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# CEO UPDATE



Our team is constantly searching for the best physicians to bring on board. Not only do we look for individuals who have a wealth of experience and the credentials to back it up, but we also seek

physicians who will relate to our patients and offer personalized, quality care. I am pleased to report that we have found two new physicians who are the complete package:

## DR. RAAID MUSEITIF, CARDIOLOGY

## DR. DHIRAJ GULATI, GASTROENTEROLOGY

Dr. Museitif will be replacing Dr. John Moses upon his retirement in April. We strongly believe that patients should have easy access to quality care without having to travel far. Dr. Museitif brings a wealth of knowledge to his practice and will offer patients a new perspective on heart health. He will also oversee the hospital's current cardiac services including cardiac rehab, electrocardiograms, stress echocardiograms, stress testing, Holter and event monitor testing, and a wide range of diagnostic vascular ultrasounds.

Dr. Gulati will be joining us from Rush-Copley Medical Group in Aurora, Illinois. His primary focus will be on performing colonoscopies and endoscopies, and we're happy to offer the community a timely option for these procedures.

The team at Edgerton Hospital is looking forward to taking care of you this year. Whether it be as a patient, a guest at one of our community wellness programs or simply a visitor, we will treat you with the respect you deserve.

## Jim Schultz, CEO



## RAAID MUSEITIF, MD

# cardiology

"I believe in patient-centered care where a doctor and patient relationship is built on listening, trust and respect. I empower my patients with the information they need to make their own health care decisions."

### Board Certification:

- Nuclear Cardiology
- Interventional Cardiology
- Cardiovascular Disease

Dr. Museitif will help patients care for all their heart health needs. Cardiac services include:

- Electrocardiograms
- Stress echocardiograms
- Stress testing
- Holter and event monitor testing

Clinic Hours: Every other Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
(April 19, May 3, etc.)



**SCHEDULE YOUR APPOINTMENT WITH DR. MUSEITIF  
BY CALLING 608-561-6657**

Dr. Museitif accepts a variety of insurance plans, including Aetna/Medicare, Anthem BCBS, Cigna, Dean (select plans), Quartz, UnitedHealthcare, Medicaid, Medicare and more. Visit [www.edgertonhospital.com](http://www.edgertonhospital.com) for a complete list.

Individual plans may vary, please call the number on the back of your insurance card to verify coverage.

# WHY - *AND WHEN* - YOU NEED A COLONOSCOPY



More than 100,000 people each year are diagnosed with colon cancer. Because there are few – if any – symptoms in the earliest stages, regular colonoscopies greatly increase your chance of preventing or beating this disease.

Many people are embarrassed to talk with their doctors about screening for colon cancer – but it's extremely important. Here's why:

- Both men and women are at risk for colon cancer, and your risk increases after age 50. Over 90% of colon cancers are found in people over age 50.
- Colorectal cancer is the second most common cause of cancer-related deaths for both men and women.
- On average, colonoscopies find precancerous polyps in 15% of women and 25% of men.
- Colonoscopies are the most effective preventative screening tool for colon cancer.

Colon cancer is one of the most common cancers – and it is completely preventable with regular screenings. You should be screened at least annually when:

- You are age 50 and above.
- You've had colon cancer before.
- There is a history of colorectal polyps or colon cancer in your immediate family.
- You have an inflammatory bowel disease such as Crohn's disease or ulcerative colitis.
- You have a genetic syndrome that increases your risk of colon cancer.

Edgerton Hospital provides a local, convenient and comfortable colon cancer screening option.

» **FOR INFORMATION ON HOW TO SCHEDULE YOUR LIFE-SAVING COLONOSCOPY, PLEASE CALL THE SURGERY DEPARTMENT AT 608-884-1340.**

Please help Edgerton Hospital welcome **DHIRAJ GULATI, MD, GASTROENTEROLOGIST**

**Board Certification:**  
Internal Medicine • Gastroenterology

**Be your own advocate!** If there's a procedure you'd like to have done locally, let your primary care physician know!



# TIME MAKES A *difference*

Starting off the new year with a medical emergency isn't ideal, but local, quality care can make all the difference. Dave Harrington discovered this to be true when he suffered a stroke on New Year's Eve and was taken to Edgerton Hospital's Emergency Department.

"When I got there, they took me straight back and I met with Dr. Mohammed right away," remembers Dave. "Time is important with a stroke, and they were so fast and efficient."

