### <u>NEW YEAR NEW NEWSLETTER!</u>

## Guadalupe Times SPRING 2025



### Welcome Dr. Jany K. Moussa!

We are excited to introduce Dr. Jany K. Moussa, MD, a board-certified nephrologist in Wichita, KS, who has joined our volunteer physicians at Guadalupe Clinic. Dr. Moussa serves as the President of Wichita Nephrology Group and the Internal Medicine Director for the Via Christi Family Medicine Residency Program.

A graduate of Aleppo University School of Medicine in 1990, he completed his internship at Loma Linda University and went on to specialize in Internal Medicine and Nephrology, completing his residency and fellowship at the University of Kansas School of Medicine in 2002.

Dr. Moussa is also an active member of St. George Orthodox Christian Cathedral, where a group of healthcare providers came together with a shared desire to "give back to the community that has treated them so well." It was through Antioch Med and Dr. Jody Elson, our Medical Director, that Dr. Moussa connected with Guadalupe Clinic.

Outside of work, Dr. Moussa enjoys playing tennis, supporting Wichita State University basketball, and spending time with his wife, Yvonne, and their two daughters—Reema, a second-year medical student at the University of Oklahoma, and Nicole, a second-year pre-med student at Tulsa.

We are thrilled to welcome Dr. Moussa to the clinic and look forward to the possibility of more healthcare providers from St. George's joining us in our mission to serve the community.

### A Note From J.V.

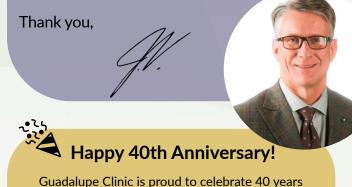
2025 is off to a fast start! Our new three-year Strategic Management Plan is developing very well.

The Dental Committee and the Electronic Health Records (EHR) Committee should have recommendations to the Board of Directors in their March meeting.

The employee Childcare Committee's recommendation most likely will be presented in the June meeting. I am excited about all three initiatives. Of course, I am cautious about funding them. However, if our financial support from donors, companies and foundations continues to rise we may be able to initiate all of them.

Your support is so important, and we do NOT take it for granted.

Our ability to offer much-needed services for the working poor and poor is so critical so that they can get/stay healthy and can care for their families. I thank you, as do our patients!



Guadalupe Clinic is proud to celebrate 40 years of providing compassionate care to those in need. This milestone honors the dedication of our staff, volunteers, and supporters. Thank you for being part of our mission and journey!

### SPRING 2025

### **Our Mission**

As missionary disciples of Christ, and with other people of good will, Guadalupe Clinic works to provide access to quality health care for people in need.

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### Nelly's New Role:

### At Guadalupe Clinic, I am honored

to serve in my new role as a Promotora and Patient Advocate, helping patients navigate disparities of health and connect with essential resources. My responsibilities include assisting with financial assistance applications through Via Christi, providing access to necessary resources, and scheduling physical therapy appointments within the clinic.

One patient who profoundly impacted me is Maria. When she first visited my office, she had just received a cancer diagnosis. That day, I helped her complete a Financial Assistance Application for oncology services at Hutchinson Hospital, ensuring she could see an oncologist and begin the care she needed.

As we finished the application, I noticed the patient struggling to hold back tears. She opened about her worries, sharing that she wasn't planning to tell her children about her diagnosis because she didn't want to burden them. She also spoke about her unwavering faith in God.

Listening to her testimony, I felt like I was called to pray with her. I assured her that God would walk with her through this difficult time, just as He had in the past. She broke down in tears, thanked me, and shared that she felt a renewed sense of peace. She agreed that her faith would guide her through the challenges ahead.

This patient continues to approach her journey with positivity and resilience. Her story serves as a reminder of the strength found in faith and community support.

