

Hospice Memorials

There's No Time Limit On Memorial Gifts

We usually think about making a memorial gift shortly after someone's passing. But, memorial gifts hold the power to celebrate a life and give comfort years after the loss. Birthdays, anniversaries, and other special occasions can be difficult when a mother, father, husband, wife, or other loved one is no longer with us. Many donors use these times to make a charitable donation in their memory. Gifts are used to provide care to patients and families, purchase equipment, develop new health care services, and other activities that support our mission of caring.

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When you make a memorial gift or donation to CCHD Hospice you are ultimately helping patients and families receive compassionate care when they need it most. These donations go towards supplies, medications and medical equipment that are not otherwise covered. Thank you for choosing Craven County Health Department Home Health-Hospice.

Please make the check payable to **CCHD- Foundation**. And mail to:
Craven County Health Department Home Health-Hospice
PO Drawer 12610



Hospice Wish List

- ◆ Twin XL bed sheet sets
- ◆ Men's hospital gowns
- ◆ gift cards to Wal-Mart, Target, Restaurants, and Movies
- ◆ Books on CD
- ◆ Patient Care Kits- Plastic Wash Basin, hard candies, unflavored chap stick, unscented lotion, puzzle books.
- ◆ Nutritional supplements-Boost, Ensure Equate

Craven County
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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.



Hospice News

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Craven County Home Health-Hospice Agency

Quality Service in Craven County for Over 30 Years

2012 Spring Breakfast



A great many people accomplished a great feat in a short amount of time on Wed. May 9, 2012. Over 250 people attended the Craven County Hospice **Spring Breakfast** and raised over \$14,000 for Respite Aide services that day.

Respite Aides provide an interval of relief for families of our Hospice patients. This interval of relief is often illusive or nonexistent for the caregivers of patients with life limiting illnesses, because respite is a service that is not covered by Medicare and can be costly. But, Craven County Health Department Foundation pays for this service for our Hospice families. A check is written each month out of the Foundation coffers to pay for respite for

the 20 plus families that are being served at the time, and the only way to repay it is by having fundraisers such as the Spring Breakfast.

That is why this fundraiser is so important.

That is why 250 people took time out of their busy schedule to attend a breakfast function, and took their check books with them.

That is why they were so generous.

Keynote speaker at the event, Mr. Bud Stilley, referenced a quote by John Bunyan, saying, "You have not lived today until you have done something for someone who can never repay you." A lot of people lived fully on May 9th and Craven County Hospice patients and their families greatly appreciate their support and generosity.



Mr. Bud Stilley addresses the guests.



Pat Morgan and Marilyn Brewer in Hospice aprons tend to their tables.



Guests enjoying a delicious breakfast and great fellowship.



Recipes

Summer Corn Salad

Ingredients:
 6 ears corn, husked and cleaned
 3 large tomatoes, diced
 1 large onion, diced
 1/4 cup chopped fresh basil
 1/4 cup olive oil
 2 tablespoons white vinegar
 salt and pepper to taste

Directions:

1. Bring a large pot of lightly salted water to a boil. Cook corn in boiling water for 7 to 10 minutes, or until desired tenderness. Drain, cool, and cut kernels off the cob with a sharp knife.
2. In a large bowl, toss together the corn, tomatoes, onion, basil, oil, vinegar, salt and pepper. Chill.



Craven County Hospice would like to print 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: jwhitley@cravencountync.gov

Spring Breakfast (cont.)

Many Thanks to our Table Sponsors for their Support:
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Sponsor Steve Cella checking on his guests.



Guests of Tiffany Dove and Oscar's Mortuary.



Sponsor Pete Deichmann working for his tip.

Events to Look Forward to...

Bereavement Support Group – The second session of Craven County Hospice Bereavement Support Group is scheduled to begin on June 19 for 6 weeks at McCarthy Court Apartments. Advance registration is suggested. For more information, please call 252-636-4930.

Volunteer Training An intensive training for all interested in becoming a Hospice volunteer will be held in the fall. Please call 252-636-4930 for more information.

Volunteer Page



Craven County Hospice Volunteers were recently recognized at a “Dessert Tea” at Persimmons Restaurant. Volunteer Coordinator Joan Whitley recognized the excellent work that the volunteers do. Volunteers are a very important part of the Craven County Health Department Hospice. The work they do helps the agency fulfill requirements set out by Medicare, but more than that, help the patients and families by bringing some sunshine into their lives; by offering company to those who don’t want to be alone, listening, and sometime just sitting quietly. Some volunteers provide clerical work in addition to the patient services. They help with newsletters, painstakingly pen individual notes to families of the bereaved and mail out Carenotes. These office workers provide an impor-

tant service and are greatly appreciated.

The theme for the recognition was “getting their just deserts.” According to dictionary.reference.com, “desert” means: 1. reward or punishment that is deserved. 2. the state or fact of deserving reward or punishment. 3. the state or condition of being worthy, as in character or behavior. Synonyms: merit, virtue, worth. It goes on to say that *DESERT* is the quality that entitles one to a just reward as in: according to her deserts. *MERIT* is usually the excellence that entitles to praise: a person of great merit. *WORTH* is always used in a favorable sense and signifies **inherent value or goodness**, for example: The worth of your contribution is incalculable.

Mrs. Whitley told the volunteers that they have great worth, that which signifies inherent goodness. She went on to say that meant that each one of them exhibit goodness as part of their being, that their goodness was intrinsic and that they were all good and thoughtful people. Goodness is “who” they are. She referred to the example: *the worth of your contribution is incalculable* by telling the volunteers that their worth to the patients and their families and to our agency cannot be measured, it is incalculable, beyond estimation and that she was proud to know them. She ended with stating that no one who volunteers does so for the thanks or recognition, but it is important that their contributions be recognized. She offered her sincere thanks and said that it was only a small portion of their “just deserts”.



Volunteers of the Year



Two volunteers were recognized as Volunteer of the Year at the Volunteer Recognition “Dessert Tea” in April. Frosty, Craven County Health Department Hospice’s pet therapy dog passed away recently. She was a great asset to our agency and will miss her. She visited New Bern Cancer Care weekly and many Hospice patients in their homes. Frosty’s face was well known in the chemo room and brought many smiles to patients that had a long day of chemo ahead. Even the nurses looked forward to her visit. Frosty will be memorialized on our Volunteer of the Year plaque.

Our *human* volunteer of the year is Mr. Glenn Hamilton. Glenn is always ready to visit with and stay with patients no matter what the time or day. He once volunteered to sit with a patient on

Christmas Eve. He traveled 20 miles to the patient’s home and 20 miles back so the family could go to Christmas Eve services. He missed out on being with his own family that night, but made it possible for the patient’s family to keep a semblance of normalcy, by attending Christmas Eve services. This is just one instance of the selflessness that he portrays. Congratulations and many thanks, Glenn.

