

2014 AUXILIARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING DATES

May 12	9:30 am	Conference Room #3
June 9	9:30 am	Conference Room #3
September 8	9:30 am	Conference Room #4
November 10	9:30 am	Conference Room #3

***Mandatory** Twig Representation Meeting

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2013 GOALS ACHIEVED



AUXILIARY FUNDING

\$25,000	Eating Disorders Program
25,000	Palliative Care Chaplin
25,000	Overlook Music Program
13,000	Bladder Scanner for Medical/Surgical
13,000	Bladder Scanner for Orthopedics

TWIG FUNDING

CH 15	\$1,000	Sponsor (2) Children at Camp Clover	SU 4	9,309	Eating Disorder Campaign
	2,000	Liam's Room Palliative Workshops		1,000	Overlook Valerie Center
	807	Pediatric Playroom Arts & Crafts	SU 5	4,500	Atlantic Hospice/Homecare
SH 17	2,750	Camp Clover	SU 9	215	Auxiliary General Fund
SH 27	2,600	Eating Disorders Campaign	SU 11	750	Auxiliary General Fund
	1,500	Sponsor (3) Children at Camp Clover	SU 19	12,000	Ovarian Cancer Research
	900	Neuroscience Seizure Pads	SU 22	800	Atlantic Hospice/Homecare
SU 2	3,000	Atlantic Hospice/Homecare	SU 30	1,400	Auxiliary General Fund
	1,500	Sponsor (3) children at Camp Clover			
	1,200	(2) Fetal Dopplers for Health Start			
	100	Magazine for Radiology			
SU 3	4,890	Eating Disorders Campaign			

A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENTS

Greetings To All!

Once upon a time there was something warm and bright in the sky. This wonderful orb was called "the Sun." Valentine's Day and St. Patrick's Day have come and gone and Punxsutawney Phil predicted 6 more weeks of winter. Even with almost 60 inches of snow and ice and bone-chilling cold this winter, Auxiliary members have been hard at work.



SH Twig 27 sponsored an Amish Farmer's Market in January and SH Twig 17 held its semi-annual Jones NY Coat Sale in February. The next sale for SH 27 will be their Spring Vendor Sale on May 1st with a variety of vendors including our Amish gentleman, and the next Jones NY Coat Sale will be held November 13th. Please mark your calendars and come see us in Bouras Auditorium for these two popular sales.

The newest Art at Overlook Show featuring fabulous photos from the New Jersey Photography Forum will hang until April 12th in the main gallery in the Administrative Hallway on the 5th Floor. If you have not taken a stroll recently, please take the time to enjoy the art when you are in the medical center. A total of three pieces of art sold from the previous art show.

SU Twig 5 will host a benefit for Camp Clover (see ad) at the Westminster Hotel in Livingston on Saturday, March 29th. The gala will honor in part, the Breene Family who so generously donated a week at Camp Riverbend for our use for the past two years. SU Twig 19 will sponsor its 17th annual Kentucky Derby on May 3rd at a Twig member's home.

Going forward we will be making preparations for the 2015 Kitchen Tour. After we all then take a deep breath - the Centennial celebration will be upon us in 2016. Our Gift Shop & Bloom has held its own despite the difficult economy and the shop is now bursting with lots of new spring merchandise.

With Spring around the corner (hopefully) and Easter waiting in the wings, our spirits will soar and our energy will increase as we shake off the winter doldrums. We wish you all a Happy Spring and look forward to warm and sunny weather in the coming months.

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SPRING LUNCHEON BASKET RAFFLE

SU Twig 3 will host our Annual Spring Luncheon at Baltusrol Golf Club on Friday, May 9th. A highlight of the luncheon is the basket raffle. Typically, each Twig donates a themed basket (or money to purchase a basket in your Twig's name). We need your help in order to make the Luncheon a financial success for the Auxiliary. If you don't have time to shop and put the basket together, please consider making a cash donation. Suggestions for themed baskets are:

- * Gardening Basket
- * Home Goods Basket
- * Kindle Basket
- * Girl's Night Out Basket
- * iPad/iPod Basket
- * Spa/Salon/Pampering Basket
- * Gourmet Cooking Basket
- * Jewelry Basket



Please respond at your earliest convenience to let us know the theme of the basket that your Twig will be creating or whether you will be donating cash to purchase a basket. Please make checks out to Overlook Auxiliary - SU Twig 3 and mail to Overlook Auxiliary, Attn: Terry Andrews, 99 Beauvoir Avenue, Summit, 07901 by Thursday, May 1st. All baskets must be received by Monday, May 5th.

