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**HELP**  
**EMERGENCY**

We need every  
volunteer to  
call the office to  
update your  
contact  
information.

Please see  
page 2 for more  
info. It is  
crucial that we  
have this!  
Thanks.

## News from Jenni Perkins

### A World Affair Event Recap

Many thanks to all of the volunteers who helped make the 2011 A World Affair a HUGE success!

- A World Affair 2011 **raised \$25,700** in net revenue to support Covenant Hospice's underfunded and non-reimbursed programs, which is more than triple the total raised last year!
- **14 community partners** sponsored this year's event and made such an entertaining afternoon possible: Sandestin Golf & Beach Resort • Silver Sands Factory Stores • Emerald Ladies Journal • AmVets Chapter 78 Riders • Walmart – Santa Rosa Beach Store • Home Instead Senior Care • Sam's Club – Fort Walton Beach Store • Crestview Wholesale Building Supply • First City Bank • Ascott Construction • Endless Horizons Realty, Inc. • Bit-Wizards • Cook Family Dentistry, P.A. • Harry Gates Enterprises, Inc.
- **6 local restaurants** provided tastings of international cuisine at this year's event: Aegean Restaurant • Kilwins • Olive Garden Italian Restaurant • P.F. Chang's China Bistro • Sago at The Palms • San Gelato Café
- **55 local and national businesses** supported the event by donating to the silent auction and prize drawing.
- Approximately **200 attendees** enjoyed A World Affair 2011, an afternoon of cultural dance and cuisine.
- The A World Affair website received **1,011 hits** through December 2011 and guests will continue to visit in January and beyond!
- A World Affair was promoted by the following media outlets totaling approximately **\$10,000** of in-kind media contributions: Cumulus Radio • Emerald Ladies Journal • Destin Log • Walton Sun • Northwest Florida Daily News

Special thanks to the event steering committee for helping to plan and execute such a wonderful afternoon of food and entertainment: Linda Boyles, Gina Buscagan, Janet Capretta, Bev Demos, Lindel Duncan, Sally Richard, Marlane Sharple, Patti Waterman and Sandy Weber.

More news from Development is on page 2.

## **40<sup>th</sup> Annual Cox Cablethon to benefit Covenant Hospice**

We are delighted to once again join Cox Communications for the Cox Cablethon to benefit Covenant Hospice and are thrilled to be celebrating the event's **40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!** This year's event features a new and exciting format that will increase exposure for both Covenant Hospice and participating corporate sponsors and donors.

The televised portion will premiere on Saturday, April 14 at 6 p.m. on Cox Ch. 6 in the Fort Walton Beach/Crestview viewing area and Cox Ch. 2 in the Pensacola viewing area. The 30-minute segment will feature two local "celebrity" hosts who will share the mission and vision of Covenant Hospice by sharing stories of how our services have touched the lives of those we serve. The segment will air numerous times over the course of **40 days**, allowing a wider viewership to learn more about the special kind of caring Covenant Hospice provides.

The auction, which has become a highlight of the event with gorgeous jewelry, fabulous vacation packages, unique artwork, and gifts and certificates from area retailers, will be hosted online, allowing bidders all over the nation – and the world – to view and bid on items for **40 days**.

Our community partner, Helen Back, will host a Cablethon Premiere Party at their Okaloosa Island location on Saturday, April 14, and we encourage all of you to come out and join us for the fun! As more details come together, we will be sure to keep you all informed. For more information, contact Jenni Perkins at [jenni.perkins@covenanthospice.org](mailto:jenni.perkins@covenanthospice.org) or 598-5003.



♥ Sheila Dameron, community volunteer, who made 35 baskets for our staff to deliver to Covenant patients. Sheila's mother was a former Covenant patient.

♥Food World John Sims Parkway for donating a check for \$1000 to help further our mission

♥Charlie Wilkins--our newest 11th hour volunteer

♥Our new volunteer mentors this month, Brice Horwell and Serafina Dunn.

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**On the new patient/family volunteer sheets, time is now entered in 15 minute increments instead of 30.**



### **Attention: ALL volunteers**

Please call 729-1800 or email the hospice office with the following information.

♥♥Home and cell numbers, even if you think we have them!

♥♥ Emergency contact information--this is very important!!!

We recently had a situation where we needed to get in touch with an emergency contact however, the number was blocked and the work number was no longer valid.

None of this information is shared with anyone. It is used strictly in emergency situations.



