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President's Message - Judeen Reese

As I watch the planning for our Fall Fundraiser, *Restyle, Repurpose, Recycle* take shape, it becomes evident that it takes many people to do it, and a whole lotta work! Partners is fortunate to have members who are willing to come together to make it happen. More and more people are becoming involved, and appreciation goes out to everyone. But it's not only the Partners organization who is supporting this event. Community members, local businesses, Stoughton Hospital, and the Foundation make it a com-

bined effort.

Claudia Quam and Becky Greiber serve as Co-Chairs of our Fall event. Their organizational skills, experience, and love of Stoughton Hospital, as well as their unbounded energy make them a dynamic duo perfect for this task. Claudia, a former school principal, has played a key role in Partners in recent years. We are fortunate to have Partners with Claudia's skills and willingness to become involved. Becky, our former Gift Shop manager, is involved not only in Partners but she is also



involved and familiar with the Stoughton Community. Becky's knowledge and creativity are evident as she leads the planning for this event. HUGE appreciation goes to both Claudia and Becky!



Bill Mansfield, who will serve as our auctioneer, became involved with Stoughton Hospital when he joined the Foundation Board of Directors. He learned how fortunate we are to have a great Community Hospital while serving 9 years on the Board, the last 5 as Chairman.

Bill says he is grateful to do what he can to help Stoughton Hospital and the Partners. Bill adds, "Stoughton Hospital is EVERYONE'S Community Hospital." He is proud to be associated with it. Our appreciation goes to Bill for supporting our event. Bill is a new Grandpa, and he smiles just thinking about that special baby boy!

Patty Tofsland is a talented painter who has spent her whole life in Stoughton surrounded by the Norwegian folk art of rosemaling. She says, "I'm not a speck Norwegian, but I grew up surrounded by it. You're automatically "kind of Norwegian" when you grow up in Stoughton."



Patty has shared her painting skills with the Partners of Stoughton Hospital for several years, and when she learned about Restyle, Re-

purpose, **Recycle**, she stepped up again. Patty's work will be seen on an antique table and a canoe paddle. Thanks, Patty!

There are so many more Partners, Hospital employees, community members and business owners who are supporting **Restyle**, **Repurpose**, **Recycle**. Watch next month's newsletter for additional highlights, and plan to attend the event.

Tickets are available in the Hospital Gift Shop and at McGlynn Pharmacy. If you are unable to attend, please purchase tickets and give them to someone who would enjoy a night out at The Lageret, supporting the Partners of Stoughton Hospital.

Restyle, Repurpose, Recycle Committee Members



Laurie Furseth, Becky Greiber, Claudia Quam, Sandra Maerz, Donna Olson, Judeen Reese, Missing: Laura Mays, Lynn Wieser & Carol Deneen

Stoughton Hospital continues to host monthly blood drives on the third Friday of every month from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. In July, we began our new partnership with the Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center. To register for the September 19th blood drive, please go to www.bloodcenterimpact.org. Questions? Contact Sharee at shoegerl@mvrbc.org or 800-747-5401X4128.





It's Your Deal!! Join us at the Partners Fall Card Party being held at Christ Lutheran Church on Thursday, September 19. Your \$10 admission includes an afternoon of Bridge or Euchre, a lunch, and the opportunity to purchase raffle tickets for chances to win a variety of door prizes. Doors open at 11:30 am. Lunch will be served at noon. Walk-ins are welcome, but if you'd like to make a reservation, please call Barb Harried at 873-6818. Individual players (men and women) are welcome even if you don't have a foursome.

We are asking Partners to support this event.

There are several ways you can help.

- Donate a raffle prize (gift cards are always appreciated). Please take your donation to the Gift Shop no later than 10:00 on September 19 or bring it to the church.
- Monetary donations to cover costs are welcomed. Take your donation to the Gift Shop.
- Help in the kitchen, contact Sandra Maerz at 608 873-6125 to sign up.

Most importantly, come and enjoy an afternoon of cards and friendship and support the Partners of Stoughton Hospital.





Boardwalk Completed

Completed Boardwalks





Atlantic City New Jersey has nothing on Stoughton Wisconsin, because now we have a board walk of our own! However the Stoughton board walk, an off-shoot of the Stoughton Hospital Wellness Garden project, was born as a result of 3 days of work by volunteers who donated more than 110 hours of their time.