Thank you very much for your support!
Christina Amundson, 908-277-1735, macfmly2go@gmail.com.

VOLUNTEER SERVICES

THE HEALTH SCIENCE LIBRARY

Friendly volunteers are needed to visit patient rooms to offer free informational research on health conditions and treatments. (Training will be provided).

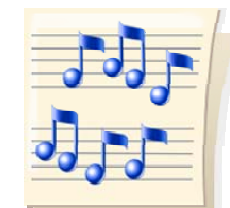
BEDSIDE COMPANION PROGRAM

If you are caring and compassionate with a fondness for older adults, this may be the perfect volunteer experience for you! You can touch someone's life just by being there to listen and provide brief companion visits! Training will be provided to prepare you to comfortably perform this volunteer role.

EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT

Volunteer positions are available immediately in our Emergency Department at the Summit and the Union campus. Please make a commitment to change the experience of Emergency Department patients through kindness and human contact. Personalized orientation and training will be provided. If you are a retired healthcare professional who is comfortable in a clinical setting, this experience may be perfect for you.

VOLUNTEER MUSICIANS



Your musical talent can bring healing to our patients, visitors and staff! Pianists, vocalists, violinists, harpists and guitarists are all in great demand! Music in our atrium lobby enhances the welcoming environment! Please volunteer to perform at Overlook and enhance our healing environment!

If you are interested in learning more about any of our volunteer opportunities, please contact Sue Thomas, Manager of the Patient Experience and Volunteer Services. 908-522-2841 Sue.thomas@atlantichealth.org.

VOLUNTEER SERVICES

OVERLOOK MEDICAL CENTER CELEBRATES ITS MOST DEDICATED VOLUNTEERS

In celebration of National Volunteer Week, Overlook will celebrate the caring and generosity of spirit of our most dedicated Overlook volunteers on Wednesday, April 9th. Our Annual Volunteer Appreciation and Awards Luncheon is for all active volunteers who have earned over 250 hours of volunteer service by December 31, 2013. The event will be held at The Primavera Regency in Stirling from Noon - 2:30 p.m. Invitations will be sent to the homes of all eligible volunteers. We ask you to reply with your preferences for seating...if you would like to sit with friends or Twig members. We look forward to celebrating with you!

"Every day thousands of unsung heroes bring caring and compassion to the lives of millions. Their names are never printed in the headlines, but our world would be a much darker place without them."

Charles Devlin

MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK!

We are so grateful for the talented team of Overlook volunteers who serve the needs of our patients every day! But, we need more volunteers to make even a greater difference! We need volunteers "just like you" who share the passion to use their time to help others in so many meaningful ways!

We respectfully ask for your help! Please take a minute to think of those people who share your life, family, friends and neighbors. If you can think of anyone that may have the skills and interest that might make them a great volunteer...we want to meet them!

We have so many unique and different volunteer opportunities; we know that we can match their skills and interest to a great and meaningful assignment. Please share why you volunteer and encourage them to get involved! Overlook welcomes all new volunteers! If you know someone interested in becoming an Overlook Medical Center volunteer, please call Gwen Dabney, Administrative Assistant, Volunteer Services to request an application! 908-522-2099 Gwendolyn.dabney@atlanticealth.org.



*"Believe that there is a light at the end of the tunnel.
Believe that you might be that light for someone else."*

Kobi Yamada

VOLUNTEER OPENINGS - IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE!

The **Gift Shop** is in need of help with register sales and travelling gift cart!
The **Information Desk** seeks friendly volunteers to welcome guests and offer information/direction.
Messenger Room Volunteers are needed daily to run errands throughout the medical center.
General Office Assistance - Clerical assistance -- filing, organizing, general office tasks and data entry.

