

# CHECK LIST

Harlem Hospital - Generations+/Northern Manhattan Network  
December 23, 2011-----



Dr. Muriel Petioni



(l-r) Corwin Breeden, President of Friends of Harlem Hospital Center, Dr. Muriel Petioni, Councilmember Inez E. Dickens, and Assemblyman Keith Wright, at 2010 Christmas Party



(l-r) Rev. Tawan Davis, MBA, Rev. Jacque DeGraff, Denise C. Soares, RN, MA, Executive Director, Mr. Corwin J. Breeden, Muriel Petioni, M.D., Hon. Robert Jackson, Candie Cline-Collins, RN, MS, Mr. George Hulse

## WE REMEMBER...

### DR. MURIEL PETIONI

On behalf of our Executive Director, Denise C. Soares, RN, MA, and the Friends of Harlem Hospital Center, it is with compassion that we announce the passing of Dr. Muriel Petioni.

Dr. Petioni was a fixture of the Harlem Community affectionately called the Mother of Medicine in Harlem.

"Words can never adequately provide a true expression of the sympathy one feels at the passing of such a dear friend as Dr. Muriel Marjorie Petioni,

who has impacted so many people in her lifetime. I rise with great sadness on behalf of my beloved Harlem community and all those who were touched by Dr. Petioni, to mourn her death this morning. As I speak with profound sorrow, I ascend to celebrate a life well lived and to remember with fondness the accomplishments of a remarkable woman, who over her many years in Medicine, etched her name in history as the Matron of Harlem Health."



Dr. Petioni and Congressman Charles B. Rangel

"Dr. Petioni will long be remembered for her extraordinary commitment, energy, wisdom, discipline, principle, and tireless service to the Harlem community where she has worked for six decades to ensure that the residents receive the best quality healthcare possible. Her clear purpose and dedication won her the admiration of all who were privileged to come to know and work with her during her long distinguished career. I consider myself fortunate to have had the opportunity to observe and experience her example as a personal inspiration."

.....excerpt from a statement from Congressman Charles Rangel.



Dr. Muriel L. Petioni

Dr. Petioni will be remembered for her acts of kindness, her leadership capabilities and her long-life commitment to community medicine.

In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting that donations be made in her name to one of the following:

**Dr. Julio Petioni & Dr. Muriel Petioni Endowed Scholarship Fund at Meharry Medical College**

c/o Gift Management Services  
Meharry Medical College  
1005 Dr. D. B. Todd Jr. Blvd.  
Nashville, TN 37208

**Mentoring in Medicine, Inc.**

c/o Dr. Lynne Holden  
Department of Emergency Medicine -  
Rosenthal SE Room 201  
111 East 210th Street  
Bronx, NY 01467

**Dr. Muriel Petioni Endowed Scholarship Fund**

Howard University College of Medicine  
Attn: Karine Sewell  
520 "W" Street, N.W. - 5th Floor  
Washington, D.C. 20059



**DR. GREENBAUM HONORED BY LOTT FOUNDATION**

On November 8, 2011, Dr. **Dennis Greenbaum**, Director, Department of Medicine was honored by the Lott Foundation during their Anniversary Gala. The Lott Foundation focuses its commitment to serve New Yorkers in need by providing affordable and safe housing for seniors and the formerly homeless. Congratulations.



**CHI FTA PHI SORORITY HONORS MS. GOODRIDGE**

On November 12, 2011, **Laureen Goodridge**, RN, MA, Chief Nurse Executive, Nursing Administration was honored by the Omicron Chapter, NYC, Chi Fta Phi Sorority, Inc. during its 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon. Congratulations!



(l-r): Delores Robertson, Joe Pruden, Bobby Smith, Wesley Moore, Rannie Battle Jr. (Santa), Emily Johnson, MD, Sam Washington, Illyas Meade, Henry Snead, Neal Francis, Tracy Lewis, Michael Butler (Guitarist)

**THE VULCAN SOCIETY RETURNS...**

The Vulcan Society visited the Pediatric Unit bearing gifts, music and joy. Santa and the Vulcan Society elves paid a visit to the Pediatric Unit on Monday, December 12, 2011, bringing laughter and cheer to children who have been hospitalized. The children were presented with gifts while taking a picture with Santa and his elves.

The Vulcan Society, Black Firefighters of the City of New York, was established in 1940 at the suggestion of Chief Wesley Williams after noticing the mistreatment of fellow Black Firefighters. At the establishment of the Vulcan Society, there were 40 Black men working for the New York City Fire Department. In 1944, The Vulcan Society, with courage, took a stand and forced a public hearing to expose some of the segregated practices. As a result, a clause was passed in the regulations banning racial practices in the Fire Department.

Special thanks to the Department of Volunteer Services and the Vulcan Society for once again gifting the Pediatric unit.



(l-r): Jocelyn Martin, Head Nurse, Denise C. Soares, RN, MA, Executive Director, Lucila Jimenez, Director, LEP, Blandine Assomou, Coordinating Manager, Emma Koffi, Sr. Community Liaison

### HARLEM'S OWN GRADUATE MEDICAL INTERPRETER CLASS

On December 12, 2011, HHC and CUNY hosted their Third Annual Healthcare Interpreter Program Graduation at Lincoln Medical and Mental Health Center. Ten of HHC employee graduates received certificates certifying them to interpret in Spanish, Polish and French.

