

Staff Update | May 6, 2020

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Nurses Week Begins Today

We celebrate staff and the work you do every day, and from May 6 to 12 every year, we recognize national Nurses Week. Because this year marks the 200th anniversary of Florence Nightingale's birth on May 12, the American Nurses Association (ANA) has extended the celebration to the entire month of May.



We take this opportunity to honor all our nursing staff throughout the organization. Please join us in extending special thanks to them.

National Nurses Week Webinar Series

Motivational speaker and author Sharon Weinstein is offering a free webinar series during Nurses Week. You can join a daily, 30-minute webinar starting at 11:00 a.m. May 6 to 12. Topics include compassion fatigue, stress and crisis management, service excellence and focus.

See the full schedule and sign up here:

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_cJ7CoVHYQMufAXYTncHDIw

Words of thanks for Nursing Staff from Residents' Families

We asked for residents' families and friends to send in special thank you notes for our nurses. Here are some of their letters to GH nurses this last week:

"How grateful I am for your compassion and your tireless efforts to care for my aunt and for all those isolated during this COVID-19 pandemic. Your diligence in serving is so very appreciated, as I know many of you must have families you are caring for at home as well. You are vessels of God's grace, and I pray you will be blessed by him in every way. "

"I want to thank you not only for your excellent service during this powerful pandemic, but also for the continuing dedication you have always shown to my family's loved ones over the years. You are the backbone of their medical care."

Coming Soon: Pocket-Sized Pick-Me-Ups

We can always use words of encouragement. During difficult times, a few simple words can be all we need to get through our day. Later this week, we are introducing something new for staff. We are calling them Pocket-Sized Pick-Me-Ups. They are notecards that can fit in your pocket, and they feature quotes and messages that we hope will lift your spirits. Cards will be available at the check-in tables and from your department directors. We hope they brighten your day.

Pocket-Sized Pick-Me-Up

Every day, you bring your best to your work. And every day, we want you to feel supported. Please keep this pocket-sized pick-me-up with you. We hope it helps you throughout the day.

Honoring Health Care Workers

On Saturday, May 2, the U.S. Navy's Blue Angels and U.S. Air Force's Thunderbirds performed a flyover of the D.C region to honor local healthcare workers, first responders and essential workers. The flyover was part of "America Strong, a joint effort to give military salutes to everyday heroes. Kathie Miller captured video as they passed over the Bailey's Crossroads neighborhood.

You can watch it here

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NkCHDcvmwDs>



Jumma Khutbah Reflections

This week's **Jumma Khutbah Reflections** presented by Imam Naeem Baig and Imam Edrees Bridges, can be found at the following links. Join us as a GH community to watch together on Fridays from 1:00 – 1:30 p.m. using this link: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/564259189>

Watch anytime from your work or personal computer by going directly to the Youtube link: <https://youtu.be/hYS-kVF0DC8>. A new video will be shown each Friday.

Goodwin House Thanks All of Our Nurses and Care Partners for Their Dedicated Service. Happy Nurses Week!

*We are committed to keeping residents and staff healthy.
Thank you for your efforts to keep our community infection-free.*



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