



# KCVA Veteran focus

## KCVA Events

### Patient Orientation

2/26/14

9:30a - 11:30a

KCVA Hall of Heroes

### Veteran Benefits Fair

3/29/14

9:00a - Noon

KCVA Hall of Heroes/Lobbies

## National Salute

Thousands of valentines sent by school children, churches, organizations and individuals were distributed to inpatient and outpatient veterans throughout the week in celebration of National Salute to Veterans. Gifts, candy, flowers and cards were distributed by volunteers, congressional staffers and Fox 4 news anchors.



## Congratulations to Fiscal, KCVA Service of the Year

Fiscal department assists Veteran care through managing medical center budget and financial training to staff. This includes invoice certification, monthly budget reviews, oversight of orders to ensure compliance with appropriation law, and control point training. Information from Fiscal helps managers make wise spending decisions, maximizing Veteran benefits from existing and upcoming care programs. Since 2012, Fiscal has tripled CHAMPVA collections, expanding financial resources available to our hospital annually.

can respond to Veteran inquiries regarding the status of these payments. The Agent Cashiers at the medical center offers several convenient methods for Veterans to pay office visit and prescription co-pays. They can provide Veterans cash payment for patient funds and Research programs.

Fiscal supports medical center employees through Payroll, including timekeeper training, and employee travel support associated with direct patient care and attendance at job-related training.

- Joseph Becker, KCVA Accountant

*Congratulations to KCVA Fiscal Department for being the 2013 Service of the Year!*

*Thank you for your work with Beneficiary Travel, Direct Deposit, and managing department budgets. Your ongoing efforts to improve communications on the medical center's budget have been outstanding.*



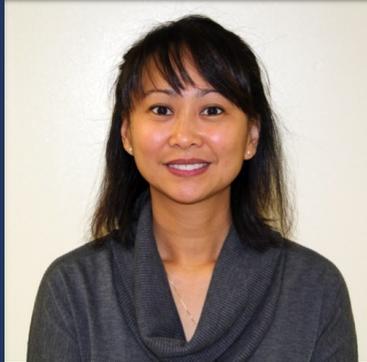
2013 Service of the Year - Fiscal Service

Fiscal issues direct payment to Veterans for approved beneficiary travel claims and compensated work therapy benefits, and

# Welcome New Program Managers!



**Chanin Elrick**  
Women Veterans Program Manager



**Dr. An Le**  
Military Sexual Trauma Coordinator  
816-922-2641

Congratulations to  
**Bryan Price**,  
KCVA OEF/OIF  
Veterans! Bryan qualified  
to be on the 2014 US Paralympic Nordic Ski Team.



[\(Online readers can click here for the teamusa.org article\)](#)

## Did You Know?

The KCVA **Retail Store** is...

- ◆ Tax Free!
- ◆ Open
  - Mon - Fri 7:30am - 4pm
  - Saturday 9am - 1pm
- ◆ Located in room VB-715 (Basement)
- ◆ One of the largest in our region
- ◆ 3 times bigger than the previous store

The **main vending** area is in room VB-700

**Starbucks** is located in the Valor Building lobby, 1st floor.

The KCVA Canteen **Cafeteria** is ...

- ◆ Open Mon - Fri 7am - 3pm
- ◆ Located in room MB-250 (Basement)

### Just a note... Hospital Updates

- Guest Wi-Fi is now available in most patient care areas.
- After hours meals are available to employees and visitors.
- Shuttle are available to take you to and from the parking lots.
- Dr. Steven Warlick is retiring March 31, 2014.
- Dr. James Sanders, Chief of Staff, is retiring February 29, 2014.

### Project Updates

- The elevator lobbies on the 5th, 7th, and 10th floor are now open!
- Honor Annex will start seeing patients April 14th.
- 7th Floor Dialysis renovation is expected to be complete in May.
- 5th Floor Surgery Unit is expected to be complete in late May.
- 10th Floor Psychiatry unit expected to be complete in June or July.
- Warrensburg Community Clinic expected to be complete in September.

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**Veterans  
Crisis Line**



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