

# Mur-Mur



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## President's Message:

Welcome SPRING!

I'm sure you are looking forward to those soft, gentle breezes coming into your open windows, the scent of spring flowers wafting from those blossoms beginning to open, and the opportunity to stroll around the community without heavy coats to weigh you down. Yes, there's nothing like Spring to put a bounce in your step and an eagerness in your heart to get busy as a bee.

Much like you, the Auxiliary volunteers are getting busy with a Blood Drive in Shiloh on April 5, the Book Bazaar at the Belleville Fairgrounds April 4-9, a Collective Goods Sale in the Auditorium April 13 and 14, plus all the regular duties we perform. The COVID count is low in our area with face masks being optional in most places. However, masks are still required in the hospital as a safety precaution.

The Auxiliary Office has been notified that orientation for new members has been approved. So, start recruiting for possible candidates to join our ranks in the near future. They can notify the Auxiliary Office if they are interested. We have new positions/locations to be filled always. There can never be too many volunteers.

So as Spring arrives, don't be a shut-in any longer. Enjoy all the benefits that renewal of the seasons can offer. Take care of You.

*Real joy comes not from ease or riches or from the praise of men, but from doing something worthwhile.*

WILFRED T. GRENFELL

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*Jane Schwebke, Auxiliary President*

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## Quilts

Only two baby quilts remain in the Auxiliary Office and are hand quilted by the Auxiliary Quilters. "Loops of Love" and burp clothes for babies made by the "Snips and Stiches" group of volunteers are available for \$8 each.





## Gift Shop

Spring has finally sprung! Our Belleville and Shiloh gift shops are bursting with new clothing, jewelry and purses.

Easter items are plentiful for adults and children alike from balloons, stuffed bunnies, baskets and more.

Keep your eyes out for the Belleville gift shop renovation and the temporary relocation of gift shop items to the Surgical Waiting Lobby area at Entrance D. We'll keep you posted.

### 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.



## Happy National Volunteer Week April 17-23

It was March of 2020 that the volunteer program was suspended due to the Covid-19 virus. Now, as of March of 2022 we are able to welcome you all back!

It has been a long two years, but in 2021, the Auxiliary was able to donate 9,500 hours and \$120,000 to the hospital. Many of the hours accumulated were a result of "Zoom" meetings and non-patient-facing service areas. Many of the fundraising dollars were from the sale of seasonal t-shirts to employees through the Auxiliary Office.

Thank you to the ten members who became Life Members making it possible to offer educational assistance to nurses to obtain or maintain certifications.

"Thank You" to all of you for all you have done and will do as we begin to welcome back an amazing group of individuals.





## 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

### Membership Numbers:

- 49-Active
- 93-Active/Life
- 0-Junior
- 213-Life
- 27-Sustaining
- 11-Leave of Absence (CoVid-19 vaccination documentation not yet received)
- 393-Total

### Sympathy

With our condolences to the family and friends, we acknowledge the passing of Active Life member, Delores "Dee" Palmer, on March 8, 2022.



## Dale Trinka

Active Life member and Past President, Dale Trinka, paid a surprise visit to the Auxiliary Office on St. Patrick's Day. Dressed in his green attire, Dale came with treats and fun for the staff there that day.

Thank you, Dale!



## Fundraising

The Uniform Show with "Heroes in Style" held March 14 and March 15 in Belleville and March 16 in Shiloh generated a commission of \$2,467.

A Shoe Show with "Shoe Roads Productions" is scheduled for Tuesday, May 10 from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. and Wednesday, May 11 from 7 a.m. – 3 p.m. in the Belleville Auditorium and Thursday, May 12 from 7:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. in the Shiloh Community Room. Come see the latest looks in foot fashion.

Embroidered logo t-shirts, available in Red, Navy, Royal, Pink, Grey and Maroon, are on display in the Auxiliary Office and are selling for \$20 each.

A second order of Spring T-Shirts has arrived and are \$15 each.





## Meet the Board

**Name:** Connie Sinn

**Executive Board Position:**  
Memorial Hospital Shiloh  
(MHS) Chairperson

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



**Duties:** As the MHS Chairperson, Connie has plenty to keep her busy. She oversees all the volunteers at MHS including the two medical office buildings. She seeks and schedules volunteers for any vacant shifts, orients new volunteers to the hospital and its out-patient facilities, and works with department managers to identify new volunteer opportunities.

