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Welcome, New Volunteers

The Volunteer Office has added many new volunteers to the team so far this year.

Please welcome the following individuals to the Hospice of the Valley Volunteer Team:

Mary Lou Bevilacqua, Barbara Cooper, Diane Croyle, Anastasia Dulick, Barbara Maxim, Lori Paull, Dave Paull, Alice Rzonsa, Cindy Cunningham, Denise Hilbert, Sr. Elaine Schindler, Bob Ochytun, Jacqueline Davisson, Joanna Pesta, Dale Baringer, Tony Revetti, Bruce Kirkland, Patrick Murphy, Donna Fero and Brett Modic.

Canfield Fair is coming

It's that time again. We are looking for volunteers for the Canfield Fair. Each year, volunteers faithfully work shifts at our booth in the medical building. This is a great opportunity to share your hospice knowledge and recruit new volunteers. The dates are August 30–September 4. The shifts are 10 a.m.-1 p.m., 1-4 p.m. and 4-8 p.m.

Contact Rosemary at 330-549-5902 to volunteer for the shift of your choice.

Mandatory Education

The annual mandatory education is scheduled for Wednesday, September 13 at 1 p.m. in the Azalea Room at St. Elizabeth Boardman Hospital, located on the 2nd floor. It will be offered again at 6 p.m. at the Hospice House.

If you are unable to attend either of those sessions, call Rosemary to arrange for a self-study instruction and test. All mandatory education must be completed no later than September 29 in order to remain as an active volunteer.

Welcome, Alacia Harrison

The volunteer department is excited to welcome Alacia Harrison. Alacia joined us this month, replacing Lynne as our volunteer clerk. Her hours are Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-noon. She can be reached at 330-549-5908.

Alacia will be responsible for the volunteer placements – you'll be hearing from her soon. She has a background in volunteer management at a non-profit in Fairfax, Va., and is looking forward to meeting and working with everyone at Hospice of the Valley.

Please take an opportunity to stop by and introduce yourself when visiting the Hospice House.

Honoring our Veterans

Since 2014, Hospice of the Valley has been actively participating in a special program called "We Honor Veterans." It is a national partnership between the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization and the Veterans Administration to recognize veterans at end of life and enhance their quality of life.

The Hospice of the Valley volunteer department, our social workers and chaplains, have joined with members of the Marine Corp League and the Disabled American Veterans to recognize 521 veterans in 26 facilities in Mahoning, Trumbull and Columbiana counties in Ohio and Mercer and Lawrence counties in Pennsylvania.

It is our privilege and honor to express our sincere appreciation for the sacrifices these men and women have made.

New Volunteer Training

There are two volunteer training sessions scheduled for the rest of 2017:

- Mondays, October 2-30 from 1 to 4:30 p.m. at the Trumbull County office, 500 E. Market Street, Warren.
- Saturdays, October 28-November 4 from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Hospice House, 9803 Sharrott Road, Poland.

Save the Date: Volunteer Picnic

The annual volunteer picnic will be Tuesday, August 22 at the Master's Pavilion in Boardman Park from noon to 3 p.m. Hospice of the Valley will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, chips and beverages.

Volunteers are requested to bring a side dish to share. Bring the recipe, too.