

# PHELPS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AUXILIARY

## News and Notes

Nov-Dec 2011

Read it now on the web at <http://www.phelpshospital.org/auxiliary/>

EDITED by JIM REIDY

*This issue of the News and Notes is dedicated to the memory of Santina Hack, a charter member of the Phelps Auxiliary and long-time volunteer to the Hospital.*

### Santina Hack, the "Original Volunteer"

*submitted by Joyce Moes*



Santina Hack, a longtime resident of Tarrytown, died on June 18, 2011 at 100 years of age.

As a new volunteer in 2002 I had the privilege and pleasure of meeting and volunteering with Santina, who at that time assisted in the office of the Director of Volunteers. As a much experienced volunteer of many years, Santina was very helpful in answering any questions that I might have had. She had volunteered in many departments during her tenure and was familiar with almost all areas in the hospital.

It was interesting to learn that Santina was the very first volunteer at Phelps Memorial Hospital and remained a devoted volunteer for over 50 years, logging over 52,200 hours. She was also a charter member of the Hospital's Auxiliary, serving as treasurer for many years as well as holding other offices in the Auxiliary. On April 9, 2001, the Village of Tarrytown honored her by proclaiming the day "Santina Hack Day" in honor of her dedication and loyalty to the hospital and the community.

Santina and her husband, Bob Hack, who also was a volunteer, often joined me for lunch. We had many lively and delightful conversations about art. Bob was a talented artist and had won numerous awards for his paintings. Although Santina was not an artist herself, she loved art and was proud of Bob's art exhibitions and shows in galleries in New York and Connecticut as well as a show in Phillipsburg consisting of beautiful water colors of our historic Hudson Valley. Bob passed away on Sept. 4, 2011 at 97 years old.



Thanks to both of them for their dedication to Phelps.

*Photos are from obituaries for Bob and Santina published on the website <http://www.legacy.com>. - ed.*



### President's Message

*by Jim Goldsmith, Auxiliary Co-President*

Even though this News & Notes will carry the news as a front page article, (as you can see) I would be remiss if I didn't mention the passing of Santina and Bob Hack.

For those of us who have been at the hospital for a long time, we will always remember Santina sitting daily in the Volunteer Office helping wherever she could. She also served in the Auxiliary in various positions, and was our longest active member.

Her husband, Bob, also an Auxilian, had the job of selling newspapers throughout the hospital (a position I inherited). Who could forget this dapper man in his red jacket, winter or summer, pushing the newspaper cart throughout the hospital.

I am one of the lucky ones. I have two of Bob's paintings hanging on my wall at home, as he was an excellent artist and had many shows at the Tarrytown library and other venues.

They were the beginning and they will be missed by all who knew them.

### Dr. Ippolito Is At It Again

*By Jim Goldsmith*



A few weekends ago Dr. Ilio Ippolito and his men were at it again, planting upwards of 1500 new bulbs around the Phelps campus to further beautify the grounds this coming Spring.

Dr. Ippolito does these plantings on his own, as he has for several years now. It is his way of making Phelps a more beautiful place for patients and visitors to appreciate.

The Auxiliary thanks Dr. Ippolito for his energy and willingness to do this and for his vision of Phelps.

## 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Champagne Ball, Another Successful Fund Raiser

By Jim Goldsmith and Jim Reidy



Champagne Ball co-chairs Pam Terracciano and Donna Goldsmith

The 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Champagne Ball, held at Trump International in Briarcliff Manor was co-chaired by the Auxiliary's own Donna Goldsmith and Pam Terracciano and was, of course, another rousing success.

When the guests arrived they were treated to bagpipe music provided by John Chalmers, the son of Auxilian and volunteer, Jim Chalmers. John played on the front steps as the guests entered the building, playing a variety of classic bagpipe melodies.

After an hour or so of wonderful hors d'oeuvres, drinks and a chance to bid on and/or buy either jewelry or sports memorabilia, the guests all proceeded to the dining room for some very short speeches, good food, and terrific live music and dancing.

The Champagne Ball is the Hospital's biggest fund raiser and that spirit continued into the main bidding item which is called "Fund-a-Cause". Last year's cause was the new Pain Center (located where the old ER used to be) which raised \$62,000. This year the cause was the upcoming Family Practice Residency Program. "Fund-a-Cause" raised over \$80,000 thanks to the generous donors at the Ball!

Lucky Auxilians who won the lottery for free tickets to this year's Ball were Rhoda Peterson, Rosalie Moraitis, Lila Jacobson, Fina Randazzo, Dino and Philomena Ippolito, Rose Marie Parisi, Mark and Mary Jo Frederich and Rachelle Monaco (pictured right).

At the end of the dinner the guests were invited to bid on the beautiful centerpieces that decorated each table. Each group elected a captain who ran the "auction". The proceeds from those auctions benefited the Hospital.

