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# President's Message

# Pat Ray

Happy September! As the summer winds down to shorter and cooler days—and hopefully a little less rain—I hope each of you had a relaxing and fun-filled season. I am happy to see the return of those who took a little time off over the summer with many thanks to the junior and college volunteers who worked in your stead.

Select Selects Thrift Shop celebrated their recent renovations with a grand re-opening celebration on Saturday, August 4. There was a line waiting to enter the shop and we were very happy to see our regular customers as well as some fresh faces. Cheryl Cioffi and many from senior leadership as well as the FMH family came down to see the new look and score some great deals. We plan additional celebrations to commemorate our 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary at our present location so stay tuned!

The Gift Shop is preparing for the change to the fall and then to the holiday season! It is hard to believe that "pumpkin spice" everything will soon be upon us. Please stop in and see the wonderful displays and merchandise. We will be implementing a 10% discount (for more details, see the R&A Committee report on page 6) for all volunteers at both the Gift Shop and Select Seconds, so please keep this in mind when doing your holiday decorating and shopping.

We welcome Joanne Bradshaw and Ginny Peters as co-chairs for our offcampus sites. They will be representing the Cancer Center, Rose Hill and Crestwood volunteers on the Auxiliary Board. We have some additional openings for chairs as well. The Library Cart and the Tree of Lights committees are both in need of a chair. The Intensive Care Unit also is in dire need for some additional volunteers. If you are interested in serving in any of these capacities, please let me know. I may be contacted at the volunteer office (240-566-3567), via email at pray@fmh.org or you may leave a note in my box.

As always, I wish to thank each one of you for the work that you do on behalf of the Auxiliary, the hospital, and our patients and their families. The 82,464 hours that you worked over the last year is a testament to your dedication.

# **President's Letter**

Dear Friends,

Another summer is coming to a close already. I hope it has been relaxing for you. I'm sure we will all enjoy summer weather for a few more weeks.

I want to thank all of you who have been involved in the renovations and grand reopening of Select Seconds. The store looks beautiful and we are pleased to have so many people in the community stopping by to shop and to drop off donations. We are so fortunate to have your dedicated efforts to ensure its success.

I appreciate the funds you raise for the hospital at Select Seconds, but I'm also proud of the service you provide to our community. Select Seconds is a valuable part of downtown Frederick and everyone is pleased to have it open once again. I have heard so many positive comments about the store and the merchandise you are selling.

I want to tell you about our new partnerships with Hood College and Mount St. Mary's University (MSMU). Our Monocacy Health Partners physicians are providing services for both students and staff at Hood College at our FMH Tollhouse location. Services include primary care, urgent care, sports physicals, women's health, men's health, health and wellness, and mental health.

MHP will provide healthcare to students at MSMU on its campus. Services include primary care, urgent care, sports physicals, women's health, men's health, and health and wellness.

This is an important collaboration with our community partners to ensure that college students have access to the care they need while attending school. These students are part of the community we serve and we want to ensure their access to high quality healthcare.

Thank you for your work for the Collective Goods sale last month. Many employees still refer to it as the "book" sale even though we know we can purchase all types of gift items including electronics and home goods. This sale is always a welcome event for staff and visitors.

As always, the senior team and I are appreciative of the many ways in which you volunteer your time and talent to make our health system a warm and welcoming place for our community. Thank you for all that you do.

Best regards,

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Tom Kleinhanzl President and CEO Frederick Regional Health System

# **Director's Letter**

As a big fan of fall weather (but not so much a fan of hot, humid summer weather), let me say, "Welcome fall!" I would like to thank all of you who volunteered over the summer months, especially those who were involved with training our new Junior and/or College student volunteers. Even without having children or grandchildren of school age, there is something exciting about "back to school" time. It gives me the feeling of getting settled and ready to get moving forward and find new things to do. I hope you can find something new to pique your interest, too.

Flu vaccines for all actively working volunteers will be coming soon. Please stay tuned for emails, memos, bulletin board postings with days/times to come in for your vaccine. We want all of you to enjoy a healthy winter!

Speaking of winter—do you live close to the hospital or don't mind driving in bad weather? Would you be willing to come in to help during a snowfall? Please let either your service chair or the volunteer office know if you are available to help.

Do you receive my emails? If you want to receive updates on what is happening at FMH and informative articles, please let me know (email: shannaby@fmh.org) so that I can add you to our email group. Don't miss out!

Always!!



#### <u>Gift Shop</u>

Gift Shop profits for the month of July was \$11,083.59.

