



# IN REVIEW

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## IMPORTANT DATES

**Purse Sale**  
July 9-10, 2013

**Book Sale**  
August 6-7, 2013

**Annual Auxiliary Meeting and Luncheon**  
September 10, 2013

**Dynasty Dinner with Jase Robertson and Justin Martin of A&E Duck Dynasty Show**  
Morgantown Event Center  
Waterfront Place  
September 21, 2013

**Christmas Trees To Go Raffle during the month of October**

**2013 Ball of the Year Night of Intrigue**  
The Event Center  
Waterfront Place  
November 16, 2013

## AUXILIARY OF MON GENERAL NEWS

### President's Message



*Anne McKnight at the Volunteer Luncheon.*

I'm so excited to announce that we have secured some cast members from A&E TV's Duck Dynasty for our

Wild Game Dinner in September. It took many months, but Jase and Martin are coming!

The response from the community has been outstanding with over 10,000 hits on the hospital website within 24 hours of the Dynasty Dinner post. Ticket sales are swift and vendor spots are going quickly.

I've been doing some trav-

elling this spring on behalf of the auxiliary. There was the Southeastern Healthcare Volunteer Leaders meeting in Baltimore, MD, and the AWWHA Spring Workshop at Stonewall Resort in Roanoke, WV.

It is always a reminder of how lucky we are at Mon General to have the support of our administration, an outstanding volunteer office and an active membership. Many auxiliaries struggle with one or more of these attributes, and we are fortunate that we do not.

Administrative Professionals Day, Basket BINGO and our plant sale have all taken place since our last newsletter and all were highly successful fundrais-

ers. Totalling all three, the auxiliary will see profits in excess of \$6000. Thanks to all of you who make our fundraising go.

Finally, the auxiliary board was asked by the Foundation of Mon General Hospital to raise our most recent "Campaign Continues" pledge from \$750,000 to \$1,000,000 in light of a new matching gift opportunity. The board voted unanimously to amend our pledge amount. We have a great start and feel confident that we will be able to meet our commitment to the Foundation.

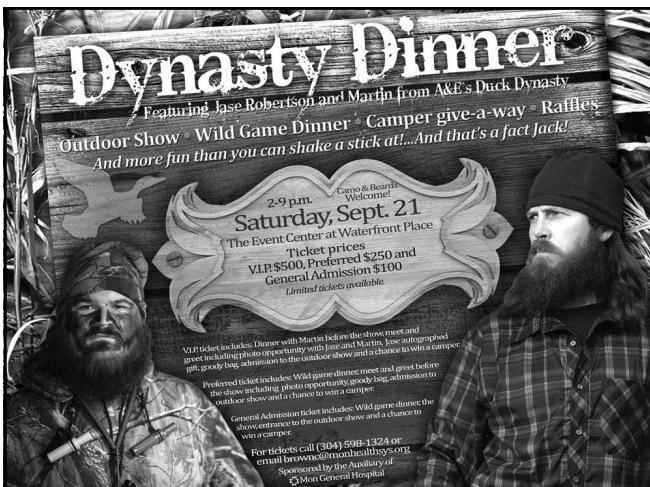
I'm going on vacation! See you soon!

*Anne*

### Wild Game Dinner

Quack Quack...the Auxiliary is proud to welcome Jase Robertson and Justin Martin from A&E TV's Duck Dynasty to our Wild Game Dinner on Sept. 21, 2013, in the Morgantown Event Center at Waterfront Place. There will be a camper giveaway, goody bags for all attendees and an outdoor show featuring regional vendors. Tickets start at \$100 for general admission. The preferred ticket is \$250 and include all the of above plus a meet-n-greet with Jase and Martin.

All proceeds from the event benefit patient care at Mon General. You can visit [www.mongeneral.com](http://www.mongeneral.com) for more information or call Anne at 304-598-8375.



## VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION LUNCHEON

### National Volunteer Week Kick off April 21, 2013

Mon General Volunteers celebrated throughout the week with fellow volunteers and staff members... **234 Volunteers donated 24,076 hours this year!** Our volunteers were guests of honor at the Erickson Alumni Center on Tuesday, April 23, 2013 for lunch, kind words and various awards. Volunteers were likened to a piece of art... priceless, each unique and a style all their own.

### VOLUNTEERS AND GUESTS AT THE ERICKSON CENTER



Volunteers are priceless, each unique and a style of their own...

## SHVL MEETING IN BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

Christina Brown and I attended the Southeastern Healthcare Volunteer Leaders meeting in Baltimore, MD in early April.

The conference featured both an extensive vendor show and multiple speakers. The speakers this year seemed to think that the future of volunteering will encourage highly skilled people to come to the hospital and utilize those skills in a volunteer environment. Some even suggested that stipends would be required by volunteers in the future. HUH? I do not necessarily agree with some of the assessments made by some of

the speakers, but it was interesting to hear.

Of course food was not far from our minds. We had the good, the bad and the ugly while we were there. While aboard the *Spirit of Baltimore* for an inner harbor cruise, the food was so bad it was ugly. Even dessert was far from acceptable. The banquet food at the hotel was not great either, but thankfully we only had to eat that twice. The breakfast we had at Miss Shirley's was triumphant! I've never had monkey bread with bananas and hot chocolate syrup before but I

assure you, I will again.

