

Go and Tell John

NEWS FROM
CHRIST COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES AUGUSTA, GA
INTERNAL MEDICINE AND PEDIATRICS

Go and tell John what you have seen and heard: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, the poor have good news preached to them. And blessed is the one who is not offended by me.

-Jesus
Matthew 11:2-3

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Widows Home renovations underway

Widows Home renovations are in full swing. Workers are busy constructing a 2,000 square foot addition to the back of the building that includes the patient entrance and waiting room, check-in room, administrative office, a conference room and elevator. The first floor, which includes all 12 exam rooms, is expected to be complete by late spring 2011.



CCHSA Calendar

December

- 01 Flu Shots: Lamar-Milledge School
- 08 Health Fair: Augusta Housing Authority
- 08 Health Fair: Laney Walker High School

February

- 20 Concerts for a Cause
St. John UMC

Clinic Bible Study
Wednesday
6:30 p.m.

Everyone is welcome!

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Thank you
for your support!



From all of us at
Christ Community Health Services Augusta,
Merry Christmas and a blessed New Year.

“For unto you is born this day in the City of David, a savior,
which is Christ the Lord...” Luke 2:11

Watch us grow! Log onto our web site (www.christcommunityaugusta.org) to see more photos and updates on the Widows Home construction project.



When Dr. Campbell and Dr. Scarborough opened the doors of Christ Community Health Services in November 2007, little did they know that in three short years CCHSA would log more than 19,000 patient visits and minister to thousands of residents in the Augusta area.

It is important to remember that there are real people and real families behind those numbers. It is not just 19,000 random encounters with faceless patients who came through our doors. These numbers represent many, many lives touched and, in some cases, radically changed by the ministry of CCHSA.

I want to thank everyone who has supported Christ Community Health Services. Each of you played a part in impacting those lives. Your prayers and support are what make it possible for us to proclaim Christ as Lord and demonstrate His love by providing affordable, quality primary health care.

We are truly thankful for every one of you. If it were not for the many individuals, families, churches, companies,

foundations and volunteers who are a part of the CCHSA family we could not continue to reach the Augusta community.

We are excited about the construction at the Widows Home. The first floor renovations should be complete in seven months. The added capacity will allow us to significantly expand our ministry to the uninsured and the under-served in our community.

The total cost of the Widows Home renovations is \$2.5 million. We have raised \$1.8 million. **Please consider a special end-of-the-year gift to Christ Community Health Services.** Your contribution will help us finish the year strong and move us closer to completing the Widows Home campaign. Thank you for your partnership. Every gift makes a difference.

From everyone at Christ Community, Merry Christmas and blessings in 2011.



Sporting clays tournament hits the target

Thanks to everyone who participated in the second annual CCHSA Sporting Clays tournament. It was a beautiful fall afternoon and a great time was had by all. We raised almost \$10,000!

Special thanks to our hosts Dr. Lee and Susie Baker, all of the shooters, sponsors and our volunteers.





What is an FQHC?

Christ Community Health Services is applying to become a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC). According to Wikipedia, an FQHC is “a community-based organization that provides primary and preventative health care to people of all ages regardless of their ability to pay. FQHCs provide their services to all persons regardless of ability to pay, and charge for services on a community board approved sliding-fee scale that is based on patients’ family income and size.”

Sound familiar? Yes, that is exactly what CCHSA is already doing and has always done. So why are we applying for FQHC status?

There are a number of advantages to being an FQHC. The

biggest benefit is an annual grant to help fund operations. Other benefits include increased Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement, medical malpractice coverage for providers, access to prescriptions and non-prescription medicines at a reduced cost, and access to the Vaccine for Children program.

The bottom line is that moving to the Widows Home and becoming an FQHC will allow us to expand our ministry and reach more of the uninsured and under-served in the Augusta area. Please pray that our application will be accepted and for the renovations at the Widows Home.

Welcome

Welcome to the newest members of the CCHSA Family:



LINDSEY LANTZ
Administrative Assistant



ELANA PRENDERGAST, RN

Help us close out 2010 strong. Please send your end-of-the-year gift or pledge to the Widows Home Campaign or CCHSA operations today!

To qualify for a charitable deduction in the 2010 tax year, contributions must be postmarked before December 31st. Don't forget, you can donate on line at www.christcommunityaugusta.org



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The Greenbrier High School National Honor Society donated the proceeds from their service project to Christ Community Health. Members of the NHS presented a check for \$1,855 to CCHSA's Jeff Drake, Kristin McLaughlin, Becky Lyle and Will Finnell at half-time of the Greenbrier vs. South Effingham football game. The students raised the money by selling luminaries that lined the road leading to the stadium and were lit after the football game. Special thanks to Stephanie Carter and the GHS Honor Society.

Patient Comments

*You and the staff have provided us with health care that truly saved our lives. Without Christ Community we would not have been able to receive desperately needed health care and medicine that we could actually afford.
T.B. and V.B.*

*I continue to be overwhelmed by the generosity of CCHSA. Seeing God's people work is so good. We have been blessed by the kindness shown to us.
R.N.*

*I have been a patient at CCHSA for several years now and my needs – physical, emotional and spiritual – have always been addressed and attended to.
V.R.*



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Concerts for a Cause
Benefitting CCHSA
St. John United Methodist
Church
725 Greene Street
February 20, 2011
3:00 p.m.



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Widows Home Update

- **The Widows Home renovations are underway**
- **Estimated Phase 1 construction time: 7 months**
- **The first floor will include 12 exam rooms**
- **A 2,000 square foot addition to the back of the building will include the patient waiting room and administrator's office**

Christ Community Health Services Augusta exists to proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and to demonstrate His love by providing affordable quality primary healthcare to the underserved of Augusta.

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