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Every Scar Tells a Story, This One Is a Story of Survival

Your support allowed
Jeffrey to receive the best therapy
care right here in Oconto Falls!

"It was a beautiful day for a ride," said Jeffrey Vincent, when describing the day he and his fiancé took a leisurely motorcycle ride on June 18, 2021. The sun was shining, and it was nearly 90 degrees. Jeffrey's fiancé was riding on her own bike as they neared a T-intersection in Oconto Falls.

"I approached the intersection and watched the oncoming truck turn left in front of me," Jeffrey recalled. "I let off the throttle and paused. I just had an uneasy feeling." He was right to be cautious. In the next instant, a car following the truck also turned left. "I laid on the brake as fast as I could and aimed for the centerline thinking 'maybe, maybe, maybe'." But it was too late. Jeffrey was knocked unconscious as the car collided with his bike and his fiancé watched.

Jeffrey suffered several injuries including a broken collarbone and broken ribs, a complete tear of his bicep muscle from his bone and a torn ACL. Helicopter transport immediately took him to the hospital, and after several surgeries, he was ready to start his therapy journey.

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Hard work comes naturally to Jeffrey as he grew up on a dairy farm and has been part of a carpenter's union for over 30 years. He knew the work that lay ahead with his therapy. Right here at HSHS St. Clare Memorial Hospital he saw several therapists who evaluated him based on his needs and set rehab plans for each of his major injuries.

*“I felt like I was in good hands,”
said Jeffrey when asked about his care.*

Not only did his therapist serve him in the hospital, they also ensured that he had “homework” to focus on when away from the clinic, so that he could continue therapy between visits. “Recovering from injuries can be both stressful and painful, but Jeffrey has been able to laugh and joke with us despite this. Overall, he has a great spirit and attitude despite everything he has gone through,” said Megan Piotrowski, Physical Therapist, HSHS St. Clare Memorial Hospital. “He has been an absolute joy to work with and I have no doubts he will achieve his goals.”

“I know the benefits of therapy. In order to feel better you need to have some pain,” stated Jeffrey. “Before my therapy I couldn't do something as simple as cleaning my ears. After a few therapy sessions I got enough strength back to be able to do that again.”

When asked about his goals, Jeffrey mentioned that he wants to continue to be a hardworking individual. “I'm 55 years old. My goal is to still outwork the 25-year-olds.” When asked about his future riding his motorcycles he added “I have one more in my garage, and I am looking forward to riding it. However, I find myself less trusting of other drivers now.”

Because of **YOUR** support, physical therapy is available right here in YOUR community. At HSHS St. Clare Memorial Hospital, patients like Jeffrey are healing from traumatic injuries that can have life-altering implications.



