



2026 Annual Meeting

September 21, 2026 – 12PM

Faith United Methodist Church

- 1. Call To Order**
- 2. Auxiliary Prayer**
- 3. Approval of Agenda**
- 4. Approval of Minutes from September 22, 2025 Annual Meeting**
- 5. Approval of Treasurer's Annual Report**
- 6. By-Law Updates**
- 7. Presentation of Officers**
 - a. 2026 Terms for Re-Election
 - i. Peggy Rice (term expires 2026)
 - ii. Monica Johnson (term expires 2026)
- 8. Nominations**
 - a. President:
 - b. Vice President:
 - c. Treasurer:
 - d. Secretary:
- 9. Induction of Officers**
- 10. Adjournment of Meeting**

Annual Meeting Minutes – September 22, 2025

The Annual Meeting of the Humboldt County Memorial Hospital Auxiliary was held at 12 noon on Monday, September 22, 2025 at Faith United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall in Humboldt, Iowa.

Allison Christensen, President of the Humboldt County Memorial Hospital Auxiliary Board called the 60th Annual Meeting to order. The meeting was opened with the Auxiliary Prayer. She welcomed all members and guests present. The names of the auxiliary members who had passed away in the past year were read and a moment of silence was observed in their memory.

Allison introduced Michelle Sleiter, the Hospital CEO. Michelle wanted to share a few facts about the growth of the hospital:

- HCMH celebrated it's 55th Birthday this year
- A CNA education/training program was developed
- Launched a wheelchair-accessible van program and expanded patient transport
- Expanded mental health space and services
 - o Dr. Ryan Lee, Spravato, 1PMHNP, 8 LISW/LMHC
- Top Workplace in Iowa for the 5th year in a row
- Partnered with Trinity on Ambulance transfers
- Expanded cardiac care with Trinity Heart Center
- Purchased a new CT scanner
- Looking at adding our own MRI
- Expanded pediatric therapy space
- Achieved multiple deficiency-free surveys in the hospital, LTC, mammography,
- CLIA and fire safety
- Maintained 5 star LTC rating
- Achieved record gross revenue in FY25 of \$41.5M

Future growth includes:

- MRI, Vascular Ultrasound and Updating Equipment

The One Big Beautiful Bill impact on the hospital:

- Awaiting additional information from HHS in June of 2026
- No concerns currently over the updates/changes within the bill

Medicare Open Enrollment:

- Changes can be made October 15-December 7
- SHIP-SMP offers free, confidential counseling on Medicare and your options
 - o Contact SHIP Volunteers located at the Hospital

The table prayer was said, and a wonderful meal was enjoyed by all.

A motion was made by Marlys Johnson and seconded by Jacki Lerdal to approve the agenda for the September 22, 2025 Annual Meeting. All voting aye, motion carried.

The minutes from the last meeting were provided for the people in attendance. There being no additions or corrections, it was moved by Margaret Tellier and seconded by Polly Nilles to approve the minutes from the September 23, 2024 Annual Meeting. All voting aye, motion carried.

Allison Christensen then asked the people in attendance to review the annual reports from the members of the board which were printed on the handouts at the table. The Treasurer's Report shows a total with checking, CD's and cash on hand of \$76,453.74, which does not include the hospital report. A motion was made by Janean Smith and seconded by Shirley Bakken to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. All voting aye, motion carried.

President Christensen gave a brief update of possible changes to the By-Laws. No official changes will be made until the next Annual Meeting.

The Care Bags program was discussed and explained to those in attendance. 10 Care Bags have been given out so far. No official Board action was taken,

Brienne Berte spoke about the need for volunteers to work at Genevieve's Place. Anyone interested can contact Brienne at the hospital.

Allison Christensen then introduced the Auxiliary Board, along with the slate of officers. The Board consists of: Marion Anderson, Mary Cero, Allison Christensen, Jane Coltvett, Kathy Eck, Denise Hartford, Jacki Lerdal, Monica Johnson, Peggy Rice, Margaret Tellier, Meg Thompson and Phylis Warren. Board members Mary Cero and Meg Thompson will be leaving the Board at the end of 2025. New Board members for 2026 will include Karen Berte and Tiffany Mayall.

The slate of officers is:

President: Marion Anderson

Vice President:

Secretary: Peggy Rice

Treasurer: Jacki Lerdal

Brienne Berte installed the new officers.

Prizes were handed out and there was a motion by Karen May and seconded by Marion Anderson to adjourn the meeting at 1:10 p.m. All voting aye, motion carried.

