Aultman Orrville Hospital is our Outstanding Business Partner this month. Nurse Manager Loretta Raff accepted the award.

Aultman Orrville Hospital is a 25-bed critical access facility that has been serving Orrville and the Wayne County community for more than 60 years. The hospital opened in 1951, and was originally named Dunlap Memorial after its original benefactor, George T. Dunlap. It provides a full range of inpatient and outpatient services; employs 212 health care professionals and has a medical staff of 153 active and courtesy physicians and allied health professionals.

"In the past, Aultman Orrville has hired many of our nursing students," said Practical Nursing instructor Pamela Vorkapich. "Loretta has served on our advisory board for many years. She has been extremely instrumental in all aspects of our nursing students and faculty clinical experiences."

The hospital has made multiple donations of time and expertise in the training and preparation of Career Center nursing students and graduates. Aultman has shown a commitment to educating health care professionals in our community by offering clinical experiences, when many other facilities are unable to accommodate them.

"The staff at Aultman Orrville is second to none at caring and nurturing our students into becoming awesome nurses," Pam said. They have worked with nursing staff on the medical/surgical floor, obstetrics, cardiac rehab, surgery, laboratory and emergency departments.

This year, our students were invited to participate in the Wayne County Disaster Preparedness Drill, and seniors were invited to participate in a mock OB Code-Blue for OB emergencies.

Aultman has provided speakers and mentors and the 2014 Nurse Mentor award went to their dietician, Bobbie Randall.

Aultman Orrville Hospital has been a true supporter of our nursing programs for more than 25 years. Their staff and administrators have been pivotal in providing learning and employment opportunities for many of our graduates.

We thank Aultman Orrville Hospital for its continued support of Career-Tech education in Wayne County.