

# 5th Annual Care and Compassion Awards Call for Nominations

It's that time of year again! Nomination will be accepted for the 5th Annual Care and Compassion Awards through February 20th at 5:00 pm.

Nominees can be anyone in the community, including employees of LCMHS, who have gone above and beyond to show care and compassion to others. "For this award, we are looking for any individual who goes above and beyond to show care and compassion to others," stated Matthew Atteberry, Executive Director. "That could be anyone, from a kind neighbor to a young child."

Anyone who would like to make a nomination can complete an entry form providing information about the person and describing why the person is being nominated to be a recipient of the Award. The entry form can be found on Labette Center's website to view, fill out or print. Interested persons may also fill out the entry form online to be directly submitted via the website. If additional space is needed to provide information, the entry may be typed in an essay form. There are no age restrictions for nominating or being nominated for this award.

For question about submitting a nomination, please contact Monica Simpson.

# RSVP for 5th Annual Care and Compassion Awards Banquet



Labette Cen-It's time! ter's Care and Compassion Awards Banquet is just around the corner! This event will be held on Saturday March 7th, 2015,. Social Networking begins at 6:00pm with the dinner starting at 7:00pm. event will take place at the VFW, located at 105 Main St. Parsons KS, as it has been in the past. We will spend the evening enjoying a meal prepared by Shredders, recognizing employees for years of service and then the main event. distributing the Care and

# Compassion Awards!

Employees are welcomed to bring a guest to accompany the to the banqet. RSVP information should be turned in by February 27th. A sign up sheet for employees is located in the resource room of the main building. Employees may also send RSVP information directly to Monica Simpson through Babble or Email, or by calling the main office. Meal choices are Beef, Chicken or Vegetarian and include two side dishes, a salad and a dessert. To RSVP for the banquet, either contact Monica Simpson or mark choices on the RSVP sheet in the resource room of the main building.

Another wonderful evening awaits us as we honor those who go above and beyond to show care and compassion to others!

Dress attire for this event is business formal.

### **National Chili Day Cookoff!**

In celebration of National Chili Day, Labette Center will be having a Chili Cook Off on Thursday, February 26 in the Multipurpose Room.

To enter the cookoff, participants will bring a crockpot chili to the multipurpose room on Feb. 26th.. Each person will be assigned a number; no names will be used to identify the crockpots. Judging will be based on emloyees sampling the chilis and placing a vote for the best one in a designated box which will be located in the multipurpose room. The chili with the most votes wins! The winner of the chili cookoff will recieve the prestige of cooking the most wonderful, delicious, mouthwatering, lip-smack'n chili in all of Labette Center, and a certificate that states so

For questions about the chili cookoff, please contact Natasha Purcell.

# **LCMHS Begins Using Telepsychiatry!**

On February 17th LCMHS will begin using Telepsychiatry to provide psychiatric services to our clients through the use of video. Elizabeth (Liz) Garton, APRN will be the provider for these services and will see clients on Tuesdays and Fridays from 8am to 4pm. Liz has both babble and a Center email address and will be available for communications during her scheduled hours at the Center. If opening are available on her schedule during her regular scheduled hours, staff are welcomed to communicate with her regarding client needs by using the video equipment.

Telepsychiatry is a live video feed between client and practioner allowing for a face to face appointment without the constraints of the practioner needing to be in the same room physically. This exciting new advancement for Labette Center provides the ability to further serve the needs of our clients. LCMHS is very excited to be able to provide this service and continue to strive to provide the best possible care for our clients.

(New employee information on Liz Garton will be in the March Newsletter.)

## From the Office of Human Resources. . . .

#### **Next Weigh-In for Wellness Program:**

Our next weigh in for the wellness program will be Wednesday, March 4 from 10 - 11 am in the multipurpose room. This weigh in is an opportunity for eligible employees to earn the \$50 quarterly incentive. I hope to see you there!

# **Employee Birthday's and Anniversaries**

#### **Birthdays:**

Depreicia Hickerson Feb. 13th
Navigator's Aide
Shelli Nyambane Feb. 22nd
Adult Case Manager
Elizabeth Davis Feb. 22nd
Navigator's

### **Anniversaries:**

Trinette Vance Feb. 1st 12 years
Health Home Care Coordinator

Deb Williams Feb. 16th 11 years
Health Home Coordinator/Apt. Mgr./ Corp. Compliance

Elizabeth Davis Feb. 20th 3 years
Navigator's





### **New Employees**



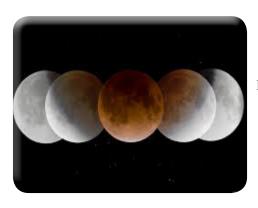
Labette Center welcomes Jonathan Flanagan to our adult case management program! Jon began working at Labette Center on January 20th as a case manager. Originally from Nebraska, Jonholds a Bachelor degree in Computer Sciences. Additionally, he has spent many years working in the mental health field providing a wide range of services to both adults and youth. In his free time, Jon enjoys reading and creating

archery equipment as well as spending time with his family, friends and grandchildren. Welcome to Labette Center Jon!



Labette Center would like to welcome Peter Smith to our staff. Peter, who is working towards acquiring his BSW from Pittsburg State University, will be an intern with the Center through the spring semester. After spending four years in the military, Peter is pursuing a career in clinical social work to be able to provide needed services to veterans. He was raised in and attended school in Labette County and now enjoys spending

time with his family, including his new daughter. Welcome to Labette Center Peter!



