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Gift Shop

Get your Easter Basket goodies and treats from the Gift Shop. Russell Stover chocolate



eggs and treat boxes come in many different flavors. Our toy, game and plush selection are just delightful.

Colors of spring are vibrant

in our new clothing and accessories. Statement jewelry pieces dress up any outfit and who doesn't need a new handbag to set the tone



for the season?

Spring for a lovely floral arrangement or plant for yourself or as a gift that will brighten any table.

The Stitch and Sew auxiliary members have a bunch of cute things for the baby's baskets or new arrivals. They are a talented group whose work is available now in

both gift shops.

The next Midnight Hours in the Gift Shop will be held Thursday, April 11 from 10 p.m. – 2 a.m.

Gift Shop Hours:

Memorial Hospital Belleville:

Mon.-Fri.: 9 a.m. – 7 p.m.

Saturday: 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Sunday: Noon – 4 p.m.

Memorial Hospital East:

Mon.-Fri.: 7 a.m. – 7 p.m.

Sat and Sun: 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Volunteers needed! Come join the Belleville Gift Shop.



Quilts

A Hello Kitty baby quilt and a twin quilt are available in the Belleville Gift Shop. A butterfly print baby quilt is available in the Memorial East Gift Shop. All of the quilts are hand quilted by the Auxiliary.





From the President...

Erica Lebo, Diane Herr, chairperson for the Educational Committee, and I represented the Auxiliary at the Nurses Certification Dinner in March. They expressed their continued thanks for the help we provide for nursing certifications. Our education fund provides reimbursement for certification fees to the nurses. When attending the dinner and seeing the smiles on the recipients, I realized I really didn't know that much about the process. So, I'll share what I've since found out.

First, the certification must come from an Organization that is recognized nationally. American Nursing Credentialing Center (ANCC) is one that many of our nurses use. There are many different certifications and our Memorial nurses are certified in 48 different areas/specialties. I'm going to highlight the one most of our nurses have obtained, titled Medical Surgery Nursing Certification. To be eligible to apply for this certification, the nurse must hold an active RN license, have practiced the equivalent of 2 years full-time as a registered nurse, have a minimum of 2,000 hours of clinical practice in the specialty area within the last 3 years, and have completed 30 hours of continuing education within the last 3 years. Now this dedicated individual is ready to apply for the certification. ANCC describes this

Certification as a competency-based examination that provides a valid and reliable assessment of the entry level clinical knowledge and skill of registered nurses in the medical surgical specialty after initial RN licensure. The exam allows for 3.5 hours to answer 175 questions. And this certification is valid for 5 years. Then it has to be renewed and the list of requirements for renewal was even more extensive. The next time you see a nurse whose name tag has RN-BC on it, you know that individual has done all the above and passed to become Board Certified.

Currently, Memorial has 817 nurses, this includes Belleville, East, and MCC. Of those, we have 346 certified, and some of the 346 have multiple certifications. We have 50.55 percent of our eligible nurses certified. And Memorial certifications rates ranks in the top 10 percent compared to other Magnet facilities in the National Database for Nursing Quality Indicators. We have one nurse that has been certificated since 1984. From 2014 through 2018, the Auxiliary has helped 252 nurses receive or renew certification. So, hey there Auxiliary members, pat yourself on the back. Those numbers are great, and we were able to help many of the nurses achieve this accomplishment.

April brings the end of preparation for our biggest fund raiser of the year – the 61st Book Bazaar. Calling all male and female volunteers - - - clear your



calendars for April 28, 29 and May 1, 2, 3, 4. There is always something to do when the event is in progress. Set up is April 28 and 29. Monday, April 28 all the boxes are moved from the warehouse to the Church, people are needed to get the boxes to the right tables, unpack those boxes and display the books. The more workers the faster it goes. Tuesday, April 29 is for whatever is not completed on Monday. Wednesday it all begins, cashiers, floor, kitchen, door, line control, large orders, etc., are needed. There is always something to do. Hope you can sign up to help. Call the office to be added to the schedule. It is also a great place to meet other volunteers that you may not work with on a regular basis.

Adele Theobald
Auxiliary President

Community Services

Passport to Wellness - Senior Fair

Friday, April 26

9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

PSOP

201 N. Church Street

Belleville, IL

Health Fair with Car Show

Saturday, May 4

9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

9103 D Road

Columbia, IL

Happy National Volunteer Week! April 7-13

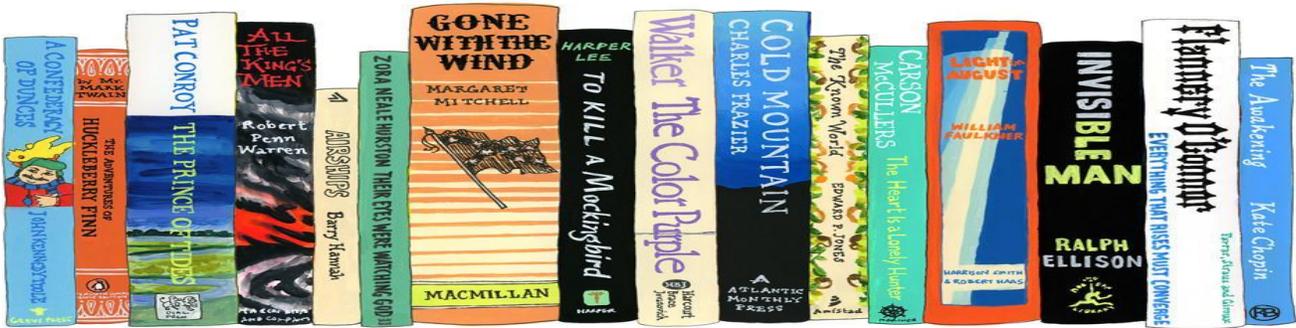
“Thank you” to all volunteers for your contribution of your time and talents to the Memorial Hospital Auxiliary. In 2018, you donated over 30,000 hours assisting many service areas in the both hospitals and medical office buildings as well as helping with many different fundraisers. The fundraising made it possible to donate over \$245,000 and was used to purchase patient monitors for both hospitals. Life memberships provided educational assistance to Memorial Hospital nurses who wish to obtain or maintain certifications.



