



# VOLUNTEER VISION

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## Annie Beall Serves Hospice of Dayton as a Volunteer for 30 Years

By Vicky Forrest, Director of Mission & Public Information

Annie Beall was honored for 30 years of service at the 2013 Volunteer Recognition Banquet on April 25 at the Mandalay Banquet Center. She joins three other volunteers with their 30 year award-Marcella Hager, Pam Stephens, and Larry Glickler.

In 1983, Annie retired as a nurse and signed on as a Hospice of Dayton volunteer. At the time, her sons were married, and her husband Bob was retired.

Annie's first role was answering the phone in one of the first office locations, where she remembers using one telephone with two buttons to handle all the incoming calls.

Since then, she says she has "done about everything there is to be done," enjoying a multitude of volunteer roles—caregiver relief for families who were attending a funeral, visiting patients in their homes, creating handcrafts, and raking leaves at the Wilmington Avenue Hospice House.

As a veteran Army Corps Nurse of World War II, she continues to serve her military brothers and sisters as a Veteran Pinning Assistant, pinning military veteran patients in a ceremony thanking them for their service.

Annie remembers patients and their families and recalls watching construction of the original Hospice House building, which is now Colp.

The biggest surprise she has experienced from volunteering is that she has been serving for 30 years, saying, "I had no idea I have been doing it this long!"

Annie has found her hospice volunteering experience to be "always worthwhile and appreciated."

She has enjoyed making the emotional connection with others and developing new friendships.

"I come from a large and long-lived family," says Annie, mentioning siblings at ages 98, 99, and 101. "I will always stay involved."

That's good news for all the patients and families whose lives Annie has and will continue to touch.



## Video of Volunteer Opportunities Debuted in April

Thirty-four volunteers are the stars of a video produced by the staff of Volunteer Services. To help in volunteer placement, this video was used for the first new volunteer orientation on April 13 and new employee orientation on April 16. It is posted on our website, [www.hospiceofdayton.org](http://www.hospiceofdayton.org).

In the making for over two years, volunteers in each position described the responsibilities of the position and gave testimonies on why they volunteer.

Best Editor Award goes to volunteer Denise Tanka, who served many hours editing all the footage, inserting transitions and music.

Best Actor and Actress Awards go to

Larry Alkire  
Rose Marie Brown  
Katrina Carson  
Judy Cole  
Denise Cronin  
Doug Daegele  
Charles Douglas  
Pam Esken, Gator  
Darlene Ferris

Shawn Hamm  
Kristy Harmon  
Kandi Howard  
John Jessup  
Brian Kest  
Dan Mecoli  
John Mills  
Jay Morrison

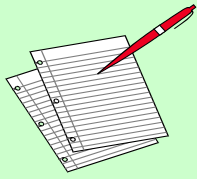
Jo Anne Orihood  
Belinda Post  
Bob Reifenberg  
Nina Russell  
Tom Rutherford  
Jim Sauerbrey  
Donna Schaser

Mable Seldon  
Jamie Shade  
Bert Shock  
Mark Strickler  
Susan Sundermeyer  
Pat Wourms  
Mary Zimmerman

**Volunteer Forum Picnic**  
**July 16, 5 p.m.**  
**at Dayton Hospice House**

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## Director's Discussion

*Miriam Morrison, Director of Volunteer Services*

### Volunteers' "FILL"osophy Creates Magical Moments

In March my husband and I were the lunch room guests of our five year old grandson, Noah, at Hunter Street Elementary and Montessori School in York, SC. Noah just beamed and told everyone that his "Buckeye" grandparents came to visit. Of course, he was excited that he was getting a Sonic burger and fries for his special lunch.

While we were in the hall, I noticed posters at various intervals around the building for "Bucket FILLosophy." Every student in the school is encouraged to be a "Bucket Filler" and not a "Bucket Dipper." As I read on, I learned the students who are Bucket Fillers are those who help without being asked, give hugs, and compliments, and generally spread their love and good feelings to others.

On the other hand, a Bucket Dipper is one who robs someone of their happy feelings by not helping or by saying and doing things that hurt feelings.

When Noah got home from school, Jay and I asked him about Bucket Fillers and Bucket Dippers, wondering how he would interpret this in his young mind.

"Bucket Fillers gives lots of love and make people feel good," said Noah. "Bucket Dippers are bad and hurt people."

As an educator, I know that this simple metaphor of a bucket helps Noah and his classmates understand the importance of consideration and love. At five years old, his explanation was simple and to the point. As I listened to Noah, I thought of our 874 volunteers as they serve patients and families with "lots of love and making them feel good."

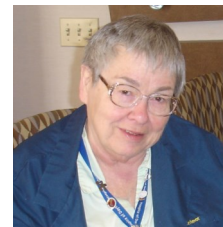
Thank you for being Bucket Fillers, giving patients and families comfort, hugs, smiles, listening ears, and care to fill their buckets to the brim during their end of life journey and creating magical moments with your presence.



### Three Volunteers Receive Above and Beyond Award First Quarter

Volunteer Services honors volunteers for going beyond their position description. Each month staff members nominate volunteers for this award and draw names for this recognition in collaboration with First Watch, donor of a \$20 gift card.

Winner of the January drawing was **Judy Cole**, receptionist, for filling in the last minute three days with one day being the entire day. Other January nominees



were Connie Bruce, Kandi Howard, Sandy Porter, Peggy Spoerke, John Smith, Joan Wagner, and Ellen Whited.

Winner of the February drawing was **Connie Bruce** for doing a massive recruitment program of churches in the Wright Dunbar area, calling, writing a letter, and processing the mailing. Other February nominees



were Bob Cohen, Jim Duffin, Lois Gollighugh, Bob Flavin, Josie Greco, Mollie Magee, Mary Ellen Place, Tom Rutherford, Bert Shock, Jim Sauerbrey, and Peggy Spoerke.

