



LEADING THE WAY TO A HEALTHIER COMMUNITY

# **APRIL 20, 2018**

## TWIGs present \$20,000 to HVCH at annual dinner



Pictured are (from left): Betty Jo Downs, TWIG VI; Janelle Green, TWIG IV; Julie Stuck, HVCH CEO; and Rita Reis and Nancy Johnson, TWIG II.

## Elly Crow Award winner named

Hocking Valley Community Hospital Auxiliary recently held its annual banquet and meeting where the TWIG groups (Together With Important Goals) announced their total fundraising efforts for the past year.

On behalf of the Auxiliary, Ginger Johnson, President, accepted a check for \$10,000 from TWIG II, a check for \$5,500 from TWIG IV and TWIG VI presented a check for \$4,500. Total funds for the year amounted to \$20,000.

"These funds are raised throughout the year from individual TWIG projects such as ham sales, jewelry and flower sales, raffles, bake sales and Chinese auctions," Johnson shared. "Funds are then used to support HVCH with hospital renovations or capital purchases when requested."

In 2017, the Auxiliary made a pledge of \$34,000 to assist in purchasing equipment for a third operating room, and \$75,000 was pledged to replace a new main water line, including a sixinch pipe original to the building.

Julie Stuck, HVCH CEO & President, joined Johnson in thanking the TWIG members for all their hard work, dedication and donations throughout the year.

Additionally, the Auxiliary installed new officers at the annual dinner. Serving for 2018 is Ginger Johnson, President; Betty Jo Downs, Vice President; and Kathy Stiverson, Treasurer.

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### **EVENTS CALENDAR**

#### April 27: TWIG II Spring Flower Sale Deadline to Order

TWIG II is hosting a flower sale fundraiser. A variety of planters and hanging baskets are available. Flats are \$12; hanging baskets are \$12; and terra cotta planters are \$11 for 10 in. and \$16 for 12-in. Order forms available on the HVCH cafeteria bulletin board or by contacting Community Relations at (740) 380-8154. Flower pickup is Sunday, May 6 from 12 to 2 p.m. at the Hocking County Fairgrounds. Payroll deduction available for hospital employees. All proceeds benefit HVCH.

#### May 11: TWIG VI Mother's Day Raffle

TWIG VI is selling raffle tickets for a Mother's Day raffle until Friday, May 11. Raffle contents include: homemade quilt, OSU cardigan, pedestal clock and a \$50 Kroger gift card. Call 740-974-9810 for tickets.

### INSPIRATIONAL QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"I have learned over the years that when one's mind is made up, this diminishes fear."

-Rosa Parks

## Direct to You: From Julie Stuck, CEO

In the next few weeks, we will be celebrating National Hospital Week all across the



Julie Stuck, CEO

country. When Americans talk about the place they rely on at critical times of their lives, they just say "the hospital" and everyone knows what they mean. In communities all across America, the hospital is the place that cures and cares.

Hospitals however, are not just places or institutions. They are people; physicians, nurses, emergency medical service professionals, administrators, information management specialists and lab technicians, volunteers, auxilians, maintenance technicians and food services workers, and many others – who help make America's hospitals the best in the world. In the hospital, we see the purpose of human life; serving others in action.

In the words of Herbert Hoover, "The American hospital, whether it be the great urban institution or its humble rural prototype, is constantly making large contributions to that most valuable of all conservations, the saving of human life. Moreover, it is continually accelerating our progress in the field of preventive medicine through medical research; it is giving us ever-advancing ideals in humanitarian effort; and it provides us with an institution through which the spirit of community service finds one of its most inspiring expressions."

Thanks to all of you for choosing to be a part of Hocking Valley Community Hospital and serving the patients of our community. It is truly worthy of celebration.



#### Employee recognized for going the 'Extra Mile'

Bethany McDaniels, Phlebotomist in the Lab, was presented an Extra Mile Award for her dedication and professionalism. Pictured: Amy Scarberry, Lab Director, Bethany, and Julie Grow, CFO.



#### Quarterly gift card winner announced

Congratulations to Tyler Wahl of Plant Operations. Tyler's green "thank you" ticket was drawn for the quarterly gift card drawing. Julie Grow presented Tyler a Texas Roadhouse gift card.

HVCH Cafeteria Menu April 23-April 27				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Oven Fried Chicken Sloppy Joe French Fries Broccoli Grilled Cabbage Corn Potato Soup	Meatball Sub Chicken Fingers Spinach Casserole Oven Fried Potatoes Cauliflower Breadstick Chicken Soup	Waffle Bar Bacon Cheeseburger Cheesy Hashbrowns Corn Broccoli Onion Rings Tomato Soup	Burritos Loaded Nachos Baked Potato Bar Fried Rive Cauliflower Beef Pot Roast Soup	Hot Dog/Bun Battered Cod Breaded Green Beans Vegetable Medley Peas Cauliflower Cheese Soup



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# AUXILIARY .

To close the evening's celebration, CEO Julie Stuck and HVCH Board Chairperson Ruth Ann Spatar presented the Elly Crow Award to Alta Bluhm. Bluhm has been a TWIG II member for many years, joining after retiring from Logan City Schools. Dorothy Pierce invited her to attend a meeting one evening, and she enjoyed herself so much – she decided to immediately become a member of TWIG II. She continues to be involved in TWIG because "the members have so much fun doing projects to raise money for the hospital," Bluhm said. She smiles when talking about her TWIG II activities as friendships, and the service to the community are important to her. She also has served as past president of TWIG II.

