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Recipient: Cathy Leibl, AD, RN
Nomination submitted by Catherine Maxwell, RN

Cathy is known for her compassion, dependability, teamwork, integrity and willingness to help others. Nowhere has this been on display more than on Friday evening, June 9th in downtown La Crosse. Cathy was at The Old Crow celebrating her birthday with her family when she witnessed a gentleman, who was also eating at the restaurant, suddenly became unconscious. Without hesitation or concern for her own safety, Cathy determined that the man was pulseless and jumped in to action by performing CPR. Dr. Eric Elleby, a third year Mayo Family Medicine Resident, who also happened to be at The Old Crow, came to aid Cathy and, by working together as a team, the gentleman was revived and was able to take a few steps to get on the ambulance stretcher.

When I learned about Cathy's heroism she tried to deflect attention and remarked "All that matters is that the gentleman was conscious and alert when the ambulance arrived". This is just one example of Cathy's excellence and commitment to nursing. In our surgery clinic we frequently are paired up to assist the surgeon with his/her schedule. When you are assigned to work with Cathy you can be assured that clinic charts have been thoroughly prepped and she has anticipated any need that may arise (hospital admission, pre op, procedure in clinic, referral to other specialists...) and that paper work or room set up has been started, messages and phone calls have been returned and that she will provide compassionate care to all patients. Working with Cathy is a joy and pleasure.

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Comments from Sandy Jennings, Director

Cathy Leibl truly lives the Mayo Clinic Value of the needs of the patient come first. Cathy is always willing to go above and beyond to take care of not only patients and their families but her coworkers as well. She is continuously asking how she can help and what she can do to make the day better for the entire team. I was not surprised at all to hear that Cathy did not want recognition for her good deed. She is always humble and doing what she thinks is best for others, even if that means a missed lunch or leaving late herself. Cathy's compassion can be witnessed as she cares for patients on a daily basis.



Jason Fratzke, RN, Chief Nursing Officer
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