A FEW WORDS FROM THE PRESIDENT....SUSIE ROBERTSON

Fall is here, and you know what that means...it’s time for our Annual Fall Conference on October 21st. You should be receiving your invitation with all the information soon. I hope we will have a large group in attendance, as the SCAHA board has planned an excellent meeting for you.

My two year term as SCAHA President will end after the Fall Conference, and I will be “turning over the gavel” to your newly elected President. I want to thank everyone for the wonderful opportunity to serve each of your Auxiliaries throughout the state of South Carolina. It has been a true joy and honor getting to know everyone while I have been your SCAHA President. I have enjoyed working with my talented board, and I feel we have accomplished a lot, and planned excellent conferences. My next duty on the SCAHA board will be as the Immediate Past President and Nominating Chairman. Thank you for allowing me the honor to serve you as your state President.

The Fall Conference guest speaker will be Dr. Ken Culp from the University of Kentucky. Ken will educate and entertain us. And speaking of entertainment, we are privileged to have the “Senior Follies To Go” from Anderson County!

After lunch we will hold our election and installation of the new 2014-2016 officers. The Slate of Officers:

- Doris Bramlett - SCAHA President
- Marje Warner - SCAHA President-Elect
- Kathy Boivin - SCAHA Secretary
- Bobby Chapman - SCAHA Treasurer

Again, thank you for your support during my term as your SCAHA President. I know the new 2014-2016 President and Board of Directors will continue to educate and lead SCAHA’s Auxiliaries into the future.

I’m looking forward to seeing everyone at the Fall Conference in Columbia on October 21st.

Susie Robertson
SCAHA President

NEXT HOTLINE DUE
DECEMBER 10, 2014
EAST COOPER MEDICAL CENTER

VOLUNTEER SERVICES ORGANIZATION (VSO)

The Volunteers from East Cooper have all returned from their vacations, and are ready for their mandatory Annual Recertification. They will also receive their TB and flu shots to continue volunteering.

We held a very successful linen sale with Geneva Linens in August. Jewelry Is Fun came for 2 days in September, and their sister company, Books Are Fun, will be coming to us in October.

We hope that many of you will attend the SCAHA Fall Conference on October 21st. We are proud of East Cooper’s volunteer, Susie Robertson, who has done a wonderful job the last 2 years as SCAHA President. This is the last official duty of hers as state President, as new officers will be elected at this meeting. Susie will serve 2 more years on the state board as Past President and Nominating Chairman.

Our Annual Awards Luncheon will be held on November 13th, and a Holiday Crafts and Arts Fair will take place on November 21st.

We continue to purchase engraved spoons for the nursery staff to give out to new parents. These are wonderful keepsakes for the new babies born at East Cooper.

A new service area has been added, and they have their own uniforms-monogrammed blue polo shirts to wear when on duty. The Comprehensive Joint Program service area now has 7 volunteers, and is in the process of firming up duties to provide any assistance needed to patients who are having joint surgery.

CEO Jason Alexander continues to attend our monthly board meetings to keep us up on all the news about our hospital. On September 18th, an Open House and dedication for the new Mullis Building took place. The building is named for Danny Mullis, Chairman of the Board at ECMC. He also told us that East Cooper has received a second consecutive “Circle of Excellence” award from Tenet Healthcare! Two new operating rooms will be opening soon, and new signage will better identify the entire hospital complex.

HAPPY FALL!!!

Submitted By Susie Robertson
Greetings everyone from Dillon McLeod Medical Center! We are winding down the saga of the perennial long hot summer with promises of Fall on the way! It has been long and hot, however, with enough rain at times to keep the gardens, yards and crops flourishing for what appears to be an abundant harvest and for that we are thankful.

Auxilians have been busy with their schedules in the Pink Dogwood Gift Shop and are awaiting new Fall merchandise along with numerous projects in the planning. The first meeting resumes on September 17 with a full agenda. Roxanna Tinsley of the Mcleod Foundation Board will discuss what the Foundation is and how it is involved with the Dillon Campus. Abby Lambert will join her and explain the telemetry monitoring in Cardiac Rehab.