#### **Profits from Sales**

Profit for the "Pretty Pickins" sale held on August 2 was \$631.99. Profit for the "Books Are Fun" sale held August 22-24 was \$1,526.20.

## Hour-by-Hour

Total hours in July 2018: 7312.50 by 439 volunteers—

College: 1007.00 hours by 54 volunteers Junior: 1071.50 hours by 91 volunteers Senior: 5234.00 hours by 294 volunteers



# **Membership Dues**

#### **Sharen Neale**

Thanks to all of you (409 members) who have paid your dues for this year! There are still a few people who need to submit them, as the absolute deadline is October 1<sup>st</sup>. If you are actively volunteering and haven't paid by that date, in accordance with the bylaws: *"Members in default shall forfeit all rights and privileges of membership and not be allowed to volunteer or participate in the activities of the Auxiliary."* 

Also, if you are on a leave of absence and intend to come back and continue volunteering before June 30, 2019, you are expected to pay your dues on time, because you are still receiving a newsletter and are included in any activities and invitations during that time. Questions or concerns? Contact me at SNeale-FMHA@comcast.net or 301-378-2543.

**Hours Committee** 

**Mary Lou Minnick** 

# **Gift Shop**

Fall will soon be here, and it will be time for a new season of school. Stop by and check out our collection of pens, pencils, scented erasers, and journals. We also have some Ty Beanie backpacks. We have lighthouse tea pots, ceramic mice, and fall pumpkins.

Remember we are now opening up at 7:00 am on the last Tuesday of the month for the employees who work late nights.

Please welcome Shirley Fillgrove, our newest volunteer to the Gift Shop. Shirley is working the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday mornings. We are currently looking for volunteers to work two shifts. The first is the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm. The second is the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays from 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm. See Sharon Hannaby in the volunteer office if you might be interested.

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## **Volunteer Award Hours**

Joann Ramsburg





There is great news for all volunteers! Our wonderful FMH Gift Shop and Select Seconds located at 8 East Patrick Street will give you a 10% discount on all purchases—with the exception of flowers, magazines, sodas, candy, chips, stamps and sale items at the Gift Shop—made providing you have your badge with you when checking out. So, don't forget to have your badge with you when buying anything at these places. This is not a one-time offer but is a benefit available to all volunteers at any time.

The Recruitment and Appreciation Committee will welcome any volunteers who would like to plan and organize various events throughout the year. We already have a great group of volunteers and are looking for additional volunteers to join us in planning and organizing. The committee meets on the third Thursday of each month with the first meeting being on Thursday, September 20 at 1:00 P.M. in the cafeteria. Please contact Jan Lounsbury at 50gayle@verizon.net if you are interested in joining this committee or just have questions about it.



#### **Select Seconds Notes**

Pam Schaffert

The grand reopening of Select Seconds on August 4<sup>th</sup> was a huge success! Customers were lined up outside the door an hour before we opened and our newly renovated store did not disappoint. We received many compliments on the store's updated look as well as warm praise for our dedicated volunteers.

The public was ecstatic that we were back in business and we have received many donations since the reopening. We are trying our hardest to get the new items sorted, priced, and on the shelf for you!

Please stop by Select Seconds at 8 E. Patrick Street, Frederick, MD, (Ph.: 301-662-8280) and check out our great selection of fall and winter clothing, shoes, jewelry, accessories, housewares, and collectibles. We look forward to seeing you soon! Remember to bring your volunteer badge to be eligible to take advantage of the 10% discount.

# **IN MEMORIAM**

Bernice Sewell, FMH Family and Auxiliary Member, passed away August 2, 2018, at the age of 89.

Bernice was chairman of the Auxiliary Library Cart Service for 14 years. She started volunteering with FMH in February of 1996 and served on the library cart service, helped in the volunteer office, and worked on fundraising sales.

For many years, Bernice made sure that the Easter Bunny and Santa Claus had gifts for each patient and visited with staff and patients on Halloween and other holidays. Her last day as a volunteer was June 12 of this year. Bernice had 6846 hours of service to the hospital.

Her obituary is posted at http://www.keeneybasford.com/memsol.cgi?user\_id=2126482.

Bernice will be missed at FMH.



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#### **CURRENT RESIDENT OR:**



October 17-18: Uniform Sale—Auxiliary Conference Room October 24, 25, 26: \$6.00 Sale—Cafeteria November 27: Mindy's Jewelry Sale—Cafeteria December 13-14: Fudgie Wudgie Sale—Cafeteria December 17, 18, and 19: Books are Fun--Cafeteria