



Auxiliary News

The Geary Community Hospital Auxiliary newsletter

July 2016

Auxiliary Scholarship Program Benefits Local Students

The Geary Community Hospital Auxiliary awarded a total of \$6,000 in nursing scholarships to seven local area students for the 2016-2017 school year. All applications are reviewed by the scholarship committee – made up of nurses – who select recipients based on financial need, volunteer service, and future goals. Volunteer service is a particularly important aspect of each application since the Auxiliary organization is based on volunteerism.



The Auxiliary scholarship is awarded on a year-by-year basis, meaning that current recipients must re-apply for the scholarship each year they are in school. Scholarship funds are sent directly to each student's school to help cover costs for tuition and books and in return the Auxiliary receives a copy of the students' grades each semester to affirm that they are following a nursing curriculum and meeting the scholarship's 3.0 GPA requirement.

The 2016-17 GCH Auxiliary Nursing Scholars are:
Cynthia Castro-Garay • Washburn University
Natalie Wells • Southeastern Louisiana University
Saydie Myers • Manhattan Area Technical College
Rachelle Sims • Wichita State University
Jennifer Petz • Fort Hays State University
Jasmine Pratzel • Manhattan Area Technical College
Trey Reynolds • Emporia State University

President Connie's News & Notes



The **Auxiliary Gift Shop** is no longer accepting American Express credit cards; Now there is no minimum charge on debit card transactions.

Hospital Auxiliaries of Kansas (HAK) Annual Convention is September 8-9 in Overland Park, Kansas. If you are interested in serving on the GCH Auxiliary Board or the HAK Board, please consider attending convention. The informative break-out sessions would give you a great insight into the activities and responsibilities involved with serving on either of these groups.

Information Desk Volunteers: It is your responsibility to familiarize yourself with the daily hospital census and all issues of *The Scope: This Week* and *Auxiliary News* since the last time you volunteered. There is important information in these documents which will help bring you up-to-date with the latest hospital news – which will help you give the best assistance to GCH patients and guests.

New Members: There are no new members to report since the last newsletter. Think of people you know who would make a great Auxilian and consider asking them to join!

As always, thank you for all you do!

Connie Peck
President, GCH Auxiliary

Geary Community Healthcare Foundation Open House



The Geary Community Healthcare Foundation will host an open house for members of the GCH Auxiliary on **August 2, 9:00 - 11:00 am** at the office located at **1310 West Ash Street**, across the street to the north of the hospital.

Executive Director Jolana Montgomery-Matney will give tours of the Foundation office and provide information to Auxilians about the foundation. This is *strongly recommended* for Auxiliary volunteers who staff the information desks in the hospital. It's important to know where all of the GCH offices are – both on and off campus.

GCHF Memorial Trellis Donations

The 2016 GCHF Memorial Trellis raised \$1,345 for the Healthcare Foundation Endowment through donations honoring loved ones who will always be remembered. Thank you for your support!



SAVE THE DATE

GCH Auxiliary Membership Luncheon September 13, 2016

Think of someone you know who would make great Auxilians and ask them to attend the luncheon with you. Geary Community Healthcare Foundation Executive Director Jolana Montgomery-Matney will be our guest speaker.

Invitations will be mailed in early August.

On Working Your Shifts...

Gail Stein schedules the shifts in the Gift Shop. She can be reached at 238-8281.

Deb Beem schedules the shifts on the Information Desks. She can be reached at 375-1046.

Please... if you can't work your assigned shift, try to find your own replacement by looking at the schedule to see who works a similar schedule as you. Updated volunteer rosters are available at the Gift Shop.

If you can't find a replacement, call Gail or Deb. But, please, don't leave the desks or shop unattended. We really need you there!

Thank you for your service. It matters. You matter.

Calendar

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| Aug 2 | Foundation Open House & Tours |
| Aug 8 | Auxiliary Board Meeting |
| Aug 22-23 | Books-R-Fun |
| Sept 8-9 | Kansas HAK Convention |
| Sept 12 | Auxiliary Board Meeting |
| Sept 13 | Auxiliary Membership Luncheon |
| Sept 16 | GCHF Fall Classic Golf Tournament |