

2008-2009 AUXILIARY BOARD MEETING DATES

September 8, 2008	9:30 am	5 th Floor Conference Room #3
November 10	9:30 am	5 th Floor Conference Room #3
January 12, 2009	9:30 am	5 th Floor Conference Room #3
March 9	9:30 am	5 th Floor Conference Room #3
May 11	9:30 am	5 th Floor Conference Room #3
June 8	9:30 am	5 th Floor Conference Room #3

Please remember that the Board, the Business Manager, the rest of the Auxiliary and Volunteer Services are here as an additional resource. If we can help in any way, we will!

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Fall *Pulse* DEADLINE: September 8
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As the Overlook Hospital Auxiliary *Art at Overlook* project begins its tenth year of service to the Overlook community, it is an opportunity to take a glance back as we continue to move forward with this wonderful project.

Great things are created when you put together two art devotees, one a talented watercolorist and past Auxiliary President and the other a former Overlook Hospital President and member of the managerial staff at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. This collaboration of ideas between Sue Weirzba and David Freed culminated on June 14, 1999 with the *Art at Overlook* project kicking off an exhibit of the works from three local artists in the Fifth Floor Administrative Hallway at Overlook Hospital.

From the inception of this project, Auxiliary member KyleAnn Ledebuhr has served as the project Chairwoman. She gives countless volunteer hours viewing the works of potential new artists, coordinating the master calendar (which has a two year waiting list) and managing the hanging and removal of art shows on weekends. This is all accomplished while working fulltime for the past twenty years as a Creative Director at a local Advertising Agency in Warren. Her Mother Elaine Ledebuhr, a very talented quilter and a fine artist, was the driving force behind KyleAnn's initial involvement with volunteering and the *Art at Overlook* project. Sadly though, Elaine lost her courageous battle against breast cancer here at Overlook Hospital in January of 2003.

KyleAnn graduated from Rhode Island School of Design with a Bachelor of Fine Arts. Throughout her career, KyleAnn has developed a great appreciation for the talents of those who work in the fine arts. She remarked; "The artists that exhibit with *Art at Overlook* have reinforced my belief that it requires courage to share and express oneself creatively. There are so many amazing people residing in our community and our success wouldn't be possible without these talented artists."

Art at Overlook provides many benefits for our community hospital. The beautiful artwork accentuates Overlook's hallways and provides a soothing environment for the patients and staff to enjoy. The project also provides local New Jersey artists, including Overlook Hospital Employee artists, new exhibit space to display their works. And with twenty percent of all proceeds from sales going to support research and services for cancer patients, almost \$10,000 has been generated and donated to this cause since its inception.

A myriad of individuals and groups have assisted KyleAnn along the way to make this popular project so successful. To name everyone would be impossible and the fear would be to mistakenly omit the name of someone well deserving of thanks. But be aware as you pass the beautiful canvases that grace the walls of *Art at Overlook*, and your eyes fall upon that one special piece that stands out above the rest and touches your heart—KyleAnn Ledebuhr is that piece of art for the Auxiliary. ♥

A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENTS

Dear Auxilians:

We hope everyone is enjoying the lazy days of summer! The Twigs have been very busy this past year with a multitude of fundraising and hands on volunteer opportunities. Our thanks to all who give their time, talent and passion to Overlook Hospital. You are all special people who make a world of difference.

We have been very busy organizing the docent schedule for the Twin Maples Centennial Show House. The Event will run the entire month of October, and we are still in need of many volunteers to assist us in staffing the house. This wonderful collaboration between the Auxiliary and The Fortnightly Club has great potential and a percentage of the proceeds will benefit the Cancer Center at Overlook Hospital.

If you are interested in being a docent, please visit the website, www.historictwinmaples.org and click on **volunteers**. You can sign up for one shift or many shifts, grab a friend and sign up today.

