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# THE FROG



A dedication to O.C. Newman's sprightly bronco (so named for his wild leaps).

# **A Note From Your CEO**



It's been an exciting month for Northwest Oklahoma and Newman Memorial Hospital. This month, two long standing providers partnered with Newman as they continue to serve our communities—and we couldn't be more grateful. Grateful that they're continuing to provide care locally, and grateful they've chosen Newman as their *Partner in Care*.

Joanna Elliott (Woodward) and Wendy Crotts (Mooreland) are incredible providers and servant leaders. Newman is committed to giving them the tools and support they need so their focus remains on you.

Our Specialty Clinic also supports Dr. Zane Uhland (Orthopedics) and Jeremy Cheatwood, PA. This amazing duo has been traveling to Northwest Oklahoma for over 15 years—driving back and forth from Oklahoma City every week. It's important that we show our appreciation for their commitment by offering our support in return.

Dr. Richard Orgill, our Ear, Nose, and Throat (ENT) specialist, is now serving the Woodward area in addition to Ellis County and surrounding communities.

Amy Vasko, who brings 26 years of experience in Women's Health at some of the top healthcare facilities in the nation, will be seeing patients at our Specialty Clinic and at our Shattuck location. I encourage you to book an appointment—you'll see the difference for yourself.

Shandy Baggs, APRN-CNP, at our Shattuck Clinic, is currently accepting new patients. She also happens to be my own family's provider, and she is absolutely amazing. Her knowledge and experience are evident in the thoughtful care she provides. It's well worth the drive to see her!

Lastly, I want to thank the people of Northwest Oklahoma—and our neighbors in Texas and Kansas—for believing in Newman. My passion is to help restore our health system to what it once was: a trusted, regional system dedicated to serving the community.

We need a local healthcare system that advocates for our people, not profits. I'm humbled each day by the strength of our team—from the clinic floor to the administrative offices. It's remarkable to witness the dedication, thoughtfulness, and heart each person brings.

We're making progress together. There's still a long road ahead, but with the support of our communities, we will reach our goals.

Thank you for your trust and support. Wishing you all a happy and safe Fourth of July!

-Tom Vasko, CEO

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## Employee Anniversaries

Shandy Baggs - APRN-CNP - Laverne, OK - 7/22/2019

Shannon Bullard - RHC - Shattuck, OK - 7/22/2019

Isamar Deanda - RHC - Shattuck, OK - 7/28/2023

Carla How - Respiratory Therapy - Shattuck, OK - 7/10/2016

Heather Jennings - LPN - Vici, OK - 7/22/2024

Tamara Noble - RHC - Woodward, OK - 7/22/2019

Danna Stuart - RHC MD - Shattuck, OK - 7/22/2019

Steven Tangney - Surgery - Shattuck, OK - 7/29/2024

Kristi West - Surgery - Arnett, OK - 7/1/2022



Shannon Bullard - RHC - June 4th

Ashley Byers - Laboratory - June 27th

Trey Collins - Accounting - July 25th

Robyn Girton - CAO - July 15th

Rebecca Hahn - LPN - July 14th

Sandra Hunter - RN - July 1st

Rylee Keith - CNA - July 14th

Steven Tangney - Surgery Tech - July 18th

Caitlyn Taylor - LPN - July 29th

Sara Waite - Purchasing - July 24th

LeAnne Willyard - CNA - July 3rd

### Meet Our Newest Employees!

Angela Bradford - LPN - Waynoka, OK

Emily Brown - Business Office - Gage, OK

Addisen Campbell - CNA - Laverne, OK

Tristan Clem - Maintenance - Shattuck, OK

Joanna Elliott - APRN-CNP - Woodward, OK

Vickie Miller - Registration - Woodward, OK

Catalina Ramirez - LPN - Woodward, OK

Daisy Villegas - Business Office - Shattuck, OK

Heather Watson - LPN - Mooreland, OK

Cameron Quinby - Rad Tech - Woodward, OK

## Can you solve this riddle?

I was penned with purpose and sealed with might,

Declaring freedom and setting things right.

On July the Fourth, I took my first breath—

A nation's bold stand, through struggle and death.

Though I'm not alive, I sparked a new land.

What am I, written with liberty's hand?



- 1 (8 oz) package cream cheese, softened
- 1 (3.4 oz) box instant cheesecake pudding mix (unprepared)
- 1/2 cup powdered sugar
- 1 cup vanilla yogurt
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 1 (8 oz) tub whipped topping (like Cool Whip)
- 2 cups sliced strawberries
- 1 cup blueberries
- 1 cup mini marshmallows
- 1 1/2 cups mini angel food cake cubes (optional but delish!)

#### Instructions:

- 1. In a large bowl, beat together the cream cheese, powdered sugar, pudding mix, yogurt, and vanilla until smooth and creamy.
- Fold in the whipped topping until fully combined.
- 3. Gently stir in the strawberries, blueberries, marshmallows, and cake cubes.
- 4. Chill for at least 1 hour before serving.
- 5. Garnish with extra berries or festive sprinkles if you're feeling extra patriotic!

#### Pro Tip:

Serve it in a trifle dish or individual clear cups for a star-spangled presentation!

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