Several fundraisers Bluhm helped with in the past are: Catering for wedding receptions, birthday and anniversary parties, baking rolls and pies, soup suppers, and Valentine's Day candy sales where she made chocolate covered peanuts. She still participates in selling flowers in the spring and fall. In total, she has volunteered more than 25,000 hours of her time fundraising for the hospital.

The Elly Crow award was created to honor the former TWIG II member who was instrumental in creating many special events and raising thousands of dollars for our hospital and community. Elly was instrumental in the creation of the annual volunteer dinner, organized the annual Foundation auction, and worked at the annual Golf Tournament that has helped the HVCH Foundation raise more than \$1.5 million to purchase hospital equipment.



TWIG II member Alta Bluhm received the annual HVCH Auxiliary Elly Crow Award for her volunteerism to raise funds for HVCH.



# **SPRING PLANT SALE**

Flats - \$12 Hanging Baskets - \$12 Terra Cotta Planters -\$11 for 10-in.; \$16 for 12-in.

To order, call Nancy at 740-385-4327 or the HVCH Community Relations Office at 740-380-8154. Proceeds benefit Hocking Valley Community Hospital.

Deadline to order is Friday, April 27. Pickup is Sunday, May 6 from 12-2 p.m. at Hocking County Fairgrounds.

# START YOUR CAREER WITH HVCH TODAY!

Apply @ www.hvch.org

- Food Service Aide Part Time Variable
- Mental Health Tech (STNA) Behavioral Health Unit - Contingent/PRN
- Radiologic Technician Part Time
- Registered Nurse (RN) Contingent/PRN -Behavioral Health Unit
- Registered Nurse (RN) Emergency Department - Full Time - Nights
- Registered Nurse (RN) PRN/Contingent -Inpatient Services
- Respiratory Therapist Full Time Nights
- Respiratory Therapist PRN/Contingent -Nights
- STNA Inpatient Services Contingent/ PRN

### Medical Lab Professionals Week is April 22-28

Medical Laboratory Professionals Week (MLPW) provides the profession with a unique opportunity to increase public understanding of and appreciation for clinical laboratory personnel.

MLPW, which takes place the last full week in April each year, is coordinated by a collaborative committee with representatives from 17 national clinical laboratory organizations, including ASCLS. Now in it's 43rd year, it is important to reflect on the important history of MLPW.

Medical Laboratory Professionals Week originated in 1975 as National Medical Laboratory Week, or NMLW, under the auspices of the American Society for Medical Technology, now called the American Society for Clinical Laboratory Science (ASCLS). In subsequent years, other organizations have served as cosponsors and campaign supporters.

There are approximately 300,000 practitioners of clinical laboratory science in the United States. Since the development of this career group in the 1920s, the clinical laboratory science professional has played an increasingly vital role in the diagnosis and prevention of disease. Today, the clinical laboratorian is a key member of a health care team.

At HVCH, we are grateful for our laboratory team who provide services for the hospital 24 hours a day, seven days a week.





# Grateful patient returns home

Joan Cunningham recently stayed with HVCH for ongoing wound management and rehabilitation. Joan was with us several times during her extended illness over a period of about 4 months. She is happy to be returning home and will be transitioning to our outpatient wound management services. As a grateful patient, Joan wanted to express her thanks for the care that she has received over the past several months, and planned a small going away surprise for the staff. Joan's parting comment was, "I'm really going to miss you girls. I'm so glad to be going home, but you've made it nice for me here because you've treated me so good." If you would like to participate in the HVCH Foundation Grateful Patient program, please call Latricia Johnston at 740-380-8154.



## **HVCH hosts Breakfast Before Hours**

Hocking Valley Community Hospital recently hosted a Breakfast Before Hours event in conjunction with the Hocking Hills Chamber of Commerce. Chamber members were treated to breakfast prepared by the HVCH Dietary Dept. and had the opportunity to network as well as ask questions about the hospital's new Electronic Health Record platform called Epic.





# HOCKING VALLEY Community Hospital

# **OUR MISSION**

To provide extraordinary care close to home now and into the future.

# **OUR VISION**

To provide our community an unparalleled patient experience through world class service that is both compassionate and professional.

HVCH is a critical-access hospital located in the city of Logan, Ohio, which serves residents in Hocking and surrounding counties. With more than 325 employees, our staff is here to serve the residents and visitors of our Hocking Valley community through various ancillary and emergency care services. HVCH is Joint Commission accredited, and we offer a wide range of primary, acute, and rehabilitative services. We are pleased to provide 24-hour emergency services to our patients through our ER and Urgent Care. Additionally, our surgical center, rehabilitation center, physical therapy clinic, pain control and wound clinic, imaging, laboratory, cardiovascular/cardiopulmonary, sleep clinic, geriatric psychiatric, and oncology services are also available. We are proud of our facility. HVCH is affiliated with OSUWMC, improving healthcare services to the Hocking and surrounding counties in the areas of general surgery and orthopaedics. HVCH also is a part of the Ohio State Health Network.