### Locations

- 940 S. St. Francis Wichita, KS 67211 (316) 264-6464

- 2825 S. Hillside Wichita, KS 67216 (316) 201-1986



# **Old Town Walkabout**



The 30th annual Midwest Winefest kicks off on Thursday, May 1st, with the Old Town Walkabout. Festivities are from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm across Wichita's Old Town district. New this year: Guests will check in at the Farm and Art Market Plaza OR the Old Town Square (the area between the Warren Theater, Sabor, and Old Chicago), where they receive their wine glass, food plate, and wristband. The Plaza features eight wine and food stops, with an additional fourteen stops located throughout Old Town.

Put together a group of friends and get your tickets early - we expect to sell out again in 2025! Tickets are \$75\* for unlimited wine and food across the event. As always, all proceeds from the Midwest Winefest benefit the Guadalupe Health Foundation whose primary beneficiary is the Guadalupe Clinic.

\*Due to high demand, ticket prices will increase on April 17th to \$85 per ticket and increase to \$100 per ticket on the day of the event if available. Must be 21+ to attend, only 1,000 tickets available.

### Volunteers Needed!

Do you have a group of 2-3 friends? Are you looking to give back to your community and have fun, all while supporting a great cause? Consider signing up to volunteer at the Old Town Walkabout!



### Volunteer positions include:

- Pouring wine samples
- Distributing food samples
- Scanning tickets
- Checking in volunteers
- Monitoring the silent auction
- Set up and tear down

Most shifts are approximately 4 hours long and occur during the event, but some (like set up) begin as early as 1pm on event day.

To learn more and sign up, visit: www.MidwestWinefest.org/volunteer

### From Homelessness to Hope:



On January 23rd, United Way coordinated a homeless "point-in-time" count. Over the past couple of years, our Executive Director, J.V. Johnston, has volunteered for this effort. This year, his group of three was assigned to southwest Wichita including O.J. Watson Park.

During their outreach, they found a man sleeping in his car. They tapped on the window, waking him. He was reluctant to talk, but after much prying, he shared his name as Brent, a 59-year-old Caucasian male who became homeless on October 1st.

He explained that he owned a lawn mowing business, but an employee attacked him with a baseball bat, leaving him partially paralyzed on the right side of his body. This injury prevented him from continuing his work and running his business.

J.V. asked if he had any urgent needs we could help with. The man mentioned that his medication was sometimes stolen from his car. When asked where he received his medication, he replied, "Guadalupe." J.V. then introduced himself as the Executive Director of Guadalupe Clinic.

At that moment, his entire demeanor changed! He lit up and said the clinic staff were wonderful, especially Dr. Kim (Kim Dixon, one of our staff PAs). He then corrected himself, revealing that his real name and that the name he was going by was his middle name.

The patient expressed deep appreciation for the clinic, our staff, and Kim, repeatedly sharing how much they had helped him. It was heartwarming to hear how we have made a difference in his life. He is eager to find a job and has identified a group home where he could live—if he can secure employment.

### **OTHER WAYS TO GIVE**

### **Matching Gifts**

You can increase the impact of your donation with a corporate matching gift from your employer

### Dillons Community Rewards

Without losing your reward points, give back every time you shop at Dillons!

### Guadalupe Health Foundation Board

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### Leave a Legacy

Remember Guadalupe Clinic in your will to leave a legacy and help sustain our mission for many years

# **Reserve Room**

Make plans to attend Midwest Winefest's Reserve Room on Saturday, May 3, from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm at Distillery 244 in Old Town. Enjoy high-end wines, sponsored by LDF Companies, and delectable small plates prepared by two of Wichita's finest restaurants. After dinner, bid on Winefest's famed live auction items, including outstanding experiences and wines from some of the best collectors in Wichita. Tickets are \$250 and can be purchased individually or in tables of 8.





To purchase tickets, scan the QR code or visit: www.MidwestWinefest.org

Tickets for all events are on sale now!

For tickets, sponsorships, auction items and more visit www.MidwestWinefest.org

# GOLDEN TICKET

The Golden Ticket allows one lucky winner to choose any live auction item before the bidding event starts! The winning ticket will be chosen at the beginning of the live auction on Saturday, May 3rd. View live auction items at MidwestWinefest.org

> Tickets can be purchased online at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/10847835899197aff=oddtdtcreator The Golden Ticket is not entrance into the live auction or Reserve Room.



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