Hospice Volunteer Lends a Listening Ear

Catherine Niffen, a resident at Moore-Pike Nursing Home, became a Hospice Volunteer on February 2, 2012. Catherine loves people and loves to visit. “People sometimes just need to talk so she is there to listen,” states Niffen. She enjoys giving smiles and lifting spirits.

Catherine used to work at a nursing home until her health issues required her to retire. Catherine is married with 4 children and 5 grandchildren.

“Cathy will be a great asset to our hospice program. She is a sincerely kind and caring person. She is a people person and I hope she will find the hospice volunteer program a rewarding experience,” states Donna Ellison, volunteer coordinator.

Pike County Hospice Volunteers provide companionship, support and respite for the patient and their families. Volunteers can read, play cards, assist with errands or sometimes just to be that caring presence in the room is all that is needed. Other hospice volunteers provide office assistance such as filing, mailings or copying. Volunteers also help with special events such as memorial services and fundraising events.

If you are interested in becoming a Pike County Hospice Volunteer contact Donna Ellison at (573) 324-2111.

Pike County Health Department, Home Health & Hospice presents

“Facts, Snacks & Getting on Track”
A 3 day series of seminars. Come to one or all three! No charge. At the Pike County Health Department, Home Health & Hospice conference room.
A healthier America begins with mental and emotional well-being

Monday, April 2nd
“Stress Relief”
Relaxation Techniques by Dr. Eric Gearing
Session 1: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
“Balancing the Wheel” by Karma Gaw
Session 2: 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.
To reserve a seat contact PCHD 324-2111
*a light lunch will be provided

Tuesday, April 3rd
“Substance Abuse”
By Diane Ooton
Family Counseling Center
Session 1: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Session 2: 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.
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Wednesday, April 4th
“Laugh for the Health of it”
By Susie Oberdahlhoff
Session 1: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Session 2: 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.
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Thursday, April 5th
Public Health Resource Fair
At PCHD
10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Donations (November 2011-December 2011)

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1st Annual Valentine Gala Marked a Success!

The Home Care & Hospice Foundation marked the 1st Annual Valentine Gala as success as $25,000 was raised to go towards the new facility. A sold out crowd attended the event held at the Pike County Fairgrounds on February 14, 2012.

“The board was thrilled with the support of the community,” said Jim Hansen, foundation board member and chair of the building project. “It was an evening of delicious food, fun and fellowship while raising money for a worthwhile project,” he added.

One of the highlights of the evening was PRIDE, Bowling Green High School show choir performing several songs and dances for the audience. The group along with band members served the tables during the evening meal. The choir was presented a check for their services, but chose to donate the money back to the foundation.

An auction with Bill Unsell, foundation member auctioneering and entertaining the crowd added funds to the overall evening. The highest selling item, bringing $1,050 was a wood decoy carved by the late Les Brown and donated to the auction by his wife, Dorothy Brown, foundation member. Fierce bidding developed on several items providing excitement and enjoyment for the crowd.

“The foundation plans for the Valentine Gala to become an annual fundraising event,” says Justin Selle, President of the foundation. “Our new building is not yet debt free and this event will help to make it so,” he added.

There have been cuts in 2003, 2004 and 2010. Now the Governor has proposed a 27% cut of last year’s funding for 2013. The population of Missouri has increased 7% in the last ten years, and as the population grows and ages, more resources are needed to maintain services. If this proposal stands, budget cuts and inflation will have eaten away about 2/3 of the value of the state funding since 2001. Do you want the people who inspect the restaurants you eat at to be strapped for cash? With bed bugs on the rise do you want the people who inspect the hotels to have to cut work hours? Tell the Governor to restore Public Health funding and to take it off the cutting block.

Bereavement Support Group

Presented by: Pike County Hospice

Every Monday evening
7:00 p.m.

Goals of Bereavement Support

- Share experiences with others in a caring informal environment
- Benefit from the support and experiences of others who have suffered losses
- Help the bereaved identify their needs and to help see them through difficult times and the grief process

Message from the Administrator

Justin Selle, Administrator

If things do not begin to change the future is a dim place for Public Health. Funding for core public health functions have drastically decreased over the last decade and these funds support the very basic programs such as communicable disease investigations, outbreak control, and environmental health services which include restaurant inspections and assurance that recalled contaminated food is removed from store shelves. In 2011, Missouri already ranked 50th in the nation in per-capita state public health funding, at $7.96 per person, which is only about 1/4 of the national median of $30.61 per person. Even in 2001 funding wasn’t sufficient and...
Mission Statement
To ensure the safety, wellness and comfort of the citizens of Pike County through the delivery of exceptional care and preventive services.