

APRIL, 2015



VOLUNTEER DEPT. UPDATE

April Featured Volunteer—Bellevue Thrift Store



Pat Moses

Pat Moses has been volunteering with Hospice of Marion County since 1996 and even though she's in her 80's, she shows no signs of slowing down. She started in patient care

& added the Bellevue store 12 years ago where she works 2-3 times a week while continuing to do some patient visits.

Thrift Store Manager, Linda Freyman says, "Pat is a unique and fascinating lady. She is very well traveled and has taken trips all over the world but is always happy to come back to our little store. For the past two months she has worked three afternoons a week to help out while other volunteers are gone. Her caring, her giving, her devotion to Hospice and our store makes her a pleasure to be around. We always look forward to the days Pat works."

Pat is known for her colorful outfits with matching hats which she finds at the Thrift Store. She enjoys participating in Fashion Shows. Pat, thank you for being a ray of sunshine in all of our lives!!

Volunteer Needs

- 1) NEW POSITION: Greeter at Estelle's House. We will need at least 10 volunteers to start.
- 2) Summerfield Suites has many volunteer needs including: Calling Bingo on Wed, Friday or Saturday at 2 pm, Leading morning exercise (training provided), visiting a resident once a week, dining room help, or taking residents to the porch.
- 3) Patient Support: many current openings for patient visiting or Transitions. Patient Support class required—next class 4/17.
- 4) Thrift Store for Bellevue, Silver Springs Shores and Six Gun Plaza, though Jasmine and Summerfield can also use help, as snowbirds are leaving.
- 5) Legacy: Kitchen volunteers needed on as well as for phones and Greeter subs.
- 6) Tuscany Kitchen and Greeters, esp. substitutes.
For more info, call the Volunteer office at (352)873-7441

Volunteer Appreciation Week:

We will send "We Love our Volunteers" Stickers and volunteer week posters to each location, please wear the stickers and consider doing a thank you card or other expression of appreciation to volunteers who work in your Dept.

Awards and Recognition Lunch

April 14, 2015



So far 180 volunteers have signed up for our annual volunteer recognition banquet. Entry tickets (a postcard) are being mailed to all who have made a reservation.

Volunteers who served at least six months in 2014 were sent an invitation as well as Emeritus volunteers.

The afternoon will include classical/jazz guitar music and the announcement of the Outstanding Volunteer for 2014.

Upcoming Events

April 1- Bellevue/Summerfield Annual Patient Support In service. 10:30 am see back.

Passover, April 3 to 11



Easter, April 5



April 13—17 Volunteer Appreciation Week

April 14—Annual Awards Lunch, see below.

April 20—Annual Patient Support In-service class 9:30 am followed by "Ask the Expert" session. See back.

April 21 Transitions Program Caregiver Luncheon at Grace Episcopal Church 12 noon.

April 25, Camp Mariposa, Bereavement Camp for Children

May 16, Frank Polack Memorial Bike Ride.



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Have you shopped our Thrift Stores lately?

If you have not shopped recently at one of our Thrift stores, now is the time to go get some Spring Shopping Therapy! Our stores have good quality items at very reasonable prices PLUS all volunteers **and staff** receive a 25% discount when you show your badge. So go get yourself a new Easter or Spring outfit, some new spring décor for your house, a puzzle, game or CD, or even a bookshelf, table or couch. Stores are in Jasmine Plaza on SW 200, Belleview right next to Kmart, Summerfield across from Walmart on 441, Heather Plaza in Silver Springs Shores on Maricamp Rd., and Six Gun Plaza on Hwy 40 East.

NEWSFLASH: Hospice Cookbooks are now for sale at all Thrift Stores starting on April 1st!



Transitions Program Announcements:

The next Transitions Caregiver Lunch is on April 21 at Grace Episcopal Church in Ocala. **Door prizes are needed.** Door prizes needed, Contact Donna and drop off a door prize by April 13 at the main office building.

Volunteer News

We are saddened to announce that Bobbie Fambrough passed in March. She was a dedicated Patient Support Volunteer who had 10 assignments and visited patients three or four days a week. She will be much missed.



Claudine Burch, who volunteers at Belleview Store, lost her husband recently. Please extend your sympathy and support to her in her time of loss.



Bob Corby represented Hospice of Marion County and was greeted by Congressman Rich Nugent at a Veterans Resource Fair on Saturday, March 21. He provided information about our Veterans Pinnings and other Veterans support.

Calling all Patient Support Volunteers:

Spring means its time for our Annual In-Service

Every year (and yes, its every year) volunteers who visit patients in any location or program are required to complete a review of basic information and a competency test. **Employees who do not do patient care in their job but make patient visits must do the competency test.** Required if Patient Support Orientation was before 6/14.



April 1— In-service Session will be offered at the Belleview Public Library, 4 minutes west of 441, north of the intersection of SE 132nd St. Rd. and 484. (13145 SE Hwy 484) from 10:30 am to 11:45 am for volunteers living in the Villages, Summerfield and Belleview.

April 20—In-service Session from 9:30 to 10:45 am followed by 11 am to 12 pm **“Ask the Expert” with chaplains and professional clinical staff. Elliott Center, Rooms B&C at the Admin. Building.**