In October we will undergo HIPPA Training, mandatory for all auxilians. Please mark your calendars for this important seminar. Dr. Marla Hardenbergh, OB/GYN will speak on Pelvic Health. We will all be looking forward to SCAHA Fall Conference in Columbia on October 21. This always promises to be a great time of networking, great speakers, visiting with and making new friends.

Various fundraising projects are underway. Betty Stout has a full lineup beginning with our Annual Bridge Benefit on Thursday, October 23. The late Bee McQueen and a past-president, traditionally did the bulk of the planning for this event. Bee recently passed away, she will be sorely missed, however, in her honor we will be going forth with this as it has become a community event and something everyone looks forward to.

Our annual luncheon will be held at Twin Lakes Country Club on November 19 at which time new officers will be elected. Other dates of interest are the Pee Dee Heart Walk on October 18, a handbag sale on November 21 and Masquerade Jewelry Sale December 1, 2, 3. This brings us through November and up to Christmas which is just around the corner once Fall is here!

Other dates of importance are blood drives September 30 and December 18 in conjunction with the American Red Cross chaired by Dorothy Carmichael.

2014 has been a productive year in many respects: We have gained Glenda Campbell, Ann Coaxum, Janet Holder, Debra Johnson, Ruthabell Nance Jonavice Green Richardson and Judy Sanderson as new members. Jane Dove has returned from leave and several others will be returning soon. Sadly and with regret, we lost Bee McQueen, Mary Frances Tyler, Barbara Henderson and Sara McLeod.
McLEOD MEDICAL CENTER - DILLON (Cont.)

These ladies were all exemplary auxilians who passed away this year and we certainly keep their families in our prayers.

Our ongoing projects continue to be well received by the hospital. The Memory Box project chaired by Dale Hardaway seems to be unique and loved by the Nursery staff. It is a beautifully decorated box that contains articles referenced to the loss of their newborn or stillborn. The Nursery Book Project is promising as we present a book with library information to the mother of a newborn. This is achieved in conjunction with the Dillon County Library. Reading is fundamental and reading to an infant can strengthen their love of reading and appreciation of books at an early age.

Administrator Debbie Locklair will more than likely have a list of equipment items for us to look over. All of our fund raising efforts are earmarked to buying equipment for our hospital.

President Manning has been busy over the summer overseeing things and keeping us abreast of news with items of interest, schedules, new Fall schedules and information. She is a busy lady and she is quick to thank us for our commitment to our Auxiliary and to our hospital. We do a lot of good work here and in being good ambassadors for our community – and that is after all, what our mission is all about – to contribute to the comfort and care of others.

Submitted by: Jan Austin

McLEOD MEDICAL CENTER - FLORENCE

McLeod Health in Florence has been a very full and busy hospital these past months. Joint Commission was here for a week. The Bear Essentials Gift Shop moved to the new concourse and is very pretty and roomier. The workers are trying to learn a new cash register system. Please come visit the Gift Shop, especially the Coastal District volunteers who will be meeting with us in March. Our August $5 Sale in the cafeteria with Masquerade as the vendor was a success and we will have another sale in December. The volunteers are always glad to be a part of the flu shot campaign. I have taken on a different volunteer assignment which is in the Heart Cath Waiting Room. After years working in the Critical Effectiveness area it was interesting to review the competency questions. Do you know where the fire extinguishers are?

Submitted by: June Ferguson
HOTLINE ON-LINE UPDATE

"HOTLINE" On-line

The HOTLINE, SCAHA Newsletter, is now available on-line!

Any member who has access to the Internet can go on-line and read or print a copy of the HOTLINE. SCHA (Hospital Association) has made it possible for SCAHA (Auxiliary Association) to post our information on their website.

You can access the following SCAHA information:

1. SCAHA Board Members and their contact information
2. Auxiliary Membership Application
3. HOTLINE

by going to:

http://www.scha.org/pmgs/south-carolina-association-hospital-auxiliaries
and click "attachments" on the left to download the latest issue.

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Auxiliaries are encouraged to submit articles about their outstanding or unusual projects or programs to be included in the Hotline.

Please email your information, including photos, as an attachment to Jane by the 10th day of the month prior to be included in the next issue.