Peggy J. Rice, Secretary

**Humboldt County Memorial Hospital Auxiliary
12 Month Report 9/1/2025 - 8/31/2026**

ANNUAL REPORT

Starting Bal

\$47,996.78

Receipts

Genevieve's Place

	Amount
Cash & Checks Deposited 9-1-2025 thru 8-31-2026	\$21,271.26
CD matured-rolled over and int to ckg	\$493.88
CD matured-transfer to ckg	\$10,227.73
Transfers from Care Bags Savings	\$2,829.80

Total Receipts \$34,822.67 TOTAL DEP \$34,822.67

Expenses

	Amount
Stamps	\$78.00
Genevieve's Advertising	\$2,004.09
Scholarships	\$5,500.00
Employee appreciation	\$594.00
Audit	\$100.00
Annual Meeting	\$207.99
Books for Walk with Care Class	\$131.60
HCMH for website	\$1,000.00
P.T. pulleys for resale in Genevieve's	\$400.00
Care Bags	\$2,829.80
Purchase CD	\$20,000.00

Total Expenses \$32,845.48 Total Checks \$32,845.48

Profit (loss)

Profit - (loss) \$1,977.19

Checking Account Balance

Beginning checking balance as of 9-1-2025	\$47,996.78
Profit (loss) this year	\$1,977.19
Checking Balance 8-31-2026	\$49,973.97

Total On Hand 8-31-2026

Bank Iowa-Care Bags Savings Account	\$20,568.16
Bank Iowa-CD rate 3.75%, matures 11-15-26 (13 months)	\$20,369.98
Cash in Genevieve's Place	\$300.50
Total	\$41,238.64

TOTAL ON HAND \$91,212.61

CARE BAGS SAVINGS

Care Bags saving balance 9-1-25	\$17,933.75
(including grant receipt)	\$5,450.00
Interest	\$14.21
Transfers to checking	(\$2,829.80)
Total	\$20,568.16

Notes: An additional employee appreciation was a \$5 gift card to Genevieves so this was not an actual cash payout
We have committed \$10,000 for blood bank refrigerator for the lab and funds for Game Ready Recovery System for PT

Jacki Lerdal, Treasurer

Welcome to the 61st Annual Meeting of the HCMH Auxiliary!

Thank you to all new and renewing supporters of the Humboldt County Memorial Hospital Auxiliary. First and foremost, I want to extend a heartfelt thank you to the Auxiliary Board, Bri Berte and to all our members. We appreciate all those supporting the Auxiliary through our activities and Genevieve's Giftshop. With this support the Auxiliary Board has been able to fund requests from different departments from the hospital – this past year we have:

- Hosted our Annual Christmas Coffee
- Sponsored a tree at the Lifegate Church Christmas Tree Walk
- Purchased "Walk With Ease" books for a public Physical Therapy class
- Purchased appreciation treats for all hospital employees
- Hosted our Annual \$6 Jewelry Sale and Silent Auction
- Awarded 6 - \$1,000 Education Scholarships
- Distributed 29 Care Bags throughout the community
- Coming Soon: we will be purchasing a Blood Bank fridge for the Lab
- Coming Soon: we will be purchasing a "Game Ready" Device for Physical Therapy

On your tables, you'll find copies of the 2026 Annual Report. Please take a moment to look through it—it offers a detailed look at how your annual dues and lifetime memberships directly impact our efforts throughout the year.

Auxiliary Sponsorship renewals can be completed at the front table today, online, or at Genevieve's Gift Shop. These memberships are the foundation of the Auxiliary, helping us provide vital equipment and scholarships to those pursuing careers in healthcare.

HCMH Auxiliary Board Members

Effective January 2026 – December 2026

(3 Year Terms) *listing below is when term ends - * means they are serving a second 3-year term*

Marian Anderson	President	2027
Allison Christensen	Vice President	2027*
Peggy Rice	Secretary	2026
Jacki Lerdal	Treasurer	2028*
Denise Hartford		2028*
Monica Johnson		2026
Margaret Tellier		2026*
Phyllis Warren		2026*
Jane Coltvet		2027*
Kathy Eck		2027*
Karen Berte		2028
Tiffany Mayall		2026

Thank you again for joining us and for all the ways you support the HCMH Auxiliary. Together, we make a lasting difference in the lives of patients, families, and healthcare workers across Humboldt County.

Warm regards,

Marian Anderson

HCMH Auxiliary President

Membership Report

The Humboldt Hospital Auxiliary Membership for 2026 consists of 146 members. We have 68 Life Members, and 78 Annual members. Our annual dues are \$20.00 for yearly (annual) membership, and \$200 for Lifetime Membership.

A constant goal of this Committee is increasing our membership. This year your Auxiliary Board worked very hard to recruit new members. We are proud of new members we have acquired. We DO still need your help. PLEASE help us grow in our support for our hospital and your Auxiliary. Your dues enable us to provide three \$1,000 scholarships for students who are pursuing careers in the medical field, and for advanced educational opportunities for our hospital staff. We also provide much needed equipment for the Hospital. You may join today in person or mail a check to the HCMH Auxiliary, 1000 15th Street North, Humboldt, IA 50548. We would also ask that you update your address, email and phone numbers when you renew. Thank you for your continued membership and support.

