“When love and skill work together, expect a masterpiece.”~ John Ruskin

After 37 illustrious years at Sharp Memorial Hospital, Nenita Cocohoba retired today. As manager of the orthopedic unit for the past 12 years, Nenita has created a cohesive, high-functioning team on 4 North (formerly 9 North). While focused on excellent clinical outcomes and patient experiences, she never forgets the person behind the diagnosis. Her unit consistently performs in the top 10% nationally in patient satisfaction. Nenita is also a strong advocate for staff engagement and development and has mentored many leaders within our organization while encouraging team member participation in projects or committees at unit, hospital, and system level. Her kindness, teamwork, and willingness to do whatever it takes to get the job done will be missed as she moves into the next phase of her life. She will truly be missed by all.
On Wednesday, Sharp Rees-Stealy Pharmacy and SMMC staff celebrated the launch of a new pharmacy pickup kiosk located at Sharp Memorial Hospital. Sharp HealthCare employees, physicians, and staff can now pick up prescriptions and over-the-counter items 24/7 at a self-checkout kiosk. The new kiosk provides convenient, secure pharmacy pickups any day, at any time. The kiosk is located on the Lower Level (LL) of Sharp Memorial Hospital, near Stephen Birch Healthcare Center elevator one. To enroll or for more information, visit SharpNet and go to the A-Z Directory and click on the letter “P” for Pharmacy Pick Up or click on the following link: Sharp Memorial Pharmacy Pick Up.

Above is a beautiful mural painted by children, patients, staff, and guests who attended last year’s annual “Saturday with Santa” event, hosted in December by the Sharp Memorial Hospital Auxiliary. Artists of all ages and abilities brought the tree and landscape to life with birds, flowers, doodles and bursts of color. Designed by Arts for Healing volunteer Gloria Favela Rocha, the mural is intended to lift the spirits of all who view it. The mural is on display opposite
the historical gallery by the east entrance of SMH.

Arts for Healing utilizes the power of art and music to enhance the healing process for patients who are challenged by significant illness, chronic pain and long-term hospitalization. Generous donors to Sharp HealthCare Foundation allow us to provide these services to patients free of charge. For more information on Arts for Healing, visit www.sharp.com/art.

Yours in service,

Tim Smith
Chief Executive Officer
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