Le Bonheur

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CVICU Nurse, Gift of Life bring Ugandan patient to Le Bonheur



CVICU nurse, Kari Harbin, with Gift of Life patient, Jackline

When Le Bonheur CVICU nurse, **Kari Harbin**, first saw a video of Jackline, she immediately hoped that the 13-year-old girl might be a good candidate for Gift of Life. Jackline was born in Uganda without a sternum. While she has no heart defects, her condition meant that she had no protection for her heart and if she were to fall or get hit in the chest it could be fatal. "A physical therapist had taken a video of Jackline's chest," Kari said. "You could see her heart beating through her chest and basically hold her heart in your hand." After seeing her video, Kari started working to bring Jackline to Le Bonheur.

Kari has gone to Uganda three times with OneWorld Health a nonprofit that partners with communities in developing countries to provide permanent, sustainable health care. During Kari's time in Uganda with OneWorld Health, she set up clinics in different villages to support a permanent clinic in the area. Kari first heard about Jackline in 2016 when she and her husband **Scott Harbin**, an EDT in the Le Bonheur ED, went to Uganda together. "Jackline first came to my attention because she came to the OneWorld Health clinic," Kari said. "I thought that Gift of Life would be able to help. I showed the video to Dr. Kumar and Dr. Knott-Craig, and they

believed they could help her." OneWorld Health was able to provide her with a spine brace to wear as an exoskeleton and adjust as she grew until she was

able to have surgery.

Bringing Jackline to Memphis for her surgery required the effort of individuals and organizations from around the country. Gift of Life Mid-South is a project of the Rotary Club of Memphis (District 6800) that brings children to Memphis for life-saving heart surgery. Rotary volunteers will take care of meals and transportation for Jackline and her mom and generally lend support to her family throughout their stay. Despite the support of the Rotary, Kari still had to raise more than \$3,000 for flights and other expenses, which was truly an group effort. Joe Ogle, from Stillwater, Okla., the physical therapist to first meet Jackline, helped to fundraise by putting on a benefit concert. American Airlines Miles for Kids in Need (Children's Flight of Hope) helped to provide some of the flights for Jackline, her mom, Molly, and their interpreter Jimmy. Many other individuals made generous gifts to make Jackline's journey to Le Bonheur possible.

Thanks to Gift of Life Mid-South and the generosity of Le Bonheur, Dr. Knott-Craig and the Heart Institute, Jackline will have surgery for a sternum reconstruction that will change her life.

Attend Stewards of Children to identify and prevent child abuse

All Le Bonheur Associates are invited to register and attend the Stewards of Children training provided by the staff of the Memphis Child Advocacy Center. After October, the program has two more sessions for 2018 on Nov. 16 and Dec. 4 from 9 - 11 a.m. in the Chesney Auditorium.

Community Outreach hosts inaugural Super Friends Day



All families who are part of the Healthy Families Program were invited to the first Super Friends Day on Oct. 11 at Le Bonhuer Community Outreach. Parents and children were invited to dress as their favorite super hero and enjoy the fun fall activities together.



Sterile Processing Department holds Open House



On Oct. 15, the Sterile Processing Department invited Le Bonheur Associates to learn more about the department and its crucial function in the hospital. Sterile Processing Department Associate, Phyllis Wright, gave tours to visitors showing the cleaning and sterilization processes.

Get your flu vaccine this month! Meri Armour honored as "One



Flu vaccines will be available through Oct. 31. All MLH Associates must receive the flu vaccination unless there is a medical or religious reason for exemption with appropriate written documentations. Shots are available on all clinical units. Please be advised that PCCs in the ED are only able to give flu shots to ED Associates and Physicians.

Susan Helms receives award from Tenn. Child Passenger Safety Center



Le Bonheur Children's Hospital was recently honored for "Outstanding Service as a Child Passenger Safety Fitting Station" by the Tenn. Child Passenger Safety Center. The award was accepted by **Susan Helms**, director of Injury Prevention and Safe Kids at the recent Tennessee Lifesaver's Conference in Murfreesboro, Tenn.

Since 2001, Le Bonheur has hosted a Child Passenger Safety Fitting Station, educating more than 5,000 parents on the proper installation and use of child safety seats. Thank you, Susan, for the work you do to keep the children in our community safe

Forrest Spence Fund creates Bereavement Cart for families

The Forrest Spence Fund (FSF) recently initiated a new project at Le Bonheur for families - the Bereavement Cart. This cart is filled with items that a family might find comforting when they are spending their last moments with their child.

The cart was created by the FSF and the family of Nowell Defenbaugh, who passed away in 2013. Their goal was to provide a little



Volunteers from Takeda Pharmaceutical Company helped stock and launch the Bereavement Cart. They are pictured above with FSF Executive Director Brittany Spence, Dana Defenbaugh and members of the Palliative Care and Spiritual Care divisions.

comfort to families in the worst moment of their lives. The FSF hopes that the Bereavement Cart will be a small way to let families know that they are not alone.

Meri Armour honored as "One Smart Cookie" by Girl Scouts Heart of the South



On Sept. 20, Le Bonheur President and CEO **Meri Armour** was honored by the Girl Scouts Heart of the South at the third annual One Smart Cookie Celebration. This celebration honors women who make things happen in Greater Memphis. The Girl Scouts recognized seven women who demonstrate qualities of leadership in their professional, civic and service-oriented endeavors.

Purchase Halloween décor, support Le Bonheur

Shopping for Halloween costumes or decorations? You can save money while supporting Le Bonheur through Spirit of Children! Shop at Spirit Halloween and use the coupon below to save 10 percent off your entire order, AND Spirit Halloween will give 10 percent back to Le Bonheur.



calendar

Wed., Oct. 17

8 - 9 a.m. Grand Rounds Le Bonheur Auditorium

Thurs., Oct. 18

11 a.m. Town Hall Le Bonheur Auditorium 5 - 5:45 p.m. Tai Chi Research Center Ground Floor

Sat., Oct. 20 9 a.m. Pumpkin Run

Mon., Oct. 22 5 - 5:45 p.m. Zumba Research Center Ground Floor

Wed., Oct. 24 8 - 9 a.m. Grand Rounds Le Bonheur Auditorium

Thurs., Oct 25 5 - 5:45 p.m. Tai Chi Research Center

Ground Floor