Stoughton's City Parks Department, partnering with Cummins Filtration Systems, was able to recycle over 600 native Ash

trees which had to be cut down due to an infestation of the Emerald Ash Borer. The fallen Ash logs were stockpiled, and a mobile sawyer converted the Ash timber into boards two inches thick in varying widths that were used for decking. After being dried in Cummins' solar kiln, the ash boards were cut to appropriate lengths.

A \$15,000 grant awarded to the Stoughton Parks Department from Cummins resulted in the purchase of 180 feet of galvanized boardwalk which will be installed on the shore of the Yahara River, located just down the hill and adjacent to the Stoughton Hospital Wellness Garden.

Access to the boardwalk is also possible by entering the walking trail from the Amundson Parkway entrance located on the Vennevoll campus.

Has Your Contact Information Changed? Do you have a new phone number or email address? It's important to stay current. If any of your information has changed, please let Sandra Maerz know so you don't miss any opportunities to support our Stoughton Hospital.

...From Claudia Quam, Fundraising Chair - MUM's the Word!



September 5 is the last day to order from the Partners Mum Sale. We are offering beautiful Fall mums in a choice of colors for only \$9.00. Order forms are available in the Hospital Lobby or Gift Shop. Orders with payment are due by Thurs., Sept. 5. Checks may be made out to Partners of Stoughton Hospital. Sorry, we are unable to take credit card payments.

Please pick up your mums on Thursday, September 12 from 1:00 to 4:00 in the Stoughton Hospital Wellness Garden, rain or shine.

Thank you for supporting the Partners of Stoughton Hospital

Upcoming Events

For a total listing see http://stoughtonhospital.com/events/ or the publication, For The Life Of You.

Sept. 4 - Partners of Stoughton Hospital Monthly Meeting, 8:30 AM, Front Conference Room

Sept. 5 - Mum Orders Due in Gift Shop

Sept. 12 - Pick up mums in the Wellness Garden

Sept. 18 - Cookie Bake in the Hospital Lobby

Sept. 19 - Community Card Party, Christ Lutheran Church, 12:00 PM

Sept. 20 - Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center Blood Drive, 8:00-1:00 in the Bryant Center

October 16 - FALL FUNDRAISER: <u>Restyle, Repurpose, Recycle</u> to be held at The Lageret, 6:00 PM, Tickets are available in the Gift Shop or McGlynn Pharmacy.

October 24 - Flu Clinic and Annual Meeting, times TBD

December 3 - Holiday Bake/Craft Sale



For several years, Partners of Stoughton Hospital has been providing donated twiddle muffs and walker bags to Stoughton Hospital's geri-psych unit and rehab services, as well as to community members. These items are handmade by Partners who knit, crochet and sew. Patterns, fabric and some yarns are available if your fingers are itching for a project as the seasons change.

Please contact **Sharon Beall at 1-217-663-8594** for additional information and materials. Thank you for considering this opportunity to share your time and talent with the Stoughton community, and thank you to Ann Corneille for a recent donation of fabrics to be used for the construction of walker bags.

Profile of a Partner - Carol Deneen

Written by Diane Matson



When you've lived in Stoughton since 1960, worked at Sundby Pharmacy, Benson Dental AND Wisconsin Alumni Research, is it any wonder that when asked "What else"?, the reply is, "You don't need to know anything more." That's not exactly how the conversation went when talking with Partner Carol Deneen, but it makes for an interesting opening paragraph!

"Hometown" for Carol is Prairie du Sac, but after having lived in Stoughton for 49 years, and after having been a Partner of Stoughton Hospital for 15 years, she definitely qualifies for permanent Stoughton status. As a Partner, Carol has seen and done it all. In addition to having worked in the Gift Shop, and at the front desk, she served as President of Partners from 2012 to 2014 and she also volunteered for almost every committee, including Love Light, and various other fundraising activities, a favorite being "Dancing with the Stoughton Stars" several years ago, where she is quick to mention that she was NOT a dancer!

Gardening, quilting, sewing and stained glass-making are favorite hobbies, and Carol states that the best place to travel is to Alaska on a land and sea excursion that she enjoyed about 10 years ago.

But if you need to know "anything more", be sure to ask her. Carol's willingness to become involved and to share her time, energy, and talent with Partners over the past 15 years is proof that there is much to know and much to appreciate.

Thank you Carol for your many years of commitment to Partners of Stoughton Hospital and for all that you continue to do for our organization.