

President's Message:

There is nothing like curling up with a good book on a brisk, snowy day and letting the world and snowplows roll right by. Books can take you to so many wonderful places - from the streets of Paris, to the deserts of Egypt, or even on an African Safari. Of course, the most interesting part of a good story are the people you meet and how they mix into the plot being spun by the author's imagination. Yes, I love to read, and the best part is that I can go to all these places and meet all these people for very little money, especially when the Memorial Auxiliary is having their Book Bazaar. That's right, we are collecting books, preparing them for sale and getting novels, cookbooks, videos, LPs, children's books, puzzles, games and so much more ready for the sale. So, if you have been intending to clean out your bookshelves, closets, or storage bin, now would be a prime opportunity for you to donate any of these items. Drop them off in the barrels at the main entrances of the hospital, or drive around behind the hospital to the warehouse loading dock on Tuesday or Thursday mornings between 8:00 and 11:00. Just honk, and someone will be out to unload your vehicle. (If we hear the honk! You may need to honk twice.) Help is always welcome, and the volunteers will be glad to give you OJT (on the job training). The dates for the Book Bazaar are April 6 – 9 at the Belle-Clair Fairgrounds. Check the flyers for more details and bargains.

In writing the previous paragraph, I would be remiss if I didn't commend those volunteers

who give endless time and effort to make this event successful. Gary Theobald as Chairperson of this committee is PHENOMENAL. His skills in organizing, encouraging others, and arranging all the minute details involved in the Book Bazaar make this fundraiser one of the best every year.

As we have all been anticipating, the number of COVID cases requiring hospitalization is declining meaning some of the regular activities of the Auxiliary will slowly be activated. Some elective surgeries are being scheduled as of the middle of February. The Auxiliary Board is meeting in person again. So, think positively, wear those masks, and take care of YOU until we meet again!

Jane Schwebke, Auxiliary President

Quote of the Month

A good volunteer is like a
four leaf clover:
hard to find and
lucky to have.





2022 Book Bazaar

It's time for the 63rd annual Book Bazaar. The event dates are Wednesday, April 6, through Saturday, April 9, at the Belle-Clair Fairgrounds Expo Center.

Setup dates are Monday and Tuesday, April 4 and 5.

You will be receiving a letter soon with the details and times.

Please clear your calendars, and sign up to help make this event a success. We received many compliments from customers about the event and the new location. Let's build on that for another great year.

Also, for those volunteers who like advance notice and planning, the dates for the 2023 Book Bazaar are April 3 through April 8, 2023, at Belle-Clair Fairgrounds.

Gift Shop

Our gift shops at Memorial Belleville and Memorial Shiloh are ready to jump into spring with wonderful items to lift us out of the ice and snow. Stroll through, and see the new spring merchandise. New clothing, purses and jewelry will certainly lift your spirits along with gift items, flowers, and candy. Both gift shops will have discounts at the "After Hours" Sale on March 4 in Belleville and March 11 in Shiloh from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m.

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.