AUXILIARY HAPPENINGS

SAVE THE DATES

SPRING
VENDOR SALE

Thursday, May 1
8 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Bouras Auditorium

Hosted by
SH Twig 27

SPRING LUNCHEON

Annual Spring
Luncheon and Meeting
Friday, May 9
Baltusrol Golf Club

Hosted by
SU Twig 3

FALL
VENDOR SALE

Friday, September 12
8 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Bouras Auditorium

Hosted by
SH Twig 27

WHAT'S TRENDING AT THE GIFT SHOP & BLOOM?

The cold, snowy winter may have kept many folks from venturing out and about, but it didn't keep our buyers from attending several shows and purchasing new products! Boxes are arriving daily.

New to The Gift Shop are Magid Handbags for Spring! Magid has been a recognized brand of fashion & designer handbags and women's accessories for over 80 years. The collection of daytime and evening bags range from casual everyday totes to the most fashionable purses. Magid presents the largest diversity of natural straw unique to the Philippines and each bag is individually hand constructed and trimmed. Magid has been recognized for its consistent quality, fashion forward designs, and the global sourcing. Stop by The Gift Shop to find the perfect Magid straw handbag for you. The Gift Shop also carries straw hats to complement the bags.

Spotlites combine the timeless sentiment of the classic candle with designs and innovations for the 21st century. Whether you are trying to create a romantic setting, celebrate a special occasion, or need a finishing touch for any room, Spotlites design candles that make it truly feel brilliant. These are candles you won't find anywhere else. We are sure you'll love the designs we have to offer!! The Gift Shop has the delightful tea-lite style – the candles burn, while the design remains!

The Gift Shop introduces Make My Day products from Australia! With the **All Gone** collapsible snack bowl, you can take dry snacks anywhere in these fun containers made from food grade silicone. When you're heading out, the **All Gone** is nice and handy because once the snacks are *all gone*, it collapses, saving space in your bag for the trip home. Brilliant thinking, right?! And you have to love a container that's easy to stash away in a drawer! For the children there is **The Baby Bib!** Not only does it look extremely cute (we think), it's so practical! Made from food grade, super soft, stain resistant silicone, you have the choice to either give it a quick rinse with hot soapy water and let it air dry, OR, you can POP it in the dishwasher and let something else do the work for you. The Gift Shop has the traditional *bow tie* or *pearl necklace* designs in fun, bright colors.

Beautiful tulips and hyacinths have been in abundance in Bloom. As we move toward Spring, we look forward to lilacs and peonies, dogwood and daffodils. Colorful vintage bottles and Mason Jars have been a welcome addition to our popular Signature Carafe arrangement. Bloom also has dish gardens, green plants in colorful ceramic cachepots, and stunning double spike phalaenopsis orchids available. You can place your order for your custom floral design and have it delivered, or choose curbside pickup (we'll bring it out to your car, curbside).

Please take the time to tour our new website, created by Christine Cartisser ~ www.bloomatoverlook.com and "like" our Facebook page for up to date product information!



Please like our page "Overlook Auxiliary". This will help promote the Auxiliary and remind the community of our events. It may also help us recruit new members and Twigs!

TWIG HAPPENINGS

CH Twig 6

The 2013 Auxiliary Kitchen Tour committee and lead sponsors, Kassandra Romas of Bouras Properties and Karen Schneider of Lois Schneider Realtor, proudly presented the proceeds of this year's tour to the staff of the Valerie Center at Overlook Medical Center. The tour, featuring seven distinguished Summit homes, dedicated all the proceeds to the hospital's Valerie Center. The mission of the center is to provide support for the comprehensive health care of children with cancer and blood disorders.

Dr. Steven Halpern, Medical Director of the Valerie Centers at Morristown and Overlook Medical Centers, accepted a check for \$31,319.00 on behalf of the center. Dr. Halpern thanked the Auxiliary and stated, "Medical care, as well as out of pocket expenses, especially for children diagnosed with cancer and serious blood diseases, has increased at an alarming rate and much of

these costs are uncovered. We are always looking for ways to help fund the vital supportive services provided to our patients. The money that your group has raised is greatly appreciated and will be well used."

