

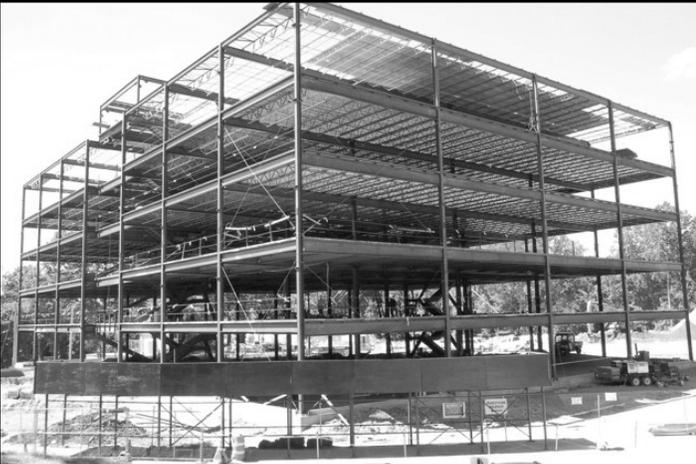
PHELPS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AUXILIARY

News and Notes

Sept—Oct 2006

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EDITED by JIM REIDY



Up, Up and Away!!

The construction of the new office complex and emergency wing of Phelps Memorial Hospital is well under way, as the photos here demonstrate. The change from what was to what now exists is dramatic, particularly to those who have not visited the site in a while. Equally impressive, however, is the precision and speed at which the construction is proceeding. Each day when I come to the hospital for my tour of duty, I take a few moments to stop and watch the workers ply their crafts. From the steel workers, to the welders to the concrete mechanics, each performing their assigned tasks like members of a concert orchestra, it is hard not to watch them in action

and feel as though you are watching a performance. I am amazed each time I visit at the progress made from one week to the next. And all this is being done with so little disruption to the visitors, patients and guests that it hardly gets noticed.

Kudos to the administration for establishing a shuttle service and parking facilities for the employees and a free valet parking service for the visitors to assure that all activities continue to proceed with as little inconvenience as possible. Visitors regularly comment about how fast the progress is happening and rarely complain about the parking.

Phelps continues to serve the public interest and will remain one of the best medical facilities in the area, thanks to the efforts and forward thinking of its administration.

By Jim Reidy



The Auxiliary Craft and Bake Sale is coming up!

When: THURSDAY October 5th
Time: 8:30 AM until SOLD OUT!



delicious food
cool items
all day!



What could be better?
WE NEED BAKERS **AND** HELPERS

PLEASE SIGN UP IN AUXILIARY OFFICE TODAY!

Or call 366-3170

Welcome to our newest volunteers

Jane Forstenzer of Tarrytown
Brendan Higgins of Sleepy Hollow
Sr. Mary Larkin of Hartsdale
Elaine Cooney of Tarrytown
Patricio Cancino of Ossining
Maria Meleski of Irvington

The Auxiliary welcomes the following new members who have joined our illustrious group

Debbie Clark, Luzmila Colon, Elaine Cooney, Jane Forstenzer, Pat Jehle, Nancy Leddy, Patricia Mauro and Joan Pires

GIFT SHOP LOBBY SALES

Thurs.	Sept 7	Melvia Sportswear
Fri.	Sept 8	D & D Jewelry
Wed.	Sept. 13	Tupperware
Thurs.	Sept. 14	Exile CD's
Fri.	Sept. 15	PRA Sterling Jewelry
Wed.	Sept. 20	Sock Exchange
Thurs.	Sept. 21	Echo Linens
Mon.	Sept. 25	Time Plus Watches

Thurs.	Oct. 5	Ring Rage
Fri.	Oct 6	Active Wear Plus
Thurs.	Oct. 12	Angel's Gold Jewelry
Thurs.	Oct. 19	Lillian Wetzel Jewelry
Fri.	Oct. 20	Games & Candles
Wed.	Oct. 25	Save on Sweats
Thurs.	Oct. 25	Books Are Fun
Fri.	Oct. 27	Books Are Fun



The Cherry Door

The Cherry Door thrift shop at 36 Main Street in Tarrytown is in need of new volunteers! We are busy and we need more help! If you, or someone you know, have 2-3 hours a week (or more) to help we'd love to hear from you! We are looking for enthusiastic people, willing to pitch in and eager to make our shop the best it can be. We sell small furniture items, small appliances, housewares, jewelry, etc.

