

Connections

Newsletter for the hospital volunteers, students & friends of Roper St. Francis Healthcare

February 2019

Annual Safety Review & Meetings

Happy New Year! We ended an amazing year in 2018 and as a team contributed 83,360 hours of service by 667 volunteers and students. Countless lives were touched in a positive way. At the beginning of each year volunteers and students complete a mandatory annual safety review and quiz. This is a yearly requirement along with our TB tests and flu shots.

It is important that each of us - volunteers, students and Eucharistic Ministers are able to recognize and act in the case of any sudden emergency. Attend the annual in-service meeting at your facility if you are able and be sure to complete the safety review and quiz. We welcome your comments, positive as well as suggestions for improvement and promise you they will be forwarded to our senior leaders. Return your survey by 2/28/19.

Annual Volunteer Meetings

Roper Hospital - Irene Dixon Auditorium
Wed., 2/20 - 10 a.m.

RSF Mount Pleasant Hospital - MOB Classrooms
Friday, 2/22 - 10 a.m.

Bon Secours St. Francis Hospital - Mall Classroom #1
Thursday, 2/28 - 10 a.m.

Socks & Skivvies



We were honored to deliver 1,200 new items of socks and underwear donated to the annual Socks & Skivvies drive sponsored by the RSFH volunteer department for One80Place shelter. We received this note from the shelter:

Joan Perry & everyone at Roper St. Francis Healthcare, Thank you for donating socks and underwear to One80Place. These items help us provide the critical services needed to end hunger and homelessness in our community. We greatly value your support and are looking forward to you staying involved with One80Place, Sincerely, One80Place Team.

Valentine's Day

Join Valentine's festivities as we pass out treats to team-mates. Contact your coordinator to learn specific plans for your facility. Bon Secours St. Francis Hospital will welcome Sara Burd, Miss SC International as an honorary volunteer making rounds on Valentine's Day.

New Year Baby Baskets

Lucky New Year babies were surprised with festive baskets full of newborn goodies at Mount Pleasant Hospital and Bon Secours St. Francis Hospital. Volunteers contributed items to make the gifts special to welcome the first babies of the year.



Pastoral Care Changes

Keep an eye out for fresh faces as the Pastoral Care program goes through changes. The staff are all familiar but may be based at different facilities. Introduce yourself and get to know the team:

Ed O'Brien: Manager, Bon Secours St. Francis & Mount Pleasant Hospital

Leon Maxwell: Chaplain, Bon Secours St. Francis
Rosalind Riley: Chaplain, Bon Secours St. Francis

Rob Arp: Manager, Roper Hospital & Hospice
Jennifer Ryu: Chaplain, Roper Hospital

Chaplain Residents in the Clinical Pastoral Care program will be based at Roper Hospital bringing Sr. Faustina Jimoh and James Passaro to Roper Hospital.

RSF Mount Pleasant Hospital anticipates welcoming a new chaplain soon.



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Dates To Remember

Walk for Water

Join the RSFH River Rat team!

Saturday, 3/20: N. Charleston Riverfront Park

Join Joan Perry & RSFH teammates supporting the cause for fresh clean drinking water world wide.

Participants and donations welcome!

Register at: <https://tinyurl.com/RSFHRiverRats>

Bowling Benefit

Tuesday, 3/26; 6 - 8 p.m.

If you enjoy bowling, talk to your coordinator.

We can rally a volunteer team to join the fun and raise money for the Walk for Water.

Annual Inservice Meetings

See front page for dates and times at your facility.

Getting to Getting to Know You - MPH

Ron and June Bell met at the pool where he was a Lifeguard. He had just graduated from high school and June was sixteen and entering her senior year of high school. Ron, sitting in his guard stand noticed June across the pool in her red bathing suit and asked another life guard, "Do you know that girl?" It turns out that he did! He gave Ron her phone number, and the rest is history.



Ron went off to college and June finished high school and college and they were married six years later in 1962. They have been married for 56 years. Ron had a career in Advertising in New York city and June had a thirty-five year career as a nurse at Holy Name Hospital in Teaneck, New Jersey.

They moved to Mount Pleasant in 1998. Ron has worked as a starter at the Rivertown Country Club two days a week for 18 years and June works as a relief care giver for adults.

The two are part of our "Monday Fun Day" team. One of the things that make Monday so much fun, is that everyone wears fun socks. Ron serves at the front desk and June serves in ICU and is also a Eucharistic Minister. They both enjoy caring for others and enjoy the camaraderie of like minded people.

SCRUBS Summer Camp

Applications are now available for the 2019 summer SCRUBS Camp. The camp will be held 6/17 - 21 for students ages 14-15 interested in health careers. Packets are available from your volunteer coordinator or by calling 843-402-2273.

