Message from CEO

I am extremely proud of Lane being named the 2021 Hospital of the Year in the 61-160 bed category. Our team has done an extraordinary job during these difficult times, and it is gratifying to have their hard work and dedication recognized on a state-wide level.

We recently welcomed a third physician, Dr. Shola Tijani, to Lane Pediatrics. Dr. Tijani is board certified and here to help you with the most important job in life – raising your children and keeping them healthy.

We also recently launched Lane Dermatology. As experienced, board-certified dermatologists, Dr. Jessica LeBlanc and Dr. Ashley Record are available to provide skin care health for you and your family including children and teens.

The expansion project for an updated facility continues to move forward. We are still in the planning phase and are working with the architects to finalize design, flow, and equipment needs. Groundbreaking is slated for this summer.

As we move forward with our vision for the future of Lane, we thank you for your continued support and trust.

Kindest Regards,

Larry Meese

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WELCOME TO LANE

Nick Maggio, FNP-C
Nurse Practitioner at Lane Family Practice

Nick has been in healthcare for 10 years and will assist the physicians at Lane Family Practice with preventative care, sick care, management of chronic diseases and conditions, health education, medication management, and follow-up care after hospitalization.

“As a former ICU nurse at Lane, I am happy to be part of the Lane team once again. I am eager to help our patients and develop relationships with my new co-workers.”

Joe Watson
Facilities Director

Joe has 15 years of facility maintenance and construction experience, including project management, medical/electrical/mechanical/plumbing/HVAC equipment regulations, safety guidelines, and emergency management programs. Prior to this position, Joe was the Facilities Safety Coordinator and interim Facilities Director at Lane.

Joe holds national certifications in emergency management, emergency response and recovery, disaster preparedness, life safety standards, safety and code requirements, environment of care, fire protection, and aggressive behavior instruction. Joe was named Lane Employee of the Month in July 2018.

“I am excited to continue the excellent facility maintenance program that we have at Lane, and I look forward to watching Lane grow into one of the best community hospitals.”

Jeannine Kimble
Revenue Cycle Director

Jeannine is responsible for the daily operations of the Revenue Cycle team, including Patient Access, Health Information Management, Revenue Integrity, and the Business Office. She also works closely with department leaders to ensure key performance indicators are met.

Jeannine has held multiple positions at Lane since 1977, including business office clerk, medical record clerk, home health office manager, health information supervisor, and health information manager.

“I am proud to be a part of the Lane family. It’s a place where people connect, care about each other, and work together as a team for the betterment of our patients and community.”

Allison Cross, PA
Physician Assistant at Lane Gastroenterology

With more than six years of experience, Allison will assist Dr. Krunal Patel in the diagnosis and treatment of digestive system disorders, including advanced assessments, treatment and care planning, and patient education.

Allison is certified as a Physician Assistant by the American Academy of Physician Assistants.

“I love working at Lane because patients receive the best care here and it feels like the staff is one big family. I’m looking forward to building relationships with patients and hoping I can help them feel better!”

FAREWELL
FROM LANE

Dr. Clayton Brown Retires

Please join us in wishing Dr. Clayton Brown congratulations on his retirement!

Dr. Brown’s initial appointment date at Lane was April 1, 1981. He has been an amazing leader to us all with a long and successful career in Internal Medicine over the last 40 years.

He served two full terms on the Medical Executive Committee and as Chief of Staff starting in the early 1980s and again in the mid-2000s. He also served as Medical Staff Advisor to the Quality Council, as Chair of the ICU/Medicine/Cardiopulmonary Committee, and on several other medical staff committees.

Dr. Brown is now considered an Honorary Staff Physician. An Honorary Staff member consists of practitioners recognized for their outstanding reputations, their noteworthy contributions to the health and medical sciences, and their previous long-standing service to the hospital.

Honorary Staff status is reserved for practitioners retired from medical practice and who served as a member of the hospital medical staff in good standing for at least 25 years.

January 1, 2022 marked the start of the next chapter for Dr. Brown. We wish Dr. Brown all the happiness and joy retirement can bring!
Welcoming
Shola Tijani, MD
Dr. Tijani is here to help you with the most important job in life - raising your children and keeping them healthy.

Services for newborns, toddlers, children and teens include:
• Well-baby Exams
• Preventive Checkups
• Immunizations
• School & Sports Physicals
• Developmental Screenings
• Primary Care Services
• Flu Shots
• COVID-19 Vaccinations

Dr. Tijani joins Drs. Jacob LaBas and Lacey Clark at Lane Pediatrics.

