

# Happenings

FALL 2013



**SAVE THE  
DATE!  
ORANGE  
FRIDAY 2013  
IS FRIDAY  
NOVEMBER  
22<sup>ND</sup>**

## **NOVEMBER IS NATIONAL HOMECARE AND HOSPICE MONTH**

November is officially recognized as National Home Care and Hospice Month. This is a time to honor and celebrate the health care providers who work with patients wherever they call home. Our staff plays a very important role in the lives of the people we serve. Their interventions help to prevent or reduce re-hospitalizations and unnecessary visits to the Emergency Room. Home care services help to reduce nursing home stays and, for hospice patients living in nursing homes, can add extra value and service. Home Care and Hospice providers are dedicated to helping people maintain an active role in their families and their communities.

It truly takes a special person to work in the field of Home Care and Hospice. Our staff provides education, treatment and support to people during some of the most difficult and vulnerable times they will face in their lives.

Visiting Nurse Association and Hospice of the Wabash Valley would like to take this time to recognize our nurses, therapists, social workers, home health aides, clergy and volunteers who have made a positive impact on the lives of our patients for over 97 years!

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## EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

### Congratulations Kristina Reynolds!

Kristina Reynolds, Hospice RN, has received communication that her article, *Relatives' requests for non-disclosure of poor prognosis to terminal patients* has been accepted for publication by End of Life Journal (with St. Christopher's), London, England. This article was written for a course project in the Masters of Science in Nursing Graduate program at Indiana Wesleyan University, Marion, Indiana.

This study explores the distress that being told about terminal prognoses causes the patient and family member/loved ones and highlights some of the reasons for families requesting non-disclosure of terminal diagnosis. Kristina discusses cultural consideration for such requests, effect of non-disclosure on patient, and ways in which to resolve the conflict. When healthcare workers are asked by family members to withhold the prognosis to the patient, the professionals may feel torn between doing what they perceive as being in the best interests of the patient and complying with the family's request for non-disclosure.

The article suggests that when healthcare providers are presented with requests for non-disclosure, an already difficult situation is combined with an ethical dilemma. Health professionals may believe they are violating the patient's autonomy. Withholding pertinent health information can exacerbate patients' stress and indicates that patients lack the knowledge to make informed decisions about their care and treatment options. To handle requests for non-disclosure effectively, clinicians must be trained, comfortable, and able to employ specific communication strategies. They must be empathetic in their delivery and truly listen and attempt to understand the patient and family. End-of-life choices and preferences are different for everyone. Each family and culture has their own beliefs about death and dying, but exploration with the family about their loved one's wishes is essential. The FIRST priority and obligation is to the care of the patient, in that their wishes must be known and followed accordingly.

The agency is proud of Kristina in tackling this complex ethical issue in hospice care. Thank you for your efforts.



## Memorial Service 2013

Our annual Memorial Service was held on Thursday October 17<sup>th</sup> at Trinity Lutheran Church. This is an event for the community and is meant to give families and loved ones a time to reflect and celebrate the life of the loved ones they have lost. We would like to thank the families for attending the service, as well as all of our employees and volunteers who organized and provided refreshments for this tribute to those we remembered.



THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS SELECT THE RECIPIENT of the 24<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL

## *Chapman S. Root Award*

Established in 1990 and named in honor of Chapman S. Root, the award is presented annually at the Hospice Holiday Celebration to a citizen whose generosity and leadership has enhanced the quality of life in the Wabash Valley. In choosing the recipient, the Board considers such contributions as enhancing quality of life intellectually, educationally, culturally, physically, and spiritually.

**The Board of Directors is pleased to honor  
this year's recipient of the Chapman S. Root Award**

## *Senator Richard Lugar*



### **HOSPICE OF THE WABASH VALLEY CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO THE HOSPICE HOLIDAY CELEBRATION**

**Cocktail Reception at Hulman Center, Terre Haute  
Thursday, December 5th 2013 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.**

**Silent Auction/Cash Bar**

**Tickets \$75 Per Person/\$600 Corporate Tables of Eight**

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Please mail your check with response slip by Friday, November 29, 2013

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Address \_\_\_\_\_ Check enclosed for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

I am unable to attend but enclosed is a donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Table of eight desired? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

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# MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR ORANGE FRIDAY 2013



Our 4<sup>th</sup> annual Orange Friday event is November 22<sup>nd</sup> this year. Did you know that 1 in 6 Hoosiers is considered food insecure? There are ways that YOU can help! Donate \$3.00 for an Orange Ribbon to wear on Friday Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup> and in return, you'll feed a family of 4 for an entire day! All monies raised will benefit Terre Haute Catholic Charities Foodbank and those they serve. Last year, along with the community's support, VNA Homecare & Hospice of the Wabash Valley raised over \$4,000, which calculated to over 17,000 meals. Let's see how much more we can raise in 2013!!