Winner of the March drawing was **Shawn Hamm** for laying out and typing the 2013 Volunteer Banquet program at her home. Other March nominees were Craig



Armstrong, Ted Arseneau, Judy Clymer, Linda Doggett, Charles Douglas, Jim Duffin, Pat Engelbrecht, Don Faw, Jill Neuman, Jim Sauerbrey, Bert Shock, John Smith, Denise

Tanka, and Jan Zukowitz.

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# Volunteer Services Honors 114 Volunteers for 603 Years of Service 3

## 20 Years



Pat Wourms

## 15 Years



Mary Ellen Place, Jan Binegar.  
Not pictured—Jody Akers, David Bramlish, Patty Stricker.

## 10 Years



Judie Schuh, Maan Broadstock, Helen Cohen, Mary DeNaples, Melody Klontz, Carole Larson. **Not pictured** —Maria Schuermeyer, Fran Unger.

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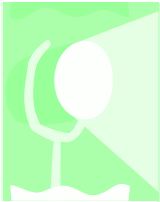
## 5 Years



**Row 1**—Linda Bany, Barb Blauman, Rose Marie Brown, Pat Chapman, Ann Cook, JoAnne Powell, Judy Lee.

**Row 2**—Tess Smith, Corene Taylor, Kathy Schroer, Jan Readon, Teresa Marsee, Conny Poole, Paula MacIlwaine, Debbie Goldberg, Helen Doane, John Jessup, Norman Pearson, Debbie Sisler, Ron Wyss, Sally Williams. **Not pictured**—Craig Armstrong, Patricia Atkinson, Mary Ann Barrett, Paula Beiser, Robert Brethen, Marvin Clark, Jean Cochoy, Kathleen Colclasure, Dan Erlandson, Bill Gaver, Bonnie Griffis, Billie Grote, Cynthia Johnson, Chris Kilian, Carol Levitan, Betty Lewandowski, Patricia Madden, Tom Mann, Peggy Moore, Becky Neuforth, Jo Anne Orihood, Pat Peter, Stephanie Robinson, Bernie Sietman, Taylor Soulati, Tracy Suntay.





## Spotlight on Volunteers

Each quarter, volunteers and their special services are highlighted.

### HOSPICE OF DAYTON

#### **Ted Arseneau Returns from Honor Flight, Serves as Ambassador, Veteran Pinner**

Ted Arseneau, four year volunteer, was honored for his military service by going on the Honor Flight on April 20 to Washington DC. With 35 other veterans.



As a retired Air Force Veteran, he served 22 years after his graduation from high school in Alaska, Hawaii, Saudi Arabia, Korea, and Vietnam. He continues to serve veterans as a Veteran Pinning Assistant, recognizing patients who are military veterans in a pinning ceremony.

He also serves as an Ambassador, Receptionist, and Mail Distribution Assistant.

His son was in the care of Hospice of Dayton in 2007, and this drew him to volunteering.

"I look forward to seeing patients," said Ted. "I wonder if they might have served with me in the military or if they are a friend from my work. I love to talk with them."

Ted retired from retail positions at Meijers and Elder-Beerman. Living in Huber Heights, he is married with four children, five grandchildren, and two great grandchildren.

### HOSPICE OF BUTLER & WARREN COUNTIES

#### **Pat Wourms Visits Patients for 20 Years In Care Facilities**

A article in a church bulletin in 1991 on volunteering at Hospice of Dayton caught the eye of Pat Wourms. However, her schedule did not permit her to take the required 18-hour training. She carried that ad in her address book for two years.

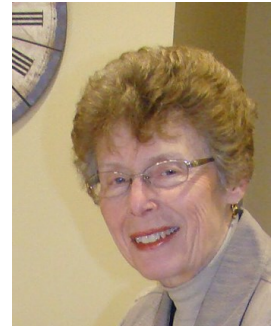
As a nurse, she helped at Founders Hall, now Colp. She served as a personal care assistant, helping the nurses with patient care.

Ten years ago she began visiting patients in facilities in the Northwest and continued with patients in Butler County when she moved to Trenton four years ago. At one time, she visited over 21 patients each week.

"Volunteering has made me aware that as we give our time, we experience growth," said Pat. "Love is so important for everyone."

She is retired from nursing, serving at Good Samaritan Hospital and at doctor's offices during her career.

She is married and has three children and twelve grandchildren.



## 3 Years



**Row 1**—Kay Davis Dudding, Ronda Dezarn, Fonda Lugabihl, Janice Kash, Darlene Herd, Donna Schaser, Ruby White.

**Row 2**—Marilyn Miller, Shawn Hamm, Bob Reifenberg, Tom Rutherford, Kathy Conn, Carol Sites, Jan Zukowitz, Sandy Zipperstein.

**Not pictured**—Gerry Argento, Sharon Brandt, Danielle Burk, Cindy Byers, Jane Clifton, Jane Cook, Margaret Cook, Rick Cothern, Annie Craig, Denise Cronin, Brooke Davis, Sue DeBord, Pam Esken, John Farrell, Hershel Fee, Stanley Gockel, Kirk Hampton, Beckie Kindred, Mary Ellen Lechleitner, Asha Mahambrey, Rick Martin, Pamela McIntosh, Howard Michaels, Madison Noel, Caitlin Pearn, Michael Poelking, Lindsey Roberts, Lee Seoh, Robyn Shope, Donna Stumpf, Sharon Waddell, Kristen Wilson, Sharon Wilson, John Wood, Mary Kate Yost.