We are happy to welcome our new volunteers:

Megan Fraas  
Joanne Aiello  
Meaghan Tondreau  
Shannon Benoit  
Morris Davis  
Doris Olig  
Amber Poma  
(patient and family volunteer, who transferred from our Daphne office)

### United Way Chili Cook-off

Feb. 4th is the United Way Chili Cook-off at Santa Rosa Mall. They are asking again for help from our volunteers. If you are able to fill one of the following slots please let me know:

- a. Check in 7:45-9:00 AM (4-5 Volunteers)
- b. Ballot Tables 11:30-2:15 ( 6 volunteers)
- c. Counting Ballots noon - 2:15
- d. Working the booth of the business we are partnered with: 10:00 - 2:00



### Grief Support Group

Covenant Hospice will be offering a six-week grief support group starting Tuesday, February 28 at Shalimar United Methodist Church. The group will meet from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. for six consecutive Tuesday evenings. If you or someone you know is interested, please give me a call for more information or to register. If you serve as a patient and family volunteer, and continue to meet with family after our patient's death, please be sure to report these visits to the Volunteer Department. These visits can count toward Bereavement volunteer hours and also toward the Medicare match.

Sincere thanks to you all for what you do to support our patients, family members and programs.

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**NO SMOKING Covenant Hospice will be smoke-free February 1<sup>st</sup>**

- Volunteers who visit patients and families cannot smoke on the way to the patient's place of residence (while driving in their car) or while at the patient's place of residence (homes, facilities, IPUs).
- Volunteers may not smoke on the premises of Covenant's corporate or branch offices.
- Volunteers may not smoke while serving Covenant at community sites, such as Ambassador and Development Volunteers.
- Volunteers should take every caution that their clothing and person does not smell like smoke while volunteering in any capacity for Covenant Hospice. (Note: We understand that volunteers who visit patients/families who are smokers cannot avoid smelling of smoke when leaving their residence.)

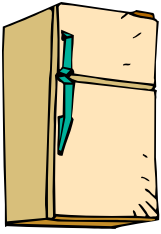


11<sup>th</sup> Hour volunteers: Please let us know if you are available or if you have a free weekend in February.

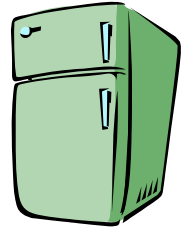
Our Admin volunteers (below) take time for some Christmas cheer in the office.



- 2 Jeanne Pierce
- 3 James McLean
- 4 Jeff Davis
- 7 Shirley Jackson
- 9 Pamela Brantley
- 11 Marion Metz
- 12 Lilia Smedley
- 14 Irene Groeber
- 14 Frank Heath
- 18 Nina Bundenthal
- 19 Frankie Moore
- 20 Diane Fenning
- 22 Jackie Griswell
- 22 Dianne Maynard
- 23 Gloria Dulin
- 23 Phyllis Morgan



# FOR THE FRIDGE



*Upcoming Events and Reminders*

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February 29	<b><u>Patient volunteer visit sheets are always due by the end of the month.</u></b>
February 15	<b>Game Day          FWB Yacht Club 10:30          Bring a friend and a game!</b>
February 28	<b>Volunteer Monthly Meeting 10:00          ***Niceville Assembly of God Church***          108 N Hwy 85N          Speaker: Anna Dyess          Community Health Services Coordinator "FLIPS"          Florida Injury Prevention for Seniors</b>
March 1	<b>Multi Chamber Business Expo 4 – 7          Emerald Coast Convention Center          We need 1 - 2 Ambassador Volunteers</b>
March 15	<b>New Volunteer Training 9-5          Niceville Assembly of God Church          Invite your friends!</b>
Note from Westwood	<b>Move in with your best friend.... Westwood Retirement Resort now welcomes cats, dogs and birds to move in with their owners. Call Billie Chappell for more information 863-5174</b>

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### *Looking for Something?*



Covenant Hospice is signed up as a charity under the [GoodSearch.com](http://GoodSearch.com) website which donates 1 cent each time someone uses the website as their search engine and selects Covenant Hospice as their charity.

For example, even if 100 employees used the website for searches say 10 times/day for the entire year, we would receive roughly **\$3,650**. Check it out and be sure to select Covenant Hospice as your charity!

Be our

**facebook**

friend!

**Look for:  
Covenant  
Hospice**



Stay up-to-date with the “happenings” of the agency or network with clients and staff.



**And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.**

~~~I Corinthians 13:13 (NIV)