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Ideas for *Housecall*? Contact Janette Murray at bosseau-murray@yahoo.com or Patty Gelenberg at Patty.Gelenberg@gmail.com

President's Message

A warm welcome to everyone, especially our new members. I trust that each of you has had an enjoyable summer filled with family fun, rest, and relaxation. This time of year is always a time of mixed emotions for me because I love the long hot summer days but also look forward to the fall season.

Over the summer months, some of our members have been busy preparing for September, and I sincerely thank each of them for their efforts. Jaque Repke took care of our membership renewals, Janette Murray managed our newsletter and prepared the directory for printing, and Kelly Hollenbeak updated our website. In addition, Maryellen Sheehan and her team developed a resource guide. It is a wonderful handbook that will be given to faculty and their families who are newcomers to our area. It includes businesses that support us for the Fashion Show and useful information about our community.

As fall begins, so do our activities, and I think we have an exciting year planned. It is my sincerest hope that you will look over the many opportunities listed in the newsletter and sign up for something new.

Please plan on joining me for the **Fall Coffee from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, September 14**, at the Purcell Friendship Hall (109 McCorkle Road, Hershey). It will be a great time to meet new members and to catch up with old friends. This year's membership directories will be ready for pick up, and we will also be collecting nonperishable food items for Lions Share.

I thank you for your continued support and look forward to a spectacular year! Please contact me if you have new ideas or other suggestions to share.

Judy Dillon
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Our 2011 Allocations are listed on page 3, and a report from one of our recipients is on page 2!

Lions Share

Look for the next food drive in October! For information on joining Lions Share please call Carol Schneidereit at 220-1764.



Book Group

Book group will meet on September 8 at 12:30 at Carol Schneidereit's house. We will be discussing *Freedom* by Jonathan Franzen. For more information please call Carol at 220-1764. All are welcome!

Palliative Care Initiative

The next "Hospice Training" session offered by Pinnacle Health hospice starts on Wednesday August 10, followed by 3 more sessions on August 17, 24 and 31, from 1-4 p.m., at Pinnacle Health Hospice Center in Harrisburg. Our committee's next meeting is on Thursday, September 22, at noon, at Cocoa Beanery. For more information please contact Behjat Noori at behjatnoori@comcast.net.

Knitters and crafters group

The knitters and crafters group will meet Tuesday September 13th at 9:30 a.m. at Trish Good's home, 1160 Stoney Run Road. This group is for anyone who enjoys knitting, crocheting, sewing or any crafts that you can bring along to work on or would like to share. Just come and enjoy the conversation and bring your projects. We will talk about plans for the year-do you have a field trip idea? Please let Trish know if you can attend or if you have any questions. 583-0784 or tgood49@comcast.net.

Getting to Know You

The GTKY Lunch for September will be Tuesday, September 27 at 12 noon at What If of Hershey. We have our own room reserved there and it will be a nice venue for new and old members to get together for our first luncheon. What If is located at 845 E. Chocolate Avenue in Hershey. Please contact Sue Demers at 566-3533 or by email at srdhum@yahoo.com if you can come.

Bridge Bunch

The bridge group met at Page Kozak's home on August for a fun day of party bridge. Anyone who would like to play duplicate bridge at the Mohler Center, can find a partner, and come on Wednesdays and Thursdays at 12:30. Cost is \$5 for members, and \$6 for non-members. Master points are awarded.



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A report from one of the Allocations recipients! Thank you, AFF supporters, for your help in making projects like this possible.

The Association of Faculty and Friends will be hosting two events this year for those of you who would like to become more familiar with the Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical Center and the College of Medicine.

October 31, 2011 – Tour of Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical Center

The event will begin at 9:30am in T2500 of the Medical Center. Pastries and coffee will be served followed by a tour of the hospital and an explanation of the missions of Education, Research and Patient Care associated with an academic medical center.

January 25, 2012 – “Memories & Milestones” - The History of Penn State Hershey Medical Center

The event will begin at 9:30am in Room T2500 with a light breakfast, followed by a showing of “Memories & Milestones”, which documents the history of the Hershey Medical Center. This will be hosted by a Professor Emeritus who was here during those early years.

If you have any questions or would like to sign up for these events, please contact Michelle Webber at mwebber@hmc.psu.edu or 531-8939.

Dear Judy,

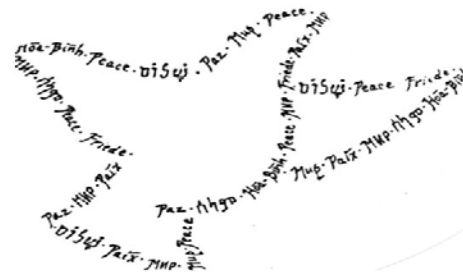
Thank you so much!! I cannot express LionCare's gratitude for the receipt of this grant from the Association of Faculty and Friends. This grant has just green-lighted two important projects that we previously had tabled because we lacked the equipment to follow through. The purchase of a projector enables the introduction of patient education in the LionCare facility, and the purchase of inventory software will allow for tracking and management of the prescription medication that LionCare's provides. In addition, the funds towards equipment, supplies, and lab tests are vital to providing our underserved patients with medical care at no cost to them. I cannot adequately express my gratitude, that you contacted me just a few days ago and provided an avenue for improving our beautiful clinic. All of us at LionCare appreciate the AFF's support, and wish you and yours only the best in the future! Thank you so much!

