

VOLUNTEER NEWSLETTER

Connections

Happy Volunteer Week

We hope we express our gratitude on a regular basis, but we want to do so especially this month during national volunteer week. Thank you for all you do. Volunteers are such an important part of the mission of Roper St.



Francis Healthcare it is difficult to imagine our health system without your presence. You touch so many patient lives daily and make this a special and fun place to work. So many of you are our personal role models and the friendships that develop between co-volunteers and teammates delight us.

National Volunteer Week is April 21 - 27, 2024. Volunteer recognition week events are planned for each facility. Please touch base with your volunteer manager for details.

> Rebecca Buffum Trudi Campbell Peg Hughes Marianne Seabrook

Let's Go Blue!

We're cheering for the RSFH volunteers! Roper Hospital and RSF Mount Pleasant Hospital have joined the blue team with Berkeley and BSSF. All four hospitals now look dashing in blue uniforms.



Volunteers Earn Rave Reviews!

We love hearing good things about our volunteers! RSFH department staff members have recently shared these comments about our team members:

Adam Berkowitz: Our new Guitarist in Residence is making music at MPH and people are enjoying his upbeat songs!

Donna Benson-Kennedy: Donna is a HUGE part of our RSFH Eye Center team! She goes over and beyond helping the nurses in whatever way is needed within her abilities to do so as a volunteer. We truly could not ask for anyone better and she is missed when not here!

Chip Johnson: Chip is a great person. His personality is so positive and bright. He brings sunshine to every person he meets at Roper Hospital.

Maureen Minaudo: One of our most beloved and dedicated. She has blessed many!!

BH Pre-op and Post-op volunteer teams: We love our VOLUNTEERS! They literally save us every day!

Peyton Nugent: We love Peyton and miss her when she's not here. She's awesome!

To Our Volunteers

You've been so very good to us. You've been kind in every way. You've made us treats and helped On all our special days. Today we'd like to thank you For all you've done this year, And to tell you that you're special And so very, very dear. Today we'd like to tell you In our own special way; We appreciate the things you've done More than words can say.

Volunteer Opportunities

Berkeley Hospital: Golf Cart Drivers on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday - flexible hours. Post-op volunteers needed on Monday and Thursday afternoons, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. New opportunities coming soon with Infusion and Med/Surg areas. Bon Secours St. Francis Hospital: Main Information Desk Greeter needed Monday, 12 - 4 p.m. and Thursday, 12-4 p.m., Friday 8 a.m. -12 noon and Saturday 2 - 6 p.m. Lobby ambassador morning shift. Mt. Pleasant Hospital: Greeter and Golf Cart Driver Friday morning shift, 8 a.m. - 12 noon. Information Desk Thursday morning shift, 8 a.m. - 12 noon. Mammography Suite Tuesday morning, 8 a.m. - 12 noon and Friday, 12 noon - 4 p.m. Medical Office Building Greeter weekday morning shifts, 8 a.m. - 12 noon.

Roper Hospital: Welcomes volunteers interested in Information Desk, Lobby Ambassadors, and Admitting Escorts on Monday, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. and Thursday.

*All locations welcome volunteers interested in serving as Pet Therapy, visual artists, and musicians.

C.C. Volunteers Needed

We're looking for volunteers to serve as our joyful ambassador of Roper St. Francis Healthcare!

Being C.C. requires you to:

- Be quiet. There's no talking when you are in costume.
- Stay anonymous. No one is supposed to know who's in the costume.
- Bring the energy. We love an enthusiastic personality!
- Wear the Circle of Care costume (and tights). We have sizes available to fit anyone, and the sphere portion of the costume slips on over your head and rests mainly on your shoulders. We also have an ice vest to keep you cool while you're C.C.
- Be professional. You're representing RSFH but we want you to have fun.
- Be responsible for the costume. Both pickup and drop-off of all of C.C.'s belongings must be coordinated with the Marketing department.

C.C. volunteers are gifted swag from marketing for their participation! To be a part of RSFH's Mascot Program, email Mary Ruth at <u>mary.rickenbaker@rsfh.com</u>.

Volunteer News

- RSF Mt. Pleasant Hospital pet therapy dog Lucey recently placed 2nd in the junior division at Dock Dogs Competition during SEWE. Catherine, her mom and handler, said she earned the nickname "Flying Floof" after just a few jumps. Way to go, Lucey!
- Berkeley and BSSF Hospitals will participate in the Caring Community Drive, benefiting the Greer Transitions Clinic, April 8 - 19. There will be donation bins for new





toiletries (toothbrush, toothpaste, shampoo, etc.)

- Farewell to Carolyn and Oakley Burson on their move to Beaufort. We will miss their pet therapy and joy that they spread each week. Thank you for your dedication and service these past two years!
- Do you enjoy gardening? BSSF gardens need attention during the morning hours. Consider spending time in the coolness of our gardens while clearing the walkways. This is an ideal job for families looking for a place they can work together and provide a space outside in which others can meditate or sit quietly while their loved one is in the hospital.
- As part of our Arts in Medicine program, Roper St. Francis Mount Pleasant Hospital hosted a six-week oil painting class with Charles DeAntonio, local master artist and teacher. Participants walked away with an original oil painting of their own and knowledge of color



templates, as well as a greater appreciation of art and its effect on health and well-being.

