6th Annual Gaylord Gauntlet 5k Attracts Record Number of Adaptive Athletes

Gauntlet Highlights:

- Huge success!
- Three new obstacles.
- The Festival area had a variety of food provided by Shoreline Prime, Comfort Foods, Czapiga’s, Ben & Jerry’s, Mac Brothers and Nutmeg Kettlecorn, a variety of beers from Stony Creek & Counter Weight Breweries, a kids obstacle course and Music by Gaylord’s own Mike Moscato.
- Gauntlet Gear tent.
- 1,037 registered runners including 22 athletes with varying ability levels, including SCI, limb loss, visually impaired and stroke.
- Sports Association athlete and Gaylord graduate, Jason Ross, completed the course in an all-terrain wheelchair with his team in a record time of 2:01!
- Overall Female Winner: Sara Taussik with a time of 30:12 and Overall Male Winner: Connor Holland with a time of 24:49. [Race results click here.](https://my.racewire.com/results/35826)
- Thank you to everyone involved in making the Gauntlet a reality.

• Special thank you to the 150 volunteers who helped make this event possible!
• Save-the-Date for the 7th Annual Gaylord Gauntlet 5k: June 27, 2020.

This year, the Sports Association Team conquered the course with adaptive athlete, Jason Ross. Last year, Jason was an in-patient at Gaylord, watching the race only weeks after his injury. When his nurse said “That is going to be you next year,” he was doubtful. But, earlier this year, he decided he wanted to take on the challenge. He raced alongside the 1000+ runners with his team that included his two kids, his brother and his therapy team from Gaylord. He utilized a special all-terrain wheelchair to navigate the course, along with a climbing harness and belayer for the high obstacles and a sled for the ground obstacles. He trained for months to prepare for the race, and he conquered every single obstacle with support from the Sports Association Team! He set a course record for wheelchair athletes of 2:01! Thank you to the Gaylord employees who volunteered to be a part of the Sports Association team, making this experience possible for Jason!

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How To Apply to Internal Jobs

Employment Services would like to take this opportunity to share with our employees more detailed instructions for accessing and applying for positions on our Internal Employment Center. As an internal applicant, you will access the Center, on-site, via the Quick Launch tab on the Intranet entitled Employment Opportunities or HR SharePoint/Employment/Employment Opportunities.

Prior to arriving on the landing page, the below login instructions will be provided. Please note that your username and initial/default password for the Internal Employment Center are unique and not the same as your username and password for access to any other hospital systems.

**Username:** first initial of your first name, full last name, no spaces, and is not case sensitive.

**Example for John Doe:** Jdoe or JDOE

**Initial/Default Password:** full first name with the first initial capitalized, full last name with the first initial capitalized, last four digits of your social security number, no spaces, and is case sensitive. Example for John Doe is: JohnDoe1111. Thereafter, the system will prompt you to create a new password, which, again, **will be case sensitive.**

Below the username and password fields, you will find a CAPTCHA/security check, as seen in the screenshot pictured above, which requires you to enter the characters from the picture, in the exact case shown, before proceeding.

Also, if you forgot your username or password and are experiencing difficulties logging in:

- *Please select the “Forget your username or password” link, as seen in the screenshot pictured on the left.*

- *Then select either "Forgot Username?" or “Forgot Password,?” as appropriate*

When entering your email address, you must enter your Gaylord email address assigned by IT (i.e., jdoe@gaylord.org), not a personal one, in order to receive instructions on next steps. If you are uncertain what your work email address is, please reach out to the IT Help Desk via extension 2222, option 4.

If you are still experiencing difficulties logging in after following the above instructions, please contact Cammy Nigro at extension 2830 or Kelly Scarrozzo at extension 2833, in Employment Services, with questions. Thank you.

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The Sports Association would like to thank the Gaylord Gauntlet Committee, Development Department, Facilities Department, and all the volunteers for their hard work and dedication to make the 6th annual Gaylord Gauntlet a success. Over 150 volunteers helped to make this event possible, including over 50 of whom were Gaylord employees. Each year, the Gaylord Gauntlet gets better and better, thanks to the efforts of this group! This event has already made a tremendous impact on the success of the Sports Association and we are gracious that the proceeds continue to support the program. Funds raised will go towards purchasing a specialized adaptive golf cart called the Paramobile. [Click here to read more about the Paramobile.]