To schedule an appointment, please call 225-658-4070.
Same day appointments are available.

Dr. Tijani is now accepting new patients.

Now Open!
At Lane Dermatology, we care about your skin as much as you do.

Dr. Ashley Record and Dr. Jessica LeBlanc are committed to long-term skin care health for people of all ages including children and teens.

Whether you need an annual screening or immediate attention for an ailment, as experienced, board-certified dermatologists, we treat most skin, scalp, and nail conditions.

Common Conditions and Diseases We Treat
• Acne
• Alopecia Areata
• Basal Cell Carcinoma
• Cysts
• Dandruff (Seborrhea)
• Dermatofibroma
• Dry Skin
• Eczema (Dermatitis)
• Melanoma
• Melasma
• Moles
• Molluscum Contagiosum
• Nail Fungus (Onychomycosis)
• Pre-Cancer (Actinic Keratoses)
• Psoriasis
• Rosacea
• Scabies
• Shingles
• Skin Cancer
• Skin Tags
• Squamous Cell Carcinoma
• Sun Burn / Sun Damage
• Tinea Versicolor
• Vitiligo
• Warts

“IT IS A PRIVILEGE TO BE PART OF YOUR CHILD’S GROWTH, DEVELOPMENT AND WELL-BEING.

The trust you have placed in me is invaluable, and I look forward to knowing and growing with your family.”

Highlights
Board certified in Pediatrics

Received Doctor of Medicine from St. George’s University School of Medicine

Completed residency in Pediatrics at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center

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You’re Gonna Love Lane WINTER 2022
For the first time in Lane's history, there is a tie for MVP (Most Valuable Player) of the Year! Russell Arceneaux, RN in Lane Endoscopy Center, and Dee Thomas in Environmental Services, were named Lane Regional Medical Center's 2021 MVPs of the Year. They were recognized for their dedication, outstanding work ethic, and customer service skills.

Russell is an attentive nurse and devoted co-worker. He is energetic, dependable, professional, and a pleasure to work with. Russell does anything and everything for those around him. Whether trouble shooting equipment, showing others how to use the electronic medical software, cleaning floors, or digging through trash after hours to find a patient’s lost jewelry, he pitches in to help without being asked. Russell has worked at Lane since 2006. He began his career as a registered nurse in the Telemetry and ICU units, then moved into the ER for eight years. He has been in the Lane Endoscopy Center for the past four years and continues to work in other areas as needed, such as the ER, Telemetry, and Medical/Surgery units.

Dee always has a smile on her face and in her heart. She is dependable, never complains, and has a kind word for everyone. Her compassion and concern for patients, their families, and staff members is exceptional. It is evident she loves what she does, and often says it’s her calling to be a Housekeeper. In fact, she sees her job as a ministry to help others. She often helps patients struggling with depression find positivity and to feel like they aren’t alone. When you walk into an area that Dee has taken care of, it always looks and smells wonderful. Dee has worked at Lane since 2006. She spent the first 14 years dedicated to the needs of Lane Nursing Home residents. She now works mainly in the Telemetry unit as well as throughout various areas of the hospital as needed.

Both Russell and Dee are true assets to Lane. As MVPs of the Year, they will receive 16 hours of paid time off and $1,000!

Lane’s 2021 MVP of the Year Nominees:

L-R: Dee Thomas, EVS; Karen Burgess, EKG; Katherine Elkins, ER; Russell Arceneaux, Endo; and Annie Wells, LDRP. Not pictured: Sean Price, Telemetry; Emma Hildebrand, Med/Surg; Alfredo Gutierrez-Hernandez, Telemetry; and Jamie Sambo, ER.
Lane Regional Medical Center was recently named “2021 Acute Care Hospital of the Year” (61-160 beds) by the Louisiana Nurses Foundation and the Louisiana State Nurses Association to recognize excellence in nursing and quality service in the nursing and healthcare industry.

It is the third time Lane has received this award.

The Nightingale Award for Acute Care Hospital of the Year is based on four criteria:

• Innovation through nursing leadership and management within the hospital
• Organizational initiatives supportive of nursing practices
• Evidence of registered nurse decision making and participation in management decisions
• Recognition of registered nurse achievements and support of nursing participation in professional organizations

“Once again we are very proud of this recognition,” said Staci Sullivan, Chief Nursing Officer. “We have an exceptional group of professionals who work at Lane, and it is rewarding to see their efforts acknowledged on a statewide level.”

