

The Spirit to Innovate - The Heart To Heal

Fall Winter 2015-16

VOLUNTEER BOARD OF DIRECTORS PRESIDENT: JOYCE SULLIVAN VICE PRESIDENT FUND RAISING: BARBARA HENIGSMAN RECORDING SECRETARY: SANDY SLATER CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: BARBARA BENSCHING COMMITTEE CHAIRS: HISTORIAN: PAT PICKERING HOSPITALITY: BARBARA BENSCHING & JUDY WOODWARD NEWSLETTER/DIRECTORY: DEE BECKMAN

LITTLETON ADVENTIST HOSPITAL VOLUNTEER DEPARTMENT MISSION STATEMENT The Volunteers will provide and assist Associates in delivering a superior Patient and Guest experience in the Hospital

IT'S HARD TO SAY GOODBYE

The Colorado Association of Healthcare Auxilians/ Volunteers was formed in 1954. For the past 61 years, the State Association has been dedicated to providing education, support and information to its member organizations, and committed to keeping pace with new trends in healthcare and volunteering. Littleton Adventist Hospital has been a member of CAHAV since its founding in 1989, As a fairly recent attendee to the CA-HAV conventions, (I have attended the past three annual meetings) I have found these meetings to be most informative, interesting and a wonderful opportunity to promote interaction between hospital members and volunteers throughout the state.

With deep regret and sadden hearts, members of the LAH Volunteer Board received a letter from the CAHAV 2014-15 President, Linda McFann, stating, "I certainly didn't envision having to write a letter to the 2015 CA-HAV Leadership Membership with this sad news. But it has fallen on my shoulders to do so, and I accept that responsibility as President of the CAHAV Leadership Council."

"After much deliberation and consideration, the CA-HAV Leadership Council has voted to dissolve the Colorado Association of Healthcare Auxilians/Volunteers organization. The State Organization has tried over the past four years to reinvent and restructure the organization. During the past few years it has become increasingly difficult to fill the major leadership positions on the CAHAV Board."

Due to the lack of persons to fill leadership roles for the coming year, the State organization was forced to dissolve as of this current year. Five LAH representatives, Barbara Henigsman, Pat Pickering, Judy Woodward, Catherine Bartley and I attended the last CAHAV Conference in Vail in September. It was a wonderful and most informative meeting. The sadness of the dissolution of the organization was deeply felt by all attendees.

One of our own LAH volunteers, Barbara Henigsman, has served in leadership roles for CAHAV during the past 13 years. Barbara began volunteering at LAH in 2000 after retiring from 24 years in Healthcare Administration. She began her service to CAHAV in 2002 as District Representative. For the past 13 years Barbara has served numerous roles for CAHAV including Hospitality Chairman, Historian, Secretary, District Representative, VP of Education and Regional Representative.

In addition to serving various positions for CAHAV, Barbara has served as Volunteer for the LAH Information Desk and for the Surgery Waiting Desk. She has also served on the LAH Volunteer Board since 2006 in various roles including President Elect and President, as well as Vice President for Fund Raising since 2006. The Volunteer Fund-Raising Program has been primarily funded by Vendor Sales. Numerous annual Vendor Sales have become much anticipated events for hospital employees. The peak fund raising years in 2007 and 2008 raised \$27,000 which was contributed to LAH hospital departments in order to purchase needed equipment and projects.

Barbara's favorite project on the Volunteer Board was the successful production of the LAH Cookbook for the 20th Anniversary of the hospital. Other annual fund raising projects sponsored by the LAH Volunteer Board have included Christmas bake sales and events such as Grandma's Attic sales chaired by numerous Board members.

