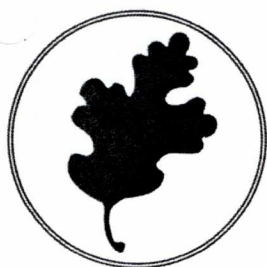


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President's Message

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Fall Greeting my Auxiliary Friends!

Summer over, how could that be? The leaves are falling, school is back in session, and I think to myself how does time fly so quickly? I'm guessing it's because we are having fun! What a privilege we have in serving the best hospital in the area-- AGSH! The auxiliary is busier then ever. This is no exception during the summer/fall season. What have we been up to? For starters we kicked off the summer with a wonderful luncheon at Biaggi's. Kelley Gries chaired this wonderful lunch and at the same time we had a great learning opportunity about how to take better care of our heart so we can live a long life! During the same time, the auxiliary hosted their first ever **Family Summer Blast** and the Junior Auxiliary held their second annual **Battle of the Bands**. While all that was taking place, the art and the barn committee was well under way in bringing to us another outstanding show. Do you know that this wonderful committee led my Sherry Tomasko and Sharon Vogel start preparing for this event in February? This year **Art in the Barn** celebrated 34 years of service and dedication to our hospital! This is one fall tradition that my family and I look forward to every year. On behalf of the auxiliary, I thank each person who contributed to our summer/fall events.

I want to take the time to bring attention to the wonderful new advertisement and AGSH motto: **Do Good!** I want to commend the auxiliary for living this out in their day to day volunteering. The smile you show, the gift of your time or resources are great examples of how you are doing good! I'm thrilled to be working along side the administration, development and auxiliary who value this vision for our community! That is something to celebrate and be excited about! I hope I have inspired you to get involved. We have a treasure here at AGSH and I would be thrilled to have you be part of this adventure of serving others! It is the most rewarding gift you can every give yourself! Come along and enjoy the fun!

Art In The Barn 2008

Hosted by the Auxiliary of Good Shepherd Hospital the 34th annual Art in the Barn was held this past Sept 27th and 28th. Blessed with blue skies and beautiful fall weather the event brought over 6000 attendees that enjoyed what many consider to be "one of the finest art festivals in the Chicago area". As co-chairs of the event, we were told by so many of the people who attended what a wonderful event Art in the Barn is and how they "look forward to coming each year". We were also told by a great number of artists that "Art in the Barn" is one of their favorite shows to display their works of art. They, in turn, promote the show to other artists and as a result we have always had a wonderful blend of new and returning artists which maintains the variety of mediums, quality and integrity of our fine art show.

The setting of this event is like none other. Amid rolling green hills, and historic barns our supporters enjoyed fine art, great entertainment, good food, pony rides, the children's art tent and the always popular raffle where works of art are donated by the artists. The grounds of the event were especially beautiful this year with colorful mums, bales of hay, and of course the popular pumpkins. This is all made possible by the hundreds of volunteers that it takes to produce this event. The Auxiliary thanks each and every volunteer that so passionately donates their time and energy to making this a well tuned show all the while making it look effortless.

"Art in the Barn" has been in existence for 34 years. This is largely due to the overwhelming support of Advocate Good Shepherd Hospital's surrounding communities and businesses. A special thank you to all that attended and a special thank you to the sponsors this year.

Sherry Tomasko and Sharon Vogel, Co Chairs AITB



The Pear Tree Gift Shop

It's that time of year again, leaves changing, weather cooling, and Spooktacular ideas for your home. Come visit us at The Pear Tree gift shop for Unique and Spooky decor for Halloween. Don't forget to begin gearing up for Thanksgiving, too. You can "gobble up" some great center pieces, dishes and knick knacks to make your home fabulous and festive. Keep your eyes open for the Event of the Season, watch for our Winter Wonderland Window display coming soon! Window shopping has never been so beautiful!!

And as always here are a few of our upcoming Lobby Shows so Save the Date!

10/30 Toys 4 U ~ What a great time to start or finish Christmas Shopping. A wide variety of toys for children thru adults will be available.

11/13 Prairie Basket Silk Florals ~ Spruce up a wall, table or countertop with an elegant arrangement.