THE NEW FACE OF NURSE'S NOOK

Welcome, Emily Macha

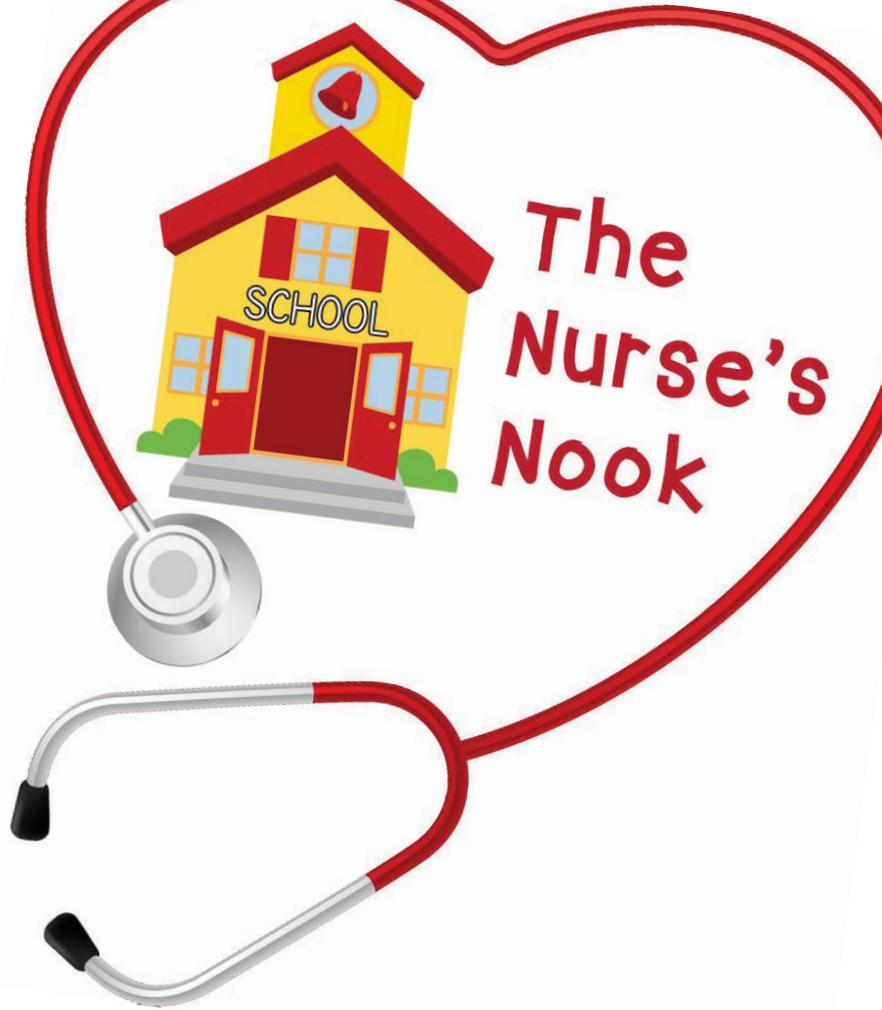


Nurse's Nook has been a staple in Oconto County since 2014, changing the lives of children and families. As we begin a new year, the program continues to deliver the same exceptional resources and provide

school children in Oconto County the aid they need. With that, we are excited to have Emily Macha, RN, BSN lead the Nurse's Nook program.

Emily has lived in the community for the past 15 years. She has worked inside HSHS hospitals for the past five years and serves as a school nurse for Gillett, Lena, and Suring districts. "Our program is 100% supported by community donations," said Emily "So if you see me in our schools, grocery stores, or at the hospital, please introduce yourself, and say 'hi!'"

Emily is looking forward to working with donors like YOU to continue to deliver food, medical supplies, clothing and so much more to local children and families in need – right here in YOUR community.



You are the Greatest Gift!

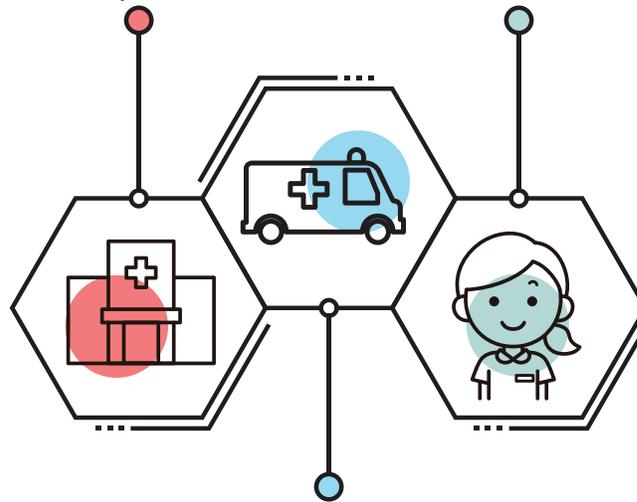
Your support in 2021

**Total hospital
admissions:**
15,072

Pediatric visits:
1,067

Day in and day out, your gifts are hard at work, touching many service areas around the hospital. An elderly man seeing rehabilitation after a terrible fall, or a little girl on her way to the emergency room - **YOUR** support saved them all!

This is the care we provide each and every day. Gifts like yours to the HSHS St. Clare Foundation directly and indirectly touch ALL patients we serve each year.



Emergency Room visits:
4,216

2021 Tax Acknowledgment Receipts

Tax acknowledgment letters are regularly sent from the HSHS St. Clare Foundation. If you would like a summary of your 2021 giving, please email us at WI-Foundations@hshs.org or contact us by phone at 920-433-8620.



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