Also aboard the ship was a DJ with lots of dance music tempting the WV delegation to bust a move. Women from WV are always the life of the party and always seem to bring out their fun in everyone where ever they go.

It is always an honor to represent you at these meetings. We are very lucky here to have such great support from our community and hospital.

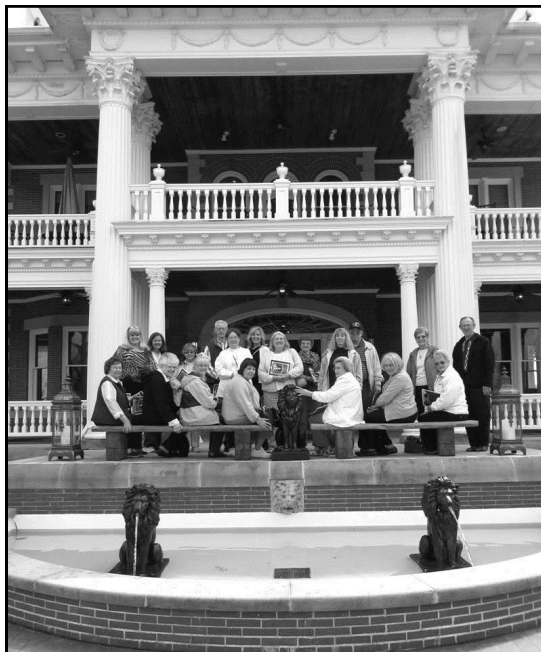
*Anne McKnight*

## BEHIND MANSION DOORS...

### Sebring Mansion, C.C. Thomson House, Glamorgan Castle and Hanover House in Ohio

Our Volunteer Recruitment and Retention bus departed from Mon General Hospital at 7:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup>.

The group visited Sebring Mansion, C.C. Thomson House, Glamorgan Castle and Hanover House. Although each destination was beautiful, the crowd favorite was Sebring Mansion. WOW what a beauty... greeted with Champagne and berries and followed by a few courses of goodies. Each tour provided quite a bit of history and a glimpse into "high society" during the glory days of these homes.



*Some of the tour members in front of Sebring Mansion,*

The Department of Volunteer Services is investigating our next adventure. If you or a friend is interested in participating, please contact 304.598.1233 for information.

## “CHRISTMAS TREES TO GO”

The Auxiliary is pleased to announce our first ever "Christmas Trees To Go" project. This event will be held during the month of October. There will be 8 trees that have been sponsored by businesses as well as the trees being designed and decorated by several different professional designers.

We are planning to sell raffle tickets for these trees for the entire month of October. What an exciting thought to win a professionally decorated tree for the cost of raffle tickets!

The trees will be displayed in the Atrium of Mon General (down the hall past the gift shop).

Tree sponsors to name a few are: Clear Mountain Bank, KLM Properties, Andy and Cindy Heiskell, and Kathy DeBone; Tree designers are: Coombs Flowers, Interior Images, Diana Peterson, Kelly's Florals, and Zaccagnini's Morgantown Florist.



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**Kristan Rushford**

**NEW VOLUNTEERS**

**Bill Kessler  
Nancy Kessler  
Stephen Gutshall  
Penny Saeler  
Sandra Adams  
Raj Sarvaiya  
Kathie Linville  
Raymond Yao  
Kathi Hahn  
Kathy Petroplus  
Tamara Latif  
Ashley Collins  
Rebecca Myers  
Tariq Latif  
Kayla Strimel  
Alex Bellias  
Kathleen Ice**

**53 new and returning  
Junior Volunteers  
have been oriented.**

**EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION**

On May 23rd, Peggy Bonner, Ann Linger and Mike Taylor (Employee Appreciation Chair) passed out ice cream bars to employees and staff.

All were pleased with the treat and are looking forward to the next Ice Cream Social.

*Picture to the right shows Mike Taylor filling the cooler with ice cream bars that were taken to the different floors and distributed to the employees. Another cooler filled with ice cream bars was outside of the Gift Shop for the employees.*



**SUMMER ORIENTATION FOR JUNIOR VOLUNTEERS**

The Department of Volunteer Services welcomed 53 Junior Volunteers at our summer orientation, WOW! Our Junior Volunteers are 14-18 years of age, many are interested in pursuing a career in the medical field. Our Juniors wear red polo shirts and are eager to assist in any way they can. Please take the opportunity to introduce yourself and thank them for the service they are providing. Their service is a wonderful learning experience for our community's teens and for our employees.

### VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION LUNCHEON (Cont.)



#### Top 10 for Hours Worked from April 1, 2012 thru March 31, 2013

Virginia Jarrett 1,256; Jackie Terlesky 541; Stan Dlugos 495.50; Katherine Forman 482.75; Barbara Sarris 471.50; Abby Erenrich 457.75; Leila Zinn 396.50; Barbara Kent 366.75; Sandy Thomas 365.75; and Steve Lightner 326.75. Right: Bill Hennessey, Executive Director/ Mon General Foundation. (Not Pictured) Community Outreach Volunteer Tag Stiles 758 hours.

