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Gift Shop

Thanks to all who shopped the Gift Shop for Christmas! The Auxiliary appreciates your support.

Christmas decor and items are currently reduced for your stock pile for next year.

Winter apparel is fully stocked for your cold weather needs. Stop by and check it out.

The next Midnight Hours will be Thursday, January 11 from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.

Memorial Hospital Belleville Gift Shop Hours:

9 a.m. – 8 p.m. Monday - Friday

9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Saturdays

Noon – 4 p.m. Sundays

Memorial Hospital East Gift Shop Hours:

7 a.m. – 7 p.m. Monday – Friday

9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Saturday and Sunday

They are also available on line at www.memhosp.com/gift-shop. Gifts can be delivered at Memorial Hospital Belleville or Memorial Hospital East.

Fundraising

Pecans are for sale in the Auxiliary Office in case you missed the presales or you need more. They are priced at \$11 a pound.

The Jewelry Show was held in the

Auditorium on Sunday, December 3 from 11 a.m. – 7 p.m. and on Monday, December 8 from 7 a.m. – 3 p.m. Lionne Designs provided a beautiful display of jewelry for Christmas gift giving ideas. Commission for the jewelry was \$839.80.

The Christmas Bake Sale was held in the Auxiliary office beginning at 7 a.m. on Thursday, December 7 with half price items on Friday, December 8. Christmas cookies, banana bread, angel food cake, mini fruitcakes and many other sweets were available. Commission from the baked goods was \$809.50.

Hero's in Style will be in the Auditorium for a Uniform Show on Sunday, January 14 from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. and Monday, January 15 from 7 a.m. – 3 p.m.

The 2018-2019, two-year pocket calendars are available in the Gift shop and in the Auxiliary Office for \$4 each.

Book collection will resume Tuesday, January 23 and Thursday, January 25 from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. with all Tuesdays and Thursdays through the middle of April. Donations will also be accepted every first and third Saturdays in February, March and April from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.



From the President...

What a privilege to be able to serve all of you and Memorial Hospital as the 2018 Auxiliary President – a role that I do not take lightly.

I would like to take this opportunity to provide you with a bit of my background and the focus of my mission as your president. I was born and raised in Hillsboro, Illinois, married my high school sweetheart and shared an amazing 46 years with him until his death in 2012. Jim and I have four children and six grandchildren, and I have always maintained that they are my greatest measure of success. My husband was the first podiatrist to be admitted to the Memorial Hospital medical staff, and Memorial remained near and dear to his heart throughout his professional career. Besides walking next to Jim in marriage, we worked side by side for well over thirty years in his medical practice – twenty of which were spent in these very medical office buildings.

Following Jim's death, and as I pondered my life going forward, it was only fitting and obvious that I should give back, in some small way, for all that Memorial had meant to him. I will work fiercely and diligently to honor the memory and respect that I have for Dr. James Olroyd and to uphold the ideals that he had in alignment with the Memorial Hospital family.

As I have shared a bit of myself

with you, I hope that, during this year, you can share your stories with me as we become better acquainted. Feel free to contact me at any time if I can help you in some way or if you would just want to chat. God bless you all and Happy New Year!

Becky Olroyd
Auxiliary President

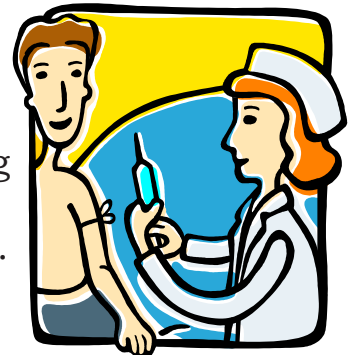
Flu Clinic

As a reminder, this is the first year Memorial is following the BJC Influenza Immunization policy.

According to the BJC Influenza Immunization policy, volunteers who fail to be vaccinated, fail to obtain an exemption, or provide proof of vaccination to the Memorial Auxiliary Office will be unable to volunteer after December 15, 2017.

If you have received your influenza vaccination please notify and provide documentation to the Memorial Auxiliary Office as soon as possible.

You can visit Occupational Health to get your flu vaccine. They are located in Medical Office Building 1, Suite 480.





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- Help your community with self-management of chronic conditions and diabetes.
- Continue down a path of wellness and assist others along the way.
- Learn from others' life experiences and share your own.
- Have fun and meet new people.

