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## Say Hello to SimMan

*-- Air St. Luke's trains emergency responders with high-tech patient simulator --*

**What:** Observe a simulated medical emergency with the Air St. Luke's emergency response team and SimMan, the newest addition to the Air St. Luke's Regional Education and Simulation Lab (REAL).

**When:** 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, April 22 at St. Luke's Boise Medical Center (Meet Ken Dey in the lobby, he'll escort you to the second floor where the simulation will take place.)

**Why:** SimMan is the latest in high-tech patient simulators. Last year St. Luke's purchased both a SimMan and SimBaby to train a wide variety of medical personnel from hospital nurses to emergency response personnel at rural Idaho fire departments. Training is provided for free and supported through Air St. Luke's memberships purchased by people in the community.

**Visuals:** The simulation will accurately mirror a real life emergency. Unlike other simulation mannequins, SimMan bring a taste of real life to every training exercise. He breathes, he cries, moans in pain, and can even die if something goes terribly wrong. Medical personnel have to treat SimMan just like a real patient. They'll be starting actual IVs, Provide SimMan with oxygen, treat any injuries and deal with sudden medical problems. SimMan is controlled by a computer program that adjusts the health of SimMan based on what kind of treatment he receives. SimMan can also talk with the medical team.

**Interviews:** All participants in the simulation and the director of St. Luke's simulation program as well as SimMan will be available for interviews following the simulation. Find out more about SimMan at [www.laerdal.com](http://www.laerdal.com).