Additionally, several Twigs are busy organizing and sponsoring vendor sales in the upcoming months. Please mark your calendars with the "Save the Dates" below. Also, please visit the Gift Shop and Bloom for many wonderful gifts, fresh flower arrangements and seasonal plants. All proceeds from the Gift Shop and Bloom benefit patient services at Overlook Hospital.

Sincerely,

Terry Andrews
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D & D International Jewelry &
Imagination Book Sale

Friday, **September 19**
9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Wallace Auditorium

Sponsored by SH Twig #27

Jones New York Coat Sale

Wednesday, **November 12**
9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Wallace Auditorium

Sponsored by SH Twig #17

SAVE THE DATES

Friends of Hospice
Fall Festival Sale

Friday, **October 17**
9:30 am - 4:30 pm
Wallace Auditorium

Sponsored by SU Twig #5

2008 Holiday Bazaar

Wednesday, **December 3**
9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Wallace Auditorium

Sponsored by SH Twig #27



TWIN MAPLES CENTENNIAL SHOW HOUSE

214 Springfield Avenue at Edgewood Road
Summit, New Jersey 07901

July 2008

Dear Friends,

The Twin Maples Centennial Show House, sponsored by The Fortnightly Club of Summit and the Overlook Hospital Auxiliary will be held during the month of October. Proceeds from the Show House will benefit the Twin Maples Historic Preservation Fund and The Cancer Center at Overlook Hospital in Summit, NJ.

This is a very exciting project and we want you to be a part of it! Volunteers are needed for Room Docents, Ticket Sales, Boutique Sales and Food Sales. The enclosed form lists all of the opportunities available. Before you sign up please note the following:

Room docents are asked to stand for the shift, although chairs will be provided if needed. Ideally, we would ask that you commit to the same shift each week for all four weeks of the Show House. Of course, we will be happy for any time that your schedule will permit.

This is an exciting event that would not be possible without your help. In addition to individual volunteers, we are also reaching out to groups and organizations. If you know of one that would like to get involved, we would love to hear from you. If you have a friend with whom you would like to work, please list them on the form below.

The Twin Maples Centennial Show House has an extensive website www.historictwinmaples.org, where you can learn more about the Show House as well as sign up for your shifts. The site should answer all of your questions. Any additional questions please call the volunteer hotline at 908-522-2198. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Terry Andrews
Docent Co-Chair

Amanda Ford
Docent Co-Chair

TWIN MAPLES CENTENNIAL SHOW HOUSE VOLUNTEER FORM

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Check Preference Main House Docent Registration Carriage House Docent
 Boutique Sales Food Sales Any Role

Shift Preference:

Tuesday	9:00 am - 12:15 pm	<input type="checkbox"/>	11:45 pm - 3:30 pm	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wednesday	9:00 am - 12:15 pm	<input type="checkbox"/>	11:45 pm - 3:30 pm	<input type="checkbox"/>
Thursday	9:00 am - 12:15 pm	<input type="checkbox"/>	11:45 pm - 3:30 pm	<input type="checkbox"/>
Friday	9:00 am - 12:15 pm	<input type="checkbox"/>	11:45 pm - 3:30 pm	<input type="checkbox"/>
Saturday	9:30 am - 1:30 pm	<input type="checkbox"/>	1:00 pm - 5:30 pm	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sunday	11:30 am - 3:00 pm	<input type="checkbox"/>	2:30 pm - 5:30 pm	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please fill out this Volunteer Form and mail to:

Amanda Ford, 114 Beechwood Road, Summit, NJ 07901

The Overlook Hospital Auxiliary will contact you to confirm your schedule prior to October 1st.

AUXILIARY HAPPENINGS

BALTUSROL HOSTS AUXILIARY ANNUAL LUNCHEON CELEBRATING ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL YEAR

The wind and rain did not stop almost 200 women from attending the May 16th Overlook Hospital Spring Luncheon held at Baltusrol Country Club. Cary Barbor, Health Director of More Magazine spoke of women's health and led the guests in a five minute meditation session.