Getting to Know You - BSSF

Twiggs Randall was the second baby born at the new Navy Hospital at Camp Lejune. He grew up in eastern North Carolina. Twiggs attended the University of North Carolina and graduated from the University of South Alabama. After serving four years of active duty with Coastguard, Twiggs became a landscape contractor for Hilton Head. He later became the Chief of Enforcement for DHEC's office of Coastal Resource Management and supervised all marinas and construction along the coastal zone. When he left DHEC he was recruited to offer his services as an Environmental Consultant working primarily with heavy highway construction. Twiggs retired five years ago.



Twiggs and wife Ann have two daughters - Vickery in Phoenix and Barclay in Charleston, and two grandchildren. They enjoy travel and are listed as Airbnb Superhosts as they welcome guests to a cottage on their property in Adam's Run.

Twiggs drives the courtesy shuttle golf cart at Bon Secours St. Francis Hospital on Monday mornings.

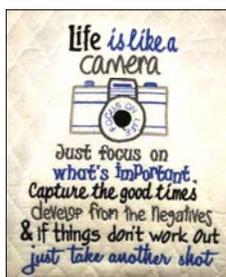
Getting To Know You - RH

Evelyn Howe is a junior at Charleston County School of the Arts in North Charleston. She majors in Vocals. Evelyn enjoys backpacking with her family all over North America - especially Canada where she is from. She practices martial arts in Krav Maga classes.



Evelyn is aiming for medical school and a career in emergency medicine. She joined our team in the fall of 2018 and has been serving both as a volunteer and participating in the SCRUBS mentoring program.

Her favorite experiences so far at Roper Hospital include having the opportunity observe in surgery and to interact with patients while serving on the transport team. It has been a pleasure to have her at Roper Hospital.



Life is Like a Camera

Carol Gibson-Bauman embroidered the most perfect quote on a pillow for Joan Perry for Christmas.

Life is like a camera
Just focus on what's important
Capture the good times
Develop from the negatives
& If things don't work out
Just take another shot!

Volunteer News:

- We received a letter from the Red Cross thanking us for the Cards for Heroes project sponsored by the RSFH volunteer team, *"I wanted to thank you for all the support for our Holiday Mail for Heroes program. These cards mean the world to a deployed, hospitalized service member or veteran. It brings such joy to them especially at this time of year."*
- Lorraine Lutton, CEO & President, shares exciting news about the plan for a 43 bed inpatient rehabilitation hospital on our Roper St. Francis Berkeley Hospital campus. This new rehabilitation hospital will be a joint effort between Roper St. Francis Healthcare and MUSC, with RSFH serving as the managing partner of the hospital.
- Volunteer coordinators will be out of office 2/27 attending leadership classes.

Roper Hospital:



- Roper volunteers enjoyed each others company and the \$5 burger special lunch at Rutledge Cab Company on 1/14 and decided to make it a habit. Stay tuned for follow up social meet-ups.
- Welcome back to Rosie Mellis.
- When giving parking advice, note that the Medical Office Building is for patients of the office building only. Vehicles left in the lot after it closes at 6 p.m. will be booted and or towed. Do not tell families and patients they may park in this lot.

Bon Secours St. Francis Hospital:

- Welcome new Security Manager Greg Martin to St. Francis Hospital as current security chief Jay Lulkovitz accepted a position at Citadel Mall. Look for him there!
- Thanks to John Brechko for taking on the task of compiling educational packets for our new parents. With the number of babies we deliver this is a big job!
- Mammography teammates send thanks to their team of volunteers stating, *"We love our volunteers! They are all different and bring their own talents and gifts. They make such a difference and we miss them when they are out!"*
- Thanks to Betty Rourke - Cancer Center volunteer, for her prompt response to a patient complaining of signs of a stroke. Betty acted quickly to summon the medical help needed and called 911.

- It is now easier to help visitors with CARTA bus information. If you call CARTA at 843-724-7420, Press 2; then press 612 (code for the bus at St. Francis) it will tell you how many minutes until the bus arrives.
- Congratulations to Mammography volunteer Mary Kauser, recently hired part time as a Histo lab support tech at Roper Hospital.
- **Reminder:** The 2nd floor can be confusing to visitors. PCU includes medical beds 200 - 219, ICU and the Mother Baby unit. If someone asks for directions, try to separate visitors going to the Mother/Baby unit and send them to the West elevators so they won't walk through patient units to find locked doors.

Mount Pleasant Hospital:

- RSFH will host a DEA National Takeback event at RSF Mount Pleasant Hospital on 2/23 from 8 a.m. - 11 a.m. Community members may drop off extra prescriptions and medications for disposal.
- MPH volunteer Ursula Limpert has a Key West rental at Coconut Beach Resort available 2/16 - 23. It includes 2 beds, 2 baths and rocking chairs overlooking the water. For information: 516-317-2684
- Congratulations to Summer Ledford, who has been volunteering in the ICU for the last eighteen months. She was recently hired and is now a Patient Care Tech in our ICU. Pictured are Kelly Speedy, Summer Ledford, Anne Walker and Helen Clark.



