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Tropical Snowpocalypse Recognizes Staff for Dedication *Senior Leadership Says "Thanks"*

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MARTINSBURG, W.Va. — Recently the Martinsburg Veterans Affairs Medical Center (MVAMC) senior leaders hosted a "Tropical Snowpocalypse" party to recognize the center staff for their dedication to patients during the winter storms.

"We are so proud of our incredible staff. We wanted to do something special to thank them for all their hard work during the two major snowstorms this winter," said Medical Center Director Ann Brown.

"I was here every day during the storm and it's nice the bosses are showing their appreciation for our dedication," said Darlene Dearing from Acquisitions & Material Management.

The party motif was a colorful tropical theme with palm trees and flowers; Island music added to the festivities. "The decorations are so cute and the food is great," said Bridget Bonham from Nursing Services, adding, "The wings were good and hot!" The refreshments included hot wings, pineapple, cake and snow cones.

"This was such a nice idea for the staff,"



Above: Sharon Mottley, left, Nutrition and Food Service staff with Chief of Pharmacy Service Mike Evanko and Chief of Nutrition and Food Service Barb Hartman. Left: Wadea Hines, executive assistant to the chief of staff serves a snow cone to Darlene Dearing, Acquisitions & Material Management Section. Photos: VA/Cali Coulthard

said Laura Barnhart from Medical Administration Service, "it's nice to take a break and enjoy this good food."

Sharon Mottley from Nutrition and Food Service wrapped it all up, "This was so enjoyable – it makes me feel like taking a trip to Hawaii."

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