

Heartbeats

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New Surgeons Will Add New Services to Community

By Gary Myers, CEO

Mammoth Hospital is pleased to announce the addition of two new general surgeons to our growing medical staff. Dr. Andrew Bourne and Dr. Mark Snell, two experienced and highly skilled general surgeons, are relocating to Mammoth Lakes this summer to begin their associated practice together. Both gentlemen have provided services to our hospital as visiting physicians this past year and we are very pleased to have them join our team full time.



Dr. Andrew Bourne, younger brother of our long-time anesthesiologist Dr. Jonathan Bourne, completed his medical degree at Upstate Medical University in Syracuse, New York, in 1992 following completion of his undergraduate work at Loma Linda University. Dr. Bourne is also fluent in French having received a

Diploma of the French Language from the French Language Institute in St. Julien, France, in 1983. Dr. Bourne completed his residency training in general surgery at the University of Utah and completed fellowships in vascular surgery and endovascular surgery at the University of Utah and University of Rochester respectively. Dr. Bourne has been a partner at the Northwest Surgical Specialists in Eugene, Oregon, for the past five years where he has lived with his wife, Gilann, and sons Rand, age 8, and Finn, age 5. Like his brother Jon, Dr. Andrew Bourne is an avid mountaineer and ski touring enthusiast. He also enjoys trail running and most outdoor activities.

Dr. Mark Snell received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Allied Health Sciences from Central Washington University in 1980 and went on to earn his medical degree from the University of Missouri-Columbia School of Medicine. He completed his residency in general surgery in 1990 at the David Grant United States Air Force Medical Center at Travis Air Force Base in Sacramento, CA. From there, he held a variety of command posts and was an active general surgeon at various Air Force bases around the country ending his military career full circle as the General Surgery Flight Commander of the 60th Medical Group at Travis Air Force Base until June of 2005. Since then, Dr. Snell has been a very active locum tenens surgeon around the country and missionary surgeon in Africa. He and his wife, Yvonne, currently reside in Bonney Lake, Washington.



Dr. Snell and Dr. Bourne will divide the on-call duty for general surgery equally and will cross-cover and work as partners in the new general surgery practice. Their office will be located on the campus of Mammoth Hospital. Both surgeons are highly skilled in upper and lower endoscopy, including colonoscopy, and maintain high proficiency in minimally invasive laparoscopic surgical techniques. The two will bring a new level of expertise in surgery and patient service to our community and our hospital. We are very fortunate to have these two fine gentlemen join our team! Please join us at our Open House later this summer to meet our new surgeons.

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Third Annual Cancer Outreach Golf Benefit

By Lori Ciccarelli, Community Relations Director

You couldn't have asked for a better day to play golf; the weather was spectacular, the course was in pristine condition, the players were excited to play, and it was all for a great cause.

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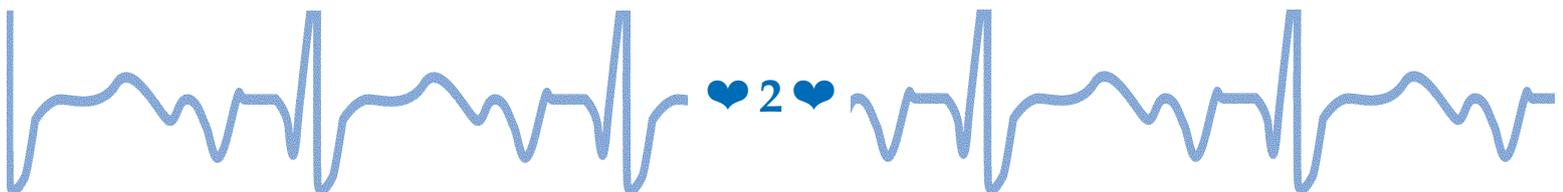
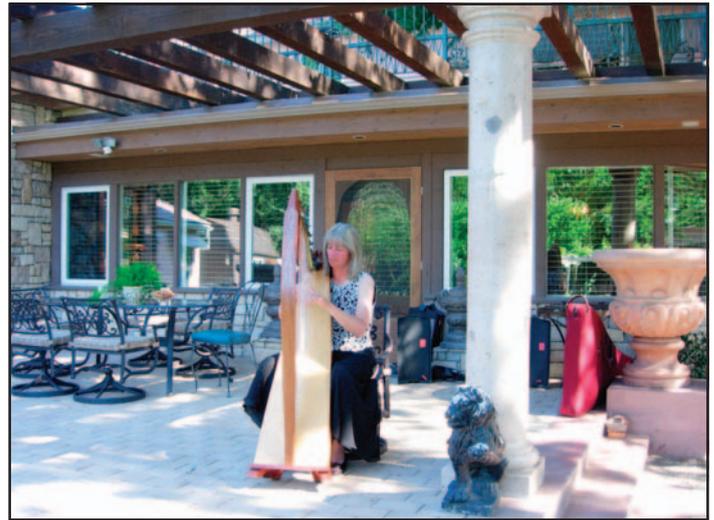
Brian Venneman, local cancer survivor, with golf tournament volunteers.

Serventi Home and Garden Tour a Success

By Lori Ciccarelli, Community Relations Director

Mammoth Hospital and Northern Inyo Hospital partnered for the first time Tuscan style with a joint fundraiser, the Historic Serventi Home and Garden Tour on Saturday, June 10th. Both hospitals worked together making the garden party a huge success. Everyone enjoyed Robin Stater's Serventi home and beautiful Italian surroundings that included a rose garden of 250 antique roses, in addition to the historic sequoia tree that was planted in the year 1900. Several attendees enjoyed sipping wine in the Tuscan courtyard listening to the beautiful music of the Felici Trio and the elegant sounds of Anne Knoche, harpist. Proceeds supported Mammoth Hospital's mammography initiative and Northern Inyo Hospital's emergent equipment. We want to thank Robin Stater for opening her home to our communities. This event was so well received, look for it again next spring.

