

WHA Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Women's Hospital Association is scheduled for Wednesday, May 13, 2009, at the Sheraton Lansing Hotel. Due to construction, guests should park on the west side of the building.

Jo Cantine to Retire May 1st

After 33 years of faithful service, our dear Jo has decided to retire! We wish her all the best and we want to send her off with a party.



Please join us on May 1, 2009, from 2-4 p.m. in the Clark Conference Center at St. Lawrence. Refreshments will be provided.

Please bring a single flower so we can give Jo a big bouquet of flowers to enjoy.

Calling for New Volunteers!

We have openings in the following areas:

Sparrow Gift Shop
Neuro Navigators (NCU Lounge)
Resale Shop
Information Services on both campuses
Heart Center
Escort on both campuses
Surgical Lounges

Check Out the New Lobby

Our new lobby is now complete. We hope that you will check out some of the services that are either open or are moving into the lobby in the near future. The Concierge Service (SPA) is expanding to include additional services for patients, Volunteers and Associates.

Soon Admitting and the Lab will move into the new lobby. The coffee bar will be fully operational in April and the Escort desk has moved into the new lobby to discharge patients at the new door.



Discharge Door

Many have asked about the new Patient Discharge Door and why it is locked. The door is locked to limit the number of people entering through that door and to discourage cars from parking in the lane outside the door.

The driveway also serves as a fire lane and by law is supposed to be kept clear. With that in mind, only cars that are occupied and can be moved as patients are picked up may use the driveway area.

In addition, only those volunteer groups that need to discharge patients will have access on their badge to the door.