If you are able to donate any of your time for the benefit of our Hospital, or have something you'd like to donate, please call the volunteer Office at (914)366-3170...we need you! C'mon - it's only 2-3 hours a week!



Lord & Taylor Benefit Bash

Once again your Auxiliary is taking part in the Lord & Taylor (Eastchester store only) Benefit Bash on Wednesday, Nov. 8 all day at the store.

Discount tickets are \$5.00 each and allow you a 20% discount on one item in the store, and 15% off all other items purchased that day with no limit to the number of items you can purchase, and virtually all items in the store are available (including fragrances and cosmetics which are usually withheld from events such as this).

Last year was our first and it was very successful and we hope to build on that this coming year. There were many people in the store who actually found many items they wanted to purchase at the 20% discount, so they came back and paid the \$5.00 each for extra tickets, because the savings more than made up for the cash outlay.

The Auxiliary keeps all of the money collected from ticket sales before the event and splits all in store sales on Bash Day with the other charities involved.

We will be setting up ticket selling tables in the cafeteria, or you can contact Jim Goldsmith at (914)762-0568 for more information.

Barclay Classic Golf Tournament



Thanks to a few Auxilians (next year we really need many more to help) the Auxiliary was able to generate \$7000 from the PGA Tour. By selling tickets to the tournament, the Auxiliary was paid a percentage in return.

We have not participated in this event in many years, and it is my hope that we will be able to do it again next year, when the Barclay Classic becomes one of four designated FedEx tournaments to carry a very large monetary prize.

Next year's Classic will also be held in August instead of June and should include all the top players in the world.

Plan to help us out by buying and selling tickets.



President's Message

We're back! After a brief summer break, the Auxiliary is back and ready to tackle the good news and bad news for the coming year. My hope is that the good will greatly outweigh the bad. I hope your summer was a good one and you were able to do some things not usually done in winter. My family and I went to Israel for two weeks, and of course the Hezbollah decided that while we were over there to start what later proved to be a devastating outbreak of hostilities for both sides. Fortunately we had left Northern Israel two days before the rockets started landing there, and we felt perfectly safe in Jerusalem. As a matter of fact, it was easier to leave Israel from their airport during the fighting than it was getting there from JFK when there was no fighting.

The construction of the new Medical Office building is progressing on time and the expectation is that by the time winter comes, the shell will be up, so there will be no lost time because of snow, etc.

Ground has been broken for our new Emergency Department, and we are eagerly awaiting the pre-fab modules of our new parking garage sometime in October. All in all, a very exciting time for Phelps!

In this issue of News & Notes you will find a flyer for the lottery for the Champagne Ball. Please read the rules to enter the Champagne Ball lottery carefully, as I wouldn't want anyone disqualified who has been chosen. It is always a fun night, and this year is being held at Trump Country Club in Briarcliff. Please also consider helping out at the bake sale. It's always fun and always a success. Be part of that success!

Please also don't forget to contribute to and patronize the Cherry Door in Tarrytown and if you want to hold any kind of social occasion, the James House is always available.

Jim Goldsmith, President

Pam's Corner

By Pam Cardozo

Annual Health Assessments

A friendly reminder that for those volunteers who are overdue for your annual Health Assessment, you can pick up the required form from the Volunteer Office. Please check with the Volunteer Office and we will be happy to schedule an appointment for you to see the Employee Nurse, and give you any other required paperwork for completion.



