

Newsletter

April 2014

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Have a Rejuvenating Spring

April 2nd – SMCA Monthly Board Meeting

Apr. 3rd–4th – Colorado Watch Co.–vendor sale

Apr. 6th–12th – National Volunteer Recognition

April 10th – H2U social – Musical Memories

April 13th – Palm Sunday

April 16th – SMCA Bake Sale delivery & prep.

April 17th – SMC Auxiliary Bake Sale

April 17th–18th – Giorelli Jewelry Co.–vendor sale

April 18th – Good Friday

April 20th – Easter

Apr. 29th & 30th –Children’s Health Educ. Days

May 1st–2nd – International Concepts–vendor Sale

May 5th – Cinco de Mayo

May 8th – H2U social – Americana Music

May 8th–9th – Treasured Creations-vendor sale

May 11th – Mother’s Day

May 21st – 23rd – H2U Cripple Creek Getaway

May 26th – Memorial Day

June 6th – Volunteer Recognition Luncheon

June 12th–13th – An Ecelctic Collection-vendor

June 14th – Flag Day

June 15th – Father’s Day

June 21st – Summer Begins

June 26th–27th – Pearl Connections –vendor sale



Special Notices or Announcements

This newsletter is being sent to all Auxiliary Members and Volunteers of Record at the time of mailing. Should anyone wish to help the Auxiliary by choosing to have this newsletter emailed to you, please contact the editor or one of the Board members and provide your email address. Also, if you would prefer not to receive it in any form, please let us know that as well. We want to be as accommodating to those interested in the Swedish Medical Center Auxiliary’s activities as we possibly can. If you have any comments or suggestions for this newsletter, please let us know. If you wish to provide us with your birth month and day, we will begin acknowledging birthdays in future issues.

Lesser Known April, May & June Events:

April 10th – Safety Pin Day

April 20th – 26th – Coin Week

April – National Kite Month

April – Straw Hat Month

May 1st – Global Love Day

May 3rd – Lumpy Rug Day

May 4th – 10th – Drinking Water Week

May – Older Americans Month

May – National Photo Month

June 16th – Fudge Day

June 7th – 14th – International Clothesline Week

June – National Ice Tea Month



2014 Auxiliary Board Officers

President: Kathy Wheeler
President Elect: *open*
Secretary: Kim Prescott
Chief Financial Officer: Marilyn Arnold
Treasurer: Marlene O'Neal
V. P. of Finance: Jackie Thorland
V. P. of Fundraising: Kathy Funayama
Karen Humes
Sara O'Mary

2014 Auxiliary Board Committees (Chairs)

Special Assignments -
Scholarship: Marge Guard
Membership-Telephone Tree: Ken Montelius
Jackie Thorland
Kim Prescott
Judith Stuckey
Education: Ginny Mayers
Marilyn Arnold
Marlene O'Neal
Nominating: Kathy Christie
Publicity: Lorraine Givens
Sewing: Lorraine Givens
Norma Leach
Assistance with Grief: Dee Hale
Ex-Officio:
Gift Gallery: Margaret Ansted
Second Chance Shop: Stacie Saavedra
Volunteer Director: Stacey Boyd
Mentor/Advisor: Milt Bollman
Historian: Karen Humes
Members-at-Large:
Past Pres./Parliamentarian: Sara O'Mary
Special Projects:
Freda Benintendi Lynn Bunnell
Maybelle Davey Karen Humes
Ginny Mayers Billye Regan
Sally Jo Thomas Jackie Thorland
Marlene O'Neal Diane Damore
Carlyle Montelious Judith Stucky
Carol Murray



SMCA Newsletter

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Swedish Medical Center Auxiliary

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Submissions are requested by the 20th of the month for publication the following month.



Thoughts from the Auxiliary President

By Kathy Wheeler

Dear Friends,

I certainly have had a busy few months as the new auxiliary president and I thank you ever so much for entrusting me with that position!

Spring is upon us and we have an important fundraising activity approaching. Our annual Easter Bake Sale will once again be in the hospital lobby on Thursday April 17. Do participate by contributing home made baked goods and/or by purchasing goodies at the sale.