Committee chairs, Kim Morander and Melissa Sartorius, commented, "We were thrilled to be a part of this past year's tour. It was an honor to work with such a wonderful group of people at the Overlook Auxiliary, Bouras Properties, Lois Schneider Realtor and the Valerie Center. The support of Summit and its surrounding communities made this possible and we couldn't be happier to donate the money to such a worthy cause."

If you would like to be involved in the next Overlook Auxiliary Kitchen Tour scheduled for October of 2015, please contact Elsa Russell at 908-522-2198 or Elsa.Russell@atlanticealth.org.

SU Twig 4

SU Twig 4 has partnered with "Thirty-One" to have an online fundraiser or "no party, party". Shop from the comfort of your own home! Proceeds will go to the Eating Disorders Program for 8 -12 year olds.

The best way to show your support is to go to www.mythirtyone.com/mwidman and click on [My Parties](#) and then click on [Overlook Auxiliary](#).

10% of the proceeds will be donated to the Overlook Auxiliary.

If you have questions, please contact Michelle Widman, at mcjwidman@verizon.net or 732-991-8784. You may also contact SU Twig 4 Co-Chair, Anne St.Clair at akstclair@me.com.

SU Twig 5



2014 ATLANTIC HOSPICE SPRING GALA

Saturday, March 29, 7:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.
Westminster Hotel, 550 W. Mt. Pleasant Avenue, Livingston, New Jersey

Dinner ~ Gift Auction ~ Entertainment
\$125.00 per person

Please Join Us As We Honor

Dr. Janice Baker, who has served as our hospice Medical Director for more than 20 years.

Meyra Green and John Fleming, long-time hospice volunteers.

The Breene Family, owners of Camp Riverbend in Warren New Jersey, who have so generously opened their beautiful facility to our children's bereavement camp, Camp Clover, for the past two years.

For Tickets contact Michele Cameron at 201-572-9301 or email michele.cameron@atlanticealth.org.

TWIG HAPPENINGS

SU Twig 19

SU Twig 19 will sponsor their 17th Annual Kentucky Derby on May 3rd at the home of Jeff and Marion Garibaldi in Summit.



Gates open at 4:30 p.m. and post time is 6:15 p.m. Participants will enjoy delicious food and beverages along with a "live" auction. The cost for this exciting evening is \$50 per person with all proceeds going to the Overlook Auxiliary.

AUXILIARY SPRING LUNCHEON

Overlook Auxiliary
Cordially invites you to our
Spring Luncheon and Annual Meeting

<p>Friday, May 9, 2014 Luncheon and Annual Meeting 11:00am – 2:30pm Cash Bar & Raffle</p>	<p>Baltusrol Golf Club 201 Shunpike Road Springfield, New Jersey</p>
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RSVP no later than May 1, 2014
Reserve early – seating is limited

I wish to attend Overlook Auxiliary's Spring Luncheon and Annual Meeting on Friday, May 9, 2014 at Baltusrol Golf Club.

Please reserve # _____ tickets at \$50.00 each for a total of \$ _____

I would like to be seated with Twig # _____ or _____

I would like to be seated at a General Auxilian table _____

I cannot attend but wish to make a contribution of \$ _____

Please print your reply information and mail both your ticket reservation information along with your check (made out to Overlook Auxiliary) to:
Patricia Richards
275 Riveredge Drive
Chatham, NJ 07928

For further information, contact Patti Richards @ pattirichards123@gmail.com

<p>Overlook Auxiliary Executive Board 2014 Elsa Russell and Diane Swett, Co Presidents, Meredith Guida and Anne St. Clair, Co Vice Presidents Amanda Ford, Elizabeth Pryma, and Terry Andrews</p>	<p>Spring Luncheon Committee TWIG # 3 Co Chairs Christina Amundson, Marianne Bauer, and Jeanne Lawler</p>
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