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President's Message:

As the calendar turns over to 2022, the Memorial Hospital's Auxiliary leadership face some changes as well. That being said, I would like to introduce myself to all the volunteers who I have not had the privilege of meeting in person.

My name is Jane Schwebke. I joined your ranks in 2015 shortly after retiring as a High School teacher in the Waterloo School District. Prior to that, I was a Director of the Child Development Centers on two military bases for 22 years. As you might have guessed, my husband is retired military. We moved to the Belleville area in 1993 making it the place we all call home. I have three grown children, four grandchildren and a dog named "Socks" (long story).

As an auxilian, I have worked primarily in the Surgical Waiting Area as coordinator of the Snips and Stitches and more recently as your Vice-President. In all these roles, I have met some of the most dedicated, inspiring, friendly, and compassionate individuals. Though we come from various backgrounds and experiences, we all share one outstanding goal: (Please excuse me while I revert to my military background) **TO BE THE BEST THAT WE CAN BE**- regardless of where we work, who we meet, or how we serve others as volunteers.

I am proud to serve you as your Auxiliary President 2022. I look forward, with great anticipation, for the opportunity to meet many of you this coming year. Have a happy and blessed New Year.

Jane Schwebke, Auxiliary President

Quilts

Currently there are no baby quilts in the Auxiliary Office. "Loops of Love" and burp clothes for babies made by the "Snips and Stiches" group of volunteers are available in the Auxiliary Office for \$8 each.

Memorial Care Center Donations

The Care Center is in need of the following items:

- Dove Soap
- Adult Coloring Books/Colored Pencils
- Toothbrush/Toothpaste
- Large Print Word Search/Crossword Puzzles

Gift Shop

Plans for a Belleville Gift Shop remodel is in the works. During the remodel, a "pop-up" shop will be located in the Surgical Waiting Room area near Entrance D between Radiology and One Center. A definite date for the remodel has not been set.

Temporary Gift Shop hours:

Belleville:

- Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 9 a.m.-7 p.m.
- Tuesday and Thursday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Shiloh:

- Monday-Friday,
9 a.m.-5 p.m.



2022 Book Bazaar

Book collections will resume Tuesday, January 11 and continue every Tuesday and Thursday from 8 – 11 am through March 17. Saturday drop-off dates will be January 22, February 5 and 19, and March 5 in the Auxiliary Warehouse.

We have reopened the “Book Nook” across the hall from the Auxiliary Office during office hours. The “Book Nook” has gently used books, games, puzzles and DVDs available at bargain prices.

These are great for getting us through the long and dark, winter months ahead.

SAVE THE DATE for the 2022 Book Bazaar scheduled for Wednesday, April 6 through Saturday, April 9 at the Belle-Clair Fairgrounds Expo Hall.

Dates to Remember

January 2022

Tues	04	Blood Drive Belleville	10 a.m. - 4 p.m.	Belleville Auditorium
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February 2022

Tues	01	Blood Drive Shiloh	10 a.m. – 4 p.m.	Shiloh Community Room
Mon	14	Uniform Show	7:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.	Belleville Auditorium
Tues	15	Uniform Show	7:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.	Belleville Auditorium
Wed	16	Uniform Show	7:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.	Shiloh Community Room

March 2022

Tues	01	Blood Drive Belleville	10 a.m. - 4 p.m.	Belleville Auditorium
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April 2022

Tues	05	Blood Drive Shiloh	10 a.m. - 4 p.m.	Shiloh Community Room
Mon	04	Book Bazaar Set-Up		Warehouse
Tues	05	Book Bazaar Set-Up		Warehouse
Wed	06	Book Bazaar		Belle-Clair Fairgrounds
Thur	07	Book Bazaar		Belle-Clair Fairgrounds
Fri	08	Book Bazaar		Belle-Clair Fairgrounds
Sat	09	Book Bazaar		Belle-Clair Fairgrounds



Dues for 2022

A Life Membership is open to anyone who makes a one-time contribution of \$100. This money is used to maintain the Memorial Hospital Auxiliary Educational Assistance Programs. Life Members may choose to be either an active or sustaining member without further payment of dues.

Membership Report

Welcome New Life Members

Janet Isom

Membership Numbers:

- 61-Active
- 89-Active/Life
- 0-Junior
- 209-Life
- 34-Sustaining
- 60-Leave of Absence (CoVid-19 vaccination documentation not yet received)
- 453-Total

Sympathy

With our condolences to the family and friends, we acknowledge the passing of Life member and Past President, Caroline Busse, on November 27, 2021.

Quote of the Month

“If you think you are too small to make a difference, try sleeping with a mosquito.”
—Dalai Lama

VACCINATIONS

Any active volunteer who has not provided proof of a CoVid-19 vaccination has be placed on “Leave of Absence” until documentation has been received in the Auxiliary Office. Also needed is proof of Flu vaccination.