Sincerely,
Bailey, Chair LionCare 2011-2012

AFF Membership Renewal time is coming to a close! We will be assembling the AFF Directory for 2011-12 soon, so if you haven't yet paid your membership dues and renewed, please do so now! We want you in the Directory! Contact Jaque Repke if you have any questions, or need help with accessing the membership renewal forms. jrepke@comcast.net

Welcome to new members Vivian Gayol and Michelle Sauder! We are glad you joined us and look forward to knowing you!

This is the 24th year for Peace Tree! AFF will again be decorating a tree on the front lawn of HMC. Ornaments may be dedicated to the memory of or in honor of a loved one. Marilou Espiritu-Cockroft and Marietta Mierski are coordinating the event. Please contact mespirit@comcast.net or mierski@yahoo.com if you would like to help with this event. Peace Tree is on Friday, November 18 at 5:30 in the main hospital lobby.



AFF Allocations 2011

Department	Request	Amount funded
Cancer Institute (Therapy Services)	Provide social and emotional support to adult-in-patients through Music Therapy services	\$ 3,000.00
Emergency Medicine	Provide incentive for participation and bio-statistical support for a CPR Study with medical students to assess whether a feedback screen can be used to enhance the effectiveness of chest compressions	\$ 2,250.00
Emergency Medicine	Provide education supplies, instructor/guest speaker fees to Lions REACT (Responding and Emergency Action Coordination Team) to educate medical students and staff on outbreak identification, reporting, public health, and disaster response	\$ 2,500.00
Family and Community Medicine	Purchase anemia testing supplies for children in Pestel, Haiti	\$ 1,500.00
General Internal Medicine	Provide summer intern stipend/research assistant support to investigate women's beliefs and approaches to gestational weight gain	\$ 3,000.00
General Pediatrics	Provide PKU (Phenylketonuria) educational books for newborn, pediatric and adult patients to provide a good foundation for treatment	\$ 1,016.05
Graduate Education	Fund board rental for presentations, mailing costs, and printing cost for booklets for the Annual Graduate Research Forum	\$ 550.00
Humanities	Purchase of textbooks and support salary to develop mini-lectures, workshops, and individual one-on-one meetings for the Physician Writers Group	\$ 3,000.00
Humanities	Support Farmers Market salary for the manager and director to oversee all facets of market operations and research	\$ 3,000.00
Lion Care	Furnish medical equipment, lab tests/procedures, patient education information, and medical student research project development to an underserved community in Harrisburg	\$ 3,000.00
Lois High Berstler Library	Purchase the Gale Encyclopedia of Children's Health in the eBook format, a reference source that provides in-depth coverage of pediatric diseases and disorders, along with issues related to physical and cognitive/behavioral development	\$ 712.00
Medicine	Funds to purchase equipment, office space, translators for a water sanitation project in Iquitos, Peru	\$ 1,500.00
Medical (Global Health)	Funds to facilitate teaching of medical students skills required for mission trip to San Pablo, Ecuador and the purchase of patient educational material including personal health records	\$ 2,000.00
Medicine (Global Health)	Conduct a research study in San Pablo, Ecuador to determine if hypertension is directly related to proteinuria	\$ 130.00
Medicine (Global Health)	Purchase of lab equipment (centrifuge, microscope, hemoglobin analyzer, and cuvettes) for the building of a basic laboratory in San Pablo, Ecuador	\$ 2,311.00
Microbiology & Immunology	Purchase a B&W Digital Camera for a fluorescent microscope; required for a cancer research study to look at differentiated cells	\$ 3,000.00
Neurosurgery	Provide patient and family educational materials for patients with Spine Bifida seen in the medical center clinic	\$ 1,500.00
Obstetrics and Gynecology	Enhance and support the Centering Pregnancy Program with supplies and incentives for participation for a study for teen mothers utilizing a model of care to empower patients to improve their own health and their family's health	\$ 2,525.00
Orthopedics/Rehabilitation (Therapy Services)	Provide an activity cart (games, puzzles, magazines, crafts and writing supplies) for cancer and ante partum patients	\$ 1,000.00
Palliative Medicine	Purchase a digital camera to capture the visual (nonverbal) images of life threatening illness and to utilize photography for educational purposes	\$ 1,050.00
Pastoral Services	Fund burial and funeral services for families whose children have died prior to birth	\$ 1,368.00
Pediatric Cardiology	Fund educational packets (exercise/nutrition) for children at high risk of obesity, hypertension, and hyperlipidemia seen through the Children's Heart Group's vascular health program	\$ 3,000.00
Pharmacology	Fund incentive for participation, tests, data analysis for a research study to assess the impact that curricular innovations utilizing electronic media in pharmacology may have on improving student performance and mastery of material	\$ 3,000.00
Pharmacology	Provide data management and analysis for a research study to assess patient adherence to a probiotic regimen to prevent prevent antibiotic associated side effects	\$ 3,000.00
Radiation Oncology	Purchase the SEER-Medicare database to analyze lung cancer patients who received surgical treatment from 1992-2008	\$ 3,000.00
Surgery/Urology	Provide incentives for participation for a research study on patients with kidney stone disease undergoing shock wave lithotripsy	\$ 3,000.00
Surgery/Oncology (Therapy Services)	Provide social and emotional support to adult surgical oncology in-patients and end of life care patients through Music Therapy services	\$ 3,000.00
TOTAL FUNDED		\$ 57,912.05