Remember:

"Before you go shopping on Black Friday, Feed the Hungry on Orange Friday!"

## *Welcome Volunteers!*

On June 11, 2013, a very special group of individuals completed our volunteer orientation/education program and are now companionship with patients, providing chaplain or bereavement support or assisting with fund raising and clerical support in the office.

**Lynwood Andrews** is a retired Chaplain who also volunteers as a Chaplain with Union Hospital. Lynwood resides in the Terre Haute area with his wife June, and is the father to our own Chaplain, Kyle Andrews.

**Shannon Belzile**, currently a college student, became interested in being a Hospice volunteer in the Chaplain's office because she believes that Hospice of the Wabash Valley is a fantastic organization that helps so many people that she wanted to become a part of it. Shannon's Mother, Loretta Romanyk, was a Hospice nurse and her father, Dan Romanyk, our Hospice chaplain for a few years. Shannon resides in Terre Haute with her husband, Josh Belzile. She also volunteers with Union Hospital in the Chaplain's office.

**Kathy Rico** comes to us from the suburbs of Chicago, Illinois where she was a Hospice volunteer for 6 years, providing companionship and care in patients' homes. Kathy believes that even those who are dying should be encouraged to focus on living until their last breath is taken. Kathy resides in Terre Haute with her husband, Dr. Edward Rico.

**Judy Wiggins, R.N., BSN** works full time as our VNA Intake Coordinator and yet enjoys volunteering in patients' homes during evening hours and some weekends. Judy has prior Hospice work and volunteer experience and finds this type of volunteer work very rewarding and an opportunity to make new friends and help patients and family members at a very difficult time.

**Deb Williams** is a Chaplain with Mountain Top Ministries and is volunteering both in the Chaplain's office and as a companion in our patients' homes. Deb has a very compassionate heart and wants to help patients and their families come to a place of peace during a time in which they are experiencing anxiety and fear. She resides in Terre Haute with her husband, Bob.

### **Volunteer Opportunities . . .**

If you or someone you know might be interested in becoming a hospice volunteer, there will be training opportunities announced soon. Prospective volunteers should stop by the Hospice of the Wabash Valley Office, 400 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. to pick up an application; or, call Judi E. Boyd-Horndasch, Volunteer Coordinator at 234-2515. At this time, we really need additional volunteers for our patients who live in the outlying counties of Sullivan, Clay, Parke and Vermillion Counties.

*Make the most of today and look with hope toward tomorrow.*



Who wouldn't want to volunteer with this fun group?  
Volunteer Coordinator Judi Boyd Horndasch dances with her husband Ron, a Hospice volunteer, at the Altrusa Chili Cookoff.

# Giving Back to the Community

The Staff here at *VNA and Hospice of the Wabash Valley* are very generous. Once a month we have a Blue Jean Friday that raises money for local community organizations. Below is a list of those organizations that our staff chose to "give back" to over the last year.

Wabash Valley Family Sports Center	\$ 145.00
Brown Bagger School Food Program	\$ 165.00
Happiness Bag	\$ 130.00
Shop with a Cop	\$ 140.00
Girl Scout Troops #2165	\$ 123.00
SPPRAK	\$ 130.00
Area 7 Agency on Aging	\$ 120.00
Saint Ann's Clinic	\$ 135.00
14 <sup>th</sup> & Chestnut Community Center	\$ 130.00
United Way	\$ 90.00
Altrusa	\$ 70.00
Susan G. Komen- Wabash Valley	\$ 90.00

## HAPPY VETERAN'S DAY!

Unscramble each of the clue words.

Copy the letters in the numbered cells to other cells with the same number.

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## In Honor Of

Starting Feb. 1, 2013  
through May. 31, 2013

### In Honor of Tom & Kim Miller

Charles & LaDonna Howard



## Memorials

Starting June. 1, 2013  
through Sept. 30, 2013

### In Memory of John Austin

Sharon Voorhees

### In Memory of Helen Barnes

South Vermilion County Indiana Council of  
Senior Citizens

### In Memory of Joann Barrett

Dutch Acres Homeowners Association Inc.