BOOK BRIGADE

BJC HealthCare

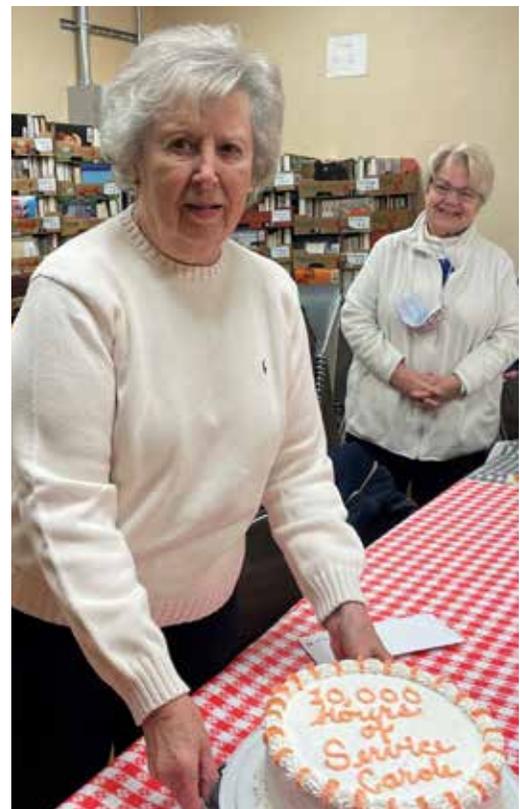
FEBRUARY 15 - MARCH 30

For only \$4, you can make a positive impact in a child's life by visiting bjcbooks.org and donating books to support children who are entering third grade in our local public school districts.

A QR code located in the bottom right corner of the graphic, which likely links to the Book Brigade website.

Carole Schneider Receives 10,000 Hours Award

Carole has been a member of the Auxiliary since 1996 and has volunteered in many service areas. She enjoys sorting and organizing books for the Book Bazaar, running the register for sales in the Auditorium, managing the uniform orders in the Auxiliary Office and data entry in Volgistics. She also donates her embroidery to the quilters and crocheted lap robes for gifts to the Memorial Care Center. Carole has many talents, and we are blessed to have her share them with us. Congratulations Carole!





Life Memberships

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

Volunteers are welcome to return to their area of service beginning March 1. Some of the service areas that we need filled right away are the Medical Office Buildings at Belleville & Shiloh and the Main Information Desk at Belleville & Shiloh. If you are interested in returning to your position or would like to try a new position, please give us a call in the Auxiliary Office at 618-257-5545.

You must have provided proof of your flu and Covid-19 vaccinations as well as be current with your dues. Surgical masks are required while

volunteering in the hospital. Cloth masks are no longer an option.

Welcome New Life Members

Dolores Gantt

Membership Numbers:

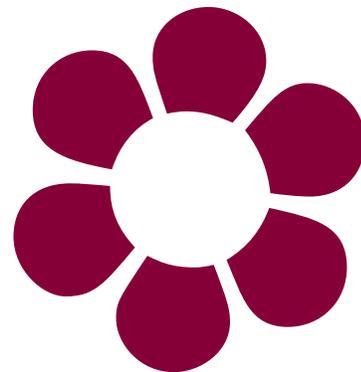
- 49-Active
- 94-Active/Life
- 0-Junior
- 227-Life
- 27-Sustaining
- 13-Leave of Absence (CoVid-19 vaccination documentation not yet received)
- 410-Total

Sympathy

With our condolences to the family and friends, we acknowledge the passing of active member, Jerry Hemmer, on January 29, 2022 and life member Betty Hartmann, on February 1, 2022.

Memorial Care Center Donations

- Packages of snacks
- Dove soap
- Small boxes of Kleenex





Meet the Board

Name: Patsy Tarvin

Executive Board Position:
Community Services
Chairperson



Term: January 1, 2022 - December 31, 2022. The Chairperson has the option of renewing their position for up to 3 consecutive terms.

Duties: The Community Services Chairperson is responsible for coordinating volunteer participation in community-involved healthcare events such as blood drives and health fairs. Included in this service is the Snips and Stitches Group who sew gifts for newborns and new mothers around the holidays as well as head coverings, neck scarves and comfort pillows for Siteman Cancer Center patients.

Why Give Back Through Volunteering:

Patsy describes herself as “dedicated to helping others.” She has volunteered in many roles both in and out of Memorial Hospital. She has volunteered at Memorial Hospital since 2016 when Shiloh opened. She has worked at both hospitals in the Emergency Department, Out-Patient Rehabilitation, vaccination clinics, and helped with employee appreciation projects. Patsy has also given back to others by working with Meals on Wheels, CASA, the women’s shelter, the information desk at SWIC, and the information desk at St. Elizabeth’s Hospital.

