



ERH Purchases Ultrasound Unit

Ellenville Regional Hospital is pleased to announce the purchase of a new, state of the art Ultrasound Unit for its *Radiology Department*. This purchase was made possible by a grant from the New York State Department of Health, secured for the Hospital by State Senator John Bonacic.

The ultrasound unit, a Phillips ATL 5000, can be used for all types of studies, including obstetrics (fetal), abdominal, renal, vascular (legs and carotid arteries), thyroid, and breast.

Paul Shumanski, Ultrasound Technician at **Ellenville Regional Hospital**, said he is excited with the addition of the new unit. "This Phillips unit will allow us to provide top quality images for our doctors to interpret, to the great benefit of our patients," said Shumanski. Ultrasound Technician Martha Castillo (*Photo, above*) added, "With this unit, we can expand upon the scope and quality of the service that we currently provide."

Ellenville Regional Hospital C.E.O. Steven Kelley said the new ultrasound technology "will allow us to continue in our efforts to provide quality healthcare to our community. We are very grateful to Senator Bonacic for making this purchase possible."

If you would like more information on Ultrasound or other services provided by **Ellenville Regional Hospital**, please contact the **Hospital** at 647-6400. 🌟

ERH Recognizes Eye Care Month

March has been designated "National Save Your Vision and Eye Donor Month," and **Ellenville Regional Hospital** would like to remind the community that it offers excellent eye care services under the direction of ophthalmologist Dr. Ziqiang Wu.

Dr. Wu diagnoses and treats diabetic eye disease, glaucoma, cataracts, macular degeneration and most other common eye conditions. He is available for appointments at **Ellenville Regional Hospital** on Thursdays. Need cataract surgery? Dr. Wu performs this, and other surgical procedure at the **Hospital**, saving patients the need to travel outside of the local area.

"It's wonderful to be able to offer these services to the members of the Ellenville/Wawarsing community. Having an ophthalmologist at **Ellenville Regional Hospital** is a benefit and a convenience for the local patients. I'm proud to be able to provide these services to them," Wu said.

This is the 41st consecutive year that March has been recognized as Eye Donor Month by the Eye Bank Association of America to support the dedicated work of caring people and benevolent organizations, and to raise awareness of individuals who may want to someday make their gift of sight A Gift to be Shared.

For 77 years, March has also been named *Save Your Vision Month* to highlight the importance of regular eye exams and the role good eyesight plays in enjoying life.

Your eyes are often the best windows to your health. By looking into your eyes, your optometrist can tell a lot about your general health. For example, did you know that some systemic and chronic diseases, especially diabetes, can often be detected by an optometrist during a comprehensive eye exam?

To make an appointment with Dr. Wu, or for information on the services that he provides, please call **Ellenville Regional Hospital** at 647-6400 ext. 292.

Ellenville Regional Hospital continues in its mission to provide quality health care services through the use of available resources, to meet the need of the people who live in, work in, or visit our surrounding communities. 🌟

Love Your Heart Day at ERH

On February 14th the **Ellenville Regional Hospital** hosted its annual "Love Your Heart Day." Held for the fourth year on Valentine's Day, "Love Your Heart Day" has become a favorite tradition at the **Hospital**.



As part of the "Love Your Heart Day" events, the **Hospital** offered blood pressure screenings, glucose screenings, heart-healthy food, CPR demonstrations, and educational material, all free to the public. There were also well attended lectures given by Dr. Brooks Mirrer, (*Photo, below*) and Dr. Charles Johnson. (*Photo, left*).

"We are proud to be able to offer these free services to our community on an annual basis," said Steven Kelley, **Ellenville Regional Hospital** C.E.O. "It gives us a chance to give something back to our community after all of the support that we have received from them," he added.

Ellenville Regional Hospital also provides free blood pressure screenings on the first Wednesday of every month. No appointment is necessary.

Please call 647-6400 for information on additional services provided by **Ellenville Regional Hospital**. 🌟

