

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

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Habitat celebrates new home dedication

Habitat for Humanity of Bucks County celebrated the dedication of Evita's new home on Woodland Avenue in Morrisville on June 29.

Volunteers, friends, family, new neighbors, donors and distinguished guests gathered in

celebration of the completion of Habitat Bucks' 116th home with Evita and her children. This is one of four new single-family homes on adjacent lots that will pave a much-needed path to homeownership for these families.

Evita and her two children, who are currently living doubled-up with family, will make this their home. High rent prices prevented

Evita from living independently. She believed that homeownership was out of the question for the same reason, too costly, until she found Habitat.

Woods Services appoints vice president of medical affairs

Dr. Stephen J. Kolesk has been appointed vice president of medical affairs and managed care at Woods Services in Langhorne, a nonprofit, multi-service population health management and advocacy organization that serves children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) and complex medical and behavioral health-care needs.

In this new role, Kolesk, a New Jersey family physician for two decades who later had a distinguished career as a hospital administrator with Virtua Memorial Hospital and Virtua Health in Marlton, N.J., will oversee Woods and its population health management strategy, which includes the integration of primary and specialty care with behavioral health, and becoming a specialized patient-centered medical home in Pa. and N.J.

In addition, Kolesk will guide the launch and expansion of Woods' primary care centers in



DR. STEPHEN J. KOLESK

New Jersey in partnership with Woods' affiliate, Legacy Treatment Services, as well as collaborations with New Jersey hospitals and medical centers for the provision

of medical services to people with IDD and patients with behavioral challenges. He will also work with Woods' health care professionals at the Medical Center at Woods in Langhorne to ensure the ongoing delivery of quality care to the individuals Woods serves.

Kolesk resides in Delran, N.J., with his wife of 44 years, Kathleen. They have three children and five grandchildren.

HealthLink Dental Clinic names executive director

Raquel Braemer has been named executive director of HealthLink Dental Clinic in Southampton.

Braemer will succeed Neil Gordon, who had formerly held the role of interim executive director for the free dental clinic for

low-income, working adults and military veterans.

Gordon, who will continue a relationship with HealthLink Dental Clinic as a member of the finance committee, led the organization through a time of transition. He will remain involved to assist the clinic with financial oversight and assessing future revenue streams to secure the future of the organization.

Braemer, a Bensalem resident, started working at HealthLink Dental Clinic in 2012 as the development director. After her promotion to the role of executive director, she will oversee the administrative, operational, and strategic functions of the nonprofit organization.

Braemer received a bachelor's degree in political science from East Stroudsburg University and a master's degree from Drexel University. She has been credentialed as a CFRE (certified fund raising executive) since 2016 and is a graduate of the nonprofit management certificate program at La Salle University's Nonprofit Center.

HealthLink Dental Clinic opened in 2001 and has provided no-cost oral health care to more than 22,000 underserved adults. HealthLink Dental Clinic is funded entirely by charitable contributions from the community.

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Evita and her family are congratulated by U.S. Rep. Brian Fitzpatrick at the celebration of their new home dedication in Morrisville.

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