Please don't forget to shop at our Gift Gallery and The Second Chance Shoppe. Second Chance is our auxiliary-run thrift shop "kiddycorner" across Hampden from the main hospital.

Please help out by donating your used clothing and household items. You wouldn't believe how great it is to shop over there, don't miss out on the fun! The Second Chance Shoppe is open from 9 to 3 on weekdays; volunteers are needed over there as well ~ think about it!!

Happy Spring!
Kathy

Gift Gallery Information

Manager – Margaret Ansted

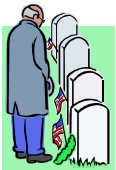
If you come in to the Gift Gallery these days you will find some new items. There is a new line of sunglasses and "Sun Readers" that are sized and shaped like reading glasses. There are lots of fashion scarves to choose from along with the usual variety of wonderful jewelry items. Lots of cute Easter/Spring items are on hand and displayed beautifully in the store windows. As always there are stuffed "critters" of all types (really cute ones too), greeting cards, candy, snack items, socks, slippers, Willow Tree figurines and Jim Shore gift items as well as many other great things.

Since it is Spring, the shop has even done some "Spring House Cleaning" and has a SALE table with some of the items that need to be sold to make room for more exciting new things to peak your interest. Be sure to stop by and shop when you are at Swedish. Every sale benefits the programs of the Auxiliary.



Memorial for Auxiliary Members Who Passed in 2013

The Auxiliary Board would like to acknowledge the following Auxiliary Members that passed away during 2013. As with all of our members, their contributions to this organization and its programs has been greatly appreciated. They will be missed by all that knew them.



Mary Wolfe
Marie Ulery
Frank Weber

Welcome to New Auxiliary Members

The Auxiliary Board would like to welcome new Auxiliary members for 2014 and encourage you to find out more about the Auxiliary's programs and join in with helping to promote any of them that "warm your heart". The following is a listing of the newest members. Apologies if anyone is missed (let us know).

Judy Bovee	Randi Miwa
Henry Bun	Jean Montonye
Loretta Capra	Cynthia Morgan
Holly Diorio	Rebecca Noren
Patricia Falcone	Beth Pasterkamp
Linda Forsyth	Vicki Potestivo
Edna Franks	Libby Ritchie
Paula Guerin	Jacqueline Schmuki
Alicia Hokanson	Patricia Shaw
Barbara Kaare-Lopez	Georgine Sheldon
Norman Lazarus	Eve Trumpore
Thelma Lick	Pamela Wood
Gary Metz	Delores Zachman



Please Join Us

Additional opportunities are available with our SMC Auxiliary. We can use your help and talents (or those of someone you know) in some of the following areas:

Gift Gallery (Bring on the smiles!)

The Second Chance Shoppe (Treasures galore!)

Sewing Committee (Sewing, knitting and more!)

Bakers for our two annual Bake Sales

Volunteers savvy with: Computers, Data Bases, Bookkeeping, Banking, Websites, Internet, Newsletters, Marketing, Management, Administration, Education or Healthcare.

Some require a weekly commitment while others vary from once or twice a year to a few time a month. Please contact our President, Kathy Wheeler, at 303-221-8907 for more information.

Auxiliary History Lesson

We have come a long way!!
By Marilyn Arnold

In the process of cleaning out cupboards in the board room recently, the Auxiliary's first ledger was uncovered. The first entries to the ledger were in November 1959.

Receipts on 11/6/1959 were \$237.00; additional November receipts of \$64 were added. Expenses for November 1959 were \$39.29 which included the cost of the ledger book of \$1.13.

The original ledger book continued until December 31, 1966 at which time the account balance was \$121.52. Additional handwritten ledgers are also being kept.

In 1998, the Auxiliary computerized the accounting function.

During the last 55 years, we have come a long way! As of 12/31/2013, our revenues were \$314,474; our expenses were \$297,026 with a change in net assets of \$17,449. As of 12/31/2013, our net assets were \$980,252. (see several photos of this Ledger on the "Picture Page".)

