

The Cutting Edge

Our February 10 surgery day saw 8 patients receive life-changing surgeries, and we thank **Dr. William Cavatassi, Dr. Johannes Evans, Dr. Terrence Grimm, and Dr. Paul Kearney** for providing those procedures. Thanks also to **Dr. Phil Hall** for serving as our anesthesiologist. As is always the case, these patients were so appreciative of the quality of care they received and the welcoming kindness shown by our volunteers. The following words from a January patient express a sentiment of gratitude we hear quite often.

"We are tenant farmers and farming is not so good as it was at one time. We have had insurance on and off over the years. We haven't had insurance for quite a while. (Surgery on Sunday) has made it to where I can have my pain gone and get my daily activities done. Also, be able to enjoy life again with my children and grandchildren. Surgery on Sunday has made all this possible and it is an awesome place. They are friendly, compassionate, work together well, and a very clean place. I cannot say enough about this place and the people who volunteer their time. It is just AWESOME!!!"

Thanks to each of you who play a role in making Surgery on Sunday a success!

Gratefully,

Amanda Ferguson
Executive Director

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Volunteer of the Month



February's Volunteer of the Month is **Tony Reyes**, interpreter coordinator for Surgery on Sunday. Tony has been volunteering for us from the very beginning of the program in September of 2005, and schedules all interpreters needed for surgery days.

Originally from South Texas (Los Fresnos/South Padre Island), Tony graduated from Los Fresnos High School before attending several colleges on scholarship - the University of Dallas in Irvine, the University of Florida, and the University of Kentucky. He received medical interpreter training through Bridging the Gap here in Lexington and is now the triage medical interpreter for UK's Department of Pediatrics. In that role, Tony oversees 36 clinics and ensures they all have appropriate language interpreting coverage.

Tony and his wife, Norma, have a 16 year-old daughter, Yleana. They are also parents of two adorable Siberian Husky puppies, Phoenix and Kalikimaka. Tony says he doesn't watch many sports, but when he does he roots for the Dallas Cowboys, and the basketball Wildcats. He practices taekwondo, and is a second degree who will be testing for his third degree sometime this year. He says he would love to do a triathlon one day, "just because," and his other hobbies include photography and cooking.

People might be surprised to know that, while in college at Gainesville, Tony worked the migrant stream in Florida, working the orange groves on his days off from school. In Kentucky, he worked the tobacco fields and in tobacco warehouses. Tony's favorite thing about Surgery on Sunday is "giving up the day to work alongside an amazing group of people and the satisfaction in our patients' faces as they are wheeled out the door.

Thank you, Tony, for your many years of service and for being such a big part of what we do at Surgery on Sunday!

The Perfect 10

The fourth annual Perfect 10 Miler and 10K is less than 2 weeks away but you can still register to run, walk or volunteer

at the link below. On **Saturday, March 9, 2019** at **9:00 am** at Mt. Brilliant Farm, runners will cover one of the two distances on paved roads at this beautiful and historic Lexington landmark. All proceeds from the race will benefit Surgery on Sunday.

All registrants will receive a dri-fit long-sleeve shirt and all finishers will earn a die-cut medal. **Raising Cane's** is our food sponsor this year and will be onsite with their fabulous prize wheel and their delicious chicken fingers. This event would not be possible without all our generous sponsors and we thank them!

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Raising Cane's Fundraiser



As part of their sponsorship of The Perfect 10 Miler and 10K, **Raising Cane's** is hosting a fundraiser and race promotion at the **544 South Upper Street** location on **Wednesday, February 27th**. When you dine any time between 11:00 am and 6:00 pm, mention Surgery on Sunday and 15% of your purchase will be donated to SOS.

Feel free to share this flyer in your workplace or on social media to help us have a big turnout!

Dancing with the Lexington Stars

Make plans now to attend Dancing with the Lexington Stars on **Saturday, May 11, 2019** at Marriott Griffin Gate Resort. Presented by the **Rotary Club of Lexington**, this event has become a Lexington tradition and Surgery on Sunday is honored to have been selected as the charity partner again this year.

To see the dancers for 2019, make a donation, bid on an auction item, or register your business as a sponsor, please visit the link below. Ticket sales will be live on the website on March 11.



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