



the Stethoscope

A Monthly Newsletter of the FMH Auxiliary and Volunteer Program

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9 New Members

- Suzanne Banach
- Lawrence O'Hara
- Lisa Schaffert
- Chantre Sewell
- Deborah Irwin
- Joseph Valek
- Diborah Yimer
- Tyler Stacey
- Wai Yan Chung

**There will not be a January
Stethoscope.
Happy Holidays
from the Stethoscope
Volunteer team.**

President's Message

Joseph Collins

I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving and are looking forward to an exciting holiday season filled with brilliant decorations, celebrations, gift giving, travel and spending time with friends, family and loved ones.

December is a very busy time at FMH with a month filled with activities. The Annual Tree of Lights Campaign is center stage with the tree lighting ceremony scheduled for the evening of Tuesday December 5 in the Auxiliary Conference Room. Please join us for this beautiful and heartwarming event as the stately evergreen trees located at the front of the hospital main campus come alive with sparkling lights for the holiday season. Proceeds from this year's campaign will be used to purchase a lifesaving LUCAS CPR apparatus for the hospital Emergency Department.

The Annual Employee Holiday Party will be on Wednesday December 13th. The Auxiliary will again be providing volunteers to help staff the party. All active volunteers that want to take part in the food and festivities must have an admittance ticket that can be obtained from the volunteer office on the day of the party.

During December the Auxiliary has several fund raising events. First will be the Silver Jewelry Sale on December 5th that is followed by the sweet tooth Fudgie Wudgie Sale on December 18th and 19th and then the popular Collective Goods (formerly Books R Fun) Sale on December 18, 19 and 20. These fund raising events plus our well stocked Gift Shop and downtown Select Seconds Thrift Store provide wonderful opportunities to meet your holiday shopping needs.

Remember that during this hectic and busy holiday season we volunteers have a wonderful opportunity to provide a smile, friendly hello and helping hand to those patients, family members and visitors who find they are seeking the healing services of FMH. Our holiday gift to them is to insure that their stay or visit in the hospital is the best experience possible.

I want to wish everyone a joyous and safe holiday and look forward to 2018 and the many opportunities that await.

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President's Letter

Thomas A. Kleinhanzl

Dear Friends,

Happy holidays! It is once again the time of FMH Auxiliary book sales, candy and other gift items. Your fundraising activities don't just help us grow, they also bring the joy of the season into the hospital. As always, I am looking forward to the annual Tree of Lights festivities. These are the cornerstones of the holidays for our staff and our patients and visitors.

This past year has been eventful, especially with the opening of the James M Stockman Cancer Institute in late July. I hope you have had a chance to take advantage of one of the tours or to attend the open house. You can take great pride in knowing that you helped bring this state of the art, healing environment for cancer care to the community.

I'm pleased to announce that we were able to raise the entire \$21.2 million cost of the cancer institute with donations like yours. You set the tone for the campaign by providing the first \$1 million gift, so thank you for your support and your leadership.

Recently our employees rated Frederick Regional Health System a "Great Place to Work!" What that means is that our employees said that they experience high levels of trust, pride and camaraderie. The support you provide to our team helps us to create this culture. Earning this rating is very important. It helps us to understand how our current employees feel about the organization and it enables us to continue to recruit the very best talent.

The annual holiday party will be held in the cafeteria on Wednesday, December 13th between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. and again in the evening from 5:30 to 8 p.m. I know that many of you are helping to serve food at the party. Thank you so much for once again playing an important role in this event.

If you aren't already volunteering at the party, please stop by and enjoy great food and a chance to catch up with your friends at FMH. If you are here in the morning of the 13th, we will be serving coffee and doughnuts from 6 to 9 a.m. in the hallway outside the cafeteria.

This is a busy time of the year for everyone, so I feel especially thankful that you take time out of your day to help our patients, visitors and employees. You are truly a gift to our organization. From myself and the senior leadership team, I wish you and your loved ones a happy and relaxing holiday and a healthy new year.

Best regards,



Tom Kleinhanzl
President & CEO
Frederick Regional Health System

Director's Letter

Sharon Hannaby

Happy Holidays to all of you!

As we come to the end of another year, let me take a moment to say “Thank You” to all of you who share your time with FMH. It is my privilege to get to spend my days with such a diverse group of volunteers who all bring different talents and skills to make FMH a better place to be. I never cease to be amazed at the wonderful things being done here by our volunteers – the personal touches and care you bring to our patients, families, and staff. You all truly do “Bring your Heart to work” every day and it shows.

May this holiday season give you time to spend with family and friends. Take time to relax, refresh, and reflect on your accomplishments for 2017. Take care of yourselves. You are important to us!

Thanks for all you do - Always!!

Winter is a Coming!

Volunteer Office

Snow will soon be falling so it is time to get prepared. Please let us know if you are not one to be stopped by the snow. We are always looking for volunteers who live close by to the hospital, don't mind driving in the snow, you suffer from “cabin fever” from being in your house too long, or, if the weather is really bad – would be willing to come if we can offer a ride to you. During times of bad weather, we are always looking for volunteers who can still come in to assist. Thank you!

Select Seconds Notes

Pam Schaffert



Right now, we are bursting at the seams with holiday decor! We are using our window space this month to display items you might find suitable for gift giving as well. In addition to the front window, we have many holiday items located in the housewares area at the rear of the store. We also still have many holiday sweaters, fancy dresses, shoes, and accessories available.

Our volunteers extend best wishes to all for a very happy holiday season!!

Gift Shop

Sharll Hane

Halloween and turkey day are behind us, now is the time to think about the holidays. We are putting out Christmas gifts, decorations and holiday cards. Also, come by and see our beautiful shop window showing holiday gifts and decorations. I want to thank Wendy Brundage, our buyer for doing a wonderful job.

The Gift Shop is currently closed the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays, if you would like to work or know of anyone who would like to volunteer, let Sharon Hannaby know. The shift is from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm and you will not be working alone.

Volunteer Award Hours

Joann Ramsburg

100 HOURS

Steven Taylor
Susan Wilson
Carol Noonan
Jacob Moseley
Joseph McGlynn
Brian House



500 HOURS

Christine Pappas
Rachel Weiszer
Allyson Desantis

11,000 hours
Rosemary Dahlke

1,000 hours

Patricia Schemm
Norman Reniere
Jacqueline Janss
Mamie Springer
Connie Chesnik

2,000 hours

Suzanne Schmidt
Mary Adams

4,000 hours

Linda Blowitski

Hour-by-Hour

Hours Committee

Volunteer hours worked for the month of October 2017 were:

- ❖ 64 Juniors worked 654.25 hours
- ❖ 49 College students worked 541.25 hours
- ❖ 345 Seniors worked 5,829.00 hours



Total hours worked in October were 7,024.50.



Don't forget to attend the Annual FMH Holiday Party for staff and volunteers on Wednesday, December 13th held in the hospital cafeteria. Please remember to come by the volunteer office for your ticket on the day of the party. Serving times are from 10:30 am to 3 pm and from 5 pm until 8pm.



Select Seconds – Betty Kreh

Select Seconds Sales for October was \$18,082.86.

Gift Shop – Sharll Hane

Gift Shop profit for October was \$3,244.49.

Fundraising – Mary Lou Minnick

Profit from the October 6 Dollar sale was \$617.16.

Profit from November Employee/Volunteer Craft sale was \$494.00





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FMH Holiday Party
Fudgie Wudgie
Collective Goods (Books R Fun)

December 13
December 13 & 14
December 18, 19, & 20