



Hospice News

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Craven County Hospice

Your Hometown Hospice for over 40 Years

2024 Craven County Health Department Foundation Annual Fundraiser!

The Craven County Health Department Foundation and Craven County Hospice are thrilled to announce the return of our Annual Spring Breakfast Fundraiser at the Riverfront Convention Center on Wednesday, May 15th. For over two decades, this cherished event has been a cornerstone of our community, rallying support for Craven County Hospice services that extend beyond Medicare coverage, such as our Respite Program.



Last spring, our event boasted 26 sponsored tables and welcomed over 250 attendees, resulting in a remarkable fundraising total of \$44,750 in support of our hospice patients. This achievement set a new record, one that we are eager to surpass once more this year with the continued generosity of our donors.

At the heart of our fundraiser lies a unique and engaging concept: community members generously sponsor tables and extend invitations to 8-10 guests, who gather for a delightful breakfast buffet. Meanwhile, the table sponsors don aprons and delight their guests by serving beverages, creating an atmosphere of warmth and camaraderie. Guests show their appreciation for the exceptional service by leaving generous "tips," which serve as tax-deductible donations to Craven County Hospice. The friendly competition among table sponsors adds an exciting element, as each strives to exceed expectations. If you are interested in sponsoring a table, please reach out to Tammy Quick, Executive Director of Craven County Health Department Foundation at 252-636-4930.



Did you know?

The goal of Hospice is to provide end of life "Palliative Care" (the control of pain and symptoms); utilizing a team of specialists (disciplines) to provide care including physician services (working together with your doctor of choice), skilled nurses, counselors, social workers, spiritual care specialists, and certified nursing assistants, as well as volunteers with a variety of skills and levels of assistance.

A Time to Remember...November 2023 Memorial Service

The Holiday Season can be a challenging time for many of us, as we take time to reflect on the love we shared with those who have transitioned from our lives. Each year we invite family members and friends of our Craven County Hospice patients to a Time of Remembrance Memorial Service to honor the lives of our patients who have passed. On November 30, 2023, the Memorial Service was held at St. Paul Church and consisted of readings, music and honoring our patients by reading their names during the ceremony. Our next Memorial Service will be held at the end of November, 2024.



Hospice Happenings



Craven County Hospice participated in the New Bern Christmas parade to raise awareness of the compassionate care we provide within the community.

Craven County Hospice Aide, Jessica Edwards, was the 2023 winner of our Gingerbread House contest in the office. Her passion for the work she does in caring for her patients was beautifully expressed in this delicious masterpiece!



Wish List



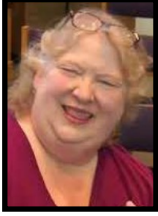
We are always looking for twin XL bed sheets to fit hospital beds that are used by our patients. Other important items are baby monitors (new or used) that can be placed in a home for patients to always have contact with their caregivers. Also, Craven County Hospice gratefully accepts monetary donations. These charitable gifts, let us serve those patients unable to pay for such things as respite aides, which are not covered by the Medicare Hospice Benefit. If you would like to make a donation, please contact us at (252) 636-4930.

A Cozy Corner...

“It was only a sunny smile, and little it cost in the giving, but like morning light it scattered the night and made the day worth living.” ~F. Scott Fitzgerald



Pastoral Care



October 22-28, 2023 was Pastoral & Spiritual Care week. We are truly fortunate to count Angel Lorton among our dedicated hospice team members. Her deep passion for music not only enriches our souls but also serves as a powerful ministry in itself. Angel brings a unique and impactful touch to her work with our patients and their families receiving end-of-life care. Recently, her remarkable gift of music was highlighted, and you can experience it firsthand by entering Angel Lorton in Google or visiting the following link in your web browser:

<https://youtu.be/EUxLeZp1lM4?si=YizGJUf8a-3TubBS>

Social Work Month—March



We recognize the emotional support and service our Social Workers offer our patients and families. Thank you Nancy Becker and Lorri Wetherington for all you do!



A message from Nancy Becker, BSW, MS: As a Medical Social Worker for Craven County Hospice, we serve our Hospice patients in a number of ways. We provide emotional support to our patient's and loved ones. We complete a Social Work

Assessment to get more of an understanding of their needs. This way we can see if they need help with things like, linking to community resources, applying for benefits, assisting with facilitation of long-term care benefits or (FMLA) Family Medical leave. We can help provide resources such as personal care providers, food pantries, life alert, mental health resources, etc. We also assist with end-of-life issues and planning. We understand this is a very difficult time in people's lives and we do what we can to meet patients and families where they are at, to help guide them through the process.

Doctor Appreciation Day



In honor of Doctor Appreciation Day on March 30th, we pause to express profound gratitude for the invaluable contributions of Dr. Bob Fisher and Dr. Jenny Aron to our team at Craven County Hospice. Their unwavering dedication and compassionate care embody the essence of healing, providing comfort and support to patients and families during life's most challenging moments. As we reflect on their tireless efforts, we are reminded of the profound impact they have made, not only in the lives of those they serve but also in the hearts of our entire community. We are incredibly fortunate to have them as integral members of our team,



guiding us with grace and empathy on the journey of Palliative and Hospice Care. We are fortunate that they are both Board Certified in Hospice and Palliative Care.

Hospice Memorials

We did not publish a Fall Newsletter and due to the long list of names of generous donors, we have added an insert to our newsletter. This list includes donations received since Summer 2023. We thank you.

Andrew Briggs
Nancy Wilson

Jim Creech
Charles Tyson



George "Mike" Deichmann
Jean Blanchard
George Byrd
Rebecca Clement
Sophie Dunn
Elizabeth Eaton
Sylvia W. Harrison
Ann Little

Deichmann continued...
Sherry Thaxton McCombs
Shelia Plunkett
Octavia Roberts
Jeannie Rowell
Pamela Speer
Andrea Thompson
Chuck Tyson
Ron & Debra Weathers

Craven County Hospice

For over 40 years, we've been providing compassionate care to the community. If you or someone you know is thinking about receiving hospice services and would like more information about the services Craven County Hospice provides, please give us a call at (252) 636-4930.



Community Outreach

Meet Victoria Hungerford, the new Community Outreach Coordinator at Craven County Hospice. Victoria is functioning as the Volunteer Coordinator, recruiting hospice volunteers, and raising awareness in the community about the services Craven County Hospice offers. She is trained as an End of Life Doula and in the midst of her practicum. Her background includes working for the Area Agency on Aging in Northern Arizona, and Adult Outreach Supervisor at Craven-Pamlico Regional Library. She is a Yoga, Meditation, and Tai Chi Instructor, and is thrilled to be serving her community in this capacity. If you would like to volunteer for hospice, please contact her at Victoria.Hungerford@CravenCountyNC.gov or 252-636-4930.



Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteers provide care by spending time with the patients and performing clerical duties in our office. Visiting patients can include: listening, playing games, or even singing with them! If you would like to be a hospice volunteer, please call our office at (252) 636-4930 and ask for Victoria for more information or complete the form on our website, www.cravencountyhospice.com.



Our Next Volunteer Training is in April!
Tuesday, April 23 & Wednesday, April 24th 9a-3p
It is not too late to join us for the training.
Call our office at (252) 636-4930 and ask for Victoria .



Memorial Gifts or Donations

When you make a memorial gift or donation to Craven County 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 Hospice.

Please make the check payable to CCHD- Foundation, P.O. Drawer 12610, New Bern, NC 28561.

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.

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Thank you for your donations in Memory Of :

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