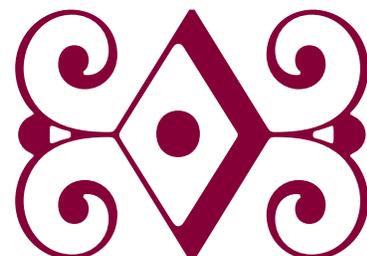
Patsy has been a registered nurse since 1979. She obtained her Associate of Science in Nursing from SWIC. When she decided to return to school for her Bachelor of Science in Nursing, she was

able to do so with tuition reimbursement from Memorial Hospital. Patsy has worked as a floor nurse at Memorial Hospital, a case manager with BJC Hospital, an admissions nurse, and as a chronic disease case manager with Blue Cross/Blue Shield where she held nursing licenses in 20 states to care for her caseload. She retired in 2014.

Born and raised in this area, Patsy enjoys Zumba classes and is a self-described “jigsaw puzzle fanatic.” She has an entire bedroom in her house dedicated to puzzling. She enjoys solving 2,000- and 3,000-piece puzzles. Patsy loves being around children and does not have children of her own. Instead, she is “Aunt” Patsy to the children of family members, friends, and neighbors. She likes to throw New Year's Eve parties for the children with the only rule that the child is under 16 years of age. Treats and games lead up to the banging of pots and pans at midnight.

Fast Five:

1. Coke or Pepsi: Pepsi
2. Coffee or Tea: Neither
3. Asian, Italian, or Mexican Cuisine: Asian
4. Butter or margarine: Smart Balance
5. Cats or Dogs: Dogs



Dates to Remember

March 2022

Tues	03	After Hours Sale	7 p.m. - 11 p.m.	Belleville Gift Shop
Thurs	10	After Hours Sale	7 p.m. - 11 p.m.	Shiloh Gift Shop
Mon	14	Scrub Sale	7:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.	Belleville Auditorium
Tues	15	Scrub Sale	7:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.	Belleville Auditorium
Wed	16	Scrub Sale	7:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.	Shiloh Community Room

April 2022

Mon	04	Book Bazaar Set-Up		Warehouse
Tues	05	Blood Drive Shiloh	10 a.m. - 4 p.m.	Shiloh Community Room
Tues	05	Book Bazaar Set-Up		Warehouse
Wed	06	Book Bazaar	9 a.m. - 7 p.m.	Belle-Clair Fairgrounds
Thurs	07	Book Bazaar	9 a.m. - 7 p.m.	Belle-Clair Fairgrounds
Fri	08	Book Bazaar	9 a.m. - 7 p.m.	Belle-Clair Fairgrounds
Sat	09	Book Bazaar	9 a.m. - 3 p.m.	Belle-Clair Fairgrounds

Fundraising

The Uniform Show with “Heroes in Style” will be Monday, March 14 and Tuesday, March 15 in Belleville and Wednesday, March 16 in Shiloh.

Logo embroidered T-Shirts are on display in the Auxiliary Office for \$20 each. The new Spring T-Shirt is available on a first-come, first-served basis and is priced at \$15 each.

Priester’s Mammoth Pecan Halves are available in the Auxiliary Office and both Gift Shops for \$12 per pound.





Quilts

Three baby quilts are available. “Loops of Love” and burp clothes for babies made by the “Snips and Stiches” group of volunteers are available for \$8 each.



\$50



\$75



\$50



THANK YOU

Volunteers

The following volunteers have recently received recognition for their time!

10,000 Hours

Carole Schneider

8000 Hours

Jean Joseph

4000 Hours

Adele Theoblad

2500 Hours

Charlotte Walther

2000 Hours

Vickie Avedisan

Janet Hentze

Becky Olrody

Audrey Solomon

1500 Hours

Alison O'Neal

1000 Hours

Karen Milton

Ann Porter

Lee Schanuel

Jane Schwebke

500 Hours

Jean Ebel

Diane Eyre

June Herman

Michael Meyer

Carol Winter

100 Hours

Doug Nicely

Joyce Richter

Connie Sinn

Tonda VanHoose