

Beebe Medical Foundation announces award winners

"The board of directors of Beebe Medical Center, the Beebe Medical Foundation and the entire Beebe Medical Center family are proud to present four prestigious philanthropic and service awards to individuals who have made a significant difference to Beebe and to the quality of health care it brings to the community," announced Beebe Medical Center President and CEO Jeffrey M. Fried.

The Norman B. Baylis Award is presented to a distinguished community member honoring that person for outstanding service to healthcare and the broader community. This person helps Beebe maintain or further develop its place as a community partner and

helps the hospital meet its mission to serve the people of Sussex County. James J. Martin will be recognized this year as the Normal B. Baylis awardee.

The John W. Rollins Award is presented to an established humanitarian and philanthropist honoring that person for giving of his/her talents and resources to directly promote the betterment of our society.

The 2006 Rollins Award will be bestowed on Joseph R. Hudson.

The Robert W. Tunnell Award is presented to a member of the Beebe Medical Center family, honoring a person for the efforts put forth to directly help Beebe Medical Center meet future health-care challenges and to

insure that Beebe maintains its leadership in health care. Dr. James P. Marvel has earned the 2006 Tunnell Award.

The Lifetime Achievement Award is periodically awarded to an individual or family whose lifetime commitment has significantly advanced the mission, values and goals of Beebe Medical Center and Beebe Medical Foundation.

This year, the foundation recognizes Lena English with the Lifetime Commitment Award. Her dedication to Beebe Medical Center has been exemplary and an inspiration to others.


This award acknowledges

Beebe's deep appreciation for her service of exceptional merit and spirit.

Beebe Medical Foundation is hosting the fourth annual Beebe Medical Center Dinner &

Ceremony from 6 to 9 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 24, at the Baywood Greens clubhouse. For reservations and information, call the Beebe Medical Foundation at 644-2900.

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Delaware Seashore State Park, adjacent to Route 1 between Dewey Beach and Bethany Beach, has a broad variety of programs designed to put participants in touch with the natural beauty of the ocean beaches and Inland Bays surrounding park lands.

The contact point for information on all programs and for reservations (where required) is the historic Indian River Life-Saving Station, located 1.5 miles north of Indian River Inlet, 227-6991.

Pontoon Boat Tours

Each Thursday through Aug. 24, two tours of Indian River Bay and Rehoboth Bay are conducted aboard a custom pontoon boat with capacity for 38 guests. Reservations are recommended.

The estuarine ecology tour, a scientific exploration of Indian River Bay, is conducted from 10 a.m. to noon each Thursday. Participants help with simple water testing and specimen col-

lection and discuss inland bay ecology. The fee for this "hands on" tour is \$15 per person.

A sightseeing tour is conducted from 1 to 2:30 p.m. each Thursday, and includes a short jaunt across the northern part of Indian River Bay and a large circle in Rehoboth Bay.

On-board naturalists discuss estuarine and salt marsh ecology and help to identify egrets, ospreys, and other bird species and point out local landmarks on the shore.

The program fee for the sightseeing tour is \$10 per person.

Both trips depart from the Indian River Marina in Delaware Seashore State Park and participants should look for the Sand Dollar pontoon boat near the marina's office and snack bar. Drinking water and sunscreen are recommended. Pontoon tours are supported in part with a grant from the Center for Inland Bays.

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