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SEPTEMBER - A TIME TO REMEMBER THE COUNTRY FAIR September 15th, 16th, 17th, 1989

Saturday night was a “drizmal” evening, except for the great people with smiles and umbrellas. Riddle Memorial Hospital is fortunate to have such wonderful people. Without each and every one of you and your enthusiasm, our *32nd Annual Country Fair* would not have been possible. A fantastic Fair!



The Daily Times covered our Fair in “living color” with coverage before and after the Fair. Flo Kain, of the Daily Times was our first Honorary Chairman. Her presence is always a great attraction.

Once again super rides, helicopter rides, arts and crafts, games for all ages, home cooked sausage and meat balls, funnel cakes, Greek pastries, pizza, hot dogs, hamburgers, Hole in One Golf, card readings, country store, and booths from all Auxiliaries. We have grown from just a few booths to the full capacity of Riddle Memorial Hospital’s grounds.

Chairman, *Jinks Jones*, and Grounds Chairman, *Irene Marshall*, planned this inspired extravaganza for months, and the results of their tireless efforts were proven worthy. Receipts tallied thus far indicate we had a very successful 32nd Annual Country Fair.



*We are glad you kept your Geritol handy.
The performance of all was just dandy.
We made some money and had some fun
Thanks to the efforts of everyone.
With a positive attitude let's stay in gear,
Ready and waiting for a fair next year.
Many thanks to all,*

who are prepared each year to answer the call.

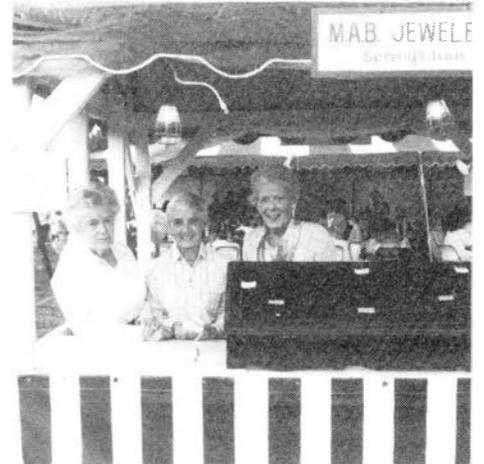


THE START OF SOMETHING BIG

WEATHER REPORT FOR THE FAIR
 NOT A SKY IN THE CLOUDS, FOLLOWED BY HIGH WHEW-MIDITY



A FAMILY AFFAIR IS OVER



NIGHT AND DAY YOU ARE THERE,
 WE SAY "THANKS" FOR YOUR LOVING CARE



"SO PROUDLY WE HAIL"
 REAL "FAIR" WEATHER FRIENDS





"STALWART" - WHAT WOULD WE DO WITHOUT YOU?



"LIFE IS A GREAT BIG CANVAS, AND YOU SHOULD THROW ALL THE PAINT ON IT YOU CAN!"



RIDDLE RAP

No fruits, no flowers, no leaves, no birds, November!

Thanksgiving comes but once a year, but reasons to give thanks are always here.

A special thank you to **Jinks Jones** and Grounds Chairman, **Irene Marshall** (the first time working the grounds), a fantastic job. A thank you from the "bottom of our grounds". Thanks to **Marie and Jim O'Brien**, "the host and hostess with the mostest", Chairpersons of the Hospitality Room. They kept spirits high and happy! So many people make the event a success - too many names to mention. You all know who you are. Thank you one and all for making our Fair legendary. On the Grounds, day and night, **Elma and Stan Albright**, **Chester Stiteler**, **Judy Bell**, **Amy Register**, **Nancy Carbutt**, **Carol Komisar**, **Jayne Schneider**, **Kathy Ahrens**, **Pris Wood**, **Silva Small**, **Irene Greene**, **Betty and Paul Wilkinson**, **Tara and Butch Higgins**, **Donna and John Meehan**, **Letty Clark**, **Duchess**, **Charles Sterling**, **Scott Wynn**, **Sally McPhillimy**, **Robert Santilli** (Vice President, Administration), **Paul Jones** and son **Tom** (who made all the wonderful meat balls - 120 pounds of beef and sausages), **Mama Mia!** Also, **Jack Wisniewski**, **MC**, **Donald L. Laughlin**, (President of RMH), **Lori Laughlin**, **Captain Bill** (Helicopter rides from Station WCAU), **Robert Hopkins** (Vice President, Development) and all **Booth Chairmen**.

