



# Hospice News

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Craven County Home Health-Hospice Agency

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## *Celebrating 30 years of Serving Craven County!*

### *The Craven County Health Department Foundation's Moonlight Masquerade Ball: Celebrating 30 Years!*

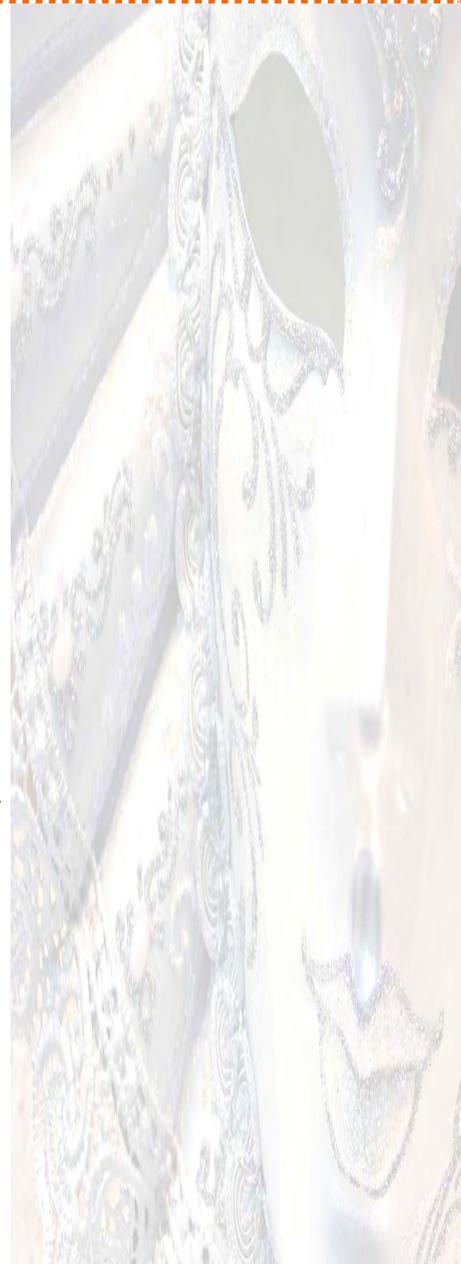
This 30th anniversary has been quite a year to remember with new programs, becoming accredited once again in August by a new agency: the Community Health Accreditation Program, a great Spring Breakfast Fundraiser; and the year is not even over! On November 5th, from 6:00-11:00pm, Craven County Health Department Foundation will be hosting a formal ball at the Carolina Colours Pavilion. This ball will be held in celebration of Craven County Health Department Home Health-Hospice's 30th anniversary of serving Craven County residents. Fun will be had by all with a silent auction, dinner catered by the Chelsea entertainment provided by the much anticipated reunion of Crisis band and a little bit of mystery!

Proceeds from the Masquerade ball will benefit the Craven County Health Department Foundation, which is a non-profit agency. The Craven County Health Department Foundation, among other areas of assistance, pays for serves for in-need Hospice patients and their families with end of life care. Hospice care at Craven County Health Department Hospice agency is not denied because of inability to pay; these patients are supported by the Foundation. The Foundation also helps in-need Hospice patients with equipment and services they might require such as: respite services, durable medical equipment, medicine, nursing services, and much more.

So, come celebrate with the Craven County Health Department Hospice and support a great cause! All donations are tax-deductible and benefit the Craven County Health Department Foundation, Inc.

If you would like to join in on the fun, please contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Meghan Murray for more information at 636-4930 or email her at [mmurray@cravencountync.gov](mailto:mmurray@cravencountync.gov)!

*Won't You Join Us in the Mystery?...*



*The Moonlight Masquerade Ball: Celebrating 30 Years!*

*Friday, November 5, 2010 6:00-11:00pm 252-636-4930 for more info  
Carolina Colours Social Pavilion, 300 Waterscape Way, New Bern, NC 28561*



# Recipes



## Pumpkin Dip

A Very Special Thank You to Lynn Gaskins, a science teacher at New Bern High School for submitting this very delicious pumpkin recipe!

### Ingredients:

- ◆ 1 can pumpkin
- ◆ 1 cup Splenda
- ◆ 1 block of cream cheese 8 oz.
- ◆ Cinnamon



### Directions:

- ◆ Mix cream cheese and splenda first
- ◆ Then add pumpkin and cinnamon to taste.
- ◆ Serve with ginger snaps or slices of apple.

Craven County Hospice has been asked to start up a section in our newsletter listing different types of recipes.