Sparrow Health System

55 Years

Christine Adams - *Assisium League, Mary Magdalen League*

50 Years

Rose Falsetta - *Angelus League, Assisium League, Mary Magdalen League*

Dorothy Whitehead - *The Sparrows, Service Auxiliary, Office Support*

40 Years

Mary Jessup - *WBM Active Honorary, E. W. Sparrow Auxiliary*

Mary Kishler - *Service Auxiliary*

Lillian Long - *Information Desk, Pediatrics*

Dody Thomas - *WBM Active Honorary, Sparrow Guild*

35 Years

Lois Jenkins - *Division IV*

Eleanor Korroch - *The Sparrows, Industrial League*

Ann Page - *Escort/Information Desk, Mercy League*

Mary Reid - *Mary Magdalen League, Mercy League*

Janice Ruppert - *Candy Stripers, Jr. Division, Surgical Lounge*

30 Years

Judy Jacobs - *Volunteer Services*

Marilyn Ledebuhr - *WBM Active Honorary, Patient Ambassadors, Escorts*

Jan Mace - *WBM Active Honorary, Service Auxiliary, Hello Hospital*

Mary Anne Marvin - *WBM, Service Auxiliary, Sparrow Guild*

Caroll Roost - *Service Auxiliary, ETC*

Hazel Stephenson - *Christopher League*

Don Ward - *Emergency Service*

25 Years

Diane Barnes - *WBM, ETC, Jr. Division*

Barbara Clark - *WBM Active Honorary, Sparrow Guild*

Virginia Drushel - *Service Auxiliary*

Bette Hammond - *Service Auxiliary*

Neva Hokanson - *Escorts*

Patricia Mulder - *Escort/Information Desk*

Ann Powers - *Mary Magdalen League*

Peggy Riggs - *WBM, Service Auxiliary, TLC Oncology*

Shirley Walter - *Service Auxiliary*

Yvonne Whitmore - *Service Auxiliary*

Mary West - *Sparrow Guild*

20 Years

Jean Aben - *WBM, Angelus League*

Marilyn Beers - *Service Auxiliary*

Carol Dooley - *WBM, Sparrow Guild*

Eleanor Goff - *WBM, Escorts*

Lee Wolford King - *WBM Active Honorary, Archival Committee*

Pat Lawrence - *Escort/Information Desk, Mercy League*

Rose Pope - *TLC Critical Care, Hello Hospital*

Joan Pricco - *Service Auxiliary*

Richard Roush - *Escort/Information Desk*

Renier Schneider - *Escort/Information Desk*

Joyce Whipple - *E.W. Sparrow Auxiliary*

Joan VanAuken - *Division IV, E.W. Sparrow Auxiliary*

15 Years

Dorothy Christy - *Service Auxiliary, Division IV*

Raymond Feldpausch - *Eucharistic Ministers, Pastoral Care*

Betty Francis - *Service Auxiliary, E.W. Sparrow Auxiliary*

Kay Gallup - *E.W. Sparrow Auxiliary*

Marjorie Hogle - *Service Auxiliary, E.W. Sparrow Auxiliary*

Donna Holey - *Service Auxiliary*

Karen Hubbard - *Sparrow Guild*

Suzanne Kollmeyer - *Helping Hands, Hospice, Surgical Lounge*

Olin Mace, Jr. - *Service Auxiliary, Hello Hospital*

Kathryn Mayer-Shook - *Service Auxiliary, Information Desk*

Pat Pittenger - *Service Auxiliary, TLC Critical Care Lounge*

Mary Ellen Ruch - *Mercy League*

Beverly Suhrheinrich - *Sparrow Guild*

Karen Sweet - *Service Auxiliary*

Elaine Wenglarski - *Mary Magdalen League*

Alice Yarsevich - *Mary Magdalen League*

2009 Volunteer Awardees

10 Years

Ruth Arsenault - *Angelus League*
Doris Asher - *Lifetime, Medical Library, Surgical Lounge*
Cecelia Askegard - *Surgical Lounge*
Nancy Byrnes - *Service Auxiliary*
DeDe Coy - *Sparrow Guild, Service Auxiliary*
Jane Cummings - *Mary Magdalen League*
Allison (Kay) Dowling - *TLC Radiology, ETC*
Leslie Dybas - *ETC - Pet Therapy*
Boots Halstead - *Service Auxiliary*
Joyce Hatch - *TLC Critical Care*
Patty Hoover - *Sparrow Guild, Jr. Division*
Margaret Hughes - *Lifetime*
Louvaine Johnson - *Hospice, Information Desk*
Janice Kinsey - *Hospice, Service Auxiliary*
Suzanna Peterson - *The Sparrows*
Zoe Slagle - *WBM, Escorts*
Carol Sturdevant - *Lifetime*
Sybil Weaver - *Hospice, ETC, Office Support*
Sherry Wellman - *Service Auxiliary*
Elizabeth White - *Service Auxiliary*
Nancy Wimmer - *The Sparrows*

5 Years

Barbara Alspaugh - *Mary Magdalen League, Pastoral Care, ETC*
Barbara Amundsen - *Sparrow Auxiliary*
Cheryl Arens - *Hospice*
Suzanne Bechtel - *Peds Arts & Crafts*
Kathy Bens - *Sparrow Guild*
Nancy Bobinski - *Sparrow Guild*
Carol Bryde - *TLC Oncology*
Patricia Carrow - *Hospice*
Margaret Debo - *McAuley League*
Tracy Detweiler - *Infant Massage*
Vivian Dwyer - *Sparrow Guild*
Robyn Ferguson - *Service Auxiliary*
Dorothy Foltyn - *Archival Committee*
Karen Forsyth - *Eucharistic Minister, Pastoral Care*
Wanetta Gantz - *Surgical Lounge, Escorts*
Marge Hall - *Hospice*
Dart Hartgerink - *Mary Magdalen League*
Leelinda Jackson - *Hospice*
Roland Kase - *Escorts*
Beverly Kromer - *Information Desk*

Joanne Kuhfeldt - *Mary Magdalen League*
Leslie Lacy - *TLC Oncology, Hello Hospital*
Lori (Tia) Laverdiere - *Surgical Lounge*
Romaine Lay - *Hospice*
Brenda Leake - *Hospice*
Rhonda Marvin - *Hospice*
Janis Mason - *Angelus League, Cardio Ambassadors, ETC, Heart Center, Helping Hands, Pediatrics, Volunteer Services*
Joanne McCloskey - *Hello Hospital*
Sally Miller - *Mary Magdalen League*
Craig Moore - *Escorts*
Barbara Musselman - *TLC Oncology*
Lois Nealey - *Hospice*
Rita Noon - *Mary Magdalen League*
Erik Olson - *Escorts*
Theresa Page - *Eucharistic Ministers, Pastoral Care*
Martha Prins - *Angelus League*
Norma Pulice - *Office Support, Division III, Service Auxiliary*
Simon Reiffer - *Patient Ambassadors*
Nancy Reyes - *Service Auxiliary*
Judy Riley - *TLC Oncology, Helping Hands, Infant Massage*
Kenneth Robertson - *Cardio Ambassadors*
Alyn Rynbrandt - *Escorts, Surgical Lounge*
Elaine Schwanz - *Service Auxiliary*
Beverly Seling - *Information Desk*
Anne Serotkin - *Emergency Services*
Arlene Sharp - *Service Auxiliary*
Shirley Stephenson - *Childtime, Angelus League*
Rose Stevens - *Hospice*
Leslie Turner - *Patient Ambassadors*
Charlene Wheeler - *Hospice*
Nadine Williams - *Service Auxiliary*
Paula Zito - *Pediatrics*

This newsletter contains the list of those to be honored for a service award. If you believe that your name should be on the list, please call our office at 364-3606 BEFORE March 27th.

Volunteer Groups Celebrate Anniversaries

Sparrow Guild (85 years) – Raise funds for Sparrow Health System.

Division III (75 years) – Collate charts for nursing units within the hospital.

Peds Arts& Crafts (60 years) – Supply leather goods, plaster molds, and other projects for use in the Pediatric Play Room.

Pediatrics (60 years) – Support and aid the Child Life Specialists by playing with the patients in the Pediatric Unit playrooms, and one-on-one visits with patients.

Surgical Lounge (45 years) – Provide assistance, information, and caring support to families and visitors waiting for patients in surgery.

Pastorial Care (20 years) Assist the Hospital chaplains in contacting patients to inquire about religious preferences.

Hospice Services (15 years) – Provide care and support for terminal patients and/or their family members.

Cardio Ambassadors (10 years) – Visit and provide support to heart disease patients and families in the Cardiac Progressive Care Unit.

Eucharistic Ministers (10 years) - Give Holy Communion to the Catholic patients in Sparrow Hospital.

Infant Massage (10 years) – Provide gentle massage therapy to infants in the RNICU.