When: Jan 25 & 26, 9:00-5:00
Feb 1 & 2, 9:00-5:00
Feb 8 & 9, 9:00-5:00
*ALL DATES ARE REQUIRED

Where: Cancer Treatment Center
4000 N. Illinois Lane
Suite B
Swansea, IL 62226

Contact: For more information, please contact Emir at
314.862.2933 x246 or ekandzetovic@oasisnet.org.

Membership Meeting

President Lynn Blomberg welcomed everyone and introduced Rev. Doug Stewart who gave the invocation, led the Auxiliary Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

We had a wonderful dinner of salad, followed by prime rib with a spiced apple slice, shell pasta with alfredo sauce, green beans with almonds, and dessert was 2 sugar cookies.

Lynn called the meeting to order at 6:45 pm.

Membership Volunteer Awards were announced by Kay Mehrstens and awarded by Erica Lebo. Hour awards were achieved by 31 individuals, with 21 in attendance. Two JV's received hour awards but neither attended.

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Shirley Wehrenberg, Educational Chairperson, explained that many of our employees continue to work toward certification in their field. Our Auxiliary, through our Life Memberships, has aided these employees by providing financial assistance. In the year 2017, we provided \$21,078 to 69 employees. Shirley thanked those that have become Life Members in the past and recognized 4 individuals who have become Life Members since our last Membership meeting in June. Life Membership Pins were presented



by Mr. Doug Distler to Debbie Meyer and Anna Richardson. Karen Dragich and Pam Irwin were not present.

Rena Murphy,

Fundraising Chairperson reported that since our last meeting in June there have been several fundraisers: Bake Sale, June 8 \$ 415.00

Uniform Sale, June 18&19 \$2,156.26
New Book Sale, July 19 \$ 600.00
Uniform Sale, September 11 \$1,792.93
Unique Boutique, September 29 & 30 \$ 1,401.00



Pecans, still selling October

	\$ 1,694.25
Shoe Sale, October 19&20	\$ 3,503.40
New Book Sale, November 12 & 13	\$ 1,026.00
Bake Sale, December 7	\$ 809.50
TOTAL	\$13,398.34

Mr. Distler, Chairman of the Board MHE, thanked the Auxiliary and congratulated us on our 60th Anniversary and many accomplishments. Our hours and donations are appreciated. The staff, patients and family care givers all benefit because of our volunteering. He then proceeded to share information about happenings at MHE. There is an effort at MHE named the Ambassador Program. An Ambassador visits with the patient and listens to any questions or concerns and then shares with staff. He said this helps because patients seem to share more with the Ambassador than with the working staff. This results in better care giving.

Following are some statistics since opening April 2016. Numbers are through October 2017 from MHE:

7,000 admissions
98,000 outpatients
43,000 emergency room visits
1,800 new babies

The new medical building houses: Memorial Medical Group Family Medicine, Orthopedic Services, Obstetrics & Gynecology, Lincoln Surgical Group, Harold and Dixie LePere Breast Health Center, Physical therapy/rehab services, lab services and diagnostic imaging.

Ruth Holmes, MHE Administrator will retire at the end of 2017.

Mr. Turner, President, first said Mr. Hoering, Chairman of the Board for MHB, was sorry he couldn't attend this evening. Mr. Turner presented on many topics:

Next year Memorial Hospital will be celebrating their 60th Anniversary as we did this year. During our 60 years, many capital improvement projects had to take a back seat due to lack of capital investment. One of the many benefits of our joining with BJC is the capital investment that has helped us, such as the \$4 million dollar Hybrid Operating Room and the capital investment in the first medical building at MHE.

An application submitted in August, for a second medical office building on the MHE campus, was withdrawn making way for a new application to be filed. The new application for Phase II includes a three-story 70,650 square-foot medical office building with an estimated cost of \$38.3 million. Memorial is working collaboratively with BJC HealthCare and Washington University School of Medicine to develop a Siteman Cancer Center facility in this location that would serve residents of southern and central Illinois. This building also will provide space for physician specialists and services as well as expansion of Memorial Medical Group's (MMG) primary and specialty care providers.

We are applying to retain our Magnet status, which is awarded for

Nursing Excellence. The application was submitted for both MHB and MHE. Only about 10% of those that apply go straight to a site visit. We have been told we will go straight to a site visit.