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**2019 National
Health Care
Volunteer Week**
April 7-13, 2019





2019 Memorial Hospital Auxiliary

BOOK BAZAAR

Books Cookbooks Magazines Paperbacks
New & Unusual Books Rare Books DVD's
CD's Games & Puzzles Textbooks

Wednesday, May 1 **9am-7pm**
 \$5.00 Admission

Thursday, May 2 **9am-7pm**
 Free Admission & Special Discounts

Friday, May 3 **9am-7pm**
 Free Admission & ½ Price Books

Saturday, May 4 **8am-12pm**
 Free Admission & \$3 per Bag of Books or 2 Bags for \$5

Location: St. Paul United Church of Christ 115 West B Street Belleville, IL 62220
 For more information please contact the Auxiliary Office at 257-5545 or memauxiliary@bjc.org



Fundraising

The Shoe Show, held in the Community Room at East on March 22, brought in a commission of \$858.

A Lionne Designs Jewelry and Gift Show was held March 25 and March 26 in the Memorial Hospital Belleville Auditorium. The two day show along with online orders brought a commission total of \$657.57.

Midnight Hours in the Gift Shop were held Thursday, March 14 from 10 p.m. – 2 a.m. in the Belleville Gift Shop. Fifty-one guests made purchases totaling \$631.25 in sales.

Auxiliary cookbooks from the 25th and 50th Anniversaries are selling well in the Auxiliary Office for \$3 each. Purchase one for the great recipes and for a piece of Memorial Auxiliary history.

Book collections ended on April 11 for the 2019 Book Bazaar. Now it is time to call the Auxiliary Office at 257-5545 with all of the available time you have to volunteer. There are positions for everyone.

Magazines

Gently used **January 2019** or newer magazines are needed for our waiting rooms. Children's magazines are also needed. Please do not include catalogs. Bring your donations to the Auxiliary Office.



Photo Contest-

Now Accepting Photos for the 2020 Calendar Photo Contest

A picture that YOU have taken could appear in Memorial's 2020 calendar! The annual photo contest is open to all Memorial Hospitals, Memorial Care Center, Belleville Health and Sports Center employees, Medical Staff members and Auxilians.

Photo must be taken by the person submitting the photo. Any size photo may be submitted, horizontal photos are preferred. Polaroid photos will not be accepted. No mats or frames. Photographs should be from one of these categories:

- **People** (adults, infants and toddlers)
- **Health/Wellness/Fitness**
- **Landscapes** (spring, summer, fall, winter)
- **Pets/Animals**

Three winners will be chosen from each of the four categories. One GRAND PRIZE winner will be selected and his/her photo will be used as the calendar's cover. All entries must be received in the Communications and Marketing department at MHB no later than Friday, August 23, 2019. You may enter one photo in each category; include on the back of each photo: name, address, department, and extension. If your photo is a landscape, please include location. If there is a person or pet in the photo, please identify. Judging will be done by a professional photographer. For more information, call ext. 75649.



Membership Report

Welcome new members

Doug Nicely (A) – Mascoutah
Alyssa Hill (A) – Belleville
Brittany Caldwell (A) – O’Fallon
Kyle DeClerck (A) – from Cordova, TN
and attending Lindenwood
Carole “Cookie” Mueller (A) - Swansea

Sympathy

With our condolences to the family and friends, we acknowledge the passing of Life member, Estella Cich, on March 9, 2019 and to former volunteer, Ellen Wilson, on March 12, 2019.

Membership Numbers:

Active	99
Active/Life	105
Junior	6
Life	234
Sustaining	44
Total	488



Disposal of Expired Medications

Memorial Hospital continues 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.



Dates to Remember

April 2019

Thurs. 11 **Midnight Hours**
10 p.m. - 2 a.m. MHB Gift Shop

Sun. 21 **Easter - Gift Shop Closed**

May 2019

Wed. 1, Thurs. 2, Fri. 3-Book Bazaar
9 a.m. - 7 p.m. St. Paul Church

Sat. 4 **Book Bazaar**
8 a.m. - 12 p.m. St. Paul Church

Tues. 7 **Blood Drive**
10 a.m. - 4 p.m. MHB Auditorium

Mon. 27 **Memorial Day - Auxiliary & Gift Shop Closed**

June 2019

Tues. 4 **Blood Drive**
11 a.m.-3 p.m. MHE Comm. Conf. Ctr.

Tues. 4 **Membership Meeting**
6 p.m. MHB Auditorium

Thurs. 6 **Bake Sale**
7:30 a.m.-Sold Out Auxiliary Office

Thurs. 13 **Midnight Hours**
10 p.m. - 2 a.m. MHB Gift Shop

Wed. 19, Thurs. 20 **Collective Goods**
7:30 a.m.-3 p.m. MHB Auditorium

Community of Character Word for the Month

Cooperation

Working together in a peaceful way.