Fundraising

December “After Hours” in the two gift shops showed an improvement with combined net sales of \$1083.62.

Winter T-Shirts are now being sold in Auxiliary Office for \$15 each on a first come first served basis. Remaining sizes are large and X-large.

Priester’s Mammoth Pecan Halves are available in the Auxiliary Office while supplies last. Great for snacking during the long winter months.

2022-2023 pocket calendars are still available in a variety of designs in the Gift Shop and the Auxiliary Office.





2022 Executive Board

President-Jane Schwebke

Vice President-Ann Porter

Recording and Financial Secretary-Audrey Solomon

Corresponding Secretary-Ann Klemm

Bylaws-Adele Theobald

Care Center-Kim Hubbard

Clerical Services-Mary Virgin

Community Services-Patsy Tarvin

Educational Assistance-Alison O'Neal

Fundraising-Rena Murphy

Gift Shop-Lynn Blomberg

Immediate Past President-Jean Joseph

Junior Volunteers-Becky Olroyd

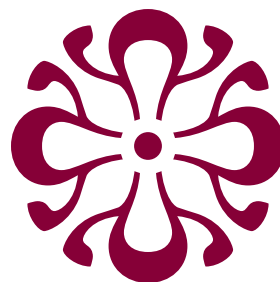
Membership/Newsletter-Marilyn Hummert

Memorial East-Connie Sinn

Patient Services-Janet Linde

Support Services-Janette Zinkan

Visitor Assistance-Carol Walker





Executive Committee Picture-Ann Porter, Ann Klemm, Jane Schwebke and Audrey Solomon(not pictured)



Charlotte Walther, Auxiliary Financial Secretary presents Mike McManus with the 2021 Monetary donation by the Auxiliary (\$120,000)



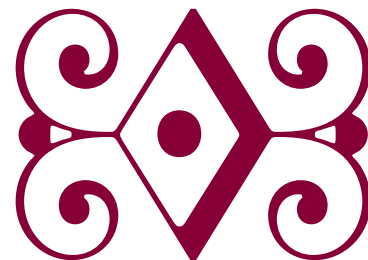
*Jane Schwebke-2022 Auxiliary President receives gavel
Jean Joseph-2022 Immediate Past President receives President's pin from Jane*

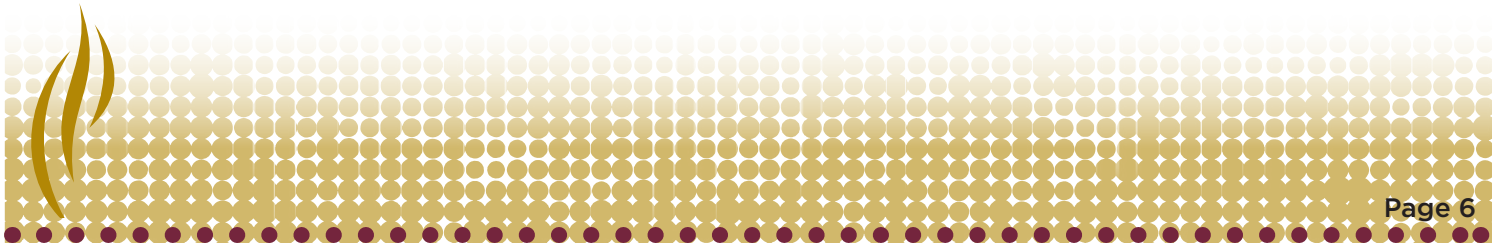


Marilyn Hummert, Auxiliary Membership Chairman presents the 2021 Auxiliary Hours donated check to Mike McManus (9,500 Hours)



Jean Joseph-2022 Immediate Past President receives President's plaque from Mike McManus





A Holiday Message from Mike McManus

Well, here we are, coming to the end of another year. Does the end of this year feel much different than the end of 2020? Seems so. I can recall at the end of 2020 the feeling of “whew, glad that year is over! 2021 cannot get any worse and it can only be better”. Was it better? We did see a vaccine roll out to combat COVID which was nothing short of miraculous. But COVID carried on and the fallout of the pandemic rippled across our country.

As we approach 2022, I believe we are all one more year older, wiser and hardened by this pandemic. We have been on the front lines for almost two years and you all have endured and persevered. We had a situation in the ICU a few weeks ago that was tragic yet inspirational. I won't go into details. but the staff, whose reserve of compassion could understandably be low after all this time, responded to a family tragedy in a way that was remarkable. How you all do it day in and day out is nothing short of amazing.

As we end the year and count our blessings, my holiday wishes for all of you are:

Stay hopeful – We will see better days and better times

Cherish each other - It is only through each other that we persevere

Be grateful – Give thanks for the blessings you have

Find peace – Let go of things beyond your control

Enjoy health – for you, your family and loved ones

Happy Holidays to each and every one of you! It is a privilege to work with you at Memorial and I look forward to **2022** with hope, knowing that we have each other.

Mike

