

### **Annual Meeting Report for 2017**

## **OFFICER'S REPORTS:**

#### **President**

Welcome to the 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting of the Humboldt County Memorial Hospital Auxiliary. As President of the Auxiliary Board, I would like to thank all Board and Auxiliary members for supporting the accomplishments of the Auxiliary. Whether you are a volunteer at Genevieve's Place, a board officer, or a board member serving on a committee, your efforts have made 2017 a success.

Through the years, the Auxiliary has purchased many items for different areas of the Humboldt County Memorial Hospital. Since the 2016 annual meeting, the following items were donated:

- Processor BD Microprobe for hospital lab (\$9,500)
- Stepping-On Program (\$300)
- NuStep for physical therapy (\$4,100)
- \$1000 scholarships—3 for high school seniors & 4 for continuing education (\$7,000)
- Donation to Hospital Foundation (\$100)
- Donation for HCMH Ladies Night Out (\$50)
- A Wave Radio for Springvale Independent Living (\$385)
- Relay for Life gift basket from Genevieve's Place (\$75)
- Funding for the Humboldt County Public Health Volunteer Program (\$308)

As an organization, it is rewarding that we are able to assist with these projects.

Our main fund raiser, the jewelry/silent auction, was titled "\$6 Celebrate Spring Sale." We appreciate the baskets provided by the hospital departments as well as private donations for the silent auction. A big thank you to the hospital kitchen for providing beverages and treats on Friday and to Kelmar Catering for the Saturday morning treats.

Genevieve's Place is operated by the Auxiliary as a fund raiser, but more importantly, as a place where hospital staff and patrons can relax and/or meet with family and friends. Residents from Springvale Independent Living, family members visiting Springvale Assisted Living residents, and groups from Assisted Living often gather in Genevieve's Place. A cart of items from Genevieve's Place was taken to Springvale Independent Living and Assisted Living by board members several times this past year. Many who walk through the hospital doors stop to browse and shop at Genevieve's Place. The Auxiliary is proud to offer these services.

Genevieve's Place could not function without the contributions of our sponsors this past year: HyVee Bakery, Kelmar Catering, Vinny's BBQ, Krist Korner, and Caribbean Coffeehouse. You are appreciated! Thank you Scottie Vollrath, HCMH Chef / Kitchen Supervisor and Ashley Kuker, Kitchen Manager for supplying Genevieve's Place with needed items. Thank you Amanda Thul, HCMH Dietitian, for presenting the Safe Food Handling classes to our volunteers.

Mardi Ratzlaff, the Director of Community Development, is an essential part of our Auxiliary team. She has graciously shared her graphic arts talents, marketing skills, and willingness to 'step-in' where needed. Thank you, Mardi.

The nominating committee, Sharon Reedy, Jane Coltvet and Judy Rasmussen, have been busy filling positions on the Auxiliary Board. PLEASE consider serving on the Auxiliary Board when asked or better yet, volunteer and make the nominating committee very happy! The board meets on the second Monday of each month at 9:00 am. Each board member serves as an officer or on a committee. Board members serve on a rotating basis so new board members are placed on committees with present board members. Thank you nominating committee for all you do.

I have served on the Auxiliary Board for six years. It has been a rewarding learning experience. I fully appreciate the workings of a busy hospital. It has been a pleasure to become acquainted with the staff and their willingness to serve. I am proud that the Auxiliary can assist the needs of the different hospital departments. Best wishes to the 2018 HCMH Auxiliary Board as you continue this awesome responsibility.

Jean Holste, 2017 President

## **Humboldt County Memorial Hospital Auxiliary Annual Meeting Minutes**

September 26, 2016

The 51<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of the Humboldt County Memorial Hospital Auxiliary was held at 12 noon on Monday, September 26, 2016, at Zion Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall in Humboldt, IA. Approximately 75 members and guests attended.

President Rhonda Vinsand welcomed members and guests. Table Prayer and salad buffet guidelines were led by President Rhonda Vinsand.

President Rhonda Vinsand called the meeting to order and opened with the Auxiliary Prayer.

Rhonda introduced Hospital CEO Michelle Sleiter. Michelle thanked the Hospital Auxiliary for their support. She announced Drs. Ryan and Megan Wood are now employed at the Clinic. Michelle introduced her executive team, including AJ Mason (Chief Financial Officer), Victor Bycroft (Chief Nursing Executive), Mary Moritz (Organizational Development, Human Resources), and Mardi Ratzlaff (Director of Community Development, Marketing/Foundation). A Diabetic Education Center was recently opened and Physical Therapy continues to grow adding an athletic trainer. A new program is being offered called "Stepping On" for senior citizens on how to avoid slips and falls. Also available are smoking cessation classes and an asthma support group.

Hospital employees also had "active shooter" training. Michelle introduced two hospital employees who presented information on the "Stepping On" Program.

President Rhonda introduced the 2016 Auxiliary Board.

Secretary Gloria Strickland read the minutes from the 2015, 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Humboldt County Memorial Hospital Auxiliary. There were no additions or corrections. Motion by Mary Carlson, seconded by Karen May to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer Marian Anderson presented the 12-month Treasurer's Report from September 1, 2015, thru August 31, 2016. As of August 31, 2016, we had a balance of \$42,179.29 in checking, savings, and CDs. Report was approved by Marie Blakestad, seconded by Bruce Watnem, carried. Report will be filed for audit.

President Rhonda Vinsand presented the President's Report followed by Jean Holste Vice President's Report, and Scholarship Representative Lois David. President Rhonda read Marj Smith's Volunteer Coordinator Report. Cindy Practico reported on Membership.

