

# **Auxiliary Updates**

Winter 2022

Coming soon, a new logo to celebrate the Auxiliary's 60th anniversary!

## Auxiliary Calendar of Events!



Auxiliary Meeting via Zoom Wednesday, February 2, 7PM Click Here for Zoom Link!

Fat Tuesday Ice Cream Social
Tuesday, March 1
Click Here to Volunteer!

"Happy Birthday, Bethesda!"

126 Years

Ceremony at Spring Grove - April 12
Cake at the hospital - April 13

Spring Luncheon
Wednesday, May 4
Grant and Scholarship Awards
Presented.

### First Auxiliary Meeting in 2022 - February 2



Guest Speaker Kathryn Gleason

Please join us for the first meeting of 2022. We will meet via Zoom on Wednesday, February 2nd at 7 PM. Our special guest speaker is Kathryn Gleason, MSN, RN, CEN, the leader of hospital operations/COO of Bethesda North Hospital. Here's the link for the meeting: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89278843217">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89278843217</a>. Alternatively, you can call in to the meeting at 1-312-626-6799.

#### **Holiday Activities**

We had a successful holiday social on Monday, December 6th at deSha's There was great turn-out from Auxiliary members and hospital leadership.

Following our Thanksgiving collaboration with Operation Give Back, team members from the hospital and Auxiliary members worked to collect items for the holiday season. Operation Give Back provides new toys, coats, pajamas, socks, and a blessing bag filled with food to over 700 children living in local communities.

To round out our holiday celebrations, on December 20th, members of the Auxiliary joined team members and hospital leadership to sing Christmas carols throughout Bethesda North Hospital and the Harold and Eugenia Thomas Comprehensive Care Center.







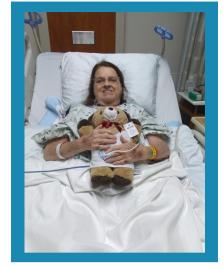
#### **Auxiliary Grant Applications**

The Auxiliary of Bethesda Hospital provides grants to support programs and projects for Bethesda Hospitals. Since its inception in 1962, the Auxiliary has given more than \$3.5 million to enhance

the care, comfort, and wellbeing of those who come to Bethesda.

A few examples of items and programs funded by the Auxiliary:

- Equipment for use during a hospital power outage or disaster
- Wireless fetal monitors for Labor and Delivery
- Sir Koff-A Lot bears for heart surgery patients
- Fish aguarium in the Emergency Department
- Treatment tables and recliners for treatment rooms
- Finger pulse oximeters
- Wheelchairs
- Blanket warmers



Applications for FY23 funding will be accepted until March 1, 2022. Apply using the following link: <a href="https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=bethesda.">https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=bethesda.</a>

#### **College Scholarship Application**

College scholarship applications will open on March 1st, 2022. Scholarships are open to high school seniors who volunteer at Bethesda hospitals and new this year, open to children/grandchildren of Auxiliary members. Keep an eye out for further information.

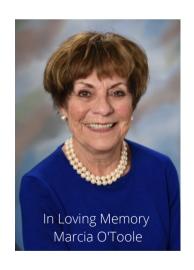
#### **Congratulations**

Congratulations to Auxiliary members Amber Douglas Jester and Katie Buescher Ulrich on the birth of their baby boys! Amber and her husband welcomed baby Bronson to their family in August. Logan was born on December 30th to Katie and Paul Ulrich, joining big brother Jack.

#### Sympathy

Our sympathies go out to the family of longtime Auxiliary member Marcia O'Toole, who recently passed away. She will be greatly missed.

Condolences also to former Auxiliary president, Avis Geygan, whose husband, Tom, died in December.



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