Members of SU Twig #2 were honored for continued Annual Fundraising and Dedication to the Luminary Project "Lighting the Way on Christmas Eve." Each member was presented with a personalized raised seal certificate. Also honored was SU Twig #33 for the over 50 years of volunteer dedication to the Auxiliary. Representing SU Twig #33 were Twig members and Auxiliary guests Faye Ericson and Bette Zenker.

The Auxiliary luncheon was again hosted by SU Twig #3 under the leadership of Jeanne Lawler. Many guests participated in a basket raffle featuring a variety of wonderful items such as a spa basket, margarita machine, jewelry and a panini maker.

A brief presentation was then given by Laurie Finn and Heidi Evenson, Co-Chairs of the Twin Maples Centennial Show House thanking the Auxiliary for their partnership in this wonderful fundraiser.

The Luncheon was a wonderful way to get everyone together to celebrate all the amazing work that the Auxiliary volunteers accomplish, and we again thank SU Twig #3 for organizing such a great gathering.



Members of SU Twig #2 take a moment for a picture:
Gail Scudellari, Winnie Cavazini, Tammy McLean,
Christine Shung
(Back row) Kim Reynolds, Christie McGinn, Cary Barbor
and Danielle Maloney



Pictured are:
Janet Flinn, Nancy
Leccese and Kelly
Sandulli



Pictured are:
Lenore Ford and Cary
Barbor
(Back row)
Terry Andrews, Liza
Tulloch, Jeanne Lawler
and Amanda Ford

AUXILIARY MEMBER HONORED WITH OVERLOOK LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FOR VOLUNTEER SERVICE

In recognition of her contributions to Overlook Hospital, Joyce Farrell received Overlook's Lifetime Achievement Award for Volunteer Service. She was presented the award at the Foundation's Sixth Annual Chairman's Dinner, on May 22 at Baltusrol Golf Club by Overlook Hospital Foundation Chairman, Bruce (Toby) F. Wesson. Other Lifetime Achievement Award honorees included Kate S. Tomlinson, of Summit, for community service; Dr. Donald F. Kent, a longtime Chatham physician, for medical service and Bouras Properties LLC, of Summit, for corporate service.

Joyce began her relationship with Overlook 41 years ago with a visit to the Emergency Department. "Our experience at the Emergency Department was such a positive one, that I was inspired to give back," recalled Joyce. She joined the Overlook Hospital Auxiliary's Watchung-Berkeley Heights Twig in the early '70s, which was responsible for managing the patient book cart in conjunction with the hospital's donated book library. When that Twig disbanded, Joyce joined New Providence Twig #2. Known for many years as the "Baby Photo Twig," Joyce and her fellow Twig members raised significant funds for maternity and child health services at Overlook by managing sales of newborn photos in the Maternity Department.

Utilizing her professional accounting experience for volunteer service, Joyce has served as Gift Shop Treasurer since 1990 visiting the hospital one or two days per week to reconcile the books. In the over 30 years that Joyce has volunteered at Overlook, she has witnessed her small community hospital undergo tremendous growth and change. She remembers making sandwiches in the coffee shop, serving as a messenger to patient's rooms and helping to secure the donation of a fetal heart monitor for the hospital's Maternity Department from the Helena Rubinstein Foundation.

In addition to her volunteer work at Overlook, Joyce is an active member of the Faith Lutheran Church in New Providence and she enjoys tennis and travel. Joyce and her husband, Robert, have two children and seven grandchildren.

"It's amazing to see how far the hospital has come with new facilities and new medical technologies," observed Joyce. "Plus, I've made so many friends here; it's like an extended family. Giving back to Overlook has been a great experience. I recommend it to everyone".