We currently print 4 issues per year, however, the Board is exploring the possibility of having a bi-monthly On-line publication.

Reason for change: (1) DELIVERY - Currently each Auxiliary is mailed 5 copies to be shared by their Leadership and Membership. On-line delivery makes it possible for each Auxiliary Member to have access. **We need the assistance of each Auxiliary to make sure that any of their members interested in the Hotline who do not have internet access have a copy printed locally for them.**

Please take advantage of this new endeavor so that we can distribute to more people and be more cost effective. Enjoy and share.
At the 2014 Annual Auxiliary Fall Banquet the Volunteers were recognized for their continued service at LCMH. Their hours of service were announced and all were treated to entertainment and a delicious meal. In special recognition the 2014 "Dove of Love" Award was presented to Barbara Frady, a volunteer who exemplifies the true spirit of a volunteer. One who goes above and beyond her regular duties and does so with a gracious and genuine spirit for serving others. She has served faithfully for 25+ years in many different capacities -- as Board President, as Youth Volunteer Coordinator and worked in various locations in the hospital. She has always set a wonderful example for other volunteers by her dedication. As a member of the LCMH Auxiliary since 1989 she currently has a total of 9714 hours.
OMC Auxiliary Craft Fair and Bake Sale

On July 16, the Wells Fargo Connector was filled end-to-end with tables of beautiful crafts and bake goods. From the opening at 9 a.m. to close at 3 p.m. there were browsers and buyers oohing and aahing over the offerings for the OMC Christmas in July Craft/Bake Sale. Most of the crafters were employees of OMC and the baked goods were supplied by the volunteers. There were beautiful baskets, homemade soaps and lotions, handmade jewelry, beautiful cards, stationary, ornaments, personalized toys and storage for children, and the ever-popular knitted and crocheted items.

With the theme of “Christmas in July,” the tables were decorated with red tablecloths, Santas, and lighted trees. Many came with the idea of buying for Christmas, but there were many who decided they would just enjoy the bargains now. The crafters, some of whom were veterans of craft fairs, were very complimentary of our efforts. All said they made some money and enjoyed the friendly atmosphere and comfortable, indoor environment. One crafter, who had never participated in a craft show before, said she would be very interested in another and had some helpful suggestions to make our next show even more successful, including extending it to two days. Another crafter thanked us for believing in the vision for this craft show and is ready to have an even more successful show next time.

The Auxiliary made over $500 with the rental of the tables and our baked goods sale. We appreciate all the efforts of our bakers and also thank those who helped set up and man the bake sale table. We also appreciate the opportunity to work together with the employees for a common cause.

Submitted by:

Alice Hageman
The Piedmont District had its 2014 workshop on March 18, 2014, hosted by the Auxiliary to the Greenville Health System.

With all 11 hospitals represented, we had 110+ attendees. We were honored to have Susie Robertson, SCAHA president, Marje Warner, Midland District Chair and Charles Veach, SCAHA membership chair present.

A great thank you goes to the Greenville Health System – which consists of six campuses.

The Greenville Memorial Campus planned the meeting and handled the meeting logistics. In addition, each of our Auxiliaries and Volunteer Services had been instrumental in planning this day and contributing with their time, ideas and talents.

The day started with a gourmet breakfast in a lovely facility, adorned with colorful decorations throughout.

The first speaker was Brenda J. Thames, ED.D. Vice President for Academic Development at Greenville Health System. Brenda’s topic: Creating a Pipeline for Healthcare Careers.

Next came Jolene McAbee, MHA, Director Planning Svcs. Greenville Health System, who spoke on “National Drivers Impacting Healthcare”.

After a lovely lunch, we were entertained by Kay Crowe Bayne, who we like to refer to as Greenville’s very own Patsy Cline. Everyone enjoyed Kay who truly sounds like the real Patsy Cline.

The last speaker of the day was Deb. Richardson Moore, M.Div. Pastor/Director of the Triune Mercy Center in Greenville. Her presentation centered around “Crazy for Loving You”.

Her ministry has made quite an impact in this community.

The workshop came to completion after many lovely door prizes were given out and the meeting was adjourned.

Again, thank you to each campus with their committees that made this happen!

Georgine Braun
Piedmont District Chair