Volunteer Information

By Stacey Boyd

Volunteer Culture of Excellence Staff meeting held on March 7th that outlined our 2014 Volunteer Service goals to improve customer service at the front information desk and expand our ED volunteer program; revised Swedish Values and Standards; AIDET review and expectations for exemplary customer service; Joint Commission preparation and written assessment of Security Codes, HIPAA, Emtala, Patient Advocate/Advocacy and Non English speaking/Deaf and Hard of Hearing procedures.

Exciting Swedish News: Brand New Burn Unit to be established soon on the 4th floor in the

current Rehab/Physical Therapies department. Rehab/PT will relocate to Education; Education offices will be moved to Nursing Administration (2nd floor West side). To accommodate the department changes and increase conference room space, our Volunteer Conference Room will begin upgrades with computer technology similar to the 2nd Floor Conference Center and be remodeled for increased functionality and aesthetics including new furniture. ALL VOLUNTEER CONFERENCE SCHEDULING will be presided over by Sara Thomas ext 4854 or by emailing: sara.thomas@healthonecares.com. Kathy Wheeler and Stacey assessed VCR and discussed alternative storage arrangements to facilitate the new changes.

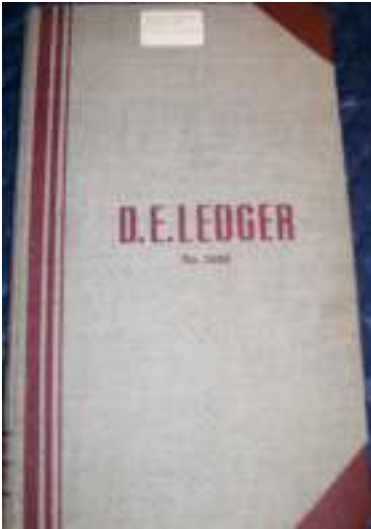
National Volunteer Appreciation Week of April 6th-12th

Thank you so very much for all that you do in delivering exceptional service and making a difference in the lives of the patients and their families at Swedish. In 2013, our wonderful volunteers contributed over 41,000 hrs of service. Be sure to visit the volunteer office to enjoy some treats in appreciation for your service and to celebrate you!

Save the date: This year's Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon will be held June 6, 2014 at the Pinehurst Country Club. Social Hour: 11am and Luncheon: 11:30am. Personal invitations will be mailed at the end of April and reservations will be accepted the first week of May.



Picture Page



Auxiliary's Accounting Ledger from 1959 and a couple of pages of entries



Sampling of items donated by individuals and groups for the comfort of patients

Information from the Committees

Update on the "Shots for Tots" Program

Information provided by Margaret Ansted

With the medical insurance changes that have taken place this past year, the "Shots for Tots" Program has been discontinued. The presumption is that everyone will now be covered by insurance and this should provide coverage for the immunizations that were being given under this program.

This program was begun by Sue Goodin and provided uninsured or under-insured children with the necessary immunizations for school attendance and general health.

During 2013 our emissary for this program, Margaret Ansted, reported that there had been 214 children immunized with 549 shots. This has been a very good outreach program for the entire Denver Metro area.



Swedish Medical Center Auxiliary

Who We Are:

The Swedish Medical Center (SMC) Auxiliary is comprised of current and former volunteers (and loyal supporters) who may or may not be volunteering in other service areas at Swedish.

The SMC Auxiliary was founded in 1959 with 77 charter members and has grown through the years. To date, it has donated over \$4 million to various hospital and community causes.

What We Do:

The main goal of the SMC Auxiliary is one of outreach – to our hospital, our volunteers, and our community. Funds are provided by our Membership Drives, donations, and proceeds from the Gift Gallery, The Second Chance Shoppe, Vendor Sales, Flower Sales and other sales.

Children's Health Education Days

April 29-30, 2014

By Marilyn Arnold

Swedish Medical Center Auxiliary will be hosting 700+ third grade students on April 29 and 30. There will be different learning stations including hand washing, mock admissions, x-ray and hearing health.

The Auxiliary has sponsored this community outreach program for area schools for 29 years. It is always well received by the children and teachers.

