GREETINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT

It’s hard to believe that two years has gone by and I’m about to pass the “presidential” torch to my colleague, Alyson Bucks. We recently completed our 2016-2018 Strategic Plan and it’s a good feeling to know the Auxiliary will continue to evolve and thrive with a dedicated, forward-looking board.

One exciting example of our board’s commitment to innovation is our new partnership with the Susan Byrne’s Health Education Center. Beginning this fall, our Children’s Wellness Days will move to the Byrne’s Center and we are excited we can continue to offer the 3rd graders of York County a pertinent health-centered educational experience. As you know, change is not without challenges – our new program means we need to say goodbye to some long-time, dedicated volunteers – we value all of our volunteers and sometimes the words, “thank you” don’t seem sufficient when events are restructured.

Speaking of volunteers, I had the privilege of awarding ten deserving retirees with the Barbara Linder’s Honorary Volunteer award – since 2012 we’ve celebrated 38 inductees. Be sure to check out the bronze plaque bearing their names near the Hospital’s information desk.

My presidency is capped off with our 58th Annual Book Nook Bonanza on June 24-26, 2016 at the York City Ice Arena. Be sure to check out our updated website page to get the latest information about the event – we hope to see you there!

Again a heartfelt thank you for supporting all of our events through your continued patronage. Did you know you can be part of our team by volunteering? We have a variety of opportunities available from sorting books at the warehouse for a few hours to serving on committees. Check out our website – it’s never too early or late to jump in - we welcome your service!!

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The **Wellspan Vulnerable Populations Department** was awarded a $2,000 grant to co-host a major educational event with York College in November 2015. This program featured in-depth information about ACEs, Adverse Childhood Experiences, and how they impact healthcare. Dr. Roy Wade, a leading researcher in the field of ACEs, was the keynote speaker.

The **Meadowlands Multidisciplinary Autism Program**- Child and Adolescent BHS, was given a grant of $1,708.89 to help fund the MAP Program, a growing program that provides best practice screening, testing and follow up procedures to determine whether an individual falls within the spectrum of Autism.

And finally, the **York Hospital Department of Imaging Services** was awarded a grant of $1,697 to provide charging stations in the Imaging Center waiting rooms at York Hospital, the Imaging Center and Women's Imaging facilities. These stations provide a convenient place for patients and their families to re-charge their devices, improving patient satisfaction.

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**HONORING OUR VOLUNTEERS**

Wellspan volunteers were recently recognized at the annual Volunteers Luncheon. Pictured, back row: Michael Metzler, Jolleen Biesecker, Eleanor Vinson, Regina Jordan, Betty Gingerich and Barbara Linder. Front row: the wife and daughter of Howard Wetzel, Donna and Barbara.

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**Continuing its mission of supporting essential patient care services that might otherwise go unfunded, the Auxiliary recently awarded grants to WellSpan staff that will help their important programs succeed.**

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A classic bedtime ritual experienced through a baby's eyes, this book conveys safe sleep practices in a gentle, rhythmic way. Created for Charlie's Kids Foundation, whose mission is educating families about SIDS prevention, the book is now part of the WellSpan York Hospital NICU parents' education program, thanks to a grant from the Auxiliary this year.

**Sleep Baby Safe and Snug, by Dr. Johan Hutton**
Come one, come all, to the largest book sale on the East coast!
We will return to the York Ice Arena on June 24-26, 2016.

NEW! Weekend Admission

$25.00 per person ages 13 through adult. This gives you early admission on Friday from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. and admission to the sale for the rest of the weekend. This early admission wristband will only be sold on Friday from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., prior to the Friday 5:00 p.m. opening. You can use this wristband to get in to the sale all weekend!

Friday, June 24 – 5:00 to 9:00 p.m.
General Admission is $5.00 for Adults, $1.00 for 13 through 18, Kids 12 and under free all weekend.

Saturday, June 25 – 9:00 to 5:00 p.m. (Closed from Noon to 1:00 p.m.)
General Admission is $3.00 for Adults, $1.00 for 13 through 18, Kids 12 and under free all weekend. We reopen at 1:00 p.m. for our ‘half price” sale. Those with handstamps from the morning re-enter for free.

Sunday, June 26 – 11:00 to 5:00 p.m.
General Admission is $2.00 for Adults, $1.00 for 13 through 18, Kids 12 and under free all weekend.

Sunday only: $5.00 A Yard Sale – All Books are $5.00 for a yardstick of books!
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Our fundraising efforts this year have allowed us to make our second installment payment towards the construction of the ED's Behavioral Health Unit – can't wait for the grand opening this year! We also awarded grants to the following:

- York Hospital Imaging Department for 3 charging stations for public use
- Meadowlands Multidisciplinary Autism Program – Mullen kit and equipment
- Internal Medicine and Microbiology for cartridges for sepsis research
- Cribs for Kids Committee for "Sleep, Baby, Safe and Snug" books

I've enjoyed my service (2nd time around) on the board and am proud and humbled to be part of such a great organization!

Jolleen Biesecker

AUXILIARY HISTORY CORNER

You never know what you'll find when sorting books at the Book Nook warehouse! Recently, one of our volunteers came upon this "vintage" reprint of a 1918 cookbook published by the Auxiliary. Filled with many nostalgic advertisements and recipes, the book reminds us just how far the Auxiliary has come. A brand new Sphinx Motor Car, made in York, PA for only $640 dollars! How about a recipe for calf's head soup? Or, cleaning tips for your ostrich feathers... all can be found in this book that was an early fundraiser for the Auxiliary.

UPCOMING AUXILIARY EVENTS

In the Bag Purse Sale – May 17, 2016 in Apple Hill – Suite 188

In the Bag Purse Sale – May 18 – 20, 2016 in the York Hospital Atrium Lobby

Masquerade Jewelry Sale – June 14 – 17, 2016 in the York Hospital Atrium Lobby

Book Nook Bonanza – June 24 – 26, 2016 at the York Ice Arena

Dynamic Cookware -July 26th in Apple Hill in Suite 188

Dynamic Cookware- July 27th and 28th in the York Hospital Atrium Lobby

Uniform Professionals Sale- August 16th at Apple Hill in Suite 193

Uniform Professionals Sale-August 17th and 18th in the York Hospital cafeteria function rooms