

HOSPICE AUXILIARY

2013/2014 ANNUAL REPORT

President's Message

The Hospice Auxiliary is proud to be entering its sixth year. We thank all members that have been on this journey to help promote the services that hospice provides to those facing a life limiting illness and their families facing life without them.

We are proud of the three friend/fundraisers that were held this past year. The Hospice Hoedown that was held last June at Billy Joe's Ribworks was a wonderful success and we are looking forward to holding Hoedown II again this upcoming June. The annual Hospice Mum sale held in Orange and Sullivan was successful as was Dine Out for Hospice held this past November.

As much as the fundraisers help raise awareness and funds needed for the services of Hospice to continue in our communities, the Auxiliary relies on its members to keep those close to you aware that Hospice is here to serve those in need including bereavement services for both adults and children.

This past year funds raised went to support the Children's Grieving Center that is located at 800 Stony Brook Ct, in Newburgh. This is a free program as is the adult program and is open to the public. Art supplies, books, snacks, programs, etc. were made possible by the support from the auxiliary.

Sheets and mattress pads are supplied by the auxiliary for those patients/families in need who are receiving hospice care at home and are unable to buy these special items needed for the hospital beds that hospice provide. Thanks to Bed, Bath and Beyond in Newburgh for their continued support as they allow us to use as many coupons as we collect to help with the cost of these much needed and appreciated items.

Other items including, Kuerig coffee pots and coffee are provided for families at the Kaplan Family Hospice Residence, as well as new wall clocks for each of the rooms and financial support for CD's of special therapeutic harp music by musician and certified music therapist Jan Hirsch for use at the KFHR and in homes.

In closing I would like to add that I was honored to serve my term as President and I give my thanks to our Board Members for their very hard work and support of Hospice over the past two years.

*Barbara Naru
Auxiliary President*



HOSPICE HOEDOWN II



Last year was such a hit we are doing it again! **Hospice Hoedown II** on June 8 at Billy Joe's Ribworks on the waterfront in Newburgh. 1:00 pm – 4:00 –pm. \$30 per Adult/\$5 children under 10.

The cowgirls are working hard on the ranch so round up your posse and mosey on down for great grub, music by CJ from 97.3 The Wolf, line dancing, a GREAT RAFFLE and a whole lot more!



Grand Prize: Family of Four All-Inclusive Weekend at Rocking Horse Ranch



2nd Prize: 2 Tickets to Kenny Rogers at BethelWoods



3rd Prize: \$150 Gift Card to Western Store



Mum's the Word!

The annual Mum Sale was held under the direction of Auxiliary board members **Pam LaLonde** and **Mary Bonura** in Orange County, with **Eileen Ernst** and **Rachelle Klugman** in Sullivan County. It was both profitable and rewarding, thanks to the generous support of **Hoeffner Farms, Monticello Greenhouse**, and the work of dedicated Hospice Auxiliary members.



Fundraising Total: \$12,827

- Hoedown \$7221**
- Dine Out \$2519**
- Mum Sale \$3087**

THANK YOU—in addition to our fundraising efforts, your contributions (membership dues, participating in Hoedown, Dine Out and the Mum Sale) during the past year helped make this possible.

Submitted by Sue Wilk
Fundraising Committee

Membership

We have 95 Auxiliary Members; if you are interested in becoming a member please go to our website page www.hospiceoforange.com/auxiliary/ to download our membership form or email auxiliary@hospiceoforange.com

Submitted by Ellen Galligan
Membership Committee

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- Mary Bonura
- Bonnie DiLorenzo
- Colleen Fogarty
- Ellen Galligan
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- Elizabeth Rowley
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Community Outreach

The goal for 2013 was to continue to reach out to organizations, local businesses and communities to spread awareness and education about Hospice of Orange and Sullivan Counties and their services including The Children's Grieving Center and the Kaplan Family Hospice Residence.

Over \$1000 was spent on special mattress pads and sheets for hospital beds for patients in need who receive hospice care at home.



A special *Thank You* to Mr. Earl Bryan, Manager at Bed, Bath & Beyond in Newburgh for his help and service to the auxiliary when purchasing these items for our patients and families.

As historian I am creating a scrapbook of our events, newspaper clippings and photographs. If you have anything of interest to add to this scrapbook please forward them to me through the auxiliary or drop them off at the Stony Brook Office. Thank you.

Bonnie DiLorenzo
Historian

Annual Report of the Kaplan Residence Liaison

The work of the liaison provides a conduit from the Residence to the Auxiliary so that current needs may be addressed and help provided as appropriate.

The Auxiliary has continued to finance supplies such as aprons for the volunteers, tote bags for family members to use for taking personal possessions home, Kureig coffee makers for family use and each room received a new large faced wall clock. Arts and craft supplies were purchased for young children to work with our social work intern.

Submitted by Mary Bonura
Liaison for the Auxiliary to the Kaplan Family Residence