Please join us in congratulating Teresa Whetstone, Kathleen Parnell, and Kristal Henson for their Nightingale Award nominations!

Teresa was nominated for the Contribution to Quality award. As a core measures expert in the Quality Department, Teresa evaluates the hospital’s quarterly data to keep us on track with our quality metrics and moving toward our organizational goals.

Kathleen was nominated for the Outstanding Community Achievement by a Registered Nurse award. A seasoned nurse in the Lane Endoscopy/Infusion Center, Kathleen was instrumental in expanding infusion services to open the Regeneron Infusion Clinic for COVID-19 patients during the Fall 2021 surge.

Kristal was nominated for the Rookie of the Year award. Within a year of becoming a registered nurse and joining the ICU/IMC unit, Kristal was chosen to become a preceptor and now passes on her experiences to new hires.
The architect design team was recently on site with life-sized cardboard mock-ups of key rooms for staff and physicians to review.

These mock-ups allowed staff to see the new room layouts, including where vital gas and oxygen components, power outlets, and light switches are to be placed. They then gave feedback to modify placement for staff efficiency, patient care functionality, and patient comfort. Detailed finish and furniture reviews are coming soon.

Construction estimates will be finalized once the construction manager reviews the final design development documents and confirms quantity of casework/cabinets, power, medical gas, etc.

Groundbreaking is still estimated to begin in summer 2021 and the 4-story tower to be completed in Spring 2024.
In the meantime, behind-the-scenes work continues, such as:

- Fire code analysis and updates needed
- Lift-station/sewage pump upgrade/planning with the city
- IT network evaluation & upgrade
- Traffic impact study
- Medical equipment assessment

Courtney Day considers the new patient bathroom floorplan

Renee Story and Lori Carruth contemplate the new recovery room arrangement.
Louisiana Perinatal Quality Collaborative (LaPQC) has awarded Lane Regional Medical Center the Birth Ready Designation. This designation celebrates the hospital’s improved perinatal health outcomes, the result of implementing clinical practices to promote safe, equitable, and dignified birth for all.

Hospitals receiving this designation undergo a rigorous application and review process by LaPQC. Five areas of requirement include participation in collaborative learning, health disparity and patient partnership, policies and procedures, structures and education, and outcome and process measures.

“We are proud to receive the Birth Ready Designation,” says Dawn Fuller, Director of Women’s Services at Lane. “Lane is committed to providing compassionate, family friendly, and specialized healthcare to every patient, every time.”

Cardiovascular Institute of the South (CIS) is the first in the region to perform a combination procedure using both a rotational atherectomy devise and a lithotripsy balloon to treat coronary artery disease, a condition where calcified plaque builds up in the coronary arteries.

This technology uses sonic pressure waves to create micro-fractures in the calcium to break it up, with the low-pressure balloon expanding the vessel and restoring blood flow. It is a novel application of lithotripsy, an approach that uses sonic pressure waves to safely break up kidney stones.

“The combination of these two technologies offers a smoother and more precise opening of the blocked vessel,” explained Dr. Nayan Agarwal. “This is a safe and proven treatment option for our patients with a lower risk of complications than other conventional or high-pressure balloons.”

Lane has received the 2021 Platinum Award, the highest honor awarded, for extraordinary efforts in the Workplace Partnership for Life campaign from the Louisiana Organ Procurement Agency (LOPA).

To achieve this distinction, Lane continues to honor organ, eye, and tissue donors by supporting LOPA’s events during the year, and also uses available resources to spread awareness and information at every opportunity.

One organ donor can potentially save up to eight lives. More than 50 people can benefit from one donor’s tissue donation. To learn more, visit www.lopa.org.

Lane Honored as Platinum Award Hospital

New Technology for CIS
Congratulations to our staff members celebrating a Service Award milestone in 2021!

74 staff members were celebrated to acknowledge and thank them for their service to Lane. Collectively they represent 935 years of service.