**The staff was so great and caring, they took time to help me get up and walk so I could see how I felt. Now, I'm almost ready to get back to work."**

Edgerton Hospital is proud to provide local care to our community to ensure patients like Dave receive the care they need, when they need it. During a stroke, for example, every minute counts to prevent permanent brain damage or disability.

"I had excellent care at Edgerton Hospital," says Dave. "They watched me really close for a couple of days and got me the medicine I needed, and I'm happy to say that I came out of it pretty darn good."

Dave was impressed by the care he received from Dr. Mohammed and the other hospitalists, a team of expert physicians who specialize in in-hospital care.

"The hospitalists treated me so well," he says. "They really looked after me. I can't say enough about the people that work there."

Depending on the type of stroke and time to treatment, patients may require speech, occupational or physical therapy. Luckily, Dave received care quickly enough that he has been able to return to his home and regular activities already.

"While I was at the hospital, I wanted to get up and walk right away to test my strength," says Dave. "The staff was so great and caring, they took time to help me get up and walk so I could see how I felt. Now, I'm almost ready to get back to work."

After a lifetime of dairy farming, Dave now hauls grain for other farmers and helps manage the wild prairie farm on land he recently sold. As part of his follow-up care, Dave is also learning to better manage his health with diet and medicine.

"Working keeps me healthy and keeps my strength up, so I'm looking forward to getting back," says Dave. "Thanks to the excellent care I had, I feel good and I'm ready to get back to life."



**ACT FAST**  
RECOGNIZE STROKE SYMPTOMS  
AND ACT **F.A.S.T.**:

**FACE**

{ Ask the person to smile. Does one side of the face droop?

**ARMS**

{ Ask the person to raise both arms. Does one arm drift downward?

**SPEECH**

{ Ask the person to repeat a simple sentence. Are the words slurred? Can he/she repeat the sentence correctly?

**TIME**

{ If the person shows any of these symptoms, time is important. Call 911 or get to the hospital fast.

**WHEN IT COMES TO STROKE, EVERY MINUTE COUNTS.  
DON'T WAIT - GET TO THE HOSPITAL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.**



DAVE'S DAUGHTERS WERE HAPPY TO HAVE THEIR DAD RECEIVE CARE CLOSE TO HOME.  
FROM LEFT: PAM CHESMORE, DAVE HARRINGTON, DEB HARRINGTON



## CHECKING ALL BOXES

At Edgerton Hospital, you truly get the best of both worlds – local convenience and the highest quality care. Just ask Luanne Griffin, a local resident who turned to Dr. Suleyman Kurter at Edgerton Hospital for a recent surgery.

“Dr. Kurter checked off all my checkboxes in what I look for in a doctor,” she says. “There truly isn’t anyone else I would recommend.”

Dr. Kurter specializes in surgical podiatry, and Luanne looked to him for help with joint pain in her big toe. After having a bone spur removed five years prior, she was still experiencing pain and was looking

for a solution. However, she was having a hard time finding a doctor at larger hospitals who would help.

“I used to think that I wouldn’t seek care at a local hospital for surgery, but I’m so glad I did,” says Luanne. “Dr. Kurter is the kindest, most compassionate, most amazing doctor I’ve worked with.”

For several years, Luanne received steroid shots quarterly to help with pain and movement. However, these shots were painful, and she did not want to have to continue them for life. Dr. Kurter provided the toe fusion surgery she needed for a more permanent solution.

“He did a fantastic job,” Luanne says. “I can still bend it even. I was thrilled with how this turned out, I can’t say enough about it.”

**It was amazing. I had to be off my feet for a while, and I thought I would also be in pain for a bit, but it didn’t happen. He is just so skilled.”**

With a toe fusion, the surgeon removes the arthritic or injured joint in the toe and connects the bones with a titanium plate. Luanne was surprised at how quickly she felt better after surgery.

“I did everything he told me to do for recovery, and I had no pain whatsoever from the surgery,” she says. “It was amazing. I had to be off my feet for a while, and I thought I would also be in pain for a bit, but it didn’t happen. He is just so skilled.”

To help with recovery, Luanne had a few sessions with the physical therapy team at Edgerton Hospital as well. “The whole team, everyone I interacted with there was great. From Dr. Kurter’s nurses to the physical therapists, everyone was so compassionate,” she reflects.

“There’s just everything to love about Edgerton Hospital: it’s close, they accept my insurance and I got amazing care from wonderful people.”

**FOR INFORMATION ON PODIATRY SERVICES, CALL 608-561-6657.**

# BLESSINGS IN OUR BACKYARD!



# CELEBRATING THE HEROES IN US ALL!



Who are the everyday heroes among us? You may not realize this, but it's **YOU** - our generous donors!