We plan to eventually have a Hospice Recipe Cookbook that everyone could enjoy.

If interested in sending in your recipe, please mail to: Craven County Home Health-Hospice

PO Drawer 12610

New Bern, NC 28561

or e-mail your recipe along with a picture to: [mmurray@cravencountync.gov](mailto:mmurray@cravencountync.gov)



## Holiday Events to Look For...



Craven County Health Department Home Health-Hospice has some exciting upcoming events to look for in the fall and winter of 2010!

- ◆ **November 5, 2010 “Moonlight Masquerade Ball”**  
6:00-11:00pm Carolina Colours Social Pavilion \*All are Welcome to Come!\*  
See the front page for more details!
- ◆ **November 10, 2010 “Getting Through the Holidays”**  
10:30am-12:30pm New Bern-Craven County Public Library \*All are Welcome to Come!\*Our Hospice Medical Social Worker, Sam Smith, CSW, will be holding a workshop for bereaved, or grieving individuals, to help cope with the upcoming holidays and share feelings with other bereaved facing the same issues. There is no cost associated with this event and all are welcome to join.
- ◆ **November 17, 2010 “National Hospice Month Pig Pickin”**  
12:00pm– 2:00pm The New Bern Elks Lodge \* Open to Hospice Staff, Volunteers and Bereaved\*  
Hosted by the wonderful New Bern Elks, the annual Pig Pickin’ is a tradition at Craven County Health Department Hospice to give our bereaved a chance to socialize with each other and to meet those dedicated people behind the scenes of our organization. It is also a time to recognize the hard work of our Hospice Volunteers
- ◆ **December 1, 2010 “Annual Hospice Memorial”**  
9:00am-11:30am First Baptist Church \*Hospice Staff, Volunteers and Bereaved Families\*  
The memorial service is a very special tradition for the Craven County Health Department Hospice agency. During each memorial service, we honor those Hospice patients who have passed within the last year. It is a time for staff and family members to come together and remember. This year, our tree will be housed at “**Treasures on the Trent**” on Middle Street in downtown New Bern, so be sure to check it out in December!



## *Hospice Volunteer Updates... Check-In Volunteer Program*

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This past July marked the start of an exciting new volunteer venture at Craven County Health Department Hospice: The Check-In Volunteer program. Each week, a volunteer contacts active Hospice patients to make sure they are “ready for the week-end”. This includes but is not limited to: ensuring the patient is equipped with enough medications to last through the weekend; checking on any discomfort issues they might be experiencing; if they are running low on any supplies, etc.

The Check-In Volunteer program welcomed our Hospice volunteers: Glenn Hamilton, Sharon Warren, Morag Cheesman, Louise Vondran, Rebecca Credle and Mary Lou Infinito. Each of these volunteers completed the in-service training and many have completed Check-In Calls.

With the start of this new program, we are aiming to ensure that our patients are prepared for the weekend and that they know the communication lines are open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week should a problem arise. One of our goals at Craven County Health Department Hospice is to make sure our patients and their loved ones feel as comfortable as possible and this new and exciting program is just another way we can ensure that comfort to our patients.



## *Tis the Season to Give...Donation Highlights from the Community*

Craven County Health Department Home Health-Hospice has been very fortunate to be part of such a caring community! We have received numerous donations from such wonderful people from the area throughout our 30 years that have gone to help our Hospice patients and their families and we couldn't be more grateful to each and every one of them. Since it is getting around the holiday of giving thanks to those around us, Craven County Health Department Hospice would like to highlight a few donations we have received recently. Of course, we are thankful for each and every person that donates to our Hospice agency, your support allows us to help terminal patients and their families through a very difficult time in their lives.

From one Volunteer Coordinator to another...Diane Best, one of our earliest Volunteer Coordinators donated a number of Hospice and Bereavement books for our Hospice Library. The Hospice library serves as a resource for many people in the community, not just our staff, patients and their families.

As the fall and winter months bring the cold weather, our Hospice patients are “covered” by the hard work of Ann Moore and Katherine Harris. Ann Moore has been knitting beautiful blankets for over a year for our Hospice patients. She does all this with yarn donated from people throughout the community. If you have some yarn that you are not going to use, maybe you can donate it to Hospice. Ann will use this yarn and create blankets for Hospice patients to keep out the cold. Another dedicated lady, Katherine Harris, crochets shawls for our Hospice patients, in memory of her mother. She is new to creating shawls for Hospice patients and even in this short time several patients have so enjoyed these beautiful creations!