Hats off to **Janet Behrle**, Middletown Auxiliary for planning crafts and workshops for months at her home. **Middletown Auxiliary** girls worked on crafts for a wonderful day on November 17th.

Kathy Cianciulli is busy planning for the **Man O' War Ball**. A big surprise with entertainment and a perfect prescription for a festive evening. This will be the event of the year, **Hotel duPont, April 21st, 1990**. Mark your calendar now!

To our Treasurer of the Associated Auxiliaries, **Sandy Jaeger**, thank you for the accomplishments and time. Life is never measured by the years through which we live, but by the caring things we do and the cheer and love we give by being part of Riddle Memorial Hospital.

Media Auxiliary has three new members: **Mrs. Gloria Gentile**, **Mrs. Sue Poselli**, and **Matilda Prudente**.

Media Auxiliary had a fun day on **Super Sunday**. Taco sale, shells, chili and cheeses.

Bright idea - **Rose Tree Auxiliary** is planning a theatre party - **Phantom of the Opera** in the Spring.

Cynthia Kipp is covering publicity and doing a super job!

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to **Alycia and Loren Buhle's** little daughter Mandy.

Beatty Hills always has interesting meetings and programs.

Looking Back - Man O'War Ball, Silver Anniversary - 1983



Dr. William Galligan, **Cornie Burkhardt**, **Ginger Lobb** (Honorary Chairman), **Judge John Diggins** and **Mary Mallon** giving a special toast to RMH. Now, we too of RMH give a special toast for a "speedy recovery" to Mary. Mary was dedicated to RMH, Director of Volunteers for ten years, past President of Rose Tree Auxiliary and started the Springfield Auxiliary in the beginning days of RMH. Once again, "Speedy Recovery" from all Auxilians and RMH.

Coming to print this month is our *Seasonal Holiday Classics Cookbook* comprised of delightful, delicious and different cookie and dessert recipes. A monumental task has been beautifully put together. Couldn't and wouldn't have been possible without the help of all Auxilians, nurses, doctors, volunteers, employees and friends of RMH. Particular recognition goes to **Mr. Robert Hopkins**, Vice President of Development; to **Eileen McNeill**, who assists Mr. Hopkins in the Development Office; and to **Joyce Schmidt** of the Public Relations Office (Joyce claims she gained 20 pounds just reading the recipes!); and last, but not least, to **Jackie Dowd**, secretary of the Associated Auxiliaries, for her creativity and time. Once again, thank you one and all. Your support and encouragement made all the work worthwhile. Cookies are surely traditional. December is a busy time, and if each Auxilian would bake a batch of cookies, we will have a cookie sale by the pound, tied with Christmas wrappings. A different idea and a good way of having a selection of homemade cookies for the holidays (date of sale will follow). All the Auxiliaries will be contacted to join the festivities. A great way of sharing the season, a tradition of *giving, a moment shared, a memory made!*



Nurse **Suzanne Grzeszkowiak**, celebrating 15 years of service with **Dr. Edward Jaeger** and **Dr. Peter Palena**. A very special threesome.

Helen Laimbeer is moving right along after her broken ankle.

Tailgate Sale was a success on April 29th, thanks to **Elma Albright** and **Sandy Jaeger**. Thanks a million to one and all for your participation!

On October 20th **Nether Providence Auxiliary** had their **Apple Festival** for "Baking someone happy" and "apples ready to be pried". A delicious day!

