary.

Bedside computer registration is available in all treatment rooms,

making the process quicker and easier for the patients and families.

The new "state of the art" imaging equipment is ready for use and includes a portable x-ray, a stationary digital x-ray, CT scanner and ultrasound.

The ER is equipped with a waiting room that is shared with imaging and lab department patients. The hospital has a separate "activity" room available for in-patients, and visiting friends and family.

Security features include locked

doors after hours (6pm to 6am and weekends). Access to the hospital after hours is limited to the emergency entrances only.

Walk-in customers (ER and visitors) can enter the emergency outer door, and in the entryway press a buzzer to request entrance.

An ER patient will be assessed by the nurse on duty, and a provider will be available on-call, 24/7.

### The Control Desk

Our new building has brought many improvements and updates to the hospital, one of which is the addition of the Patient Access Coordinator position, or PAC for short.

The PACs are responsible for a variety of support functions at the control desk. The control desk is a new element that is located between the nurses' station and the Emergency Department within the Hospital. From the control desk, the PAC on duty will serve as a switchboard operator for all incoming telephone calls in order to avoid

the need for automated menu answering systems. Also, in order to free the hospital's nurses for more patient care, the PAC will be responsible for monitoring the dispatch radio for ambulance pages and communicating with EMS.

Other PAC duties and functions will include monitoring building security, administrative assistance and patient registration.

The new employees hired to fill the PAC positions are Hank Jensen, Barb Bradshaw, Patti Darling, and

Shannon Hamilton.

The four fulltime PACs will alternate 12 hour shifts in order to staff the control desk 24 hours per day, 365 days per year.



PAC Employees, Hank Jensen and Barb Bradshaw at the Control Desk

# Model Medical Control of Management of Manag

The Brick Memorial -A Legacy for Family, Friends and the Community

# Where is My Brick?

The brick memorial will find a new temporary home at the south end of the new facility. You'll find the bricks along the railing (pictured below) for easy viewing.

The Madison Valley Medical Center would like to thank those that have purchased a brick in support of the new facility.

Bricks are still available for purchase and will be placed

temporarily along the railing every 3 to 4 months.

A permanent memorial will be built at the completion of Phase III of the project. Phase III includes replacing the old

building with parking, a permanent brick memorial, a park area to share with the MV Manor, and overall landscaping.

Leave a legacy for your family, friends, and the community - Buy a Brick.

For more information call - (406) 682 - 6641



**Brick Memorial's New Temporary Location** 

# **Entertaining Offers**



For Sale

132 East Main St. Ennis, Montana

This premier commercial location in the Madison Valley was gifted to the Madison Valley Medical Center Foundation by Peter and Virginia Combs.

All of the proceeds from the sale will go to the new Madison Valley Medical Center.

This is a rare opportunity to purchase this historic building, home of the former First Madison Valley Bank, while supporting the health and welfare of the entire Madison Valley.

The property is listed with Bill Mercer at Prudential Montana Real Estate in Ennis. Bill has agreed to waive his commission to benefit the MVMC.

For more information contact Bill Mercer at (406)682-5002.

- Hwy/Main St. Frontage
- 4,500 +/- sf historic building
- endless possibilities
- MLS# 147200
- (406) 682-5002

# The Valley Bank Challenge Grant



Earlier this year, Bob Briggs, Branch Manager of Valley Bank, challenged area businesses to come up with \$5000 that Valley Bank will match, doubling their contribution to the new Madison Valley Medical Center.

Dottie Fossel, member of the Madison Valley Hospital Foundation's board of directors, is very appreciative of the challenge grant offered. "We sincerely thank Valley Bank," Dottie commented, "and those businesses listed that have participated to date."

Fan Mountain Inn
Feeds-N-Needs
H.F. Hardy Painting
Norris Hot Springs
K.McMullin, Attorney at Law
Channels Ranch
Ennis RV Village
Elk Horn Park & Painted Pony
Security Title Company

Montana Wellness Center
Shedhorn Sports Inc.
Bartoletti, DMD
The Madisonian, LLC
Ennis Auto Parts
Claim Jumper Saloon
Silver Dollar Saloon
M & B Auto Body
Madison Laundry/Dry Cleaners
Fox Alarm & Technology
Realtor, Bill Mercer
El Western Cabins & Lodges
Graham Drilling



# Phase I & II Reality, Phase III Next

Phase III includes replacing the old building with parking, a permanent brick memorial, a park area to share with the MV Manor, and overall landscaping. When Phase III is complete there will be plenty of parking at the main entrance to the hospital (south entrance). Until then parking is available at the north emergency entrance, upon entry please continue down the hall to the south entrance for information.

### Ennis True Value & Master-Chem Donate Paint

The Ennis True Value and Master-Chem Industries Paint Products have shown their commitment to the growth and development of the community through the Madison Valley Medical Center project.

Together they chose to donate a combined 136 gallons of Expressions Gallery paint to the project.

Dave Hajny, president of the board

of directors of the Madison Valley Hospital Foundation, along with all of the board of directors extend their thanks and appreciation to Ennis True Value, Master-Chem Industries and all of those who have so generously donated toward the project.

We encourage you to continue your generous support.



One day
you or
someone you
love will need
this hospital
\*\*\*
We'll be
here
when

you need us

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### Suggestions and Contributions

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Davis.

### **MVMC Board of Trustees**

Neil Kent, Chairman (till May, 09) Joel Shows, Vice Chairman Elizabeth Goggins, Secretary Dottie Fossel John Scully (May 09) John Duncan (May 09)

Both boards encourage you to send in your comments and/or suggestions. Let us know what you think of the

new facility, the staff and the services you receive. We also encourage you to continue your generous support.

### Tax Deductable Donations can be sent to:

MVHF, PO Box 993 Ennis, MT 59729 For more Information please call: (406) 682-6641 E-Mail: mvhf@mvhospital-clinic.com

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