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PRESS RELEASE

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Regional Healthcare Leader Announces Nominee for OHA Health Care Worker of the Year

Grand Lake Health System Proud to Nominate Anne Gast, Certified Phlebotomist

ST. MARYS, Ohio (June 11, 2013) — Grand Lake Health System is proud to nominate Anne Gast for this year's Albert E. Dyckes Health Care Worker of the Year Award, presented by the Ohio Hospital Association (OHA). Every Ohio hospital is given the opportunity to nominate one person for this prestigious award. OHA will present the award during a recognition dinner on June 11 in Columbus. Grand Lake Health System nominated Gast for her dedication to and passion for her job, the patients and the community.

Gast has been a phlebotomist at Joint Township District Memorial Hospital for 30 years. She is extremely dedicated to her job and always puts the needs of the patient first. She has worked in the laboratory for 24 years and has only missed two days of work. It is not uncommon for patients to request "Annie" to do their blood work—she greets patients with a warm smile and is comforting to those feeling anxious. Outside of the hospital, Gast enjoys spending time with her husband, Chet, their four children, 15 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.



"We are so proud to have Anne as our nominee for this year's Health Care Worker of the Year recognition," said Martin Dodrill, Director of Planning & Marketing. "Her quality work always exceeds expectations, making her a great asset to the Joint Township District Memorial Hospital staff."

About Grand Lake Health System

Grand Lake Health System is a mission-driven, nonprofit healthcare provider serving the Grand Lake Region of West Central Ohio since 1953. Grand Lake Health System includes over 150 physicians and 800 health care professionals who deliver comprehensive, high-quality care to patients from 10 centers of excellence and 13 affiliated practices throughout the region. Grand Lake's largest facility is Joint Township District Memorial Hospital, located in St. Marys, Ohio. For more information about Grand Lake Health System, visit www.GrandLakeHealth.org and Facebook.com/GrandLakeHealth.

About Ohio Hospital Association

The Ohio Hospital Association was established in 1915 and currently represents 166 hospitals and 18 health systems throughout Ohio. OHA is a membership-driven organization that provides proactive leadership to create an environment in which Ohio hospitals are successful in serving their communities. Visit OHA's Web site at www.ohanet.org. Follow OHA on Twitter at http://twitter.com/OhioHospitals.