Three other LAH Volunteers have also served on the CAHAV Boards during the past years. Meryl Johnson, Alice Sturdivant and Pat Roen have served as former Presidents of CAHAV. All three have also served as Presidents for LAH Volunteer Board. Pat Roen is currently serving her 26th year as a Volunteer for Littleton Hospital. The LAH Volunteers are very proud of the service of these Volunteers, for their service to Littleton Hospital and to the Colorado Association of Healthcare Auxilians/ Volunteers. We are proud of our 26 years of LAH participation in an organization that has served Colorado hospitals for the past 64 years.

WELL DONE CAHAV & A SAD GOODBYE

During the past two years, like CAHAV, our own LAH Volunteer Board has been attempting to restructure its purpose and function. We currently envision a role similar to CAHAV in providing education, support and information to LAH Volunteers. We are considering offering two or more programs per year for volunteers regarding statewide and national healthcare issues and ways to improve volunteer service to LAH patients and guests.

Also, like CAHAV, the LAH Volunteer Board is experiencing difficulty in filling Volunteer Board positions. Recruiting new Board members has grown increasingly difficult during the past several years. Your support is needed if the LAH Volunteer Board is to continue.

Please consider serving your fellow volunteers as a 2016 Board Member in helping to provide educational programs for our volunteers. The Volunteer Board is changing its format and will be a less formal organization with a one-year commitment. It will be a great way to provide service to LAH volunteers as well as a way to seek new challenges and meet other volunteers.

If you would like to be a part of this new and innovative venture for LAH Volunteers, or if you would like to recommend a fellow volunteer, please contact me immediately. We seek your input in helping to design a new format for Volunteer leadership and to create a variety of new programs designed to enrich the role of Volunteers at Littleton Hospital. Without your help and input, we will face the same fate that CAHAV has just experienced. PLEASE DON'T LET THAT HAPPEN!

Joyce Sullivan, 2015 President LAH Volunteer Board 303-773-2442



CATHERINE'S CORNER

WELCOME NEWCOMERS

SPRING & SUMMER

FALL

DOM FUCILLO—MAIL DELIVERY AMY SAGE-INFORMATION DESK & ANGEL PATIENT VISIT LAURA PERRY-CHILD LIFE SPECIALIST CHRIS WILLIAMS-SPEECH DEPARTMENT CHAD BROOKS-SPEECH DEPARTMENT TISHAH BEST-FISH-COURTESY SERVICES, INFORMATION DESK, ANGEL-PATIENT VISITING JOAN SHEPHERD-REGISTRATION GREETER & ESCORT JEAN ULRICH-NUTRITION MARCIA BLACKBURN-SURGEY WAITING & CENTRAL SCHEDULING KELLY RAYL-REGISTRATION GREETER & ESCORT JEWELL BIDDLE-Angel-Patient Visiting

NEW TO THE DOG THERAPY PROGRAM

RANGER—Owner Janelle Shrag SKYE—Owner Joanne Vonjanack WESLEY—Owner C J Johnson

We Lovingly Remember

MAY

SEPTEMBER

Father-in-law of Volunteer Wanda Frost	Brother –in-law of Volunteer Betty Krza
Stepfather of Volunteer Rosann Asselin	VOLUNTEER DOGS
Sister of Volunteer Rebecca Aiba	JUNE
Father of Volunteer Linda Baker	Chloe— Owners Judy & Steve Stazel
JULY	Caby—Owner Sandy Berkley
Father-in-law of Volunteer Karen Martin	<u>AUGUST</u>
AUGUST	Copper-Owner Joanne Vanjonack
Uncle of Volunteer Sara Fulghum	<u>SEPTEMBER</u>
	Biscuit-Owner Marleen Puzak

VERY VERY SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

MONDAY NOVEMBER 9th ...11:30 AM ...VOLUNTEERS ARE INVITED TO THE

FALL APPRECIATION LUNCHEON & general meeting at

CU South Denver Wildlife Center on Lincoln:

We will have a choice of three gluten-free entrees. Our theme is Western Welcome, so feel free to dress "cowboy" (boots, jeans, hats) ... optional of course.



Watch for your invitation in the mail in October.