Following the reports, there was a "moment of silence" for 2016 deceased members.

New Business:

Outgoing Board members Lois David, Virginia Silbaugh, Rhonda Vinsand, and Gloria Strickland were recognized.

Sharon Reedy presented the slate of officers for 2017: President Jean Holste; Vice President still open; Secretary Jacki Lerdal; and Treasurer Marian Anderson. New Board Members will be Kathy Hill, Jacki Lerdal, Phyllis Warren, and Pat Worthington. Other Board Members include Kathy (George) Walters, Bev Allbaugh, Judy Mattes, Nancy Jensen, Cindy Pratico and Juanita Skow. Motion to accept the slate of officers and board members was made by Marlys Johnson, seconded by Vernice Wagner, carried.

Nominating committee for 2017 will be Jane Coltvet, Marj Smith, and Sharon Reedy.

Installation was conducted by President Rhonda Vinsand.

Door prizes were three Genevieve's Place gift certificates and two runners.

The Christmas Tea is scheduled for Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup>.

President Rhonda Vinsand adjourned the meeting.

Gloria Strickland, Secretary

#### Genevieve's Report

The goal of Genevieve's is to provide a place for people to relax and enjoy some time away from the hospital atmosphere. Sometimes a smile or just a friendly gesture can offer comfort and support. Our Profits provide scholarships to those seeking medical Careers and various needs/projects for HCMH.

Thank You to Marj Smith for continuing to coordinate volunteers. She has consistently come through each month. Her expertise and assistance have been a blessing. Volunteers are always appreciated. Give her a call at 515-332-4106 or <a href="marjsmith@centurylink.net">marjsmith@centurylink.net</a>. Free Lunches are offered to those who work each day. Thank you Dietary Dept. for being so generous and supportive of Genevieve's.

Thank you to the Talented Volunteers who artistically arrange the scarves, jewelry, Purses, Etc. in the display case.

We Are Grateful to the four businesses who provide treats from their licensed Kitchens:

Hy-Vee Bakery on Monday

Kelmar Catering on Tuesday

Vinny's BBQ on Wednesday

Caribbean on Thursday

All supplies for Genevieve's are still being purchased through HCMH Dietary Dept. I try to inventory Genevieve's every two weeks and estimate what is needed. A listing is given to the dietary dept. and they restock our shelves. A big thank you to the dietary Dept. (Ashley Kuker) for their assistance

Mardi Ratzlaff has been our merchandise purchaser. With Mardi's expertise, Genevieve's has been well stocked with beautiful items, and new items come in all the time. Spread the word to friends and family that these items make great birthday or Christmas gifts, or something special for yourself.

As Mentioned last year, Genevieve's is now under the policies of the HCMH dietary Dept. and therefore, the fallowing polices are still effective: Gloves must be worn by everyone handling food in Genevieve's.

Home Baked foods cannot be served, all food must be prepared by licensed kitchens or caterers.

Food Handling, training in mandatory for all volunteers working in Genevieve's

The sink in Genevieve's is for hand washing only

All dirty dishes and utensils will be taken to dietary daily for cleaning and returned to Genevieve's area the next day.

Flu shots verifications for Genevieve's workers are due by December 1<sup>st</sup>. A paper slip verification is required unless the flu shot is given from one of the unity point clinic offices or clinic sessions.

Keeping Genevieve's running smoothly is a group effort thanks go to many: Auxiliary board and especially Jean Holste, Michelle Sleiter, Mary Moritz, Mardi Ratzlaff, Ashley Kuker, Marj Smith and many volunteers, our loyal customers and everyone else who makes Genevieve's a success

Cindy Pratico

# Membership

The Humboldt Hospital Auxiliary Membership for 2017 is 479 members. We currently have 99 Lifetime Members are included in this total. We will continue dues of \$10.00 for yearly Membership and \$150 for Lifetime Membership. A constant goal is increasing our membership. We are always in need of members. Your dues enable us to provide three \$1,000 scholarships for students in the Class of 2017, who are pursuing careers in the medical field. We also help to provide needed items for the Hospital. Memberships will be collected at the Annual Meeting in September, the Christmas Tea, or anytime.

Pat Worthington and Juanita Skow

#### **Scholarship**

Three \$1000.00 HCMH Auxiliary Scholarships were awarded to members of the class of 2017 who will be pursuing careers in a medical field.

- 1. Marie Sexe daughter of Mike and Cherese Sexe will attend Northwestern college in Orange City Iowa, majoring in nursing.
- 2. Jessica Kelley daughter of E.J. and April Kelley will be attending Mount Mercy University and major in nursing.
- 3. Emma Nostrom daughter of Miles and Christine Nostrom will be attending Iowa Central Community College in Fort Dodge pursuing a career in nursing.

Two Continuing Education Scholarships of \$1000.00 were awarded. One of the above scholarships awarded from the Shirley Zenor Continuing Education Scholarship Fund.

- 1. Natalie Jenson is a licensed practical nurse in the HCMH emergency room and is a member of the HCMH Ambulance Crew as an emergency medical technician. She has been in the nursing field for eight years and will be attending Iowa Central Community College to earn her registered nursing certificate and Bachelor's Degree.
- 2. Colton Schnetzer a Humboldt High School graduate completed his Bachelor of Science Degree in biology from Wartburg College in Waverly Iowa. Colton is attending the University of Iowa in Iowa City to obtain a Doctor of Physical Therapy Degree.

Nancy Jensen