Thank you to **Selme Rende** on the new **Annual Budget**. We are really blessed with talent.

Get ready to head to the **Merry Token Gift Shop** for special Christmas presents and surprises. A relaxing shopping time, wrap it up at **Merry Token**. Chairpersons **Dorothy Rolison**, **Laura Ingram** and **Marion Dubolino**, and volunteers are ever present to make your holidays happy.

Marion Dubolino is a patient at RMH. Get well soon!

Lima Auxiliary Bake Sale, December 8th in the lobby. A special time with gifts, cakes and cookies, pies and goodies.

Glad to see **Mr. Jack Green**,
Director of Purchasing,
back after surgery.

Stay well Jack!



Looking forward to the **Lobby Sale**, February 13th, planned by the **Springhaven Auxiliary**, and their **Plant Sale**, December 15th. A wine and cheese basket will be chanced off. Share the holiday spirit.

Santa Claus comes to us under many names, Kris Kringle, Saint Nicholas and Master Card! A nice Christmas present is for *each Auxiliary* to bring a friend, neighbor or relative to an Auxiliary Meeting and have them become part of our Auxiliaries. Increase our membership and make the future memorable.

Our RN's on the run: Nurses **Catherine Wood** and **Jean Latch** went on an eighteen day cruise from Vancouver through the Panama Canal, to Tampa in September.

Alycia Buhle has resigned as Membership Chairman and **Betty Wilkinson** will be joining us once again. Betty will be Membership Chairman.

Rose Tree Auxiliary member **Jeanne Cotton**, had a fall, but is feeling better.

In this season of abundance and privilege, we take time to reflect upon Christmas, the gratitude for our families and friends, our nation, our community, our freedom to worship and to work as we desire, for the many memories dear to us, and the wonderful efforts of the **Associated Auxiliaries**, which contribute to help **Riddle Memorial Hospital**. A time for us all to be proud and say **Thank You, Joy, and Peace!**

AN EVENING WITH COZY MORLEY
Saturday, October 7th, 1989

The lights on the 32nd Annual Country Fair dimmed on Sunday, September 17th, 1989, but they were shining on Drexelbrook on October 7th 1989. A super special evening. To each of you who joined the festivities - "Thank you"! To those of you who were not there, we missed you!

A gala celebration including a delicious dinner, floor show and dancing. Laughter sure is a tranquilizer with no side effects.

A special "thanks" goes to Pat Bergeman for the excellent Program. A "thank you" also to all the contributors to the Program.

The 32nd Annual Country Fair ended with a successful event, "An Evening with Cozy Morley".



Cozy Moreley and happy guests sharing a laugh



Mr. & Mrs. Richard Strode



Kathy and Paul Hart



Mrs. Mary Lou Wisniewski, friend, and Mr. Jack Wisniewski (Celebrity Master of Ceremonies at the Annual Country Fair)



Mr. & Mrs. Donald L. Laughlin singing a happy tune



Dr. & Mrs. Francis Cianciulli



Mr. & Mrs. Paul Jones, Mr. & Mrs. Morris Marshall and Mr. & Mrs. Aaron Komisar



Mr. & Mrs. Charles Bergeman and Mrs. Stanley Albright

My thanks to the committee: *Ginger Lobb, Elma Albright, Duchess Wynn, Toni Cavanagh, Dot Rolison, Laura Ingram, Charm Strode, Jane Millar, and Cynthia Kipp.* They are responsible for making the evening enjoyable and a success.