If you want to attend next year's 25<sup>th</sup> gala, be sure to get your lottery entry in when you receive it with your News & Notes sometime in September of 2012.



The Auxiliary Table of Lucky Attendees

## DONATIONS!

Submitted by Nancy Eichorn

We would like to recognize those members who, in 2011, not only renewed their Auxiliary membership or joined the Auxiliary but also enclosed something extra to help keep the organization in good financial health. Thank you to all.

Marie Abramson  
Susan Aguado  
Robert and Betty Albertson  
Rose Antonini  
Ruth Baer  
Rosemarie Bartzick  
Jack and Rosalyn Beck  
Margaret Borelli  
Sara Boyce  
Anne Caldara  
Marie Case  
Joan Lyons Ceconi  
Helen Chanowsky  
Dr Hsin Cheng Chao  
Elaine Cooney  
Lucy and David Coulam  
Bonnie D'Emidio  
Mary Delfino  
Gerda Destasio  
Sean Dugan and Children  
Victor and Nancy Eichorn

Nina Engel  
Barbara Epstein  
Ruth Fenton  
Joan Fiorito  
Ellen Freeman  
Sara Geyer  
Susan Goldfrank  
Jim and Donna Goldsmith  
Nancy Goldsworthy  
Andrew and Diana Grass  
Alice Hales  
Lynne Hansen  
Joan Hartney  
Dr. Bruce Heckman  
Iris Hill  
Lenore Housman  
Marypat Hughes  
Helen Jones  
Mary Jean Keenan  
Frances Kelly  
Joan Kent

Barbara Klapkowski  
Ilene Kreilsheimer  
Leta Kruger  
Mary Ann Lawlor  
Nancy Leddy  
Joan Lederman  
Patricia Maddalo  
Nancy Marin  
Eileen McArdle  
Kate McCabe  
Ellen Melvin  
Karen Mendelowitz  
Wilma Mendelowitz  
Dr. Saleem and Shaheen Mir  
Anna Mae O'Leary  
Mary Kay Olson  
Wanda Cope Orton  
Rose Marie Parisi  
Janet Postel  
Louise Raybin  
Jim Reidy and Pat Jehle

Janeth Rosenthal  
Regina Rubenstein  
Muriel Ruchti  
Keith Safian  
Doris and Al Saias  
Joan Scumaci  
Lianne Shaw  
Louise Siebel  
Martha Staffiera  
Alice Stafford  
Lore Strauss  
Valerie Stimpson  
Ofelia Ticker  
Beulah Tishelman  
Tom Trotta  
Drusilla Van Hengel  
Russell Watson  
Joyce Weiser  
Carol Zegarelli  
Dr. Franklin and Laurie  
Zimmerman

## September Bake Sale Makes Dough!

by Jim Goldsmith

Organized by First Vice President Rose Marie Parisi and with help from loyal Auxilians, we again had a successful bake sale in the lobby right next to the cafeteria. The cookies, brownies and cakes were a sight to behold and everything sold out very quickly.

The final total was close to \$600, and the total of all four of our yearly bake sales adds over \$2000 to the money the Auxiliary is able to donate back to the hospital. When you consider we are the single largest entity to donate to Phelps on a yearly basis, you can understand that we are fulfilling our mission, which is to be a fundraiser for Phelps.

So a heartfelt thanks to all who participated both as bakers and sellers. We will be having our final 2011 bake sale on December 1st, so please be ready to help again.

## In Memoriam

### SANTINA O. HACK

Santina passed away on June 18, 2011, at the age of 100 years. Santina was a charter member of the Auxiliary and volunteered for over 50 years.

### ROBERT "BOB" HACK

Bob died on Sept. 4, 2011 at 97 years old. He was a volunteer for Phelps Hospital delivering newspapers to the hospital's patients. He also was an avid artist and had many exhibitions throughout the local area.

## ❖❖❖ Dates to Remember ❖❖❖

**Auxiliary Bake Sale** - Thursday, December 1st, 8:30AM until all is sold. Sellers and contributors needed.

**Auxiliary Holiday Party** - Thursday, December 8th, 1-4PM. Bring non-perishable food and/or unwrapped toys.

## Welcome to our Newest Volunteers

by Fran Kelly

Lilyvania Diaz	Sleepy Hollow	Administrative
Marc Lamothe	Scarsdale	Care Desk
Jennifer Londono	White Plains	Information Desk
Linda Strong	Briarcliff Manor	Transport
Ivelis Tejada	Bronx	Transport

## News and Notes Nov-Dec 2011 Vol. XIII No. 5

### Editorial Staff, Contributors and Proof-Readers

Jim Goldsmith Nancy Eichorn Jim Reidy  
Pam Cardozo Dennis Corcoran Pat Makai  
Fran Kelly Iris Hill Ruth Burton Joyce Moes

\*\*\* Photos courtesy of Jim Goldsmith \*\*\*

News and Notes is published by the Phelps Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, Sleepy Hollow, NY 10591. Contributions, comments and suggestions are welcome.