We need volunteers to help on both days, either a morning or an afternoon. Please sign up in the volunteer office by April 15.



Swedish Stitches

By Lorraine Givens

The Stitches (Sewing Committee) are working on Easter Eggs for the newborn babies. These are sewn & decorated and large enough for the baby to be placed inside for photos, etc. About 2 dozen are made each year and the Labor & Delivery Unit gives these out for babies born during the week up through Easter.

The group is always looking for more folks to join them. They meet at 10:00 a.m. on Monday mornings in the Volunteer Conference Room. You don't have to sew, knit or crochet to join in. There are other duties that can be done or if you wish to just join in and work on your own project(s) but have company while doing that, come and visit with this group and see if you would like to make it one of your weekly activities.

One of the groups responsibilities is distributing the many wonderful donated items to the appropriate Hospital Units to be given as "gifts" to their patients. (See photos of donations on the "Picture Page".)

The Second Chance Shop Information

Manager – Stacie Saavedra

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR NEXT SUPER SATURDAY SALE



JANUARY SUPER SATURDAY SALE

The January Super Saturday Sale was a success . . . with sales of **\$1636.00**. We continue to reach the majority of our customer base through email. To date our email list is comprised of 700 loyal customers and is still growing. A special thank you to the volunteers who worked the Super Saturday Sale; Lynn Bunnell, Barb Foley, Karen Humes, and Roxanne Slotnick and Lillian McCrumb.

The Second Chance Shoppe's
SUPER SATURDAY SALE

Saturday, April 26th 9 am - 3 pm

SPRING HAS SPRUNG

50% Off One Day Only. . .

Entire Store 50% Off*
Including New Tags

Sale Applies to
Clothing, Shoes, Purses,
Books, Wares, Collectibles
Vintage Items, & Antiques

*Some Exclusions Apply

Visit us on the web at www.thesecondchance.org

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Please no donations on Super Saturday Sale Days

SUPPORT THE AUXILIARY . . . DONATE

Please consider supporting the Auxiliary with your tax deductible donation. We take donations Monday thru Friday 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. We are always in need of donations, but some of the things that are overlooked *are greeting cards, jewelry, scarfs, hats, socks and undergarments (in new condition).*

DID YOU KNOW . . .

The Second Chance Shoppe provides clothing and shoes to patients who are indigent or in need of clothing to wear home from the hospital. These requests can range from one article of clothing to and entire outfit including undergarments, socks, shoes and a warm coat. Last year The Second Chance Shoppe gave away \$1752.00 in clothing which went to 57 patients.

This Page is Just for Fun and Good Food

No Flour Cookies

1 C. peanut butter (chunky or smooth)
¾ C. brown sugar
1 lg. egg, beaten
1 tsp. baking soda
6 oz. Chocolate chips



Raisins and/or nuts optional

Mix and drop in 1" balls. Bake at 350 degrees for 10 minutes.

Tips: Crasins, cinnamon chips, etc. work well with any type of nuts to add your own touch to these. Let the cookies sit for a couple of minutes before removing from the cookie sheet. They are very soft and come apart if moved too soon.



Funny Definitions

ADULT:

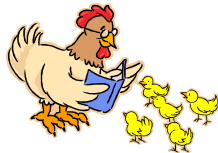
A person who has stopped growing at both ends
And is now growing in the middle.

BEAUTY PARLOR:

A place where women curl up and dye.

CHICKENS:

The only animals you eat before they are
born and after they are dead.



COMMITTEE:

A body that keeps minutes and wastes hours.

DUST:

Mud with the juice squeezed out.



EGOTIST:

Someone who is usually me-deep in onversation.

HANDKERCHIEF:

Cold Storage.

INFLATION:

Cutting money in half without damaging the
paper.



MOSQUITO:

An insect that makes you like flies better.

RAISIN:

A grape with a sunburn.



SECRET:

Something you tell to one person at a time.

TOOTHACHE:

The pain that drives you to extraction.



TOMORROW:

One of the greatest labor saving devices of
today.

YAWN:

An honest opinion openly expressed.



WRINKLES:

Something other people have, Similar to my
character lines.