With Sympathy

We are deeply saddened on the loss of Mark Kaye, Volunteer. Mark served the hospital as a volunteer for seven years and gave over 1,000 hours. He worked in the mailroom at Mount Pleasant Hospital. Please keep Mark's family in your prayers.

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Volunteer Birthdays

April

Nancy Hahn, Tracey Brewer, Mary Behr, Barbara Wiggins, Diane Probst, Bailey Huttig, Leslie Fry, Carl Fosseen, Jennifer Redmond, Timothy Reed

May

Lydia Nazario, Sherry Looman, Kay Travinski, Mike Witte, Judy Drinlard, Job Dieleman, Susan Morris, Lauren Sullivan, Maryann Czarnecki, Bob Driscoll, Mary Schall, Eileen Anderson, June Bell, Denise Bamond, Gale Matthews, Jim Mazzero, Chrissy Constantine, Gail Kelly, Marilyn Shaw, Jade Dockery, Liz Digiore, Paula Twigg



RSFH's Arts in Medicine program offers regular art events at each hospital. This program is looking for visual artists of all kinds, musicians, performing artists, poets, writers and other creatives to volunteer their time.

Upcoming Events

Olde Pipes Quartet 4/2, 12 - 1 p.m., Roper Hospital

Holly Slice, Visiting Musician, will be rounding on patient units at all four hospitals.

4/15, 10 a.m. - 12 noon, BSSF Hospital 4/16, 10 a.m. - 12 noon, RSF Mount Pleasant Hospital 4/17, 1 - 3 p.m., Roper Hospital 4/18, 2 - 4 p.m., RSF Berkeley Hospital

Tyler Blanton, Watercolor Artist, will be in the lobby painting and displaying her works. Artist in Residence, Jann Owens will discuss and showcase oil painting. 4/17, 11 a.m. -12:30 p.m., MPH

Ongoing Events

Thursdays - Paula Printerpe, harpist (BSSF)

Second and Fourth Wednesdays - Art Klein, guitarist and singer (BSSF)

Third Wednesday - Kevin Kreamer, Guitarist in Residence, will stroll patient units to brighten our patients' and team-mates' day. (MPH)

Upcoming Events

Celebrate!

National Volunteer Week April 21 - 27 National Nurses Week May 6 - 12 National Healthcare/Hospital Week May 12 - 18

Look for festivities at your facility.

Welcome New RSFH Volunteers

Berkeley Hospital: Welcome new volunteers Makirah Gamble, Dick Prevatte, Susan Schreffler, Arik Ahsan, Kathy Klochkoff, Almaree Elayda, Mary Richardson, Noel Salinda, Carol Gardy, Kristin Heider, Judy Drinkard, Job Dieleman, Keely Ryan, Sue Verderber, and Pamela Pound

Bon Secours St. Francis Hospital: Welcome Adrian Anderson and Lily Bryson, Phelbotomy; Helin Bligis and Sylvia Williams, Information Desk; Caitlin Costa, 2nd Maria; Leslie Fry, Nursery; Cheryl Hamill, Special Projects; Kathy McDaniel, Lobby Ambassador; Dianne Probst, Cancer Center Info Desk; Jennifer Redmond and Shanna Slye, Infusion.

Mt. Pleasant Hospital: Welcome new volunteers Matthew Dang, ER; Michelle Everton, Information Desk; Linda Hanf, Minnie Pearl, Meena, and Mae Belle, Pet Therapy; Adam Berkowitz, Guitarist. Welcome back, Jean Autullo and Anthony Favaro. Roper Hospital: Welcome new volunteers Olivia Phillips and Cris Dickason.

Leaving Active Service

As summer approaches some members change schedules and we welcome new students and volunteers. Should you leave active volunteer service or your student observation role for any reason, be sure to contact your manager to close your health file and turn in your ID badge. Things happen, life gets busy! If you are inactive without notice for a month we need to place you on "inactive" status to keep our files current so keep us in the loop.

Bon Secours St. Francis Hospital

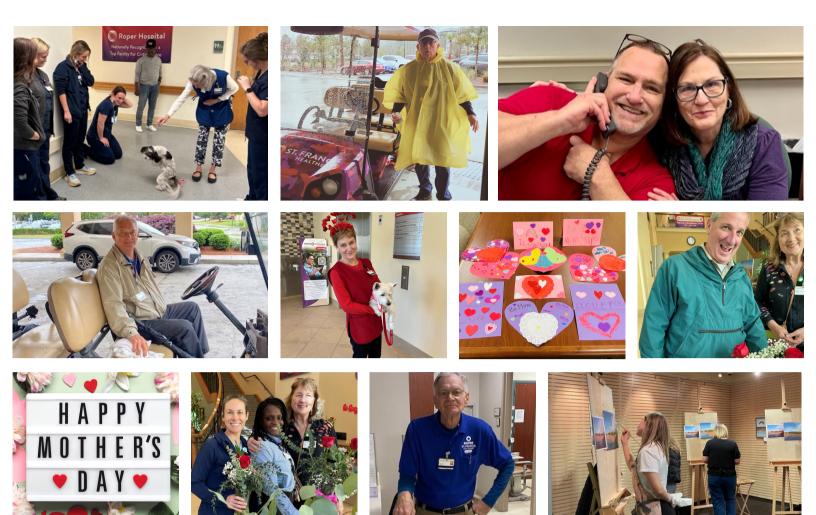
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Volunteering is a work of heart. Thanks for all that you do!















