

# Volunteer News

For the volunteers of Charleston Area Medical Center and its affiliates



Charleston Area  
Medical Center

October 2025



## New Volunteers

W= Women & Children's

G= General

M= Memorial

T= Teays Valley

**Larry Barsh M**

**Susan Bonnette M**

**Anshu Haricharan G**

**Larry Miller G**

**Dilip Nagisetty M**

**Brandy Wade M**



## UPCOMING Events



October 2, 2025	TVH Books R Fun Sale at the Cancer Center
October 8, 2025	Sewing Bee – All welcome! 12-4, General Room 101-102
October 14, 2025	WCH Masquerade Sale
October 14, 2025	General Auxiliary Meeting 10am
October 15, 2025	Blood Drive General Hospital 11am – 4pm)
October 15, 2025	Memorial Auxiliary Meeting 1pm
October 21, 2025	Memorial In the Bag Sale
October 22, 2025	Memorial In the Bag Sale
October 22, 2025	TVH Gift Shop Clearance Sale
October 30, 2025	General Masquerade Sale
October 31, 2025	General Masquerade Sal



November 5, 2025	General Flag Ceremony 10:30am Memorial Flag Ceremony 12:30pm
November 6, 2025	TVH Renee's Birkenstock Sale
November 6-7 2025	Volunteer Services Annual Planning Retreat Office Closed
November 10, 2025	TVH Renee's Birkenstock Sale at the OPC
November 11, 2025	General Auxiliary Meeting 10am
November 11, 2025	TVH Auxiliary Meeting 2pm
November 12, 2025	Memorial Books R Fun Sale
November 13, 2025	Memorial Books R Fun Sale
November 13, 2025	TVH Uniform Sale
November 14, 2025	Memorial Books R Fun Sale
November 17, 2025	Memorial Blood Drive 10am-4pm
November 17, 2025	WCH Auxiliary Meeting 5pm
November 19, 2025	Memorial Auxiliary Meeting 1pm
November 20, 2025	WCH Masquerade Sale at the Cancer Center
November 21, 2025	WCH Books R Fun Sale
November 24, 2025	WCH Blood Drive 11:30a-4:30pm
November 24, 2025	General Books R Fun Sale
November 25, 2025	General Books R Fun Sale
November 27-28, 2025	Thanksgiving Holiday Office Closed



December 2, 2025	TVH Auxiliary Holiday Luncheon
December 3, 2025	Memorial Auxiliary Holiday Luncheon
December 5, 2025	WCH Auxiliary Holiday Luncheon
December 9, 2025	WCH Rocky Mountain Candy Sale

December 10, 2025	Memorial Masquerade Sale
December 11, 2025	Memorial Masquerade Sale
December 11, 2025	TVH Rocky Mountain Candy Sale
December 11, 2025	General Auxiliary Holiday Luncheon
December 12, 2025	Memorial Masquerade Sale
December 12, 2025	Memorial Blood Drive 10am-4pm
December 24-25, 2025	Merry Christmas Office Closed
December 29, 2025	General Blood Drive 11a-4p
December 31, 2025	New Year's Eve Office Closed



We are thrilled to announce that 2 of our own have been recognized with the CAMC Vandalia Health Heart & Soul award. Their award will be presented at the annual volunteer appreciation luncheon in April.

See the nomination below. And the next time you see Sherry or April, thank them for being awesome representatives of Volunteer Services. We are also so grateful that the volunteer who fell is ok! 😊😊



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Volunteers regularly let us know if they can't make their scheduled shift.

One of our General volunteers, who is always diligent about calling when she can't serve, unexpectedly did not show up for her shift.

When **Sherry Combs**, the General volunteer and auxiliary president, noticed the volunteer's absence, she immediately reached out to the volunteer coordinator, **April Tyree**.

The two began calling and trying every way they could to get in touch with the volunteer.

When there was still no response and knowing this volunteer was elderly and lived alone—they grew concerned and called 911 to request a well-being check.