Among the 10 graduates, Harlem Hospital Center is pleased to congratulate three of our own. Congratulations to **Blandine Assomou**, Coordinating Manager, **Emma Koffi**, Senior Community Liaison and **Jocelyn Martin**, Head Nurse, Medina Clinic for their achievement.



Comedian Capone



A Sea of Toys

### TOY DRIVE AT HARLEM LANES

Comedians came far and wide to Harlem Lanes not for a laughing matter, but to donate toys to the Harlem community. Celebrity comedians included the Gangster of Comedy, Capone, The Green Eyed Bandit, Gerald Kelly, Its Just Comedy and Talent. Ms. **Charlene Bailey-Ayers**, Associate Director of Admissions also participated and represented Harlem Hospital Center.

### **NEW PATIENT PAVILION UPDATE**

By mid December, Modernization will begin to build connecting corridors between the New Patient Pavilion and MLK, on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> floors. In the weeks to come, you will see signs posted, and receive information related to the construction, as well as any preparations needed in order to facilitate the construction in a safe manner.

The construction is being closely monitored and is adhering to all regulations. Patient, employee and visitor safety is always our first priority.

### **NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF EACH ONE TEACH ONE, INC. PRESENTS**

The National Association of Each One Teach One, Inc. hosts their Annual Toy Drive. Donations of toys will be accepted at:

- Londel's Restaurant - 2620 Frederick Douglas Blvd., NY, NY 10030
- Grand Piatto d'Oro - 1429 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, NY, NY 10035

The drive will end on December 23, 2011. For more information, please contact the Office of Public Affairs at ext. 1370.



### **CIRCUS COMES TO TOWN**

The Big Apple Circus will be at Lincoln Center through January 8, 2011. Buy tickets now and save up to \$15 per ticket. All staff will receive discounts. Just use promo code "COMMUNITY 12" online, by phone, or at the Big Top Box Office. For more information on how to purchase tickets and show times, contact (888) 541-3750.

### **IT'S FLU SEASON, GET PROTECTED!**

Seasonal flu immunizations are being offered to all employees, volunteers, contractors and student interns here at Harlem Hospital Center at no cost to you. For flu vaccinations, please contact the Department of Infection Control at ext. 2990.

### **FLU CAMPAIGN**

As an HHC employee, you want to ensure our patients are well protected. One of the most important things we can do to protect them, our families and our selves is to get a flu shot. We want you to stay healthy, so we offer free flu shots to employees. PLEASE get vaccinated.

### **KINDLE FLU WINNERS**

To encourage participation in the flu campaign, computerized random prize drawings were held last week from the listing of those who took the flu shot in our Network. Employees were automatically entered to win an Amazon Kindle Fire, courtesy, HHC.

### **CONGRATULATIONS WINNERS**

Renaissance: **Pablo Pimentel**, Physician Specialist

Harlem: **Madumeye Sunny**, Assistant Director, Quality Management

### **EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH/ CAUGHT IN THE ACT**

Is there someone in your department you would consider worthy of recognition for their efforts? If so, please submit your write-up to Rodney Brown in the Department of Human Resources, Women's Pavilion, 6th Floor, Room 640, or by email at [Rodney.Brown@nychhc.org](mailto:Rodney.Brown@nychhc.org) or [Tamicka.Murray@nychhc.org](mailto:Tamicka.Murray@nychhc.org) no later than the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month.

The write-up should include:

- Employee Name
- Title
- Department
- Supervisor's Name
- Employee's Tour

Remember, you don't need to be a manager or supervisor to submit a nomination; you can nominate one of your fellow employees if you feel they are deserving of recognition. Any nomination received after the 20th will be considered during the following month, so please watch the due date.

If you have any questions contact Mr. Brown at extension 2618.

### **ARTICLES IN THE CHECKLIST**

Do you have something you believe is news worthy? Please feel free to contact Ms. Harris in the Office of Public Affairs with your articles via email at [christina.harris@nychhc.org](mailto:christina.harris@nychhc.org).

### **TELL US WHAT YOU THINK?**

Tell us what you think, and how we can better serve you. Is there something you would like to see in the checklist? Email suggestions to [christina.harris@nychhc.org](mailto:christina.harris@nychhc.org).

### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

**Christmas** - Sunday, 12/25/11  
**Christmas (observed)**- Monday, 12/26/11  
**Kwanzaa Begins** - Monday, 12/26/11  
**New Year's Eve** - Saturday, 12/31/11

### **IMPORTANT INFO**

#### **FROM PAYROLL:**

It is **IMPERATIVE** that all employees collect their **PAY STUBS**. These are **LEGAL DOCUMENTS** and are sometimes required for major Business/Investment transactions.

**THERE ARE NO DUPLICATES. ONE CHECK, ONE PAY STUB.** Stubs left uncollected are destroyed after three months.