Several people and an agency who have helped us so much throughout the years are Whit Morgan, Sharon Warren and the Merci Clinic. Sharon Warren, a hard working volunteer donated baby monitors for the Hospice patients. Whit Morgan, who is a Foundation board member and a huge supporter of the Spring Breakfast, donated some beautiful XL twin sheets for our Hospice patients. These sheets are used by Hospice patients who are bed bound to a hospital bed. Morgan donated these in memory of his mother. The Merci Clinic has also been wonderful in donating numerous diapers and chux whenever they have an overflow of donations! Thank you to all!

## Helen Shank

John & Lisa Mozingo  
 Willis & Polly Peadar  
 June E. Smith  
 George W. Olsen  
 Brian & Rebecca Matthews  
 Edwin & Lois Speake  
 Carson Satterfield  
 Tidewater Air Services, LLC  
 William R. Wakeham  
 Patrick & Dona McGough  
 Margaret G. Jackson  
 Richard & Lisa Laurie  
 William & Diane Speake  
 Witt & Frances Irion

## Ashley R. Smithwick

Reatha B. Wilkins

## Helen B. McIntrye

Morag J. Cheesman

## Patricia Johnsen

River Bend Ladies Golf Association

## Emily F. McKnight

Raymond F. Wolff

## Bonnie L. Norris

Robert L. Norris

## James H. DeRoche

Inga-Lill C. DeRoche

## Carolee Koehler

Richard Koehler

## Richard Hoogendam

Rama P. White  
 Margaret P. Fulcher  
 Elizabeth & Larry Wallace  
 Mary A. Flick  
 Lee & Ola Horne  
 Carolina Pines Ladies Golf Association  
 Corwin & Wallace Strong  
 Grace & Daniel Ewing  
 Theodore & Catherine Dusselberg

## Hans Petersen

Scotty & Margaret Miller  
 Martha & Mark Fancy  
 Margaret Joan Petersen  
**Elizabeth O. Bryan**  
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 Barbara F. Jones  
 New Bern Ladies Golf Association  
 Charles F. Tyson, Jr.  
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 Douglas & Lou Stewart  
 The Jefferson Hotel  
 Kelly & Brenda Zaytoun

## Patricia Hampson

Morag J. Cheesman  
 Christine S. Milne  
 James Hampson

## Cuthrell, Ballenger, McComas,

## Kosarko

Cotten Funeral Home & Crematory

## Irma Petersen

Ralph & Dolores Petersen  
 Therese M. Petersen  
 Charles & Marie Schwab  
 Carolina Pines Ladies Golf Association  
 Robert & June Mabus  
 James & Virginia LaFollette  
 Anne Lewis  
 Earl & Eileen Sidney  
 Donald & Stephene Smith

## John J. Gumbrecht

Jo Tingle  
 Doris L. Moser  
 Grace A. Gumbrecht  
 Gray & Phyllis Hardison

## John Holecek

Doris Moser  
 Patricia B. Rivett  
 Betty Aldington  
 Sophia D. Taylor & Sophia M. Vann  
 Raymond F. Wolff  
 Nate Salsbury

## Price, Montgomery, Finch, Koehler

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## Donation to Hospice

James & Claire Waller  
 Albert & Marion Friedlander  
 Grace A. Gumbrecht  
 Barbara S. Richardson

## Mossie Morgan

Whit Morgan



### Donations to Craven County Health Dept. Home Health-Hospice

The donations you send in to our agency are vital to our Hospice patients. Hospice is a service of Craven County Health Department Home Health Hospice Agency, a non-profit organization. Your donations will go to in-need Hospice patients for supplies that they might require like respite, medications, services, equipment, etc.

#### Mail your check to:

Craven County Health Department Home Health-Hospice  
 PO Drawer 12610  
 New Bern, NC 28561

Please make the check payable to CCHD- Foundation.  
 Your support is a true relief to any Hospice patient.



Masquerade Ball Tickets are still available!  
 Tickets cost \$55 per person and include:  
 Dinner, Dancing, Drinks and a Silent Auction!  
 Come and join the fun and  
 support a great cause on  
 Friday November 5, 2010 from 6:00-11:00pm  
 at Carolina Colours Social Pavilion!  
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### Hospice Wish List



- ◆ Baby Monitors
- ◆ XL Twin Sheet Set
- ◆ Yarn (for Hospice Blankets)
- ◆ A Christmas Tree for our Hospice Memorial Tree

Hospice is a coordinated palliative and supportive care (physical, psychological, social and spiritual) for dying persons and their families. Services are provided in the home by an interdisciplinary team of professionals and volunteers. Bereavement care is available to the family.