Margaret Tellier & Jane Coltvet,
HCMH Auxiliary Membership Committee

In Memory of our Beloved Deceased Auxiliary Members:

Sally Amlie
Mavis Bowden
Shirley Moench
Del Sandvig
Arloa Rapple
Vernice Wagner
Mary Lou Warner
Neva Helvick
Arlene Jacobson
Cindy Pratico
Ruth Odgaard
Opal Stanford

Scholarship Report

The HCMH Auxiliary Scholarship Committee was able to award two - \$1,000 scholarships to senior students at Humboldt High School. These young women completed the application process and are entering accredited nursing programs.

- **Ava Detrick**, entering the nursing program at Iowa Central Community College.
- **Jordan Larive**, entering the nursing program at Iowa Lakes Community College.

Each of these young women have great goals. We wish them much success!

\$1,000 Continuing Education scholarships are available each year to employees who are continuing their education in Health care related fields. Three Continuing Education Scholarships were able to be awarded in 2026 to applicants who met the guidelines printed on the application form. The application forms are available at the registration desk at the Humboldt County Memorial Hospital, or online at humboldthospital.org.

- **Amber Bakken**, will be continuing her education at Western Governors University to become a Nurse Practitioner.
- **Ashley Shillington**, will be completing her Bachelor of Science Degree
- **Joseph Nino**, will be entering the Paramedic class at Iowa Central Community College.

These applicants are presently employed at HCMH. We wish them much success!

Phyllis Warren,
HCMH Auxiliary Scholarship Committee

Project Committee Report

- **February: Employee Recognition Treats**
- **March: \$6 Spring Jewelry Sale/Silent Auction**
- **September: Annual Meeting**
- **November: Decorated A Tree at the Lifegate Church Christmas Tree Walk**
- **December: Christmas Coffee**

Kathy Eck, Karen Berte, Mary Cero, Denise Hartford
HCMH Auxiliary Project Committee

HCMH Auxiliary Care Bags Report

One of our most meaningful projects this year has been the **HCMH Auxiliary Care Bags**, spearheaded by **Karen Berte**. These thoughtfully assembled care packages are designed to

provide comfort, encouragement, and a reminder of community support to individuals undergoing treatment for cancer and other serious health conditions.

This project has been made possible through the incredible generosity of our community. **100 Women Who Care** awarded the Auxiliary a community grant of more than **\$16,000** to help fund the initiative. We also received more than **\$5,000 from the Richard Shultze Foundation**, providing additional support for this special project.

Each care bag includes items such as cozy blankets, socks, puzzles, and other comfort items to help make a difficult treatment journey a little brighter. To date, **29 care bags have been distributed** to individuals in our community.

We are grateful for the continued support of this project and welcome donations of items to help us keep the care bags stocked. Donations may be dropped off at the **HCMH front registration desk**.

We also encourage Auxiliary members and community members to help us identify individuals who may benefit from a care bag. If you know someone currently undergoing treatment or facing a serious health condition, please share their name with an **HCMH Auxiliary Board Member** so we can continue providing comfort and encouragement when it is needed most.

Genevieve's Café & Gift Shop Report

Genevieve's Gift Shop continues to thrive, and we are excited to see the continued enthusiasm for one of our favorite offerings—coffee! Our new coffee machine, featuring **Caribou Coffee beans**, has been a hit with patients, visitors, and employees alike. I'm especially happy to report that we now have **more than 59 Lifetime Coffee Club members**, a tremendous increase from the approximately 20 members we had when the program first began.

None of the success of Genevieve's would be possible without our **wonderful volunteers** who generously give their time and talents to keep the gift shop running. Their dedication allows us to provide a welcoming place for patients, visitors, and employees while helping brighten someone's day with a thoughtful gift, a cup of coffee, or simply a friendly smile.

We are incredibly grateful for each volunteer who continues to support Genevieve's and make it such a special part of HCMH.

Interested in volunteering at Genevieve's? We would love to have you join us! Please contact **Bri Berte at 515-332-7626** or email brienneb@humboldthospital.org to learn more.

HCMH - Genevieve's Financial Report:

- January 27, 2025 to August 21, 2026 (we implemented a new POS system in January which is saving us and the hospital approximately \$3,200/year)
 - o **Net Sales: \$40,292.68 (average monthly sales currently is approx. \$6,000)**
- September 1, 2024 to August 31, 2025

- **Net Sales - \$72,408.38**
- September 1, 2023 to August 31, 2024
- **Net Sales - \$60,959.92**

Thank you for supporting the gift shop and come shop at Genevieve's this holiday season!

Brienne Berte, Hospital Representative (Genevieve's Buyer)



Looking for a fun way to give back to HCMH and spend time with some great people?
Genevieve's Gift Shop is looking for volunteers!

Perks of Being a Genevieve's Volunteer:

- **25% off** gift shop items when you work
- **Free meal or snacks** while you volunteer
- **Flexible 4-hour shifts** — sign up online for the times that work best for you
- **Enjoy good conversation, friendly faces and the fun atmosphere** of Genevieve's!

And don't worry if you've never worked a register before! **We promise it's easier than you think.** If you're interested, one of the best ways to see if volunteering is right for you is to **shadow a current volunteer.** You'll get a chance to see what the job is like, learn the basics and hopefully take some of the anxiety out of getting started.

Interested in joining us?

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