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# EMORY UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL AUXILIARY/VOLUNTEER FALL LUNCHEON



L-R: David Sirman, Ah Niles, Mary Kreisle, John Abel, Carolyn Graves



L – R: Mana Nakajma, Kate Papazoglou, Laura Coyle, Fred Johnson, Don Kollarik

# **President's Report**

# Where are the volunteers?

I recently saw a databank with the rankings of volunteers over 65 by state. I was rather surprised to see Georgia listed as number 41 – only 9 states from the bottom. Georgia has a 20.3% of the population who volunteer. Ironically, the top percentages are states that are considered "cold weather" states. The numbers are as follows:

- 1. Utah 45.9%
- 2. Minnesota 36.8%
- 3. South Dakota 36.3%
- 4. North Dakota 36.1%
- 5. Nebraska 35.4%

\*Source: America's Health Rankings 2017 Senior Report

So come on Georgia Peaches – let's improve our rankings.

I challenge all of great volunteers to recruit another volunteer this year!

Let's move Georgia up in these rankings!

Mary Kay Kreisle, President, Emory University Volunteers/Auxiliary

# **Auxiliary/Volunteer Luncheon**



Wilmot Bull Scholarship Recipient Katherine Tipton



L-R: Valerie Knight, James Waters
Present Gift Shop Manager and retired Gift Shop
Manager

### **SAVE THESE DATES**

### **Red Cross Blood Drive**

Emory University Hospital December 13, 2017 10:00am – 6:00pm Classroom B/C



### **Holiday Sing-Along**

Emory University Hospital December 12 (Tuesday) December 14 (Thursday) At 11:00am

\*Meet in the hospital lobby. Even if you can't carry a tune in that proverbial bucket, come join us and help spread some holiday cheer around the hospital.

Please contact the volunteer office if you have any questions or need additional information. 404-712-7638





L - R: Fred Johnson, John Abel



**Pet Therapy Oscar** 

### JOKES BY GEORGE

How do snails fight?? They slug it out!

John speaks frantically into the phone, "My wife is pregnant and her contractions are only two minutes apart."

"Is this her first child?" the doctor queries.

"No, you idiot!" John shouts, "This is her husband!"

# **Emory University Hospital Auxiliary/Volunteer Luncheon**



Carolyn Graves, Josephine Malone Scholarship recipient Ann Craven and her mother, Jim Scaglione







**Udeni Alwis** 

Linda Leake





Jane Alexander, Dawn Clement, John Abel, Michelle Friedman

Dan Langston, Kemi Faderin

## GEORGIA HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION AWARD CEREMONY

On November 9, 2017 Anne Boriskie was honored with a Heroes Award which is presented by the Georgia Hospital Association.



Ann Boriskie was the founder and continues to be the Associate Director of the Brain Injury Peer Visitor Association Program, as a volunteer for over 10 years.

Anne Boriskie and the Peer Visitor volunteers have visited over 60,000 brain injured survivors and their caregivers, since 2006 in more than 20 hospitals throughout the country. Thanks to Anne's hard work the Peer Visitor program continues to grow touching the lives of Brain Injury survivors.

(L – R) Tracy Russell-Gonzalez, Ann Boriskie

# **VETERAN'S DAY CELEBRATIONS**



(L-R) Mary Kreisle, Kalpana Das



(L-R) George Waterhouse, Don Kollarik

# Message from the CEO

### Fiscal Year 2018 off to a great start!

September 1 marked the beginning of our 2018 fiscal year, and what a difference a year makes! Just 12 months ago we were still in the construction phase for the new Hospital Tower and beginning the early stages of planning for space that would be vacated in the original hospital.

Fast forward to today. Our first patient moves occurred in August, all clinical areas are up and running, the Radiance Boutique and outpatient pharmacy have relocated to their new homes on the second floor, and the Clifton Café is open and serving up unique dining options.



First patient moves into the Hospital Tower.

As we continue to get comfortable and acclimated to our new space, we are also turning our attention to renovating areas that were vacated in the move so we can continue to expand and enhance the services we offer to our community.

The opening of the Tower has been challenging and exciting, and could not have been accomplished without the commitment of our staff, faculty, leaders, Patient Family Advisors and volunteer teams, all of whom have helped facilitate a smooth move and orient our patients to the new space. We also wish to recognize the generosity of the Woodruff Foundation whose support has helped make the Hospital Tower a reality.

We are looking forward to another exciting year of growth, opportunity and accomplishments. The leadership team is grateful to have you as part of the team.

Thank you.

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Bryce Gartland, MD
Chief Executive Officer



### **BRAIN TEASER**

(answer at bottom of this page)

Q: Throw away the outside and cook the inside, then eat the outside and throw away the inside. What is it?

# **Annual COA/V Conference 2017**



Hat Competition – Mary Kreisle COA/V Conference 2017



(Sitting, L-R): Valerie Knight, James Waters, Jim Scaglione (Standing, L-R): Francis Kirby, Jackie Waterhouse, Mary Kreisle, Tracy Russell-Gonzalez, George Waterhouse



**Brain Teaser A: Corn on the cob**