If you would like more information regarding gifting opportunities or would like to make a donation to Mammoth Hospital's mammography initiative, you can make a donation online by visiting www.mammothhospital.com or by calling (760) 924-4015. We have raised \$210,000 of our \$400,000 goal towards a new full field digital mammography system for Mammoth Hospital.



Women's Health Service "Expecting" Great Things

By Gary Myers, CEO

The pitter patter of little feet is a sound heard all over Mammoth Lakes these days thanks in part to the Sierra Park Women's Health Service at Mammoth Hospital. With 160 deliveries in our hospital last year and a growing need for specialized women's health services, we're pleased to announce our "new arrival" on July 3, 2006, Dr. Paula Nornes-Lebby, OB/GYN!

Dr. Nornes-Lebby is a 1987 graduate of the Chicago Medical School and completed her residency in obstetrics and gynecology at Cook County Hospital. She has been in private practice in Laguna Beach for a number of years. "Dr. Paula" has provided temporary coverage for our women's health service over the past year. Her husband, Tom Lebby, M.D., is an E.R. physician in southern California and they have two children, Elliott, age 11, and Stephanie, age 9. They are a mountain-loving family and have made their home for the past few years at Big Bear Lake. The children are avid ski racers and they are looking forward to making Mammoth Lakes their new home.

Dr. Nornes-Lebby will join certified nurse midwife, Karen Bottom, and part-time physician Audrey Pauly in providing comprehensive

women's health services at Mammoth Hospital. The completion of construction on the new hospital wing is part of the trio's anticipation of great things to come for the Sierra Park Women's Health Service. Late fall is the "scheduled delivery date" of the new Women's Center at Mammoth Hospital. Funded by the 2001 Measure H bond issue, the new center will have three dedicated, family size, private birthing rooms and a new nursery. Staff and patients will enjoy the bright and spacious new unit that features complete security and comfortable, warm surroundings. In addition to the new Women's Center, the new hospital wing will include a new emergency department, surgery center, medical imaging center, and new lobby and admitting areas.



We are very excited to have Dr. Paula Nornes-Lebby join our team!

Save the Date

September: Car Seat Safety Event. This event is very informative on car seat updates and regulations. Trade in your old noncompliant or outgrown car seat for a new one. This event is sponsored by the Office of Traffic Safety and CHP. For more information, contact Kathy Romagnino, Education Coordinator at (760) 924-4063.

December 9th: Festival of Trees – Enjoy an elegant gala dinner and live auction of elaborately decorated themed holiday trees created by local designers. Each tree will be accompanied by many exciting presents to go along with each theme. Other handcrafted gifts will be auctioned off in the silent auction which includes wreaths, gingerbread houses,

trips, wine and restaurant packages, and much more. Enjoy the convenience of completing all of your holiday shopping in one night by supporting a great cause; proceeds will support Mammoth Hospital's Mammography initiative. For more information, contact Lori Ciccarelli, Community Relations Director at (760) 924-4015.

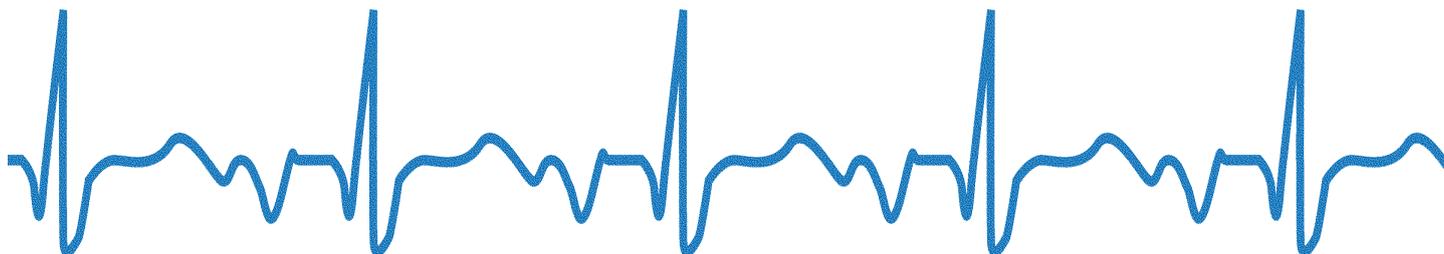




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On Friday, 6/23rd, local cancer survivor Brian Venneman hosted Mammoth Hospital’s third annual Cancer Outreach Golf Tournament to raise money and awareness for the hospital’s cancer outreach programs. This money helps offset travel expenses for local cancer patients receiving cancer care out of the area. Brian was a recipient of these funds three years ago and wanted to give back to Mammoth Hospital. This was the third year he hosted this tournament in celebration of his victory over cancer.

A big thank you to all of the sponsors, volunteers and players for making this year’s event a huge success. Net proceeds totaled a little over \$19,000. If you would like to donate to the Cancer Outreach fund, go online to www.mammothhospital.com or call (760) 924-4015.

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Vision

The Southern Mono Healthcare District is dedicated to excellence in the preservation, enhancement and restoration of the health and well being of all members of our residential and visitor communities.

Mission

The mission of the Southern Mono Healthcare District is to:

- ♥ Deliver excellent, compassionate health care services for our residents and visitors;
- ♥ Provide appropriate health care services which conform to the highest standards of care and are directed toward improving the overall health of our community;
- ♥ Ensure sustainability through sound governance, quality management and financial responsibility; and
- ♥ Facilitate continuity of care through the development of local and regional collaborative relationships with businesses and other providers.

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