New Volunteer Website

Our volunteer website is up and running and we have received several applications from prospective volunteers. Log on to <http://www.phelpshospital.org/volunteers/index.php>. Prospective volunteers can read about our program, learn about our opportunities and complete an application on-line. To date we have received ten on-line applications! The next step will be to add pictures of our current volunteers in action. We are entering the computer age!! Please look us up!

Thank you
Junior
Volunteers



Volunteer Dinner

Our annual volunteer dinner was held on June 28 at the James House with approximately 115 attendees. Dinner was provided by Grapevine Gourmet Caterers and received rave reviews.

After dinner we raffled off about forty gifts and plants. A red windbreaker jacket was the gift this year and everyone seemed very happy with the choice. Throughout the evening we had lovely piano music and following dinner our volunteers enjoyed a sing-along with our pianist, Dan Moriarty. The evening was a great success and a good time was had by all! Thank you one and all for volunteering!



What a summer! This year we had a fabulous group of approximately 40 local high school students working in various areas of the Hospital during the summer months. These students worked at the Information Desk, the ER, Silver Spoons, Administrative Support and Transport. They were a fantastic group of young people and all the feedback has been the same from everyone who came into contact with them.

The majority of the students worked in our Transport Service. Since most of our senior volunteers in Transport take some well-earned time off during the summer, our juniors have been invaluable and made it possible for the Transport service to continue without interruption. Congratulations to our junior volunteers and thank you for a job well done!

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Meet our volunteers

by Joyce Moes

Marion Brown

After being widowed in January 2005, Marion decided to become a volunteer at Phelps. She has lived all her life in Tarrytown, raising two sons, one of whom is the Police Chief in Tarrytown and the other working for NBC in Finance. Marion's husband, Roy, was a volunteer in the Emergency Room for about three years.

Before Marion retired, she worked as an Office Manager for Family Services in Westchester County, three days a week. Working with people and organizing the office as manager was extremely rewarding. As a volunteer at the Cherry Door, her work experience has proven valuable in helping customers, organizing, sorting and pricing items for sale. Marion told me that she enjoys meeting and helping different people at the Cherry Door; with every day bringing a new experience. We sincerely hope that she will continue to enjoy her good work and be with us as a volunteer for a long time.

Jerry Sobelson

Jerry is a newcomer to Briarcliff and to volunteering. A retired dentist from Long Island, he moved to this area with his wife, Marna, just one year ago. They have four daughters and six grandchildren. Jerry is one of those guys who is always ready to go the extra mile. He started volunteering in our Transport Service. He always welcomed new volunteers to Transport and acted as a mentor to those newcomers. When we needed someone for our Library Service, Jerry was there, ready, willing and able. He has helped us sort out thousands of magazines and books and offers them to patients...always with a smile. With Jerry's direction we are trying to get magazines for the Spanish-speaking patients in the hospital.

Jerry and his wife enjoyed traveling, especially a safari trip to Africa. Now that his traveling days to other lands are over, he feels that his purpose is to help others in need, as well as to be occupied and happy. We are very grateful to Jerry

In Memoriam

Ryan James Hickey

We offer our sincere condolences to Jean (Scott) See and her family on the sudden loss of her son, Ryan James Hickey. Jean is a member of the Auxiliary and was a long-time volunteer at Phelps. She volunteered as Co-chair of the Gift Shop for many years, worked on the Golf Classic and the Phelps Fair, and was obviously a very active member of Phelps' volunteer team.

John Arduino

We offer our condolences to Gertrude Arduino, one of our retired volunteers, on the recent death of her husband, John.

Anne Doyle McGuire

Our sincerest condolences to the family and friends of Anne McGuire of Tarrytown, for their loss. Anne was a member of the Auxiliary from 1989 through 2006 and was a very dedicated volunteer who worked in the Gift Shop for many years.

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We are looking for YOU..

The newsletter committee is always looking for people to help out with writing articles and bringing in fresh ideas. If you'd like to be a part, please contact Jim Reidy at (914) 271-5403.