### Why Give Back Through Volunteering:

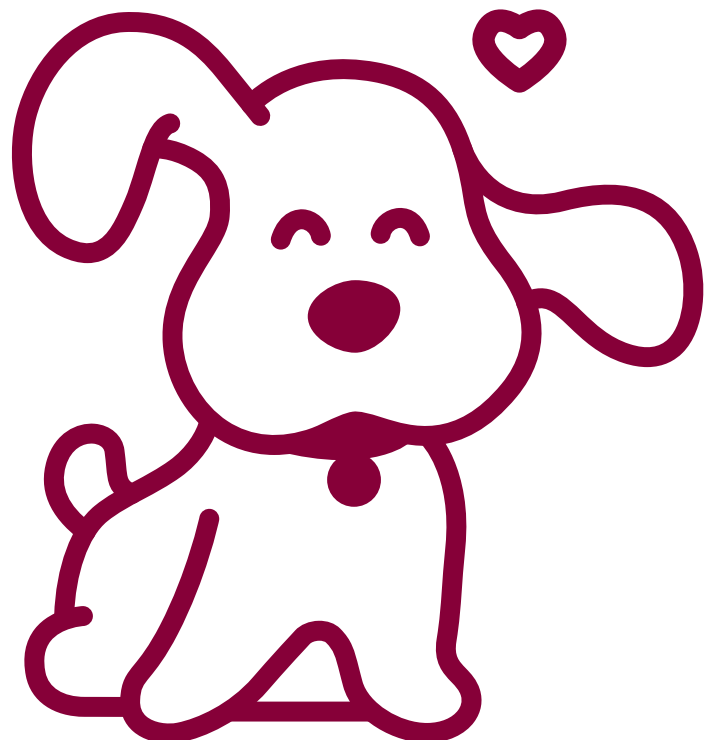
Connie enjoys helping others. Connie began volunteering at MHS after it opened in 2016. She works with the Snips and Stitches group sewing everything from baby blankets to holiday gifts for newborns and their mothers, to head coverings for Siteman Cancer Center patients. Connie also volunteers at the O'Fallon Food Pantry and with Hospice of Southern Illinois.

Connie is from Nashville, IL. She worked 22 years for BJC Healthcare as part of the patient satisfaction group. She developed OCR scannable surveys. OCR stands for "Optical Character Recognition." It is a technology that recognizes text within a digital image. It is commonly used to recognize text in scanned documents and images. OCR software can be used to convert a physical paper document

or an image into an accessible electronic version with text. She also worked as a Medical Records Abstractor. Connie's interests are sewing, reading, traveling, volunteering, and playing pickle ball. She lives in O'Fallon with a 6.5-year-old Bichon Frise/ Shih Tzu mix named Lexi. The Bichon Frise/ Shih Tzu mix (AKA a Sichon) is known as the "teddy bear" dog. Connie has 2 children, 6 grandchildren, and 4 great grandchildren.

### Fast Five:

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





## ***A message from Mike McManus, President, Memorial Hospital Belleville/Shiloh***

I am pleased to announce that Keith A. Moss, MD, MA, FACP has accepted the position of Chief Medical Officer (CMO)/Vice President, Medical Affairs (VPMA) for Memorial Hospital – Belleville and Shiloh.

He will assume the role most recently held by Dr. Randy Freeman, who has served as CMO following the retirement of Dr. William Casperson in early 2020. Dr. Moss will join the Memorial team on May 1 to work with Dr. Freeman in transitioning to his new role.

I want to thank Dr. Freeman for his willingness to serve as CMO/VPMA, especially during such an unprecedented time in the healthcare industry. He will officially retire on May 21.

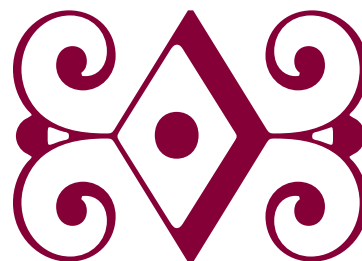
Dr. Moss comes to Memorial from Riverside Healthcare in Bourbonnais, Illinois where he was Vice President/Chief Medical Officer and Chief Medical Information Officer for the past seven years; he also has held the same position with Riverside Medical Group since 2015. During his tenure at Riverside, he oversaw the EPIC build and implementation as well as led several successful quality and performance improvement initiatives. Dr. Moss has played an active role in physician recruitment helping to more than double the number of multi-specialty providers in their medical group over the past seven years.

An internal medicine physician, Dr. Moss also has been an attending physician for Riverside Medical Center and AMITA St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee since 2002.



He holds a bachelor's degree in History, Philosophy and Social Studies of Science and Medicine from University of Chicago and a master's degree in History and Philosophy of Science from University of Pittsburgh. Dr. Moss received his medical degree from the University of Chicago and completed his residency at Rush University Medical Center in Chicago.

We look forward to having Dr. Moss join our team in May.





## Dates to Remember

### 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
Wed	13	Collective Goods	7:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.	Belleville Auditorium
Thurs	14	Collective Goods	7:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.	Belleville Auditorium

### May 2022

Tues	03	Blood Drive	10 a.m. - 4 p.m.	Belleville Auditorium
Thurs	05	"After Hours" Sale	7 p.m. - 11 p.m.	Belleville Gift Shop
Tues	10	Shoe Show	10 a.m. - 3 p.m.	Belleville Auditorium
Wed	11	Shoe Show	7 a.m. - 3 p.m.	Belleville Auditorium
Thurs	12	Shoe Show	7:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.	Shiloh Community Room
Thurs	12	"After Hours" Sale	7 p.m. - 11 p.m.	Shiloh Gift Shop

### June 2022

Tues	07	Blood Drive	10 a.m. - 4 p.m.	Shiloh Community Room
Tues	07	Linen Sale	(time tentative)	Belleville Auditorium
Wed	08	Linen Sale	(time tentative)	Belleville Auditorium
Thurs	09	Linen Sale	(time tentative)	Shiloh Community Room
Tues	14	Membership Meeting	6 p.m.	Belleville Auditorium