Please call the Volunteer Office at (914) 366-3170.

## GIFT SHOP LOBBY SALES

Schedule courtesy of Iris Hill

### NOVEMBER

Thu	11/03	Applause Fashion
Fri	11/04	Active Wear Plus
Mon	11/07	Katya Jewelry
Wed	11/09	The Happy Hatter
Fri	11/11	Classy Karat Jewelry
Tue	11/15	Leather Outlet
Thu	11/17	Full of Sheets
Fri	11/18	A Creative Touch
Tue	11/29	The Glove Lady
Fri	11/30	Harriet Goldstein

### DECEMBER

Thu	12/01	Your Nutz
Fri	12/02	Tupperware
Tue	12/06	Silver Dreams Jewelry
Thu	12/08	Jenny Ng
Fri	12/09	Classy Karat Jewelry
Mon	12/12	Unique Concept Jewelry
Wed	12/14	As Seen on T.V.
Fri	12/16	D & D Jewelry

## Upcoming Auxiliary Board Meetings

Nov. 16 and Dec. 21 - All meetings will be held in the Board Room and will start at 9:00 AM unless otherwise posted.

## Welcome to our Newest Auxilians

Submitted by Nancy Eichorn

Joseph Costa, Mary Jo Frederick, Faye-Ellen Lane  
Kathie Longo, Agnes Peace, Ennio Uccellani

## Phelps Auxiliary

## Honored by Local Historical Society

by Fran Kelly

Each year, the Board of Directors of The Historical Society,



Co-President Mark Frederick accepts an award from Richard Rose of the Historical Society on behalf of the Phelps Auxiliary.

Inc., serving Sleepy Hollow and Tarrytown, honors an individual or group for its work toward historic preservation. This year, the Phelps Memorial Hospital Auxiliary was selected as honoree for preserving and maintaining the historic

1851 James House Mansion. On September 23rd, this award was presented at the Society's annual "Party on the Porch" and accepted by Auxiliary Co-President, Mark Frederick. On behalf of The Historical Society, President Richard E. Rose expressed his deep gratitude to the Auxiliary for preserving this unique community treasure.

PLACE MAILING LABEL HERE

**FIRST CLASS MAIL**

**PHELPS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AUXILIARY  
SLEEPY HOLLOW, NY 10591**

## *Pam's Corner*

*by Pam Cardozo*

**Flu Shots:** This is a reminder that all **active volunteers** may get their seasonal flu shot, at no cost, from Employee Health. Please call the Volunteer Office at 914-366-3170 for the schedule of times when Donna Yetman is available to administer the vaccine.

**Newborn Hearing Screening:** We are pleased to announce that Newborn Hearing Screening has been approved by the Phelps Hospital Auxiliary as a recognized Uniform Service. **Jim Edler** and **Rhoda Stephens** are co-chairpersons. This invaluable service aids in the screening of all newborns for hearing loss and deafness. Volunteers are trained by the Audiologist and supervised by RNs.

**Transport:** Our deep thanks to **Mary Galgano**, who recently retired as Chairperson of Transport Services. Over many years, Mary enhanced this service by updating the training manual and helping orient new volunteers. We are pleased that **Charlie Scatamacchia** has agreed to become the new Transport chairperson.

**Information Desk:** We are grateful to **Anne Caldara**, **Connie Addabbo** and **Barbara Finn** for helping to plan and conduct two recent workshops for Information Desk volunteers. Current procedures were reviewed using a new checklist to ensure that all Information Desk volunteers are up-to-date.

**Cherry Door:** The Cherry Door has sold several books using its new Amazon.com account managed by volunteer **Alice Picon**. Alice tells us that specialized books and text books are very saleable on the Internet. If you have such books or other "gently used" items for resale at the thrift shop, please call 914-631-0470 to arrange for your donation.

**West Wing Reception Desk:** In September, the hospital opened its new West Wing Outpatient Lab, Pain Center and Pre-Surgical Assessment reception area. Located in the space formerly occupied by the Emergency Department, the reception desk is now staffed by a volunteer Monday through Friday.

**Kendal Health Fair:** On October 13, several volunteers and Auxilians participated in the annual Kendal Senior Health Fair. Several Phelps departments were represented as well. The Fair was well attended by Kendal residents and local citizens.

**Special Thanks:** Heartfelt thanks are due to the many volunteers who have pitched in on a moment's notice with enormous hospital mailing projects. They completed their tasks quickly, competently and cheerfully -- we could not have done it without them.

*Please note: Underlined words in the electronic versions of these newsletters are hyperlinks to more information. Be sure to click on them for a fuller reading experience. - ed.*