Volunteer Book Club

With Ursula Limpert

We hope you enjoyed last month's mystery read! Join us this month as we read a historical novel based on local history:



Charleston by author John Jakes

Since this is the season of short days and long, dark evenings it's the perfect time to settle in with a historical novel based on local history.

Author of historical novels, John Jakes' iconic work, **Charleston**, is the perfect choice. The book follows several generations of the Bell family of Charleston from the American Revolution through the Civil War and its aftermath. With a cast of characters from patriots, aristocrats, abolitionists, slaves, freedmen and courageous men and women, **Charleston** is sure to please.

As an added perk, **Charleston** was originally published in 2002 and is easily obtainable from the library system. There is even a copy for borrowing in Laurie's growing library housed in the Mount Pleasant Hospital volunteer office. Happy reading!

Happy Birthday!

2/01	Jessica Vaughan
2/02	Adam Larson, Jan Maize
2/04	Joe Corradino
2/05	Robert Nicolai, Chase Roberts, Nancy Williams
2/06	Irene Holland, Beth Smith
2/08	Judy Blewer
2/10	Joan Perry
2/11	Angela DiNenna
2/12	Myra Ledbetter
2/14	Ciera Clyburn, Stuart Finkelstein
2/15	Carl Singleton
2/18	John Brechko
2/20	Dennis Dominick
2/23	Robin Denney
2/26	Ronald Dailey, Mary Kauser, Lora Kratzok
2/27	Marjorie McManus, Walter Rogala
2/28	Carol Swinburne
2/29	Jeanette Winfield

Welcome New Volunteers:

Roper Hospital: Welcome Jennien Heyward - Information desk, Jonathan Roberts - Cardiac Rehab, Katherine Kahle, Preeti Chandekar, Jordan Burney and Jagroop Cheema - interns in Clinical Research. Ciera Clyburn, Sarah Decedue, Adam Larson, Danielle Shaddix and Katherine Kracov - SCRUBS program. Gabrielle Walker - Rehab Hospital, Hannah Rose Harrison - Wound Clinic, Ahmera Hughes - PT and Brittany Swihart - Roper Berkeley Moncks Corner.

Bon Secours St. Francis: Welcome Rajinder Multani to Outpatient, Michael Lumpkins as a Eucharistic Minister, Jacob Schultz to Ryan White Program, Jean Mackulin to ACU and Emma Chamberlain to the ED. Welcome future healthcare professionals Zy'Airra Washington, Braydon Baucom, Luke Shaw, Katie Fulmer, Imani Warnex, Caroline Miller and Peyton Johnson to the SCRUBS program.

RSF Volunteer Contact Information:

Bon Secours St. Francis Hospital: Joan Perry: 843-402-1156

Roper Hospital: Lynne Steele: 843-724-2080

Mount Pleasant Hospital: Laurie Glass: 843-606-7502

Hospice Volunteering: Laurie Beckman: 843-402-3260

Lowcountry Senior Center: Kimberly Palmer: 843-990-5555

RSFH Volunteer Opportunities:

Bon Secours St. Francis Hospital: Joan Perry welcomes applicants interested in serving to welcome, offer hand sanitizer and serve as lobby ambassadors, Phlebotomy escort needed on Wednesday morning, escorting patients in the Imaging Department and serving as a Mammography escort on Mondays. We are currently in need of a Thursday Golf Cart driver.

Roper Hospital: Lynne Steele welcomes volunteers interested in staffing the Information Desk on Friday Morning and Thursday afternoons.

Offsite Offices: The Diagnostic Lab on St. James Ave. in Goose Creek welcomes morning lobby escort assistance on Mondays and Fridays. Touch base with Lynne Steele if this role and location would be of interest.

Mount Pleasant Hospital: The Mammography staff have added a new 3-D machine and anticipate seeing fifty patients a day. They welcome volunteers interested in escorting patients to the dressing rooms, giving instructions and assisting in the waiting room. See Laurie Glass if you are interested. The Dietary Team is looking for a morning volunteer to assist in stocking floor refrigerators and pulling expired food items. ICU has an opening for volunteering on Friday mornings, 8 a.m. - 12 noon.

Quotes on Health Care

Healthcare, in the final analysis, is not about results...

Healthcare is about being there with people in their finitude and doubt, in their pain and uncertainty.

Daniel P. Sulmasy, The Healer's Calling

Just as you should not to attempt to cure the eyes without curing the head, or the head without the body, neither should you attempt to cure the body without the soul.

Plato, Charmides

Life expectancy would grow by leaps and bounds if green vegetables smelled as good as bacon.

Doug Larson

If I had my way, I'd make "health" catching instead of disease.

Robert Ingersoll



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