

In Brief

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Pittsfield: BMC adds hematologist oncologist

Dr. Trevor Bayliss, a board certified physician and specialist in hematology oncology, has joined the medical staff of Berkshire Medical Center, and the Berkshire Hematology Oncology physician practice.

Bayliss will be joining doctors Michael DeLeo, Paul Rosenthal and Harvey Zimble in the hematology oncology practice.

A Berkshire native who was born and raised in Williamstown, Bayliss returns to the area after fellowship training at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center in New Hampshire, where he also completed his residency training in internal medicine.

A Williams College graduate, Bayliss is board certified in internal medicine and holds a medical degree from Albany Medical College.

Bayliss is also a member of the BMC Cancer Care team, physicians from a broad spectrum of specialties who provide comprehensive care to cancer patients in the region.

Pittsfield: Bank foundation grants top \$690K

Berkshire Bank has awarded \$691,416 in grants during the first six months of 2013 from its two charitable foundations to 194 nonprofit organizations in Massachusetts, New York, Connecticut and Vermont.

While Berkshire Bank Foundation's priorities are education and community/economic development projects, it also donated to youth, cultural and human service organizations.

Berkshire Bank Foundation and Berkshire Bank Foundation-Legacy Region, the bank's two charitable foundations, plan to award nearly \$1.5 million this year to nonprofit organizations across the company's service area.

The most recent grant recipients in Berkshire County are BRIDGE, the Dalton CRA, Shakespeare & Company and the Pittsfield Family YMCA.

Berkshires: Four towns get pet oxygen masks

The towns of Alford, Clarksburg, Sandisfield and Tyringham are among more than 100 state municipalities that have received pet oxygen masks this month from the Massachusetts Veterinary Medical Association Charities.

Each town received a set of three masks that are designed to fit dogs and cats that might be victims of smoke inhalation, excess water inhalation or other respiratory emergencies.

MVMA Charities launched the program in 2008, and more than half of the state's 351 municipalities now have these kits.

For information on donating a mask kit to your community or participating in the program, call the group's office at (508) 460-9333, or visit the group's Facebook Page at MCMA Charities, Inc.