11/18-19 Southern Living ~ Decorating, Entertaining, Organizing... is the motto of this unique company. Stop by for great Functional Decor.

12/4-5 Scholastic Books ~ Give the gift of knowledge. Reading can be fun for everyone!! Stop by and pick up a best-seller or a fun activity book.

12/10 Barrington Chocolate and Ice Cream Shop ~ Here's a fix for your sweet tooth. Come on by and grab a scrumptious treat to keep for yourself or give as a gift!

Nancy Karijovich Pear Tree Gift Shop

Gala 2008

Passion for Pink

This year's gala was fabulous. It was held at the Renaissance Schaumburg on Sept 6, 2008. The theme for the evening was *Passion for Pink*. The proceeds for the event are directed toward helping enhance the equipment and services for the Breast Care Center. Rebecca Strong from Development along with the help of her gala committee put together a fun evening for all those who attended. From a beautiful theme room of pink, to good food, outstanding auction items, excellent entertainment from High Society Band to relaxation with a Piano Lounge, there was something for everyone. If you would like to get involved in next year's gala, the committee would love to have you! Please contact Rebecca @ (847)381-9103.

The auxiliary congratulates the hard work of the gala committee led by co-chairs – May DiGiulio and Christine Griffin, for another successful event!



Lauren Brynjelsen, current Auxiliary President (left) and past president and MVP recipient, Pat

Scholarships 2008

The Auxiliary of Advocate Good Shepherd Hospital awarded twenty-five scholarships to persons working toward a degree in a health field. The distinguished recipients are:

Medicine – Gregory Brown, Palatine; Rhonda DePaul, Crystal Lake; Shannon Lovett, Barrington; Jacob Shields, Crystal Lake; Lisa Zickhur, Lake Zurich **Nursing - M.S.N. degree** – Emmanuel Angeles, Tower Lakes **Dietetics and Nutrition, M.S. degree** – Michelle Ostien, Algonquin **Speech Pathology, M.S. degree** – Valerie Ostergaard, Cary; Katelyn Petrie, Cary **Nursing- B.S.N. degree** – Ashley Mastandrea, Lake Zurich; Shameka Mays, Crystal Lake; Teagan Murphy, Lakemoor; Lenora Payne, Lakemoor; **Pre-Medicine** – Adam Johnson, Crystal Lake; Anzer Habibulla, Crystal Lake; Nashrah Maryum, Lake in the Hills; Kaitlin Ryan, Johnsburg; James Tasch, Hawthorn Woods; Joseph Tasch, Hawthorn Woods **Pre-Dentistry**, Claire Pescheret, Barrington **Pharmacy** – Greg Zaleski, Barrington **Speech Pathology, B.S. degree**, Rebecca Forsberg, Lake Zurich; Jill Podgorski, Cary, Heather Zorn, Johnsburg **Diagnostic Medical Sonography**, Nancy Craig, Round Lake Park

The Freitag Scholarship established in memory of Good Shepherd Hospital nurse Carol Freitag by hospital nurses, staff and family, honored Lenora Payne and Ashley Mastandrea with a scholarship in memory of nurse Sue Pearson. The nursing staff raised special funds for a scholarship to Shameka Mays in honor of Nurses Week.

The Scholarship Committee reviewed the student applications to determine the most qualified candidates. The applicants were screened, interviewed and selected on the basis of leadership, citizenship, personality, financial need and the attitude and desire toward education. Recipients may apply each year they are in school and it is very rewarding for the Committee to hear the students who return talk of their chosen professions and how much they appreciate the support provided by the Auxiliary.

The Auxiliary of Good Shepherd Hospital has awarded scholarships since 1984 totaling nearly \$500,000.

The Catchpenny Hall of Fame

Dorothy Pietsch

It was a sad day for Catchpenny Volunteers when we heard that our fellow volunteer and friend, Dorothy Pietsch passed away on August 3rd, 2008. It was a sad day because we knew that Dorothy would no longer be able to grace us with her smile and presence week after week.

Dorothy was a long time Catchpenny volunteer on Thursdays where she spent most of her time making sure that merchandise was priced and available to the many customers who visited the store. Dorothy was a hard worker and friend to many inside and outside of the store.