45 Years of Service
Roy Collins, Environmental Services

40 Years of Service
Anthony Scott, Materials Management
Ray Villemarette, Laboratory

35 Years of Service
Melannie Kyle, Pre-Assessment

30 Years of Service
Cynthia Keller, Food and Nutritional Services
Brenda James, Home Health
Jean Pourciau, Lane Rehab Center

25 Years of Service
Susan Pulliam, Wound Care
Terrell Williams, Plant Operations

20 Years of Service
Courtney Day, Staff Development
Amy Greer, LDRP
Stacy Guillory, Lane Rehabilitation Center
Bill Lair, Information Systems
Joyce Newton, Imaging
Kaycie Oliphant, Imaging
Michelle Shipe, Environmental Services
Sharon Wade, Respiratory Therapy

15 Years of Service
Melissa Aitken, Home Health
Hannah Butler, Lane Family Practice
Miriam Everett, Home Health
Sharon Graves, Laboratory
Samika Jenkins, 1st South
John Johnson, Plant Operations
Melissa Landry, Food and Nutritional Services
Tisha Partin, Nursing Services
James Pierce, Cath Lab
Ashley Rayborn, Emergency Department
Bennett Templet, Cath Lab
Demetria Thomas, Environmental Services
Christina Taylor, 2nd South

10 Years of Service
Heidi Adams, LDRP
Alfredo Batallan, Imaging
Elizabeth Beaudet, LDRP
Heather Buhler, Therapy Services
Tayler Kimble, Imaging
Nikki Langlois, Laboratory
Jefferi Lawson, Plant Operations
Neil Manuel, Quality Resources
Sarah Mills, Laboratory
Margaret Moore, 2nd South
Billie Pace, Home Health
Courtney Travis, LDRP/Surgery

5 Years of Service
Alfredo Gutierrez Hernandez, 1st South
Autumn Armstead, Communications
Randi Cutrer, Pharmacy
Monica Decker, Lane OB/GYN
Grant Dunlap, Lane Family Practice
Kellye Glover, Laboratory
Lacey Habig, Imaging
Melanie Hall, Lane Family Practice
Florence Handrich, Pharmacy
Renee Haygood, Emergency Department
Brandi Haynes-Metoyer, LDRP
Elizabeth Hunt, Surgery
Mindi Klein, FastLane
Hannah Lecoq, Pharmacy
Kelly McDonald, Home Health
Terri Nelson, Home Health/Wound Care
Kimberly Paul, Pharmacy
Joseph Pierce, Cath Lab
Jackie Porter, Laboratory
Chelsea Reno, Surgery
Amy Katherine Roddy, 1st South
Elizabeth Sagely, Workforce Wellness
Lyle Simmons, Lane Rehabilitation Center
Hannah Swim-Key, Surgery
Jonathan Thibaut, Respiratory Therapy
Carlye Travis, Imaging
Jeffrey Uveges, Accounting
Kayla Waldrop, Surgery
Holly Walker, ICU/IMC
Jenny Lynn Watson, Surgery
Robbin Wisham, Environmental Services
Nedra Wright, Cath Lab

Congratulations to all of our Service Award recipients. We appreciate YOU!
A huge thank you to Galilee Baptist Church and Pastor Andrew for a much needed coffee delivery to our staff. We appreciate it!

In celebration of Respiratory Therapists Week, we thank our team for their dedication, hard work, resilience, and strength. They are on the frontlines everyday providing life-altering care to our patients, and their commitment to improving patients’ lung functions and quality of life is stellar! Pictured L-R: Cindy Conerly, Jeanesa Jackson, Deborah Mann, Clay Olsen, Sharon Wade, Stephanie Rogers, Amy Whitehurst, and Felicia Davis.

Perioperative Nurses Week is a time to recognize and honor perioperative nurses for their important role and commitment to safe patient care. As a patient moves through the three phases of the operative process (preoperative, intraoperative, and postoperative), the perioperative nurse brings a sense of comfort, organization, and stability to the sometimes uncertain world of surgery. A few of Lane’s perioperative nurses are pictured L-R Front row: Mechelle Kelley, Courtney Travis, Britton Furlow, Tiffany Cavalier, and Hanna Swim-Key. Back row: Megan Anthony, Maranath Graunard, Kristie Huckaby, Brooke Chapman, and Summer Day.

Maria North-Scott, DO recently spoke at the Zachary Rotary Club on the benefits of Osteopathic Manipulation Medicine for adults and children.

As an osteopathic physician, Dr. North takes a whole-person approach to medicine and treats the entire person rather than just the symptoms with preventative health, medication, and osteopathic manipulation therapy.

She is now seeing new patients at Zachary Family Practice. Call 225-654-3607 to make an appointment today!

Lane Family Practice is offering the Pfizer COVID-19 3rd dose “booster” vaccine to established patients. Please call 225-654-3607 to schedule an appointment, and if possible, bring your vaccine card with you to your appointment.