Full Moon Feb. 3rd
Last Quarter Feb. 11th
New Moon 18th
1st quarter Feb. 25th

### Have you checked us out Online!

Have you visited our website lately!!!! If not, stop by and check out the changes we've made! Go to www.lcmhs. com and see some of the new features we've added. You can now recommend a page from our website to Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter or Google+! Be sure to let your clients know if they need any information they can check our website.

Employees can get on the website, log in to the Employee Section and get employee specific information! Simply click on "Employee Login" and then enter your email address and password. If you have forgotten your password, simply enter your email address in on the right side where it says "Forgot Password" and it will send it to you! If for any reason that doesn't work, and an employee needs his/her information sent to them, please feel free to contact me at monica@lcmhs.com

Also - Join us on

Facebook at: https://www.facebook.com/LCMHS

LinkedIn at:

http://www.linkedin.com/company/labette-center-for-

mental-health-services

Twitter at: https://twitter.com/lcmhs

Google+ at:

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posts

Updates, quotes, mental health news, etc. are posted on the Center's pages on a regular basis.

During bad weather or for any other Center closing, updates will be posted to these social media sites as well.



Our Vision ~ Provide the highest quality of comprehensive services to empower the people and communities of Labette County. We envision fulfilling and meaningful lives for those we serve.

Our Mission ~ Create hope and opportunities for life change by providing education, support, consultation and therapeutic behavioral health services to the people and communities of Labette County.

February is ...

American Heart Month

Dog Training Education Month

Grapefruit Month Link Library Lovers Month Marijuana Awareness Month National Bird Feeding Month National Black History Month National Cherry Month

National Children's Dental Health Month

National Haiku Writing Month

National Mend A Broken Heart Month National Parent Leadership Month National Pet Dental Health Month National Prevent A Litter Month

National Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month

National Time Management Month

National Weddings Month

National Women Inventors Month Plant the Seeds of Greatness Month Responsible Pet Owner's Month Spay/Neuter Awareness Month Spunky Old Broads Month Youth Leadership Month

African Heritage & Health Week: 1-7

Burn Awareness Week: 1-7 (First Full Week)

Boy Scout Anniversary Week: 1-7

Children's Authors & Illustrators Week: 1-7

International Coaching Week: 1-7 National School Counseling Week: 2-6 International Networking Week: 2-7

Congenital Heart Defect Awareness Week: 7-14

Dump Your Significant Jerk Week: 7-13 International Hoof-Care Week: 7-14

Children of Alcoholics Week: 8-14 (Second Full Week)

Jell-O Week: 8-14 (Second Full Week) Freelance Writers Appreciation Week: 8-14 National Secondhand Wardrobe Week: 8-14

Random Acts of Kindness Week: 9-15 (Second Full Week)

International Friendship Week: 9-13

Brotherhood / Sisterhood Week: 15-21 (Always 3rd Week)

National Pancake Week: 15-21 (Bisquick) National Justice for Animals Week: 15-21

National FFA Week: 22-28

National Eating Disorders Awareness Week: 22-28

National Conference on Education: 26-28

Texas Cowboy Poetry Week: 27-28 Decorating With Candy Day: 1

G.I. Joe Day: 1 Popcorn Day: 1

Robinson Crusoe Day: 1 Super Bowl XLIX: 1 Groundhog Day: 2

World Play Your Ukulele Day: 2 The Day The Music Died: 3 Facebook's Birthday: 4 World Cancer Day: 4 National Doodle Day: 6 Bubble Gum Day: 6 Girl Scout Cookie Day: 6 Give Kids A Smile Day: 6 Wear Red Day: 6 (First Friday)

Take Your Child To The Library Day: 7 (First Saturday)

Boy Scout Anniversary Day: 8 World Marriage Day: 8 (2nd Sunday) National Stop Bullying Day: 9

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National Shut-in Visitation Day: 11

World Day of The Sick: 11 Lincoln's Birthday: 12 Safety Pup Day: 12

International Book Giving Day: 14

(World) Congenital Heart Defect Awareness Day: 14

League of Women Voters Day: 14

National Donor Day: 14 Valentines Day: 14 World Marriage Day: 14 National Hippo Day: 15 Susan B. Anthony Day: 15 NBA All Star Game: 16 Presidents Day: 16

Westminster Dog Show: 16-17

International Pancake Day: 17 (aka Shrove Tuesday)

Mardi Gras: 17

World Human Spirit Day: 17

Chinese New Year: 19

Love Your Pet Day: 20 (or Love Your Dog Day)

World Day for Social Justice: 20

Women in Blue Jeans Days: 20-21 (Moved from Jan.)

Daytona 500: 22

87th Academy Awards Ceremony: 22 George Washington's Birthday: 22 National Dog Biscuit Day: 23

Museum Advocacy Day: 23-24 (Last Monday & Tuesday)

National Cupcake Day (Canada): 24 Spay Day USA: 24 (Last Tuesday) National Chili Day: 26 (Last Thursday)

For Pete's Sake Day: 26 Levi Strauss Day: 26 National Bacon Day: 26 World Pistachio Day: 26

International Polar Bear Day: 27

National Day of Action (Peace Corps): 27

National Tooth Fairy Day: 28