In 1923, Edgerton Hospital was built as Memorial Community Hospital, a tribute to the local servicemen and women of WWI. Today, it continues to be a true community hospital. In fact, it's **YOUR** community hospital!

**You, our donors, are the everyday heroes** that rise above your daily life commitments to help create quality health care for your friends, neighbors, and visitors in your community. Your continued generosity for others has (and will continue to) create incredible change right here in your home town. And for that, we are forever grateful.

This year we will continue our fundraising efforts for building a strong foundation for your health by accepting donations for the following areas: **Won't You Help to Put Us Over The Top?**

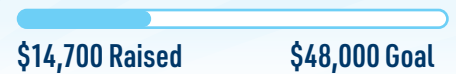
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Caring for our neighbors in need is an essential part of who we are. To our donors we say - **THANK YOU** for being an everyday hero in our hometown!

“ I think a hero is any person really intent on making this a better place for all people. ”  
*-Maya Angelou*

## EASY WAYS TO GIVE:

- Bonnie Robinson at 608-884-1401
- [www.edgertonhospital.com/foundation/online-giving](http://www.edgertonhospital.com/foundation/online-giving)
- Edgerton Hospital Capital Foundation  
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# community

## SPOTLIGHT

### IN THE DETAILS

When you walk through the halls of Edgerton Hospital, you may be inspired by artwork that takes you back to a simpler time and place. The hospital is proud to display dozens of prints created by local watercolorist Howie Stiff, whose work awakens feelings of serenity and reflection.

“What I feel like I’m doing with my art is recapturing a bit of history that is disappearing,” says Howie. “Many of the buildings I’ve painted are no longer around, and my work tries to reflect the days past that maybe remind us of a simpler time or fond memories.”



This inspiration comes through in the details. During his career as a fine artist, Howie has created over 150 original paintings – and some of them have required thousands of hours of work to complete. The fine attention to the smallest details is rare in watercolor paintings and helps him achieve his goal of reflecting on the past.

“When I paint a building, I try to paint as many of the original individual stones as I can,” explains Howie. “I also like to paint landscapes and enjoy getting the details of the foliage.”

The painstaking work he puts into his art is evident and has won him many fans and awards throughout his career. Howie has won several “Best in Show”

awards at various art shows, has had paintings chosen for the “Artists of America” calendar, and has won the Strathmore National Christmas Card Contest, among other accolades. But, he finds the greatest satisfaction in just knowing people enjoy his work.

**The people of Edgerton have been very supportive of my career, and we really enjoy this community.”**

“I find it a big honor when people think enough of my art to purchase it and put it up in their homes or businesses,” he says. “It is such a reward for me. I also enjoy donating my artwork to charitable causes and helping people in our community.”

Howie and his wife of 50 years, Ann, are long-time supporters of the Edgerton community. Ann was a kindergarten teacher in Edgerton for 39 years, and they both enjoy being involved in school programs, athletics and the arts. The Edgerton School District recognized the Stiffs for their commitment to the local schools by honoring them with the 2010 Golden Apple Award.

“The people of Edgerton have been very supportive of my career, and we really enjoy this community,” says Howie. “We are happy to be able to give back when we can.”

When he learned that a donation of many of his prints had been made to Edgerton Hospital, he was glad to be able to connect with the community once again.

“I hope it gives patients and visitors a sense of serenity,” Howie says. “I like to think of my artwork as something that can calm your nerves or soothe your emotions, and hopefully it provides that for people at the hospital.”

See Howie’s work in the hallways of Edgerton Hospital during your next visit.

# WHAT THE BUMP?

## CYSTS, LUMPS, BUMPS & YOUR SKIN

As we age, a variety of lumps, bumps, moles and other spots can make their annoying appearance on our skin. Often these new growths are harmless, but in some cases they may need to be removed. If you notice any of the following characteristics of your changing skin, you should get checked.

- Moles, spots or growths that are growing, changing shape or changing color
- Bumps or spots that bleed easily
- Painful lumps or cysts
- Spread of coloration from the border of a spot into surrounding skin
- Redness surrounding a spot or growth
- Changes in sensation, such as itchiness, tenderness or pain
- Sores or scabs that won't heal

Your doctor will examine any growth or lesion and may have the area tested or biopsied to determine if it should be removed. Most removal procedures can be done on an outpatient basis.

Get your skin issues checked at Edgerton Hospital with Dr. Pierre Charles, General Surgeon.