Events such as this are what make the Sports Association programs possible! Thank You!
LEAN Team Tackles Supply Waste Project

The Supply Waste project team is a multidisciplinary group working toward the goal of decreasing the amount of supply waste on the nursing units. The group met for 5 days to map out the current process and identify areas of potential cost savings. Next steps will look to pilot suggestions generated during the project and continue tracking data. Our team included Monica Dalton and James Greene from Milne 2 Nursing, Barbara Banning from Pharmacy, Laurie Jano from Respiratory, Mark Morariu from Accounting and Paul Pacileo from Volunteer services. The group was led by Sandy Delong from Nursing and Edwin Garcia from Materials Management, and facilitated by Leigh Golembiewski, Manager of Process Improvement and Project Planning.

Food & Nutrition Department Awarded the Gaylord Cup

Congratulations to the Food & Nutrition Department on being awarded the Gaylord Cup. Food & Nutrition was recognized for the number of events they catered in May and June including Nurses Week, Hospital Week, the Wine Tasting event, and Legacy Week. They pull together as a team and put the “special” in special events so that all of the hospital can enjoy the day.

What is the Gaylord Cup?
The Gaylord Cup recognizes the achievements and contributions of a department and that department’s employees. The Gaylord Cup is awarded to a deserving department at each Management Meeting. The Management Executive Committee (senior management) selects the department each month, with each Vice President bringing those qualities, behaviors, standards, values and results that make the department worthy of this designation.
Fallen Campus Tree Transformed into Amazing Art

The Red Oak pictured here is almost as old at Gaylord itself. Taken from part of a fallen tree on campus, the tree believed to be 109 years old, was turned into two incredible parts. The portion which remained in the woods, on the water tower side of campus, was turned into an obstacle for the 2019 Gaylord Gauntlet. A piece, pictured here, was transformed into art. Mike Denette, Gaylord Lead Groundskeeper, commissioned Adam Mulholland of Sickline Carving, to carve the Gaylord name and logo into the oak. All day long the attendees of the Gaylord Gauntlet saw Adam turn the flat-faced tree trunk into a beautiful piece of art, which he stained and waterproofed, so it can weather future storms. The log will remain on campus for all to enjoy. Our thanks to Mike and Adam for making this historical tree into a magnificent memory of the 2019 Gaylord Gauntlet.

Meet Our New Chaplain

This past spring we said goodbye to our beloved chaplain of twenty one year’s Leonard Williams. Before leaving, Leonard oriented our new staff chaplain, Vince Gierer, and new per diem chaplain, Matt Babcock. We are thankful for Leonard’s service here at Gaylord and wish him well in his retirement.

Vincent J. Gierer is our new staff chaplain. He lives in Tolland, CT with his wife and daughter. Vince comes to us from Trinity Health working as the staff chaplain at Mount Sinai Rehabilitation Hospital in Hartford and Johnson Memorial Hospital in Stafford Springs.

Vince’s passion is to help patients and families connect their own spiritualties’ to their own healing journeys. He is also committed to supporting our staff and is collaborating with other colleagues to begin a peer support program for staff here at Gaylord. “Like many staff I have a personal connection to Gaylord as my grandfather was a patient here and received extraordinary care” Gierer said. “Gaylord is special and I’m excited to be joining this wonderful team.”

July
Service Awards

Congratulations to the following employees for their years of service to Gaylord:

30 YEARS
Michele Connolly
Admissions

20 YEARS
Jennifer Kleinschmidt
Care Management

Leigh Golembiewski
Process Improvement

15 YEARS
Stacey Milillo
Inpatient Therapy

5 YEARS
Dorothy Burgos
Regional Healthcare Manager

Mona Ulysse
Nursing Services

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Prospero Recognizes
Megan Koller
Outpatient Therapy

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Outpatient Therapy

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