

# PINKADILLY NEWS



Second Quarter FY 2023  
Southwest District  
South Georgia Medical Center

## Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon

Old faces and new faces filled the table at the Spring Appreciation Luncheon! It was so good to have former Volunteer services assistant Maya Loizeaux as a guest! DVS Dana Massingill introduced the new student members and the new "mature" members before delivering the blessing. As the delicious salad luncheon was enjoyed with conversation, CEO Ronnie Dean stopped by to thank the volunteers for their service. He also mentioned the good response to reopening the Smith Northview ER and the future potential for additional physicians because of the Residency program now in operation. South Georgia Medical Center is on the move to deliver health care to all surrounding areas. Dana recognized Evelyn Harrell on her retirement after 20 years as Treasurer of the Auxiliary and as a volunteer in the Golden Galleria. She opened gifts and cards of appreciation and expressed gratitude to her special Auxiliary "family." Sounds of glee were heard as 2 fun games were played with winners Barbara Thomas (fern) and Brennan Hulett (gift card). Door prize winners Margaret Knight, Coy Whitener and Joan Barrese left with lovely Gerber daisies. Everyone left with a nice canvas tote bag for their service. Many thanks to Dana for such a good time!



**New members:**  
Coy, Joshua and Cameron



Evelyn leaves our finances with Clara



Friends Forever



Ms. Evelyn, Ms. Evelyn what can we say

So many great memories to file away.

For almost 21 years you did it all

Adding, subtracting, paying the bills

You definitely have MAD MATH skills!

So much knowledge... a real Auxiliary historian

As you pass the Treasurer torch on to Clara

Please keep your phone line open!

That twinkle in your eye. That smile on your face,

Will surely be missed.

This is not goodbye... it's until next time.

Oh and stay away from ditches!

*Thank you, Dana*







Southwest District Spring Meeting- Americus, GA



## ...from the President's Pen

It was nice to fellowship with the 62 attendees ( representing 10 hospitals) at the SW District Spring Meeting hosted by Phoebe Sumter Medical Center Auxiliary in Americus. Our ladies enjoyed traveling together and viewing the PSMC campus. An “ awesome” meal and musical entertainment were followed by a delightful program from a Pet Therapist ( Pet Partners for Paw Control) with special canine guests!

Our Barbara Thomas was elected Chair of the Nominating Committee for SW District officers! The meeting adjourned with the announcement that the State Meeting will be held in October in Macon.

Welcome new members and many thanks to all of you for your efforts to make our Auxiliary the best! Please try to attend our monthly meetings for updates and opportunities to meet and get to know our great volunteers.

# THANK YOU!



Harldon

The Cancer Center volunteers could not do their job without the assistance of some friendly folks in the kitchen! Many thanks to them for adding on last minute meals, filling special menu requests, and helping us keep the snack and drink supplies available for patients. We appreciate you!



Margaret



Sharika



Peter



Lawanna





# Welcome



We welcome Margaret Knight's sweet smile and energy to the lobby desk. She began her interesting career journey as a flight attendant ( stewardess at that time!) for Delta and continued as a police officer ( rape prevention and neighborhood watch oversight) and high school math and science teacher until retirement. She is a widow with one son , 2 grandchildren and 3 wonderful rescue German Shepherds! Margaret has fond memories of leading trolley tours of Jekyll Island and wanted to pursue another volunteer position. We are glad she selected to serve in our Auxiliary!



We have a brand new Courtesy Cart driver! Ronnie has trained him well and he is on the " parking lot roads" to transport visitors. David ( " Coy") Whitener was the head football coach in Hamilton County FL for 7 years and then worked at PCS Phosphate in White Springs FL for 25 years before retiring 17 years ago. He moved to Valdosta from Gainesville FL to be near one of his 3 sons. I discovered he lives on one of my walking routes- I told him he could walk with me- do ya'll think he could keep up with me??

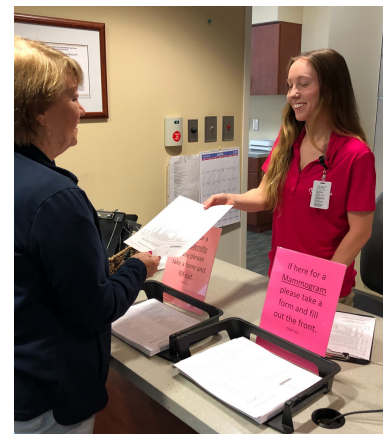
Enthusiasm traveled through the phone when I interviewed Teresa! A senior at VSU who will graduate this fall, she is a biology major and chemistry minor with plans for medical school in her future. She is thoroughly enjoying her placement in Rehab because of her exposure to all aspects of that hospital department- both physical and occupational therapy, nutrition, and associated medical issues. Had we known she lives to crochet, we would have put her to work with Emerita! We know your health career will be an asset to many!



We can thank Peggy Beauvais for interesting Joshua in joining the Auxiliary! They met during their involvement with CASA and she mentioned our need for volunteers! The father of an 8 year old son, he was a civil service employee at Moody AFB from 2008-2022 and is pursuing a Master of Social Work degree at VSU. Joshua is volunteering in the Case Management Dept. He is on the move as he is learning about the role of Case Management throughout the hospital and how he can assist.



Jacob Adams has certainly learned his way around the ER maze and I thoroughly enjoyed the tour as he explained his "duties!" He is a rising senior at VSU, Jacob stocks his cart with snacks, drinks, blankets, and pillows as he moves through the 4 zones to supply patient needs. He feels exposure to emergency situations will help guide his decisions as he pursues a medical career.



The pleasant greeting from Felicia Anderson surely makes patients in the Imaging Center feel at ease! She instructs them on filling out the correct forms and answers any questions. Felicia is from New Jersey and enlisted in the Air Force after graduation from high school. She was Crew Chief (Mechanics) for 6 years at Moody and while there met her husband. He has been stationed at Moody for 9 years (sheet metal fabricator). Majoring in Finance and Health Administration, she will graduate from VSU in May of 2024. Bella, a Shepard/Huskie mix, is their baby!





# Busy Bees

## SGMC Auxiliary Board of Management:

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We had a fun time with Bob and Dan who work with ADORN, our new vendor.



Peggy worked, shopped and then relaxed.



Happy shopper!

Thanks to Emerita and Barbara for taking pictures of all our "bees". We would like for all of you to help us with that.

Mary Young and Debbie



Mary Young and Debbie catch up with Judy at a sale. They worked with her in Employee Health during COVID