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**Kudos Children's Employees**

Congratulations to several Children's employees who have made remarkable achievements.

**Media Specialist Featured in CURE Childhood Cancer Newsletter**  
Morris Allen, Media Specialist, Children's at Scottish Rite, has been a part of the Children's family for more than 28 years. These days, he is known as a hero for the children at Children's at Scottish Rite, especially the Aflac Cancer Center.

Morris was recently featured in the CURE Childhood Cancer Newsletter to recognize and congratulate him for his dedication and inspiration to children at the Aflac Cancer Center, and to the CURE Childhood Center.

[Read the article](#) to see how Morris remains dedicated to our patients and how he is impacting the families at Children's.

**Recruitment and Retention Committee Help Out the Community**  
Tim Evans, Ambulatory OR Tech, Meridian Mark Ambulatory Services and Doree Stow, Ambulatory OR Staff Nurse, Meridian Mark Ambulatory Surgical Services are co-chairs of the Recruitment and Retention Committee at the Meridian Mark Surgery Center. Every year, the committee decides what cause they want to take on in the community, and in 2010, they chose two.

Last October, Tim and Doree organized a food drive to benefit the Social Service department at Children's at Scottish Rite. The food drive called for single-serve items that could be packed into meal bags for families who were staying with their children while in the hospital. On Dec. 3, Monique Wilson, Social Worker came to Meridian Mark to accept the donation for the food pantry. The food drive was such a success that the Children's shuttle was needed to transport all the goodies back to Children's at Scottish Rite.

The Recruitment and Retention Committee also wanted to make the holidays special for an orphanage in Decatur. Members organized a silent auction for baked goods and a bake sale where staff baked items and to sell for \$1. The committee raised a grand total of \$1,276 and was able to donate toys and clothes to the orphanage.

Thanks to all those who participated in making these events successful and helping the families at Children's and in the community.

**CICU Adds Three More CCRNs**  
Congratulations to Laura William, Lauren Fisher and Ashley Arnold from the CICU at Children's at Egleston for recently passing the pediatric CCRN exam.

**Clinical Staff Development Coordinators Achieved ANCC Certification**  
Congratulations to Halli Jones BSN, RN-BC, The Park and Jennifer Bay BSN, RN-BC, The Park for achieving ANCC certification in Nursing Professional

**Prepare for Statewide Tornado Drill, Feb. 9**  
Feb. 7-11 is Severe Weather Awareness Week in Georgia. As part of this public safety education effort, Children's will participate in a statewide Tornado Drill Wednesday, Feb. 9.  
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**Place Your Vote for Our Annual Hope and Will Award Winner**  
Review the 2010 Hope and Will winners, then nominate one winner for the annual Hope and Will Award by logging into *Celebrations*.  
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**Ice Can't Rock This House—Watch the Video**  
During the recent Code White, we heard dozens of stories of dedication by Children's staff and physicians. Every day, all of you are heroes to the patients who depend on you, and during the winter storm, the light of your heroism, caring and strength shined even brighter.  
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**Find Out What Children's Government Affairs Team is Lobbying for in 2011**  
Children's biggest issue this year will be preserving full funding of the state Medicaid budget.  
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**What Erika Has Learned in the Past Year**  
"On Jan. 26, 2010, I began a journey to change my life. I walked into the Weight Watchers open house with so many hopes and wishes. So much shame and guilt. So much discouragement. So little self-confidence."  
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**Apply to be a Children's Wellness Ambassador by Feb. 11**  
Do you love living healthy and motivating others to do the same? If so, you should consider applying to be a Children's Wellness Ambassador.  
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**Here's Why You Think Children's is a Great Place to Work**

Today, Children's is celebrating Spirit Day in honor of our *FORTUNE* ranking on the "100 Best Companies to Work For" list. It's your feedback that decides if we make the *FORTUNE* list, so thank you for making the celebration possible.

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**Considering Biking to Work? Get Advice from Our Pedaling Park Employee**

If you're considering changing it up and biking to work, see what Laura has to say about the benefits and challenges of opting for two wheels instead of four.

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**Alcohol Pad Recall Expands, Now Includes More Products**

In addition to Cardinal Health's recall of individual alcohol pads, Children's has learned that the recall now includes alcohol pads in central line dressing kits.

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**Pizza is Giving Hope and Wellness to Patients at Children's**

Uncle Maddio's Pizza Joint kicks off pizza recipe to support pediatric research at Children's.

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**Children's Fairy Godmother Grants Wishes and Hope to Our Kids**

Jackie Varner, better known as the Fairy Godmother, has been a very special volunteer at Children's at Egleston for more than 30 years. Jackie was recently featured on Fox 5 News for all the special things she is doing for the children at Children's at Egleston.

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**Mobile Mammography Makes Screening Easy—Make an Appointment Today**

Children's has partnered with ScreenAtlanta, Northside Hospital's mobile mammography screening van, to offer employees convenient options to receive mammograms.

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**Sign Up to Receive Your W-2 Form Electronically**

All employees can receive their 2010 W-2 forms electronically through eHR.

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***FORTUNE* Names Children's to "100 Best Companies to Work For" List for Sixth Year**

Six years running, Children's