»» CALL **608-561-6657** TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT TODAY.



## GOOD TO *know*

Many types of cysts, lumps or bumps develop because of infections or genetics. However, there are some measures you can take to protect your skin from developing these issues or skin cancer.

- Use sunscreen daily, especially on your face and other areas of exposed skin.
- Don't smoke.
- Eat a healthy diet.
- Manage stress.
- Check your skin for changes at least once every three months.

## IDENTIFYING COMMON SKIN PROBLEMS

	NORMAL	ABNORMAL
ASYMMETRY »		
BORDER »		
COLOR »		
DIAMETER »		
EVOLVING »		

# employee SPOTLIGHT



## LIKE FAMILY

When you refer to your coworkers as “family,” you know you’ve found a great place to be. Bobbi Bogner, PTA, feels so connected to the rest of the Edgerton Hospital Physical Therapy team, she’s been part of the “family” for nearly 30 years.

“We’ve always had a family approach to our work, and everyone has each other’s back,” she says. “It’s such great teamwork, which makes it fun to come to work, and our patients get our very best.”

As a physical therapy assistant, Bobbi enjoys helping patients make progress on their rehabilitation and treatment goals on an outpatient basis. Edgerton Hospital offers a large outpatient gym along with a separate inpatient gym to serve all patients’ needs.

“Although we are a smaller hospital, we have such a great physical therapy program,” says Bobbi. “Patients get a lot of one-on-one attention, and with our team approach we are all able to work together to make sure each patient is making progress.”

Physical therapy is designed to help patients alleviate pain or regain their strength and functionality after injury or illness. The team approach allows for Bobbi and her coworkers to find the best options for each person to help them reach their full potential.

**We get to work with patients one-on-one for 45 minutes to an hour, which really gives me time to get into the treatment and start to see that progress.”**

“We offer a lot of different treatments, so we really focus on each patient to figure out what is going to keep them progressing,” says Bobbi. “If it’s not working, we look to the next step. We advocate for our patients to make sure the right steps are being taken to get them what they need.”

Helping patients find what works is a highlight of the job for Bobbi.

“I enjoy being creative and working with the team to figure out what’s going to help the patient get better,” she says. “We get to work with patients one-on-one for 45 minutes to an hour, which really gives me time to get into the treatment and start to see that progress.”

Outside of work, Bobbi enjoys staying active with outdoor activities and spending time with her husband, two children and dog. And, she enjoys telling people about the job that she loves.

“I feel so blessed that every day I can get up and go to a job that I like, and I appreciate the people I’m with every day,” says Bobbi. “It’s just so great to be a part of this team.”



**TO LEARN MORE ABOUT EDGERTON HOSPITAL'S REHABILITATION SERVICES, CALL 608-884-1390.**

# yes, YOU CAN GET LAB WORK HERE!

You don't have to travel to get your lab work done. Edgerton Hospital's fully equipped, state-of-the-art lab is open 24/7 and available to meet your medical testing needs:

- ✓ Complete blood work
- ✓ Medication levels
- ✓ Transfusions
- ✓ Cardiac testing
- ✓ Renal testing
- ✓ Prostate cancer markers
- ✓ Thyroid testing
- ✓ Influenza testing
- ✓ Lipid testing
- ✓ Coagulation testing (vital in testing blood clotting function in patients)
- ✓ Urinalysis testing
- ✓ And much more

The Edgerton Hospital laboratory is one of the only small labs in Wisconsin to offer a complete line of microbiology testing.

There is no appointment needed, and results can be returned in less than an hour for most tests. Get your tests done before your appointment and have results ready to discuss with your doctor. Or, simply visit us when it is most convenient for you.

Lab services require an order from your primary care provider or specialty physician – but **you have the choice** of where to have your tests done. Ask to have your tests done at Edgerton Hospital for a local, convenient option.

» LOOKING FOR SOMETHING NOT ON THIS LIST? GIVE THE LABORATORY A CALL AT **608-884-1370**.



**EDGERTON HOSPITAL'S LAB TECHNICIANS:**  
FROM LEFT, TERESA COOK, CHRISTINE WONDER,  
SHARON MARATIK, MARIKA PADDEN



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## WE'LL SEE YOU SOON

There's no reason to wait weeks to see a provider. The Family Medicine team at Edgerton Hospital's Milton Clinic can see you soon!

Dr. Michael Schreiber and Emily Harbison, APNP, provide expert primary care services to people of all ages. And, you can get in to see them quickly and conveniently.

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