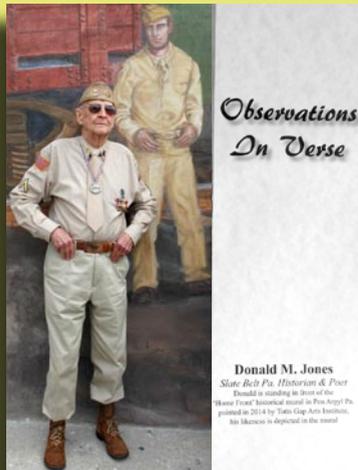


A Poem from the Archives of Donald Jones

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SPRING COLORS

As the days of Spring draw near
 Mother Nature's colors start to appear.
 There's yellow in the willow trees
 And the buds are turning red.
 There's green in the tips of leaves
 And in grass once brown and dead.
 As the golden sunshine warms the earth
 Creating these colors anew
 Let's welcome this new season
 With good riddance to winter blues.



The Blue Valley Times

Our two grand daughters surprised us on Easter Sunday with a special easter card they made.

It's been tough not seeing them in person. We all stayed the 6 ft. apart and for only a short time but it was nice to see them in this strange time we live in.

With all the bad news out there we thought this may brighten your day.

Everybody stay safe, and we will all get thru this together.

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St. Luke's Warren Participates Successfully in Experimental COVID-19 Plasma Trial, Seeking Plasma Donors

By Sam Kennedy, Corporate Communications Director

A COVID-19 patient who was on a ventilator at St. Luke's Warren Campus is on the road to recovery after successful extubation that followed an experimental blood plasma treatment.

The patient's treatment was part of a nationwide expanded access treatment protocol overseen by the Mayo Clinic. Convalescent plasma (the liquid part of blood) from a person who recovered from COVID-19 contains antibodies that may provide a powerful boost to someone else fighting the viral infection.

"Our Warren Campus is proud to be part of St. Luke's University Health Network's participation in this national effort to develop a COVID-19 treatment," said St. Luke's Warren Campus President Scott R. Wolfe. "It exemplifies the importance of ingenuity and perseverance to support the heroic, life-saving work of our physicians, nurses and other caregivers."

Convalescent plasma has a long track record, having been used as a treatment during the Spanish Flu, SARS, an Ebola outbreaks. More recently, it appeared to be helpful in a small study of COVID-19 patients from China.

"St. Luke's participation in this blood plasma trial will help advance the medical community's understanding of how best to treat COVID-19 patients," St. Luke's Infectious Disease Section Chief Dr. Peter Ender said. "Because of the lack of proven treatments for this life-threatening infection, novel approaches are needed."

Have you or your loved one contracted COVID-19? YOU CAN HELP!

"In order for the convalescent plasma program to be successful and allow us to help the greatest number of patients, we really need the help of all of our recovered patients," St. Luke's Anesthesiologist Eric Tesoriero, DO, said.

Every day is a good day to donate blood and help save a life, but if you are a COVID-19 recoveree, your community has never needed you more! If you think you may be a candidate for donation, please contact Liz Nivar at St. Luke's Pulmonary and Critical Care Associates (484-503-0350). One of our providers will complete the paperwork necessary for Miller-Keystone Blood Center to proceed.

For more information about plasma, please visit <https://covidplasma.org/>



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