Lane Pediatrics is offering the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccination for established patients, ages 5-11. For an appointment, please call 225-658-4070.
The 13th annual Veterans Day & Flag Raising Program was held at the Regional Veterans Park on Lane’s campus and sponsored by the Bank of Zachary.

For more information on the Regional Veterans Park Association, or to purchase a brick for the Wall of Veterans, please contact Will Steen at 225-938-1686 or email: info@RegionalVeteransPark.org

In observance of Infection Prevention Week, Lane is blessed to have Dana Bellefontaine as our Infection Control Coordinator. Dana has been with Lane for 32+ years, 14+ years in her current role. Thanks for all you do to keep us safe, Dana!

Members of Lane’s HERO Club (Hospital Employees Reaching Out) recently presented a check for $1,000 to Mary Bird Perkins Cancer Center. Approximately 200 employees contribute to the HERO Club employee giving program to raise funds for local charitable organizations. It also supports various internal grant projects at Lane and helps fellow employees in times of need through the Employee Benevolence Fund. Pictured L-R: Jason Gwyn, David Broussard, Staci Sullivan, Larry Meese, Evie Rogillio, Laura Peel, Chrissy Dupuy, David Beck, Theresa Payment, and Mandi Foretich.

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Sterile Processing Week recognizes our sterile processor technicians who are instrumental to patient care. They work to prepare, sterilize, install, assemble, and clean all laboratory and healthcare equipment required for surgeries, examinations, and medical procedures. They ensure equipment, instruments, and supplies can be reused safely to prevent infections. Pictured L-R: Charlie Rogers, Andrea Tucker, and Cheyenne Frugé.
**Foundation Golf Tournament Results**

Thank you to everyone who participated in and supported the 4th Annual Lane Foundation Golf Tournament presented by Savista. Nineteen teams competed and enjoyed a day of golf on the beautiful course at BRECs Beaver Creek Golf Course in Zachary. Breakfast and coffee were provided by PJ’s Coffee.

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**1st Place**
**Lane Senior Care**
Team members Bond Babin, John Stagg, Ben Hernandez, and Jacob Fisher.

**2nd Place**
**Savista**
Team members Michael LeJeune, Scottie Southhall, BatesBrowning, and Blayne Lyndsey.

**3rd Place**
**Geaux Flow**
Team members Lance Maglone, Taylor Jelks, Brett McCullough, and Ash Morrison. (Pictured above)

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**Lan Nursing Scholarship**

Kaelyn Johnson was recently awarded the $5,000 Lane Volunteer Services Nursing Scholarship.

A 2021 honor roll graduate of Zachary High School (ZHS), Kaelyn earned a 3.98 GPA in advanced course work, demonstrated leadership as a member of the Baton Rouge Youth Coalition and the National Student Leadership Conference, worked as an athletic trainer at ZHS, and represented the school’s varsity track and field team as a sprinter. She was also a member of ZHS’s Beta Club, Key Club, Future Business Leaders of America, and the National Honor Society.

Kaelyn is the daughter of Yashica and Patrick Johnson. She is currently attending Baton Rouge Community College and plans to enroll in the OLOL program to pursue her nursing career as a Labor & Delivery or Pediatric nurse.

The Lane Volunteer Services Scholarship is open to high school students who plan to pursue a career in nursing and attend an accredited Louisiana program. For more information on the 2022 scholarship requirements and entry deadlines, please email tpayment@lanermc.org or call 225-658-6699.

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**Thank you to our sponsors and volunteers!**

- **Birdie Sponsors:** AJ Gallagher, Landmark Bank, Geaux Flow IV Spa, Stabs Central, and Cardiovascular Institute of the South.
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- **Hole Sponsors:** Bridgeway Healthcare & Hospice, Cecil Graves, Charlet Funeral Home, David McDavid, Don Lyn Florist, DPI, Guaranty Bank, Home Instead Care, John Hendry Insurance, Knowledge Vine, Stab’s, Subway Zachary, and Zachary Spine & Sports Rehab.
- **Event Volunteers:** Terri Nelson, Jessica Hunt, Teresa Webb, Jennifer Boyd, Jeannine Kimble, Tamara Dayton, Jeanine Meese, Mandi Foretich, and Elizabeth Stafford.

The event raised $21,000 and was a huge success thanks to all who sponsored and participated. Next year’s event is set for Friday, October 28th at Beaver Creek Golf Course.

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