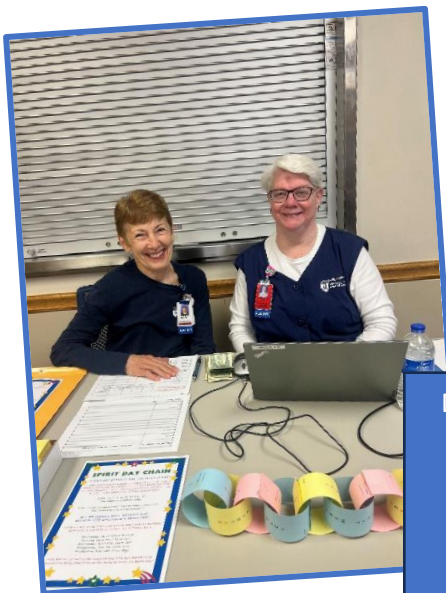
EMS entered the home and discovered the volunteer at the bottom of the stairs. She had fallen three days earlier and was badly injured.

Thanks to the quick thinking and persistence of these ladies, this volunteer likely had her life saved.



### Spring Volunteer Facts & Snacks

\_\_Volunteers learned about  
Safety and Security at CAMC at  
the Learning Center.



Volunteers can serve  
their hospitals  
auxiliary by working  
sales. Ask how you  
can get involved?



Did you know that last year our auxiliaries  
donated over \$241,000 to our hospitals  
through projects and special purchases?

Do YOU want to be part of that?

Ask us how!!!



Each quarter, volunteers serve our  
Emergency Department teams with special  
items from a CHEER cart! Our Emergency  
Department staff work so hard! Hopefully a  
little 'cheer' shows our appreciation!

Do YOU want to help with this project?



Each year, CAMC hosts a Workforce Recognition Dinner at the Civic Center to recognize workforce members who have reached milestone years of service. Congratulations to the volunteers who were recognized for milestone years. These are the beautiful ladies who attended the Dinner in 2025



CAMC Volunteers go to Stonewall Resort for state Auxiliary conference in May with other hospitals in the state. Sound like fun? Ask us how to get involved!





CAMC's Annual Poinsettias that are gifted to department leaders from Dr. Crotty will be delivered on **Monday December 8**. We will need 4-5 volunteers from each hospital to deliver poinsettias to offices/departments in the hospital.

**If you are willing to help with this, please call the office at 304-388-7426 for details.**

### **STAFF APPRECIATION**

Memorial Hospital Employee Appreciation rallied our Healing Hounds for a few hours of pet therapy for their staff.

It was a much needed event for the hospital staff. Thank you Hounds and Humans for all you do!



Steve, Cactus Jack and Colin



Tatem and Reggie



Nikki, Denali, Jim and Jordan

# 2025 Volunteers of the Year



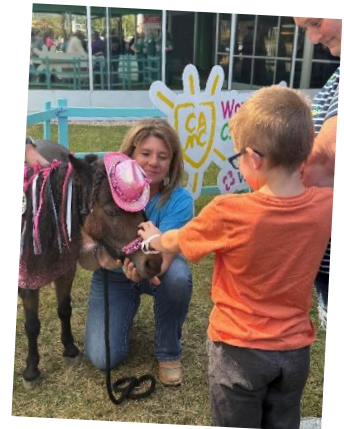
Jan Kessler  
Women and  
Children's  
Auxiliary  
Volunteer of  
the Year



Becky Meadows  
Memorial  
Hospital Auxiliary  
Volunteer of the  
Year



Did you know that your volunteer auxiliary's sponsor bringing **'Itty Bitty Horses'** to our hospitals? This event is a huge morale boost and SMILES ONLY zone for employees, patients, and passersby! Would you like to be a part of these great events? Ask us how!!!



General Hosp  
room 101-102

## Volunteer Sewing Bee



October 8,  
12-4

**Purpose:** To bring CAMC volunteers together for a time of creativity and socializing to learn and create chemo port pillows for patients undergoing chemotherapy.

**Goal for this Sewing Bee:** Minimum of 25 port pillows,

**What is a port pillow:** A small protective cushion used on a seatbelt to provide comfort to patients that have ports, caths or other type of infusion ports implanted in sensitive areas. The port pillow relieves pressure, irritation and discomfort from the seatbelt.



We will be using a pattern from the website [createtodonate.org](http://createtodonate.org)

**How can you help:** The sewing bee is for everyone, not just sewers. Of course, sewers are needed, but so are others that can cut, measure and stuff the port pillows. ***No experience is required!***

**What do you need to bring:** Nothing required but please bring your Scissors or rotary cutters/mats and a sewing machine if you have one. We will provide fabric, thread, Velcro, pins and a sewing machine.

***This is our first sewing bee, and we would like to make it a success! Please come, enjoy an afternoon of helping to make port pillows to comfort our cancer patients while meeting new people and having fun!***