### In Memory of Ken Baugh

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### In Memory of Ruth Beccue

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Thomas and Barbara Chambers  
Joe & Martha Hartman  
Ed and Georgetta Mancourt  
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Sharon Orndorff

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Joe & Carolyn Wilson

### In Memory of Kathryn Dolinski

Dan & Susan Hester

### In Memory of Elizabeth Effner

Anne Thiemann Baugh  
Eldon Buckles  
James E. & Nanette C. Effner  
The John Effner Family  
Brian and Karen Keilly and Family

### In Memory of Charlotte Ellis

Ceres Solutions LLP

### In Memory of Florence Eveland

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### In Memory of Geraldine Fell

Dennis & Laura Wilkey

### In Memory of Norma Jean Feuquay

Richard & Treva Gallagher

### In Memory of Kenneth Gardner

Tommy & Dorothy Endicott  
William & Josephine Foraker  
Jack & Chad Gilman  
James & Beverly Stewart  
Barbara Stultz

### In Memory of Gary L. Griffith

Shelby Griffith

### In Memory of Delores A. Jenkins

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Sonny & Jinanne Cary  
Nancy Drake  
Fran Fenoglio  
Jack & Joyce Gilfoy  
Pat & Emily Inman  
Leon & Pat Jackson  
Sue Jones  
John Malone  
Robert L. and Virginia S. Maloney  
Don & Sandra McCauley  
Roseanne Nicholas  
Thomas & Rhonda Reed  
Joe Rosannt  
John & Diane Scott  
Bruce & Marcia Stengel  
Kim, Payton & Parker Stevens  
Frances Strayer  
Darrin & Michelle Tucker  
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Dennis, Lori, Katelyn & Madison Freed

### In Memory of Bert Lammey

Raymond & Mary Veit

### In Memory of James Lankford

Immersion Consulting Group, LLC  
Bob and Kitty Lankford

### In Memory of Kathleen Lemmons

DNR - Indiana Department of Natural Resources  
The officers & Members of IBEW Local  
Union #723  
Judith Lemmons  
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Erik & Family  
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### In Memory of Jack Lower

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### In Memory of James Mast

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Lynn Williams  
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### In Memory of Lois Mills

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### In Memory of Mary Jo Moore

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# Memorials Continued

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**In Memory of Daisy Deane Ooley**  
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Drew & Nancy Diel  
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**In Memory of Barbara Jean Rockwood**  
Robert A & Delisa J Fredrickson

**In Memory of Harlan Rockwood**  
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**In Memory of Mary Rockwood**  
Rebecca Rajhansa

**In Memory of Maureen M. Rukes**  
Pamila Williams

**In Memory of Martha J. Sager**  
David & Doreen Clow  
Gary & Sharon Foster  
Lois M. Cammon  
Mark & Charleen Sager  
George & Lavena Lambrid

**In Memory of Elizabeth Sherer**  
Dr. & Mrs. Frank Anshutz  
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Tina Rumble  
Debora Wythe

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Elizabeth Casey  
Mark Marietta  
Theresa Secondino

**In Memory of Virginia Unverzagt**  
William H Hughes Jr

**In Memory of Raymond Weil**  
Virginia Allen  
Paul & Joan Dowell  
Helen & Mike Huddleson  
John & Dorothy Medley  
William C. & Anna Louise Myers  
Joe Weil  
Rudy Weil

**In Memory of Kyle West**  
Bev Ross

**In Memory of Kenneth Williams**  
Bill & Peggy Grimes  
Charles A. & Donna Williams  
Bill & Liz Kauffman

## Your Donation is of vital significance to the financial support of Hospice of the Wabash Valley and Visiting Nurse Association.

It is helpful to us at this time of year if you would consider sending your 2013 Donation in response to this newsletter. Your support is very much appreciated.

Please Check:

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You may designate your donation to one of the following programs:

- Hospice Bereavement Program
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You may also designate your donation in honor of or in memory of a friend or loved one. Please be specific.

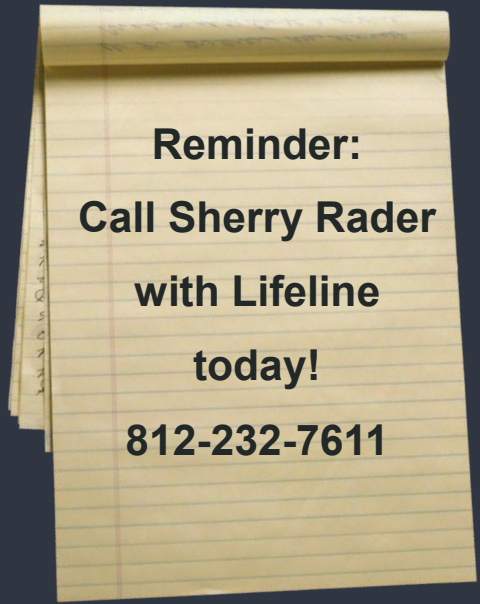
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**Reminder:**  
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