LIFE IN THE ELECTRONIC GENERATION

We are living in exponential times. The first commercial text message was sent in December 1992. Today the number of text messages sent each day is double the population of the planet. There are 5.9 billion searches on Google each day.

Many of us can remember purchasing our "first radio". I remember the sales person saying that eventually we could see television through the glass window.

It took 38 years for RADIO to reach an audience of 50-million viewers. It took TELEVISION 3 years to reach an audience of 50-million. The telephone reached that audience-size in 3 years and Instagram reached it in 2 years!

This year it took ANGRY BIRD SPACE only 35 days to reach an audience of 50-million!

The number of internet devices in 1984 was 1,000

In 1992 that number was 1,000,000. In 2009 it was 1,000,000,000. In 2014 it was 10,000,000,000.

In the last five minutes, 360 hours of new video was uploaded on You Tube.

2,855 new websites were created. 1,390,000 tweets were posted. 694,000 songs were downloaded *"illegally"*.

What will our grandchildren experience in their lives? Can one even imagine?

Research for these statistics by Karl Fisch, Scottland McLead & Jeff Brenman

Submitted by Joyce Sullivan

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

<u>OCTOBER</u>

Jim Gordon 10/1 Alice Dohne 10/2 Angie McLaughlin 10/3 Dee Blankenship 10/4 Lindsey Quintana 10/7 Eva Andretsos 10/8 **Richard MacMillan** 10/8 Linda Baker 10/9 Gayle Gaul 10/9 Jeanne Hoskins 10/9 Betty Krza 10/11 Pat Christensen 10/12 Sara Fulghum 10/12 Jim George 10/16 Carlene Toy 10/16 Judy Carpenter 10/17 Ron Rossi 10/18 Frank Beckman 10/20 Vickie Blagg 10/23 Jan Dohne 10/23 Marleen Puzak 10/25 Merry Kay Durham 10/27 Tom Yusko 10/28 NOVEMBER Jim Rudy 11/2 Laura Morgan 11/3 Susanne Foley 11/4 Linda Headstream 11/6 Joanne Stratton 11/6

Bonnie Andersen 11/6 Sally Bounds 11/9 Gary Morton 11/11 Joan Marx 11/17 Io Loechell 11/18 Sally Howson 11/19 Carol Beyer 11/21 James Gold 11/22 Judy Nelson 11/25 Mary Wilson 11/26 Pat Jacobsen 11/28 Elle Lambert 11/29 DECEMBER Georgia Reader 12/3 Jan TenBraak 12/5 Diane Carroll 12/7 **Rosemarie Johnson** 12/8 Sylvia Dinges 12/10 Sally Fennelly 12/10 Lynn Grover 12/12 Connie Carson 12/14 Dan Reich 12/14 Clare Lovett 12/15 Barbara Heniqsman 12/18 Lynn Ray 12/19 **Connie Wedgeworth** 12/20 John Rempe 12/24 Judy Woodward 12/24 Jack Seuell 12/25

Leslie Hill 12/26 Chad Brooks 12/28 Rebecca Zonker 12/28 Kristie Mezler 12/30 JANUARY **Dom Fuccillo** 1/1 Mo Cacace 1/2 Mary Jo Tierney 1/4 Norma Rempe 1/5 Peggy Hutchinson 1/7 Ting Robbins 1/8 Marianne Tracey 1/8 Julie Wilson 1/8 Wanda Frost 1/11 Catherine Bartley 1/11 Jane O'Brien 1/11 Janet Robertson 1/11 Nancy Keienburg 1/12 Chris Williams 1/16 Liz Bruining 1/16 Linda Money 1/16 Tom Lowstuter 1/19 Bonnie DeFrees 1/19 Paula Guerin 1/24 Jill Howard 1/25 Susan Nies 1/25 Linda Rolf 1/29 Barbara Mastro 1/30 Dolores Zajkowski 1/30



CORN ROAST-2015



More Corn Roast –2015





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