### AWVHA SPRING WORKSHOP AT STONEWALL RESORT

The AWWVHA hosted its Spring Workshop at Stonewall Resort in Roanoke, WV May 20-22. Topics included presentational communication, stress management and problem solving techniques. Some of our own Mon General family presented as well. Dana Boyce and Peppy were on hand to talk about Pet Therapy and Brenda Hawkins from the Employee Wellness Department at Mon General gave a class on isometrics. Several auxiliary members attended: Christina Brown, Anne McKnight, Kathy DeBone, Susan Melenric, Kathy Lessing, Ann Llinger, Peggy Bonner, Linda Staddon

and Mike Taylor.

Christina served as the bingo caller for Monday night's entertainment. Tuesday night there was a sock hop and Christina unexpectedly played Florence Nightingale to a lady who slipped and fell during the dance. The scrapbook continues to bring rave reviews!

A special thanks to Kathy DeBone for accompanying me and helping me with my AWWVHA President-Elect duties. She was an invaluable asset to me and I appreciate her efforts very much.

*Anne McKnight*



*Above: Dana Boyce and Peppy visiting around the room after the Pet Therapy presentation.*



*Pictured: Mike Taylor, Linda Staddon, Anne McKnight (AWVHA President-Elect), Christina Brown (WVSDVS President-Elect), Peggy Bonner, Ann Llinger and Kathy DeBone.*



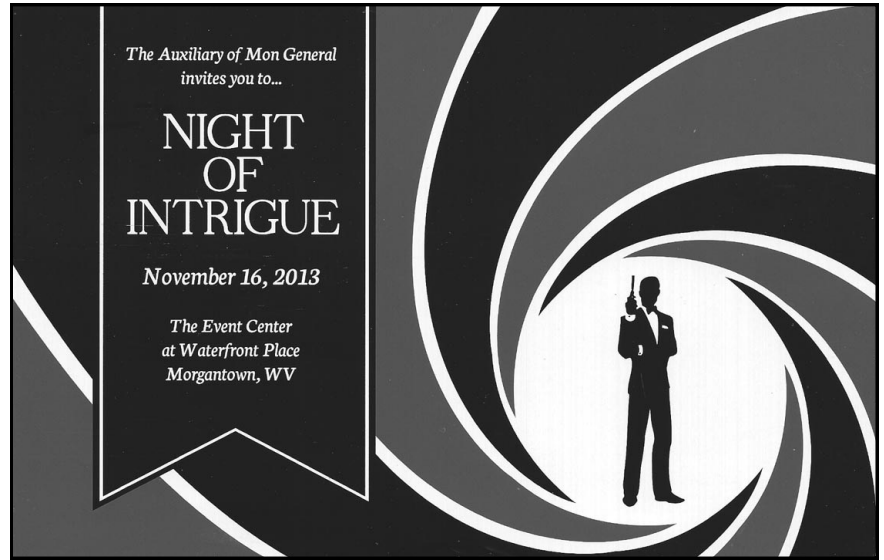
*Above: Kathy Lessing and Susan Melenric*

## 2013 BALL OF THE YEAR - NIGHT OF INTRIGUE

Ball of the Year, "A Night Of Intrigue" will be held Saturday, November 16, 2013 at the Morgantown Event Center at Waterfront Place. *Save the Date Card is pictured to the right.*

We would like to invite each and every one of you and your friends to join us at the 51<sup>st</sup> Ball of the Year.

Please phone or email your contact information so we can send you a formal invitation in late September.



## SPRING PLANT SALE



*Helping with the Plant Sale: George Sarris, Susan Melenric, Jennifer Ogden, and Kathy Lessing.*

The Auxiliary of Mon General Hospital sponsored their Spring Plant Sale on Wednesday, May 8. Two hundred beautiful hanging baskets and planters were sold to Mon General employees and visitors.

The Plant Sale, which was held on the plaza outside the hospital South Tower Lobby, raised over \$1,500 for the hospital.

The Plant Sale is a collaboration between the Mon General Auxiliary and the Lowe's in Westover. The Auxiliary thanks Lowe's for their generous help with this project. Their contribution makes this sale possible.

## AUXILIARY SCHOLARSHIPS



The Auxiliary of Mon General Hospital announced the winners of two \$1,000 scholarships awarded to area Hospital Junior Volunteers pursuing education in the health care field.

Scholarship winners were Kaitlyn Gyorko, a graduating senior from Morgantown High School, who plans to focus on Pediatric Nursing at West Liberty University, and Katelyn Dahmer, also a graduating senior from Morgantown High School, who plans to pursue nursing as a career at WVU. Ms. Gyorko has given over 300 hours of service to Mon General. Ms. Dahmer has over 200 hours of service as a Junior Volunteer.

Auxiliary Scholarships were presented to the winners by Susan Melenric during Morgantown High School's annual White Day Ceremony in the school's gymnasium.

Congratulation to our two scholarship winners and best of luck with your future studies!