



Hospice of Kodiak Newsletter

April 2016

From the Executive Director:

It has been a busy few months since our last newsletter and a lot of exciting things have been happening within Hospice of Kodiak!

New Volunteer Coordinator, Roberta Blondin began her first day on February 8. Since that time Roberta has helped with the ball, hosted a group meet-and-greet for volunteers, held 1:1 meetings with volunteers, visited with current clients and has done intake on two new clients! We are so happy to have Roberta join our team! Roberta was born and raised in Kodiak and most recently worked in the Palliative Care Department at Providence. To learn more about Roberta please visit our website: hospiceofkodiak.org

February 13 was the 5th annual Heart for Hospice Ball. It was a fun, elegant, classy, and successful evening! The Ball brought in over \$20,000 to Hospice of Kodiak. All money raised stays locally and goes toward bereavement support groups, volunteer trainings and general operating expenses that allow us to meet our mission of providing End-of-Life-Care. As a not-for-profit organization, Hospice of Kodiak relies on support from compassionate donors to help provide exceptional care and support in our community. We would like to thank the generous Kodiak community for their support at the ball and throughout the year!

Our Volunteers, are amazing! They help with office tasks, assist with fundraising, support clients and families by running errands, providing comfort and companionship. April is **National Volunteer Month** and **April 10-16 is National Volunteer week**, an annual celebration of the fantastic contribution of volunteers across the nation. President Richard Nixon established National Volunteer Week with an executive order in 1974, as a way to recognize and celebrate the efforts of volunteers. Every sitting U.S. president since Nixon has issued a proclamation during National Volunteer Week (as have many U.S. mayors and governors). Hospice of Kodiak couldn't provide services without our amazing volunteers! We would like to recognize and thank all of our dedicated volunteers!!

Alana Denton
Ann Barker
Betty Bongen
Bree Witteveen
Claudia Andreson
Deb Holden-Engvall
Rose Leonard
Tiffany Anderson

Geneva Cornelius
Jacque Jones
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Tina Mills

Liz Simmons
Mary Rietz
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Renee Darrenkamp
MaryLynn McFarland
Ted Nussbaum
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Hospice Donations:
January 1 - April 6, 2016

Bayview Terrace
Beta Sigma Phi
John & Moe Butler
Sam & Julie Chelmo
Marion Davis
Jane Eiseman
Edward Jones
Brian & Katrina Ferris
Harborside/Fly By
John's Heating Service
Richard & Aimee
Kniazowski
Kodiak Lions Club
Kodiak Pioneers of Alaska
Jeff & Fran March
Rich & Danaë McKinney
Jose & Lecita Monzon
Any & Candis Ozols
Paul & Marolyn Pedersen
Dr. Elise Pletnikoff
Rasmuson Foundation
Cynthia Salus
Eric & Teri Schneider
Genevieve Stevens
Senior Citizens of Kodiak
Jessica Skonberg
Melissa Witteveen

SOCIETY OF A THOUSAND:
(individuals/businesses
that donate \$1,000 or more)

American Fast Freight
Anonymous
Arthur & Nancy Bors
Pat Branson & Gordon Gould
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Dan & Margaret Kavanaugh
KIMA
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To join the journey of those facing life-threatening illness or loss; meeting needs, reducing fears, and offering comfort.

How you can help:

- *Consider becoming a volunteer
- *Tell someone about hospice
- *Make a financial contribution
- *Give a memorial gift to honor the memory of someone special
- *Sign up for AMAZON Smile:

<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/45-2208200>

Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to Hospice of Kodiak.

In 2015,
Hospice of
Kodiak:
served
18 clients,
with 23
volunteers,
total of 994
hours
volunteered!