

Medical People

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Dr. Derry Agnini has joined the Lakeland orthodontic practice of Dr. Gregory P. Scott as a full-time associate. She received her degree in dentistry from the University of Maryland and her specialty training from Florida's Jacksonville University School of Orthodontics.

Bob Rihn and Mell Williams, employees of Tri-County Human Services, recently received awards from the Florida Alcohol and Drug Addiction Association. Williams, who supervises the Polk County Jail Alternatives to Substance Abuse program, was named professional of the year. He also is program supervisor of Tri-County's Sebring and Wauchula outpatient offices. Rihn, Tri-County's executive director, received the association's leadership award.

Mary Gay, registered nurse and team leader in Lakeland Regional Medical Center's B5/Stroke Unit, was the hospital's August employee of the month. A 26-year veteran, she provides nursing care for stroke/medical patients, makes staff assignments and evaluates performance.

Gloria Johnson, homemaker for Advantage Home Health Services, was the Lakeland-based company's July employee of the month. She joined Advantage in October.

Several Polk County Medical Association physicians represented local association members recently at the annual Florida Medical Association meeting. PCMA President Dr. Sergio Seoane led the delegation, which included Dr. Lucy Ertenberg, Dr. John Glotfelty, Dr. Jorge Gonzalez, Dr. Brian Jurbala, Dr. Ada Lopez-Mendez, Dr. George Lyle, Dr. Jay Mulaney, Dr. Jennifer Nixon and Dr. Ralph Nobo and Dr. Jennifer Nixon. Glotfelty was representing PCMA for the 44th consecutive time. The group introduced a resolution that passed successfully to request support from the Florida Medical Association to initiate legislation that would again require motorcycle riders to wear protective helmets.

Dr. David R. Puentes, Bartow chiropractor, and his staff attended the Florida Chiropractic Association's national convention Aug. 25-27 in Kissimmee.