



THE Hospiteer

Happy 30th Anniversary HospiceCare!

All for One and One for All September 2009

Julie gets 'SURPRISE!' for her 60th birthday

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HospiceCare social workers came from near and far to celebrate Social Work Supervisor **Julie Lukowski's** 60th birthday August 5 with a luncheon at the Main Office. In addition to good food and lovely decorations, the social workers enjoyed relaxing and laughing together and hearing Julie and others reflect on some funny and memorable moments as hospice social workers. Thanks to all who contributed and drove many miles to be a part of this special birthday event for Julie! ❖



Social Work Supervisor **Julie Lukowski** enjoyed a surprise birthday luncheon Aug. 5 thrown by her fellow social workers. Pictured above: Julie, **Richie Hills, Jennifer Kirsch, Amy Greear, Beth Plantz, Sue Ann Belderer, Marisa Pellerito, Becky Thomson, Lyn Halstead, Kristen Harrison, Dolley Graley, Mike Hess and Tony Dunlap.** At left, the conference room's dry erase board was filled with a big birthday greeting!



BB&T shines a 'Beacon' on HHH

The Hubbard Hospice House is grateful for several gifts it received from a group of BB&T employees organized as the "Deacons of the Beacon." Thanks to the group's donation, families and children at the house can now enjoy playing with a new Nintendo Wii system with a variety of controllers and games, dozens of new DVD movies, several board and children's games, as well as a toddler swing and slide on the playground. They also installed a new garden around the street sign in front of the house (at right). The Deacons are: **Todd Meadows, Mark Stephens, Sonya Haynes, Chuck Perkins, Paul Harrison, Troy Burgess, Pat Curry and Eric McCormick.** Their motto reads: "We want to keep the light shining so everyone will be able to find their way, no matter what obstacles life presents." ❖



ICE CREAM SOCIAL



Sweet idea helps families, staff smile

The Hubbard Hospice House hosted an ice cream social last month to help spread a few smiles around. Pictured above: kids enjoyed making their own sundaes; medical director **Dr. Paula Taylor** and nurse practitioner **Lora Bowens** enjoyed a break together; house dietician **Terry Rosenfeld** and administrator **Mary Kathren Robinson** scooped feverishly; house staffers **Lynda Hackman, LPN**, **Rita Robinson, CNA**, and **Laura Epling, RN**, waited for their scoops; CNA **Sharon Erby** showed off her creation; medical director **Dr. Michael Covelli** jumped in to help Mary Kathren with the scooping; family members enjoyed spooning up the hot fudge sauce; **Shellie Givens**, and her daughter, **Emily**, enjoyed their afternoon together with Sharon; **Melissa Swick, RN**, and clinical assistant **Linda Ross** smiled for the camera; and maintenance worker **Kenny Dodril** enjoyed his sundae. (Special thanks to ace photographer, Executive Director **Larry Robertson**, for snapping these pics to capture the fun!) ❖

Remember — 'The Hospiteer,' HospiceCare newsletters and other publications are online

Please don't forget to tell your patients, families and friends about visiting HospiceCare online! All past and present editions of "The Hospiteer", HospiceCare Newsletter" and "Healing Steps," along with plenty of photo galleries with pics from past events are available for viewing online at www.hospicecarewv.org. Just click on the "News & Events" tab on the main page and then click on "Publications" or "Photo Galleries" to view. ❖



Happy Birthdays!

September

Becky Powell	...	9
Shawna Brown	...	10
Brenda Scott	...	12
Jolene Wiseman	...	12
Sharon Ellis	...	15
Billie West	...	15
Larry Robertson	...	16
Jeff Carrier	...	16
Kitty Kiser	...	17
George Cantees	...	19
Mike Morris	...	24
Rebecca Hughart	...	25

Welcome Aboard!!!

Paul Kegl, LPN
Patrick Street

Dianna Robinson
CNA - Lewisburg

Pamela Runnels, LPN
Patrick Street

Jennifer Mays, LPN
Patrick Street

Bonnie Sundin-Lineberry, RN
Long-term Care - Patrick Street

April Day
Dietary Asst./Cook - Per Diem
Hubbard House

Ellen Woodward
Housekeeper - HHH

ODDS & ENDS




Gospel sing raises nearly \$2,000

While attendance was down from last year, everyone who came out for the 3rd Annual Hospice Appreciation Gospel Sing last month enjoyed a great evening of music and helped raise \$1,930 to benefit HospiceCare programs and services. The concert, Saturday, Aug. 15 at Emmanuel Baptist Church, 1401 Washington Street, West in Charleston, was in appreciation of all of the hard work and personal service HospiceCare staff and volunteers provide. The featured singing groups were, **The Master's Three**, **Maranatha Men's Quartet**, **The Lordsmen**, and **One Accord**. Dozens of people in the audience passed the hat to collect \$730 in cash, and the church donated the space for the evening, saving organizers \$440 in rental fees. Special thanks also goes to the concert sponsors: **Keller Funeral Home**, **Cunningham Parker Johnson Funeral Home**, **Bartlett-Chapman Funeral Home, LLC**; **Chapman Funeral Homes, Inc.**; **Gatens Harding Funeral Home**; **Matics Funeral Home**; **MacCorkle Avenue Florist**; and **Winter Floral & Antiques, LLC**. In the past three years, the concert has raised nearly \$5,000 for HospiceCare. ❖

HPNA welcomes Huntington chief

Hospice of Huntington's President and CEO **Charlene Ferrell** will be the featured speaker at the next HPNA provisional meeting from 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 10, at HospiceCare's Main Office, 1606 Kanawha Blvd., W., in Charleston. Charlene has enjoyed a long, varied career in nursing and teaching in North Carolina, Kentucky, Morgantown (WVU), Charleston (CAMC) and Huntington (Marshall). That's where her opportunity to become the executive director for Hospice of Huntington presented itself more than 25 years ago. ❖



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<p>Remember to mark your calendars 3-5 p.m. Sunday November 1, 2009 HospiceCare Memorial Service Emmanuel Baptist Church, 401 Washington Street, W., Charleston Reception immediately after service. Please RSVP to Kathy Stout, (304) 768-8523.</p>	1	2	3	4	5
6	<p>7</p>  <p>LABOR DAY (OFFICES CLOSED)</p>	8	9	10	11	12
13	<p>14</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Orientation Day, 8:30 a.m., Charleston ♦ CNA meeting, 8:30 a.m., Charleston; and 5:30 p.m., HHH 	15	16	17	18	19
20	<p>21</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ CNA meeting, 8:30 a.m., Charleston. ♦ Nurses meeting, 5:30 p.m., HHH 	22	23	24	25	26
27	<p>28</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ CNA meeting, 8:30 a.m., Charleston. 	29	30	FIRST DAY OF AUTUMN		
September 2009						
	<p>YOM KIPPUR (BEGINS AT SUNDOWN)</p>					