



# Volunteer Update

March, 2016

## Featured Volunteers—Bellevue Thrift Store

Linda Freyman, store manager for the Bellevue Store, nominated this “Dynamic duo” for their dependability and years of service. “If there are any two people you can count on, it's Bruce and Betty Otto. They are smiling and hugging everyone from the minute they come through the door. Bruce and Betty have been with us Monday and Wednesday afternoons for over 11 years.

Betty is a highly efficient cashier greeting customers with a friendly hello and ‘have a great day’ on their way out.



Bruce and Betty Otto

We have set up Bruce's corner where everything that needs to be tested and tried gets piled. He comes in to a real mess at times and immediately barrels into it until he's sure it works and looks like new.

Everyone here feels it's a pleasure and a privilege to work with two such generous and devoted friends.”

Since they started volunteering in 2003, Bruce has volunteered a total of 4,185 hours and Betty has given 4,775 of dedicated service. We appreciate you both—what a team!

## March Events

March 1, 11th Hour Vigil Training at 10:30 am in Rooms B&C. Contact Daun Layman for details

March 3, Sewing Workshop in Room C. 9 to 12.

March 8 & 15, Pt. Support Competency at Brandley, See right.

March 22, Pt. Support Competency at Admin Building. See right.

March 29, 8:30 to 2:30 pm . Class for people who want to begin to do patient support.

## Save the Date

April 9, Frank Polack Bike Ride Fundraiser.

April 14, Annual Recognition & Awards Luncheon. See back for info.

## Annual Patient Support Competency offered at 4 locations/times

If you visit patients or Transitions clients in any location and took your Patient Support Class before Jan. 2016, you are required to do an annual review and take a test.

You may attend one of four classes or review the packet and do the test at home. But who wouldn't prefer a morning with Nancy instead of poring over a test at home!

If you cannot attend one of these sessions, the

packet and test will be mailed to you and must be returned by the end of April or patient visits will be suspended until we receive it.



All volunteers are welcome to attend at 10:30 am on March 22 to hear Guest Speaker Cindy Turner talk about Personal Awareness and Safety.

March 8, 3 to 5 pm, Brandley House, Mtg Room

March 15, 8:30 to 10:30 am, Brandley House, Mtg. Rm.

March 22, 8:30 to 10:30 am, Elliott Center, Admin. Bldg.

**10:30, Guest Speaker, Cindy Turner, Marion County Sheriff's Office, Personal Awareness & Safety.**

April 5, 10 am to Noon, Legacy House Chapel.

Call (352)873-7419 to sign up for a Patient Support Competency. Any volunteer may sign up for the Safety Session.

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Everyone's Irish  
On March 17th.

A big "Thank You" goes to Valerie Sanders for organizing the OTOW Hoofin' for Hospice fundraiser & the eight volunteers involved in the Salt Springs Fashion Show.

## Transitions Notes:



### Monthly Caregiver Support Group:

Support group will meet on **March 15th** (3rd Tuesday this month), 11:00 am-1:00 pm in the Elliott Center, Admin. Bldg.

### Volunteer Needs:

Lifestory Support volunteer to type up, scan and place photos in the lifestories of patients

Pet Visitors—Pets with owners to visit assisted living facilities or nursing homes, call Connie in Volunteer Services for details.

Bereavement office volunteers for Tues., Wed., Thurs. 10 am-1 pm

Thrift Stores—All stores, especially Shores and Six Gun Store

Hospice Houses: Legacy Kitchen, Brandley/Sylvia's Greeters

Patient Support/Transitions Volunteers: especially for respite care and in outlying areas

Journey Singers needs a Soprano, meet on Wednesday afternoons

## Hospice in the Community

March 2, OTOW Master the Possibilities, Mary Ann Perothers, staff, "Living with Grief."

March 8, ORMC Senior Wellness Center, Martha Dominguez, staff, "Psychological Issues faced by Seniors."

March 10, Silver Springs Shores Com. Center, AARP of Ocala, Amy Chadek, staff, "Hospice overview"

March 11, Kiwanis Club, Karen Haven, "Hospice overview"

March 12, OTOW Women of the World Fashion Show Fund-raiser, Connie Storms

March 12, Health Fair, Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church, Kathy Berning, Bob Corby, Volunteers

March 19, Watermelon Ride, Santos Bike Shop, Karen Haven, Polack Ride recruitment.

March 24, Alzheimer's Support Group at Summerfield Suites at 11 am. Open to the community

March 25, Parade of Senior Services at CF, Karen Haven and volunteers

March 11,15,30, Senior Services Sites, Amy Rath, Staff, Monarch Center/Children's Programs

## Hospice Awards and Recognition Lunch Coming in April

Invitations will soon be mailed to volunteers who had active service hours in the last year and served at least six months in 2015.

The luncheon will take place on April 14 at the Hilton and we will be recognizing the wonderful contributions of our volunteers. Our theme this year will be sailing and we will honor those who make up our remarkable crew. Awards will be presented for:

- Years of Service—5, 10, 15, or 20 years
- Presidential Gold Awards for volunteers with over 500 hours in 2015
- Presidential Lifetime Service Awards for volunteers with at least 4,000 lifetime hours
- Outstanding Volunteer of 2015 will be announced from the 12 monthly Featured Volunteers

When you receive your invitation, please reply right away for a reservation and we will send an entry ticket to you. Seating is limited.