

HOSPITAL HAPPENINGS...

celebrating 20 years



Sherry Childress Molecular Diagnostic

- 1. What do you remember most about your first day at ACH?** The laboratory and several adjacent administrative offices actually were housed in a couple of double wides! Our medical director had a screened in porch on his trailer and he had a homemade ice cream social for our department that week.
- 2. If you changed professions, what is the craziest job you would pursue?** I always wanted to be a writer. (That need for a steady paycheck kept getting in the way, though!)
- 3. Would you rather go skydiving or host a party to watch one of your friends do it?** I'm all about the party! I never understood why anyone would jump out of a perfectly good airplane.
- 4. What is your favorite perk about working at ACH?** When I was younger, the Child Enrichment Center. These days, it's the fitness center.
- 5. Where is your favorite place to visit in Arkansas?** I love our lake house on Greers Ferry Lake.
- 6. Which foods would you choose for your dream dinner and which three people would you invite?** Stuffed lobster from Legal Seafoods, my mom's yeast rolls, mandarin orange salad, and Peggy Casey's bread pudding with whiskey sauce. I'd invite Abraham Lincoln, J.K. Rowling and Oprah Winfrey.
- 7. What is your favorite movie?** Tough one. I LOVE movies. I recently introduced my daughter to "Gone with the Wind" and "The Godfather II." What epic flicks! I still think I have to put "To Kill a Mockingbird" at the top, though.
- 8. Who is your favorite music group or performer?** Stevie Ray Vaughan
- 9. What is the most memorable fortune you've ever received in a fortune cookie?** You'll always be satisfied with the simple pleasures of life.
- 10. What is your favorite ice cream topping?** Hot fudge.
- 11. What is your favorite childhood memory?** Family picnics at Grandmother's and Papa's farm. We'd eat fried chicken, mashed potatoes, biscuits, and then slice up a watermelon on the picnic table out under the willow trees. Later, all the cousins would fight to see who got to sit on the wet towel on top of the ice cream freezer while the uncles took turns cranking.
- 12. Which area of the hospital is your favorite and why?** The cafeteria; looking out over the Capitol complex makes it an attractive place to take a break away from the lab, and seeing all the kids and their families provides a daily reminder of why we're here!
- 13. What is your favorite indulgence?** A massage at The Buckstaff in Hot Springs.
- 14. If you were stranded on a deserted island, what one thing would you want with you?** My GPS with emergency locator beacon, of course (which I would activate only AFTER a few peaceful days of white sand and turquoise water).
- 15. Why is ACH the place where you wanted to work?** Without a doubt, it was and still is the people here; both staff and patients!

New Arrivals

Congratulations to **Lisa Muldrew** of Arkansas State HIPPIY and her husband, Thomas, on the birth of their daughter, Tytiana L. Muldrew, on July 4, 2007. The new parents took home a bundle weighing 7 pounds, 2 ounces and measuring 20 inches long!

Sharon York of Neurology and **Corey York** of Admissions are the proud parents of Preston Glen York, born June 12. The baby boy weighed 8 pounds and 6 ounces and measured 21 inches long. Best wishes with your bundle of joy!

Child Life Specialist **Cassandra Hudson** and Cory James welcomed a baby boy on July 23. Gavin Michael James weighed 8 pounds and 9 ounces. He measured 21 inches in length. Congratulations to the new parents!

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15 years

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20 years

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25 years

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Editor's Note: Each month, employees and staff who are celebrating milestone anniversaries at ACH are invited to share their experiences with "Vital Signs." Those who agree to be interviewed are featured on this page.

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Betsy Aronson • Orthopaedics

- 1. What do you remember most about your first day at ACH?** I remember a mandatory orientation class called "Guest Relations", where we learned the importance of not just giving directions to lost families, but showing them, as well as how to speak courteously to other employees and departments. I thought it was great that ACH considered these priorities, and I knew I had made the right choice in working here.
- 2. If you changed professions, what is the craziest job you would pursue?** Working in a garden nursery or as a park ranger.
- 3. Would you rather go skydiving or host a party to watch one of your friends do it?** I would much rather watch someone else do it. I don't like heights.
- 4. What is your favorite perk about working at ACH?** Working with so many talented and dedicated people throughout the hospital.
- 5. Where is your favorite place to visit in Arkansas?** Mountain Thyme B&B in Jessieville. Eureka Springs would be a close second.
- 6. Which foods would you choose for your dream dinner and which three people would you invite?** Something Italian like homemade pasta, a salad and good bread. I would invite Abraham Lincoln, Mother Theresa and someone funny, like Carol Burnett or Gilda Radner.
- 7. What is your favorite movie?** "Chariots of Fire", "Casablanca" and for a good laugh, "The Bird Cage".
- 8. Who is your favorite music group or performer?** Jimmy Buffett.
- 9. What is the most memorable fortune you've ever received in a fortune cookie?** I can't remember any!
- 10. What is your favorite ice cream topping?** I'm not a big ice cream fan...
- 11. What is your favorite childhood memory?** Riding ponies with my brother and sister on the dirt roads in Madison County.
- 12. Which area of the hospital is your favorite and why?** The lobby, especially the Arkansas things like the ducks and the fish.
- 13. What is your favorite indulgence?** Cheetos (the crunchy ones!)
- 14. If you were stranded on a deserted island, what one thing would you want with you?** My guitar.
- 15. Why is ACH the place where you wanted to work?** I wanted to work in Orthopaedics, and this was a great opportunity.