

Suzanne's Scribbles

February is here and that means — let me think — more daylight, groundhogs and shadows, valentines and lots of love, sunshine, spring and new growth? All of the above and then some, but since this is the Auxiliary LINK and I am the President of the Auxiliary, I should be thinking that February means planning events to put spring into the Auxiliary.



We have several fundraising events in the works, but we are also working on a project that will not only showcase our Hospital, but also shine a spotlight on our Auxiliary.

And you are all invited to attend! Make me proud, PLEASE! This is an opportunity to show the Southwestern Region that our strength lays in our participating members. It is also an opportunity for you to get to know what other Auxiliaries are doing. Please complete the enclosed registration form and return to Betty Pletcher by March 29. The fee for our members is \$6.00 and that includes breakfast and lunch. More details can be found in the article "Spring SRAPAHA Meeting"

Please join me for breakfast, lunch and all the good stuff in between

The Spring SRAPAHA Meeting

The Southwest Region Auxiliary PAHA Spring meeting is officially scheduled for April 12, 2010 at the Somerset Country Club. Betty Pletcher, chairperson and co-chairperson Denise Demchak have secured the speakers, established a menu and prepared the agenda.



Andy Rush, Director of Rehab Services, will speak and demonstrate the Wellness Initiative taking place in the Somerset Hospital and Community. Becky Gregory, Clinical Director for In Touch Hospice, will share information on the In Touch Hospice House of Journey's Rest and Michelle Beener, Director of Organizational Redevelopment, will talk about engaging support of the Auxiliary within the Hospital through the "House Improvement Movement".

Registration and continental breakfast begins at 8:30 am and the program will open at 9:15am. Contact Betty Pletcher at 926 -3520 or via e-mail at Bsp859@yahoo.com with any questions or comments.

General Membership MEETING



Monday, February 8, 2010
Cafeteria
Somerset Hospital

Hayloft Project

Viv Kimmel, Peggy Hay, and Nancy Rayman, along with Heidi Crager and Betty Lou Svonavec are busy putting together a plan for this project. You don't want to miss this, so mark your



calendars for June 11, 12 and 13. The skills of these five women combine to create a premier event work of a Broadway production. Once the basics are in place,

subcommittees will be formed and volunteers will be contacted for support.

Giving Tree

Congratulations Jodi and Committee! The In Touch Hospice project has raised almost \$16,000. Because of your devotion and perseverance, this fundraiser is deemed a complete success. A check will be presented to Becky Gregory, Clinical Director for In Touch Hospice, in February 2010.



Election of Officers



According to Auxiliary By Laws, the election of officers shall be held at the April General Membership meeting. A slate of candidates shall be proposed by the Nominating Committee and submitted to the membership ten days prior to the April meeting. Members eligible to vote may propose from the floor, candidates for the office.

If any member has an interest in being nominated for an office, please contact Suzanne Sturni at 443 -1168 to further discuss the duties of each office.

Flower Sale

A reminder that the Easter flower sale will be at the end of March this year as Easter falls on April 4, 2010. Rosie and her crew work very hard to provide this service along with Nyla and Larry Cogan, who lovingly raise these hardy plants for our sale.

Winter Beef Raffle Finally!

Eight tickets for the raffle fundraiser will be mailed to each member on February 4, 2010! An envelope is being provided to ease the return of the ticket stubs and monies collected.

This is a chance for every Auxiliary member to participate in a project with a great return. The Auxiliary will raise close to \$10,000 by selling all the tickets. For those members that have the opportunity to sell more tickets, please contact Sue Darr at 279 – 0478 or via e-mail suedarr@shol.com



Brandywine Project

Peggy Hay has volunteered to chair the “Cats Meow Replica Project”. Details will be shared as more information becomes available. Thank you Peggy!!!!

Cloud Nine Jewelry Sale

Congratulations Denise and committee! The jewelry sale netted over \$900.00 for the Auxiliary treasury. Hard work equals profit. And the best part is that Denise has volunteered to do the project again in the fall. Thank you so much.



Hospital Website

Somerset Hospital has a web page. Please plan on visiting the website at your earliest convenience. You will be pleasantly surprised. Comments are always welcome. The website is www.somersethospital.com

Remember!

General Membership meeting will be on February 8 at 7:00 in the Cafeteria. Hosts for the evening are President Elect Cathy Zborovancik and Legislative chairperson, Susan Will. Please plan to attend. This is an opportunity to meet with the upcoming president and share your thoughts and ideas regarding the Auxiliary.

Membership News

Geri Mitchell is our Caring/Sharing Chairperson and asks if you would be so kind as to contact her regarding members who are ill, or have lost a loved one.

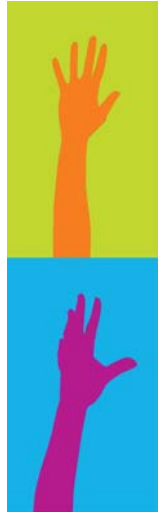
REMINDER -As new members join our organization; please welcome them with a phone call, e-mail or a card.

Please note changes in your membership book. Sandy Berkibile e-mail address change: Siberk1959@shol.com

Denise Demchak e-mail address change: dmd9221@verizon.net

Hazel Hillegas e-mail address change: Hazelh4@verizon.net

We are saddened by the loss of long time Auxiliary member, Loris Bowlby. Loris was a hard working and dedicated Auxilian and will be missed by all. Her memory will live on in our hearts.



A Final Thought

Logic will get you from A to B.
Imagination will take you everywhere.

—Emily Dickinson