Joyce's family: **(left to right):** daughter Lynda Swartz, granddaughter Kaylyn Swartz, Joyce, husband Robert, grandson Jay Swartz, **(back row)** son-in-law James Swartz, and son David Farrell

GIFTS COME IN ALL SIZES AT THE SHOPS

Talented and very hard working students Jon, Jimmy, Lisa, and Sara from ECLC of Chatham, took part in a Work Experience Program with The Gift Shop and Bloom. The long running school program helps students assimilate into the working environment, and build life-long skills. Overlook Hospital and ECLC have been working together since 1999 with volunteers being utilized throughout various departments.

Karen Giordano, Coordinator of the Work Experience Program, contacted Gift Shop Manager, Mary Damiano regarding hosting the students. Jon turned out to be a perfect match in Bloom assisting Laura Hobby in floral preparation where he learned to create bud vase arrangements. Laura was so impressed with Jon's floral ability that she is looking forward to his return to Bloom for the Fall semester.

Jimmy's duties included staffing the gift cart at the MAC building, creating balloon bouquets, pricing merchandise and preparing handouts for new hospital employees. Lisa and Sara enjoyed performing various duties throughout the Gift Shop as well as assisting the staff.

The semester concluded in late May at which time ECLC hosted an Employer Appreciation Breakfast at the school. Mary and Laura were honored guests and the Gift Shop and Bloom was presented with an appreciation plaque which is on display in the Shop. Everyone involved in this worthwhile project looks forward to working together again in the very near future.

VOLUNTEER SERVICES

VOLUNTEER OPENINGS

The **Messenger Room** could use some help! We remain busy facilitating discharges, running errands, delivering patient mail and flowers, miscellaneous mailing projects, and sorting Doctor's mail! We would be grateful for any volunteers, especially all day Tuesday and Thursday and Friday mornings.

****If any adults are interested in volunteering on Saturday mornings from 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. we would be thrilled to have you! The room cannot remain open without adult supervision.**

4-AMBULATORY is looking for help in their reception/waiting area on Mondays and Wednesdays from 6 a.m. to 12 p.m., 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. and on Fridays from 6 a.m. to 10 a.m.

BLOOM would appreciate assistance most days, training provided.

BREAST CENTER needs volunteers to serve as greeters at the main desk and to do miscellaneous errands and patient transport any weekday between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

EMERGENCY ROOM seeks help all day, any day of the week.

ENDOSCOPY is seeking help with discharges and preparing stretchers.

FOOD SERVICES would appreciate volunteers to do clerical work any weekday morning.

FOUNDATION is in need of clerical and mailing assistance any day from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

GIFT SHOP is in need of help at the register for flexible days or as a substitute.

INFORMATION DESK has the following openings:

Wednesday and Thursday nights 4:30 to 8:00 pm

Substitutes for all shifts

If you enjoy Customer Service, this is the job for you! We provide on-the-job training for the computer, phones, and directional information.

MEDICAL CREDENTIALING would appreciate assistance with filing, faxing, data entry, and mail retrieval on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

NEUROSCIENCE OUTPATIENT seeks volunteers any weekday between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. for filing, collating, and data entry.

PAIN MANAGEMENT/WOUND CARE would appreciate several volunteers for patient transportation, confirming appointments, filing, collating packets, faxing and making copies.

PEDIATRICS needs volunteers for the playroom weekend mornings or afternoons.

PHARMACY needs help weekdays from 2 to 4 p.m. at their pick up window for prescription retrieval.

TUMOR REGISTRY would appreciate help with data entry any weekday afternoon.

VALERIE CENTER would appreciate clerical and filing help on Tuesdays between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.

If you are interested in volunteering in a department that is not currently on this list, feel free to call us, as we receive new requests for volunteers daily. Please contact **Sandi at 908-522-2099** or **Kristen at 908-522-2720** if you would like to volunteer!



VOLUNTEER SERVICES

VOLUNTEER SERVICES LUNCHEON

On April 28 volunteers gathered at The Primavera Regency in Stirling for the annual Volunteer Luncheon and to share a wonderful afternoon together. Primavera is famous for their white-gloved service, gourmet food and decadent deserts. The beautifully decorated room was adorned with gorgeous table-top floral arrangements created by Bloom florist Laura Hobby of the Overlook Hospital Gift Shop.

