## **BEATS BLAST**



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## MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

I have been honored to serve on the WNHF board for many years. The foundation is an extremely important entity in our community. Through the work of the foundation, millions of dollars have been raised to support our local hospital. These funds have been used to enhance the level of care the hospital is able to provide to our community and the citizens of Cowley County. We are so lucky to have such a great community hospital!

I can't believe it is already October! For many of us this is just another month, but for some, it flags the beginning of a very important process in many lives. Medicare enrollment has become a key process in healthcare for millions of Americans. Choosing the right Medicare plan is vitally important when looking at being able to use local resources including your local hospital and keeping healthcare costs down. Unfortunately, I have seen too many people get talked into choosing a plan that although it looks good on the surface, it forces them to drive to Wichita to get the care they need. Please seek out LOCAL resources that can help you choose the right plans. There are many agencies and healthcare providers that are willing to help you tackle this process, and I would implore you to seek them out! There are many plans out there that allow you to choose an affordable plan and still have access to your local providers and more importantly your local hospital! We will have an educational event in early November to discuss this very subject.

- Dared Price, PharmD, WNHF Board Member

As a part of the Beats Go On Initiative, emergency preparedness buckets were purchased, prepared, and distributed in collaboration with USD 465. Rural schools that surround WNH were also recognized in this effort. Last week, Annika, Brittney, and Paula Radcliff met at the Dexter school to deliver their buckets. School staff were very happy to receive the buckets. Other rural bucket deliveries will be made soon. Please let us know if you are interested in assisting with those deliveries.

- WNHF Staff



The foundation hosted its fall PTO drive for WNH employees on Sept. 21 & 22. Employees donated 78 hours towards phase II, medical equipment, recruitment, and others. If you are interested in donating to the William Newton Healthcare Foundation, contact us and we can go over how your gift can make an impact in a way you prefer!

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

October 7 | WNHF Gala | Behr Rafters
RSVP required

Nov 7 | 4-H Presentation | Moline Library

TBD | Radcliff Lecture Series
Physicians Pavilion Assembly Room

