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Third Quarter FY 2023 Southwest District South Georgia Medical Center





Dana arranged a fun program in May! She invited Meredith Crosby, a yoga instructor at Sutherland Physical Therapy, to lead a chair side class for us



Meredith really got great participation as she got everyone moving with exercises and tips for stress relief and relaxation!



What a pleasant surprise to walk into the May Auxiliary and see the smiling face that often greets me when I arrive at the YMCA for my 5 or 6 am spin class! How nice for an informative introduction to her and her journey to this point. Madison Cortes is a first generation Mexican-American who is now pursuing a nursing degree at VSU. Her goal is to help break the communication barrier of the Spanish speaking community as they seek medical care. She has seen the anxiety, frustration and embarrassment faced by some in the health environment. This can lead to a delayed or incorrect diagnosis. Madison has the heart desire make a difference in such situations. The Selection Committee could not have made a better choice in selecting her as the recipient of this year's Clarice Ivey Massey Scholarship. We commend your dedication to reach your goal!

Our Auxiliary recently donated \$40,000 to the SGMC Foundation for fetal heart monitoring carts for the Women and Infants Department. The equipment will detect changes in the normal heart rate pattern during labor. This valuable information immediately alerts medical professionals to possible problems.

The sale of scrubs and uniforms, shoes, accessories, books, toys, jewelry items, and other gifts at vendor sales generated this contribution. Thanks to the volunteers who faithfully assist at the sales and to employees who purchase items. Labor and **Delivery and Administrative staff** join Auxiliary members in this much appreciated presentation!







Seller and Buyer Smiles!





While working the uniform sale, Ora finds a purchase for walking in Italy.



Books! Books! Books!



We love the Georgia Bulldogs and our Collective Goods vendors!!

Upcoming Events AUGUST 17-18 MASQUERADE SALE

AUGUST 23 GENERAL MEETING

SEPTEMBER 25 OFFICER INSTALLATION & PINNING LUNCHEON



Our uniform sales are always rewarding fun for everyone



Our New Uniform!



7am and a full house!



It never stopped!



•...from the President's Pen

t has been my pleasure to serve as your President the last two years. We returned from the COVID shutdown, anxious and ready to do business once again! The Board attended the first SW District Conference in March of this year- the first since the postponement of all state Auxiliary meetings. Babies born Christmas week left in caps and

stockings made by our talented seamstress members and the firstborn baby of the New Year was presented with a beautiful gift basket. CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates), received a check for their community foster care organization. Once again there are two Red Coats delivering visitors around the campus in the Courtesy Carts- a much missed service.

The primary source of our funds for community gifts, Foundation requests, and scholarship awards is our vendor sales. We need more participation in assistance at these sales. Frequently only 6 or 7 members help at the events.

Our presence is a reminder to employees that the Auxiliary returns most of their profits to various needs within the hospital. Please consider helping with the sales!

Thanks to Debbie and Mary Young for their dedication to our newsletter. Welcome back Maya as our Volunteer Services Manager! We will miss Dana but know she will be an asset in her new position. We are fortunate to have had you for several years. You are both caring leaders and it is a pleasure to have served and continue to serve with you!





Elijah Jones, Service Excellence Coordinator and Patient Advocate, answers a question from Jan





























31 Volunteens from 14-17 years of age, joined SGMC this summer! They worked in various departments answering phones, giving directions, transporting patients, stocking supplies, copying and filing forms, filling water pitchers, distributing drinks, blankets and snacks, cleaning equipment, and assisting staff in any ways needed. They observed "real life" at SGMC as many of them are considering healthcare careers. I enjoyed searching them out for pictures and conversationsome had to give me directions back to the lobby! We are glad they enjoyed exposure to our hospital!



Diane, Barbara, Emerita, and Kathy combined their creativity to design the Auxiliary's entry in the Deck the Desk contest. They portrayed the theme of "Under the Sea" so well!



We will miss Debbie Dowling and Henry Hicks-many thanks for your years of service in the Cancer Center!



Precious little lives are saved in the NICU



Explanation of Chemo and non-Chemo infusions



Radiation Therapy Explained



Ambulance service and trauma triage.

The Volunteens enjoyed a tour of 4 hospital departments before their summer experience ended. Maya arranged for them to visit the Cancer Center, Ambulance service, NICU, and Imaging. They learned a lot about behind the scenes areas and asked great questions.



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Radiologic equipment is a vital diagnostic tool.



Imaging is fascinating!