Special guest speaker Alan Lieber, President and COO of Overlook Hospital thanked the volunteers for all of their hard work and dedication to Overlook. Manager, Kristen Houghten extended her heartfelt thanks to the volunteers for the hard work and long hours that they continue to give to the hospital. Kirsten introduced Mary Pat Sullivan, Overlook Hospital's Chief Nursing Officer who also thanked the volunteers. Mary Pat stated how impressed she was with the large contingent of devoted volunteers she witnessed each day and the multitude of jobs they undertake.

Pins ranging from 250 hours to 20,000 hours were presented to well deserving volunteers after which each group posed for pictures with Alan. A few lucky raffle winners were thrilled to win Visa gift cards of various denominations. A wonderful afternoon was had by all.

The Volunteer Office is still in possession of pins and gifts for volunteers who did not attend the Luncheon. Please see Sandi or Kristen in the Volunteer office if you have not yet received your pin or gift.

HONOREES



Overlook President & COO Alan Lieber with medal recipients. (Picture left, left to right) Jean Fenlon, Tony Natale, Ellie Groves and Nancy Callahan.

(Picture right, left to right) Alan Lieber, Helga Stempfhuber, Becky Kerns, John Luckstone, Bea Makara, Frances Hanhn, Grace Wamsteker and Odile Volpicelli

**250 Hours**

Alemanno, Josephine
Christofis, Stacy
D'ambra, Carol
Dellomo, Victor
Dibari, Claire
Harrison, Blanche
Knoller, Sharon
Langer, Laura
Maher, Michael
Marinaccio, LouAnn
Mckenna, Jane
Mollica, Sandra
Mullen, Dorothy
Pape, Barbara
Standing, Loretta
Teja, Madelyn
Torsiello, Adrianna
Tully, Paul

500 Hours

DeMont, Ellen
Duane, Rita
Magnuson, Frank

750 Hours

Anderson, Angela
Bulick, Mary Anne
Burling, Claire
Ciesielsky, Irene
Corsello, Margaret
Dolce, Thomas
Maloney, Joan
O'Connell, John
Worthington, Jane

1,000 Hours

Alzua, Raymond
Campbell, Judith
Connelly, Isabel
Czaja, Robert
Donofrio, Mary

Morse, Nancy
Pearce, Nancy
Quinn, Camilla
Russell, Elsa
Venes-D'Aquila, Cathleen
Yeager, Virginia

Jungels, Danielle
Kenny, Sally
Milbrodt, Clarice
Ortiz, Victoria
Posner, Lawrence
Rauch, Katherine
Sims, Jean
Whitney, Ruth

1,500 Hours

Bennett, William
Bunk, Genevieve
Giles, Donald
Leggiero, Rose
Pearce, William
Roessle, Ruth
Sonnenberg, Beverly

2,000 Hours

D'Ascoli, Joseph
Hahn, Frances
Kerns, Becky
Luckstone, John
Makara, Beatrice

Murray, James
Stempfhuber, Helga
Volpicelli, Odile Maria
Wamsteker, Grace

2,500 Hours

Smith, Linda
Wendell, Fay

3,000 Hours

Callahan, Nancy
Daiuto, John
Fenlon, Jean
Groves, Eleanor
Layman, Barbara
Natale, Anthony

4,000 Hours

Cole, Ray
Gansler, Robert
Gaudette, Edward

5,000 Hours

Colavita, Dominick
Conklin, Joan
Piraneo, Herman
Rabinowski, Selma
Rose, Naomi

6,000 Hours

Seymore, Jody

9,000 Hours

Abelson, Robert

11,000 Hours

Blanchard, Kay

12,000 Hours

Jacoby, Martha

16,000 Hours

Hall, Mary

20,000 Hours

Lifson, Elaine