Memorial Hospital and Memorial Hospital East are not renewing their contracts with CEP America-Illinois, LLP as we transition to TeamHealth for professional medical services in the Emergency Departments at our two hospitals. We currently have three separate agreements with CEP America affiliated entities for services – ED, hospitalist and intensivist. In this communication, we stated it was our intent to continue with CEP America for hospitalist and intensivist services. CEP America notified Memorial that it is terminating its contracts for hospitalist and intensivist services effective as of February 8, 2018. The next five or six months will be stressful, as all the details are worked out.

We had five years to complete our joining with BJC with certain milestones along the way. We have met these milestones, and it has been decided that we can complete the agreement now. This will change some of the boards, but we will still have our own. The only difference is there is a new boss, the Memorial Group Board we will now report to BJC. Contracts with insurance companies and some report and policy changes will occur.

Metro East Services, Inc. (d/b/a Memorial Hospital East) has reached an agreement with St. Elizabeth's

Hospital to purchase its 50% interest in The Cancer Treatment Center, 4000 North Illinois Street, Swansea. Memorial Hospital East and Southwest Illinois Health Ventures, Inc. will operate the radiation oncology and PET Imaging/CT Services beginning December 1, 2017, while Illinois Oncology, who leases space in the building, remains as the medical oncology/hematology service provider at this location. Memorial and St. Elizabeth's Hospitals will continue to jointly own the real estate.

He thanked us, the Auxilians, for all we do. We are the second largest group in the state. He is on the Board at IHA and attends a meeting there about once a month. He said not a month goes by that he isn't asked about our organization.



34,500 Service hours for the year were presented to Mr. Turner by Kay Mehrtens.

The \$200,000 Monetary Award was presented to Mr. Turner by Adele Theobald.



This is the final installment on our \$1,000,000 commitment for MHE.

The Slate of Officers was presented as a motion by Lynn Blomberg and Erica Lebo (in Dolores Miller's absence).

President	Becky Olroyd
Vice President	Adele Theobald
Recording/Financial	
Secretary	Jean Joseph
Corresponding	
Secretary	Joan Green

Nominations were called for from the floor; with no nominees presented, the nominations were closed. Motion was seconded and a vote was called. The slate was approved unanimously.

The 2017 Nominating Committee was then presented as a motion by Erica and Lynn.

Rena Murphy 2017/2018
Marge Giedeman 2018/2019
Charlotte Walther 2018/2019
Kim Brede 2018 (replaces Marlene Kassabaum)

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Lynn thanked the nomination committee for 2017: Becky Olroyd, Rena Murphy, Marlene Kassebaum, and Pat Lanter

Rev. Doug Stewart installed the officers for 2017.

Lynn Blomberg told everyone it had been an honor and privilege to serve as the president this past year. She said once you begin to get an idea of what you're supposed to be doing, your term is up. But she has learned so much and it has been a very rewarding experience. She enjoyed meeting so many new people and working with so many exceptional volunteers. She told



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everyone that they truly make a difference at the hospitals and they are appreciated. She thanked everyone for their support and encouragement over these past 12 months and wished the incoming Board a successful 2018.

Mr. Turner presented Lynn with the Past President's Plaque, reading the inscription and thanking her for her time.

Becky Olroyd presented Lynn with the Past President's Pin and thanked her for an outstanding job and wished her well.

Lynn presented the gavel to Becky Olroyd, welcoming the incoming President. She wished her the very best in her reign of power.

Becky thanked everyone for coming. A special thanks to her son, Doug, and daughter, Sarah, for being there for her this evening. She said she is honored and blessed to be the Auxiliary President for 2018. Serving



this hospital has meant so much to the family for so many years. She hopes everyone is excited as she is for the coming year. Becky

stated that we get to help the hospital celebrate their 60th anniversary and embark on the full integration with

BJC. She said she was looking forward to working with Erica. Becky said together we can face any challenges and have a good time. She introduced her Board for next year.

Vice President	Adele Theobald
Recording/Financial Secretary	Jean Joseph
Corresponding Secretary	Joan Green
Bylaws	Jan Dorris
Care Center	Kim Hubbard
Clerical Service	Mary Ann Silhavy
Community Service	Phyllis Parrish
Educational Assistance	Shirley Wehrenberg
Fundraising	Judie Loudon
Gift Shop	Chris Hubert
Immediate Past President	Lynn Blomberg
Junior Volunteer	Charlotte Walther
Membership/Newsletter	Tami Schuette
Memorial East	Don Feldott
Patient Services	Susan Bowers
Support Services	Audrey Solomon
Visitor Assistance	vacant

Attendance prizes were presented by Rev. Stewart and Erica. Poinsettias on the tables were given as prizes. Winners were instructed to take one as they left. Winners were:

Richard Palmer, Betty Kronemeyer Gary Austen, Pat Lanter, LeeAnn Funk, Andy Nicholson, Mike Mamino. Carol McDonnell, Carol Anna

Rev. Stewart gave his benediction and thanked everyone for their ministry, hours and service.





