

# THE Lamp LIGHTER

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## Celebrating our 100 years of Healing & Service

Methodist Hospitals Foundation celebrated our health system's first 100 years of service to Northwest Indiana with a black-tie gala at Hardrock Casino Northern Indiana on Saturday, June 17.

Local business and political leaders, as well as NBA legend Earvin "Magic" Johnson, whose SodexoMagic has been contracted to provide food services at our campuses for the last several years, were among the 600 guests who celebrated Methodist Hospitals' next 100 years of healing and service.

"The purpose of the gala was to celebrate what's been accomplished by our organization and recognize all of those that played a pivotal role in getting Methodist where it's at today," said Methodist Hospitals president and CEO Matt Doyle.

The gala raised \$609,975.00, including a \$100,000 donation from US Steel Gary Works, for the Methodist Hospitals Foundation Vision Fund, which was established earlier this year to ensure equitable healthcare for all those in need, now and into the future.

"We greatly value our partnership with US Steel-Gary Works," Doyle added. "US Steel shares our vision of providing the best possible healthcare for the local community. It is critically important that two significant organizations are supporting each other and working together for the welfare of the community."



To learn more about the Methodist Hospitals Foundation, visit [MethodistHospitals.org/Foundation](https://MethodistHospitals.org/Foundation).

## Meet our 2 Newest Nurse Educators

Since last winter, two nurse educators have joined the Methodist Hospitals nursing family.

### **Misty Hazelton, MSN, BSN, RN** **3W1, 3W3, 5W1** **Southlake Campus**

Misty came to Methodist Hospitals in June after serving as a full-time member of the nursing faculty at Ivy Tech in Valparaiso. She was previously a member of the nursing teams at St. Mary's in Hobart and at St. Catherine's in East Chicago.

"I've worked in several telemetry, med/surg and rehab units," Misty said. "So, I've been there. I'm working on establishing relationships on those units, especially the newer nurses, so they're encouraged to seek my help. I'm ready to lend a hand with educational needs, sharpening skills and refreshers or any new things arise."

Nurses in 3W1, 3W3 and 5W1 at Southlake are invited to reach out to Misty by phone at 219-738-5988, or page her at 219-222-0035.

### **Andrea Smith Williams,** **PhD, MHA, MSN, RNC-OB, MNN** **Obstetrics** **Northlake and Southlake Campuses**

A registered nurse for 28 years and a nurse educator for 13 years, Andrea joined Methodist Hospitals in December 2022. She currently serves at an Obstetrics Clinical Nurse Specialist at both hospital campuses.

"I try to build relationships by showing respect and appreciation to others for what they contribute to the world of nursing," Andrea said. "I want nurses to know that my approach to nursing education is based on teaching and consistently employing the most updated evidence-based practices in patient care."

If Andrea is not physically available on the unit, please reach out to her via email at [agwilliams@methodisthospitals.org](mailto:agwilliams@methodisthospitals.org).

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## Grand Canyon University Partnership

Methodist Hospitals has entered into a partnership with Grand Canyon University (GCU) that is designed to deliver a variety of benefits to hospital employees.



GCU is regionally accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and offers 312 academic programs, emphases and certificates that are available or online for both traditional undergraduate students and working professionals.

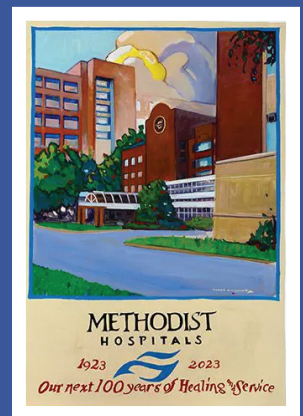
Benefits now available to Methodist Hospitals employees include:

- Scholarships for staff, employees and dependents of employees
- Tuition Deferral for RN-BSN students and master's degree students
- Local Support from Local GCU Counselor Jamie Lukas for admissions, scholarships, and graduation plans.
- Cohorts - GCU provides local cohorts with 25% scholarships.

If you would like to learn more about GCU's online degree programs, please contact Jamie Lukas via email at [Jamie.Lukas@gcu.edu](mailto:Jamie.Lukas@gcu.edu), or by phone at 219-384-9565.

### Methodist Hospitals Centennial Poster

Get your own 100th Anniversary commemorative poster by renowned regional artist, Mitch Markovitz, for a \$100 donation to the Methodist Hospitals Foundation Vision Fund.



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