AUXILIARY NEWS Mon Health Medical Center Auxiliary Vandalia Health



Letter from the President

Dear Auxilians,

After a quiet and restful summer, we are hitting the ground running as we head into a very busy and exciting fall season. We kicked things off with our always-popular mum sale earlier this month. With the addition of sunflowers, kale, and coneflowers the sale was



a huge success! Later this month we're looking forward to gathering together at our annual fall luncheon. It's always a wonderful time to connect and celebrate our work.

Our biggest fundraiser, football parking, is already underway, and we're excited to see such strong support from our community. October will also bring our 2nd Annual Craft Fair, and our Trees To Go Event. This year, we're thrilled to introduce a new addition, beautiful wreaths, that we know will be a special highlight. Tickets go on sale October 6, so be sure to mark your calendars.

On behalf of the Auxiliary, thank you once again for your continued support of both our work and Mon Health. Together, we make a difference.

Warm regards, Bethann Gamponia



Annual Auxiliary Luncheon

Mark your calendars! Our Annual Auxiliary Luncheon will be held on **Friday, September 19th at Noon** in the Mylan Conference Room at Mon Health Medical Center. This special gathering is a chance to celebrate our accomplishments, share updates, and enjoy time together. We encourage all members to attend. Reservations can be made through the Volunteer Services Office by September 12th or return your RSVP to Beth Burns.

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Upcoming Events

Craft Sale & Uniform Sale

Join us for our Fall Craft Sale on Friday, October 3rd from 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. in the hospital main lobby. Handmade items, gifts, and seasonal décor will be available for purchase. Do you have crafts to sell or have a small business such as Tupperware or Pampered Chef? Please contact the Volunteer Services Office to reserve your spot.

Get ready for our fall uniform sale on Monday, November 3rd and Tuesday, November 4th. A wide selection of professional and comfortable medical uniforms will be available. Proceeds support Auxiliary projects.





Trees to Go Event

Our annual Trees to Go Event returns! Tickets go on sale Monday, October 6th at 7am. The sale will be at the Gift Shop during the week and at the front Desk in the Lobby on weekends. The drawing will be held Friday, November 21st at Noon in the hospital lobby. Don't miss your chance to win a beautifully decorated holiday tree! This year we are also including wreaths.

AWVHA Annual Meeting

The Auxiliary will be represented at the Annual West Virginia Hospital Auxiliary (AWVHA) Meeting at The Greenbrier from Wednesday, September 24th through Friday, September 26th. Attending will be Aimee Tallman, Vice President; Bethann Gamponia, President; and Chris Battin, our Northern District Representative. We look forward to bringing back ideas and inspiration to support our mission.

Best wishes to Luella Gunter



Luella Gunter, Auxilian, served as Mon Health's Foundation Director since June 2019. She supported our auxiliary's fundraising efforts including the plant sales,

Football parking, Trees to go and more! She also served as an advisor at our board of director meetings and "The Ball of the Year" committee. As auxilians do, she shared with us the needs of the community which is how some of our projects have begun, the Caring Cottages for instance! We are grateful for all she has done for Mon Health, its patients and staff and our auxiliary. We congratulate Luella and wish her wellwith the WV First Foundation

Direct Results Donation Supports the Care Closet



We are grateful for Direct Results and their recent donation in support of the Auxiliary's Care Closet. This special project provides new and gently used clothing for patients who may need appropriate attire when discharged from the hospital. With the generosity of community partners like Direct Results, we are able to stock much-needed items such as sweatpants, shirts, and seasonal clothing.

The Care Closet helps restore dignity and comfort to our patients at a vulnerable time. This project is possible because of the kindness and time of our donors and volunteers. We are always looking for donations.

Books Needed for Gift Shop

Do you have gently used books sitting on your shelves? The Auxiliary Gift Shop is in need of book donations! Books in good condition are resold in the Gift Shop. Donations can be dropped off at the Volunteer Services Office.



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In Memory Of

We honor and remember the lives of those who made a lasting impact on our community and hospital family:

- Dr. Warren Anderson
- Mr. George Sarris
- The Honorable Sarah Minear
- Patricia Allen
- Judith Ann "Judy" Dorinzi Kun
- · and to all the others that have made an impact on the auxiliary

Their dedication and contributions will not be forgotten.















Projects & Volunteer Opportunities

Care Cottage Update

Exciting progress is underway with the Care Cottage Project on J.D. Anderson Drive. The first cottage has been built and preparations are being made to make it ready for patients. A second cottage has also been ordered, which will further expand our ability to provide comfort and care. A dedication ceremony will be held once everything is in place.



Volunteer Opportunities – WVU Football Parking



It's football season in Morgantown, and the Auxiliary is once again coordinating parking for all WVU home football games. This important fundraiser supports our many projects, and we are looking for volunteers to help. If you enjoy the excitement of game day and want to volunteer, please contact the Volunteer Services Office to sign up.

Remaining WVU Home Games:

- Sept. 27 vs. Utah
- Oct. 25 vs. TCU
- Nov. 8 vs. Colorado
- Nov. 29 vs. Texas Tech

Mum Sale- A Burst Of Fall Color!

Thank you to everyone who supported this year's Mum Sale! The hospital lobby was filled with vibrant fall colors as friends, staff, and community members purchased beautiful mums to brighten their homes and gardens.

Volunteer Outing



Our volunteers had a fun evening on August 1st. cheering on the WV Blackbears as they defeated the State College Spikes 5-4.