Service Hour Award Recipients

100 Hours

Megan Beisiegel
Fay Fults
Karen Hogan
Betty Leppard
Linda Lowe
Michael Meyer
Doreen Moosa
Kathy O'Dell
Linda Petty
Kent Schroeder
Denise Thomas
Mary Virgin
Carol Walker

500 Hours

Nancy Baldus
Laddie Daye
Don Feldott
Mary Spreitler

1000 Hours

Ann Allen
Diane Herr
Jim Klein
Marilyn Roley
Becky Olroyd
Gary Ranck

1500 Hours

Joan Green

2000 Hours

Adele Theobald
Charlotte Walther

2500 Hours

Yvonne Weber
Joann Whitten

3500 Hours

Pat Lanaghan

5500 Hours

Kay Mehrtens

6500 Hours

Dolores Miller

Junior Volunteers

50 Hours

Kennedy Jefferson

200 Hours

Kaitlynn Danielson



(Front Row) Kay Mehrtens, Laddie Daye, Diane Herr, Joan Green, Mary Virgin, Ken Schroeder, Becky Olroyd, Don Feldott

(Back Row) Carol Walker, Fey Fults, Yvonne Weber, Joann Whitten, Nancy Baldus, Pat Lanaghan, Adele Theobald, Charlotte Walther, Linda Lowe, Marilyn Roley



2018 Executive Board

Executive Committee:

President	Becky Olroyd
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Corresponding Secretary	Joan Green

Chairmen:

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	Bob Harms

Quilts

There are four baby quilts available in the Auxiliary Office priced from \$40 to \$100. One twin sized quilt with two carousel horses embroidered on the front, is done in yellow and brown and is priced at \$150. All of our quilts are hand quilted by the Auxiliary.



Dues for 2018

Please check to see if you have paid your 2018 dues. Dues may be paid by mailing your check to the Auxiliary Office, Memorial Hospital, 4500 Memorial Drive, Belleville, IL 62226 or credit/debit card over the phone or in the office.

- Active or Junior Volunteer Membership = \$5.00
- Sustaining Membership = \$8.00
- Life Membership = \$100.00

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.

Memorial Care Center

On Friday, December 22, Care Center volunteers delivered croqueted lap robes to the patients at the Memorial Care Center. No donations needed this month at the Care Center.

Patient Gifts

After the December Board meeting on Wednesday, December 20, members of the Auxiliary Executive Board distributed gifts to patients throughout the hospital. Patient gifts were also given to patients at Memorial East by Don Feldott. Patients received a reusable shopping bag with the 60th Anniversary logo.



Membership Report

Welcome to our newest members:

- Patsy Tarvin – (A) Shiloh
- Kris Converse – (A) Smithton

Thank you to new life member:

- Brenda Lemon
- Kim Hubbard

Membership Numbers:

Active	150
Active/Life	141
Junior	32
Life	199
Sustaining	45
Total	567

Disposal of Expired Medications

Memorial Hospital is continuing to collect your unused or expired drugs or health supplements and dispose of them according to Illinois EPA regulations. You can bring them to the Auxiliary Office during office hours.



Magazines

Gently used magazines **November 2017** or newer are needed for our waiting rooms.

Children's magazines are also needed. Please do not include catalogs. Please bring your donations to the Auxiliary Office.



Dates to Remember

January 1
Closed

New Year's Day
Auxiliary Office
& Gift Shop

January 2
10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Blood Drive
MHB Auditorium

January 11
10 p.m. - 2 a.m.

Midnight Hours
MHB Gift Shop

January 14
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Uniform Show
MHB Auditorium

January 15
7 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Uniform Show
MHB Auditorium

January 23 & 25
8 - 11 a.m.

Book Collection
MHB Warehouse

February 6
11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Blood Drive
MHE Community
Conference Center

February 9
10 p.m. - 2 a.m.

Midnight Hours
MHB Gift Shop

February 12
9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

New Book Sale
MHB Auditorium

February 13
7 a.m. - 3 p.m.

New Book Sale
MHB Auditorium

Community of Character Word for the Month

Integrity

Doing what is right even
when it is difficult.