Out of respect for Dorothy's memory, the store was closed on Thursday so that fellow Catchpenny volunteers could attend funeral services. During the services, Dorothy's famous "cookie drawer" was brought up by her family members, a side of Dorothy that was relatively unknown to her fellow volunteers (but very befitting of a mother a grandmother and great grandmother who loved her young ones). There were many things said at the services that illustrated Dorothy's dedication to her family and community.

As Noreen Lavine, a friend and fellow volunteer put it, "We are going to miss Dorothy, she was a hard worker and good person to be around." All her fellow Auxilians would agree with that statement.

It is an honor to induct Dorothy into the Catchpenny Hall of Fame where she will join previous members who have dedicated so much of their time to this unique store that is run entirely by volunteers. Dorothy's hard work and memory will be a reminder to all of us why we work so hard to make the Catchpenny a success and why we choose to "do good".

We may all miss her but we will never forget Dorothy.



Pictured at a Catchpenny open house, Dorothy Pietsch (second from left) is surrounded by fellow Auxilians and friends. Dorothy's hard work and dedication to the Auxiliary will be a footprint that others can follow.

Catchpenny...The Little Store That Could..

Located in the heart of downtown Barrington, the Catchpenny Resale Shoppe is operated by a group of dedicated Auxiliary volunteers. The Catchpenny Resale Shoppe has been in business for more than 30 years providing quality resale items to the surrounding communities. The shop is open to the general public Monday through Saturday. Donations are welcome. For more information please call the store: (847) 381-7721.

Catchpenny Annual Fall Open House!

Nov. 18th (Tuesday) 10:00 am—4:00 pm

Auxiliary Summer Luncheon 2008

The Auxiliary's summer luncheon took place at Biaggi's Restaurant Italiano in Deer Park on June 26, 2008. The Auxiliary welcomed **Dr. William Gries M.D.** as its guest speaker to present an informative presentation on "Women and Heart Disease".

Members of the Auxiliary and their guests enjoyed a delicious heart healthy lunch, followed by the talk that included prevention, care management and many other current topics related to heart health for women.

The lecture began with a state of the art presentation of what occurs in the heart during an actual heart attack. The slide presentation featured moving graphics that demonstrated the effects of plaque within the artery. The audience was amazed! The lecture continued with a discussion on the stages of heart disease and what we can do to prevent them from occurring. In addition, the current medical treatments for heart disease were presented, with questions welcomed from the audience.

Kelley Gries



About the Auxiliary of Advocate Good Shepherd Hospital:

The Auxiliary of Advocate Good Shepherd Hospital is comprised of more than 400 volunteers who assist the hospital in promoting the health and welfare of the community. The Auxiliary, comprised of both men and women of all ages, is a self-governing organization directly accountable to hospital administration. As such, the Auxiliary and the Department of Volunteer Services have separate, specific roles and responsibilities.

Through continuous communication and interaction, they offer each other mutual support and understanding.

The Auxiliary's responsibilities include serving as a liaison between the hospital and the community, fundraising, and taking part in activities, such as legislative advocacy and the promotion of good health, that strengthen and improve our health care delivery system.

The Auxiliary operates the Pear Tree Gift Shop and the Pear Tree Café in the hospital, the Partridge Coffee Shop in the Outpatient Pavilion, and the Catchpenny Resale Shoppe in downtown Barrington. All proceeds directly benefit the hospital. Through fundraising events like the annual Art in the Barn, Family Summer Blast and Battle of the Bands, the Auxiliary sponsors scholarships for healthcare students and provides financial support for hospital expansion projects.

The Auxiliary also provides material for the "Luv Ewes", a group of dedicated women who provide patient enrichment through handcrafted items such as tray favors, pillows, toe warmers, hats/blankets for newborns, Kangaroo Blankets for underweight newborns, toys for younger patients, eyeglass cases and hats for patients experiencing hair loss due to chemotherapy.

Auxilians represent a unique and valuable human resource to the hospital and the community.

LUV EWES WANTED!



Please Join The Luv Ewes!

The Luv Ewes are looking for new faces (men and women) to help make Tray Favors for hospital patients. This is a rewarding and fun volunteer experience. The Luv

Ewes work together every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday—Pick a day and help make a patient's day!

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