Pat Bergeman, Chairman

MEETING OF THE MINDS
GENERAL BOARD MEETING - AUGUST 14th, 1989
MAKING PROGRESS FOR THE COMING YEAR



*Carol Komisar, Toni Cavanagh, Don Laughlin,
Marge Reese and Sandy Jaeger*



Pris Wood, Jeanette Pappas, Marge Reese



*Charm Strode, Pat Bergeman
and Laura Ingram*



*Peg Osterheldt, Betty Hollingsworth
and Sallie McPhillimy*



Carol Komisar and Toni Cavanagh



Sandy Jaeger

MERRY TOKEN GIFT SHOP - September Jewelry Sale



Len Bell, A dedicated worker and Irene Greene, Treasurer of Merry Token

Anne Walters and Diane Jevnick of the Billing Department

MIDDLETOWN AUXILIARY - Hard at work preparing for their Crafts and Cake Sale



1989 Board of Directors Cocktail Reception

The Board of Directors Cocktail Reception for the year 1989, was held at Aronimink Golf Club, Newtown Square, on Sunday, November 5th, 1989 from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM.



A cordial welcome was given to one and all by **Maryann Hughes** (Director of Public Relations), **Dottie Raffaele** (Administrative Assistant), **Joyce Schmidt** (Public Relations), and **Eileen McNeill** (Development).

Music was provided by Frank Murphy, which kept the dance floor crowded. Hors d'oeuvres and buffet were a culinary delight as always.



COOK BOOK TEAM

Hard-working volunteers dedicated to the success of "Seasonal Holiday Classics"





RIDDLE THRIFT SHOP

SHOPPER STOPPERS

"We have it all"

The very first *Riddle Memorial Thrift Shop* opened twenty-seven years ago on Monroe Street in Media. It was relocated twice during the following years, first in the old Post Office on State Street, and later on South Orange Street.

In March of 1973, the Thrift Shop moved to its present quarters on the north side of the hospital where you will see busy shoppers every day.

"Stretching Dollars" is fun. Please come on in for exceptional values. You will find your budget s-t-r-e-t-c-h-ing a much longer way. Clothing, antiques, jewelry, furniture, household items, exceptional baby and children's clothes and toys. You name it - they have it all. Everything is carefully graded and priced fairly. You will find exciting bargains. *We need the help of more volunteers!* Just a few hours of your time would be appreciated. What a nice day in store for you! Call the Volunteer Office, Judy Bell (Director) at 891-3171.



It's worth the trip just to see the seasonal window decorated monthly by Manager, Nina Cruice. A special time is just to browse through and enjoy how beautifully decorated the whole Shop is. This is a wonderful time for you to visit Santa's land.



Our beautiful Shop has enjoyed constant growth over the years, and great success through the efforts of the Associated Auxiliaries and all our wonderful volunteers who have helped to make the Shop expand. Two of our retired nurses, Betty Hazen and Catherine Wood dedicate many fun-filled hours working diligently for Riddle's Thrift Shop, plus a winning combination of all volunteers too numerous to mention. We are proud of the many volunteers and management. The continued growth of our Shop and hospital is largely due to all the years of service and dedication. A special thanks to *Nina Cruice*, Manager for eight years; *Edna Fury*, Assistant Manager; *Mae Messa*, Bookkeeper for six years; *Fran Quin*, Assistant Bookkeeper; *Alice Wilkinson and Marge Zultewicz*, two chairmen of the Thrift Shop; and *Hilda George, Jinks Jones, Ginny Miller and Peg Pinkerton*, Daily Chairmen.





JEWELRY SALE

A one day fund raising activity will be held in the lobby of the Hospital on December 12th, 1989. Best selection and prices for your Christmas shopping on 14K gold and sterling silver jewelry. Over 50 hospitals in the New England, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey area have had this jewelry sale for excellent fund raising purposes. The jewelry presentation is called "Pretty Pickin's". All major credit cards accepted.

"JACKS OR BETTER"



Not "better", "BEST"! We salute two of the best: Surgical Waiting Room Volunteer Jackie Koenig and Associated Auxiliary Secretary Jackie Dowd.

PRESIDENTIAL GREETINGS

Did you know? Presidential greetings are sent to people celebrating 50 or more years of marriage and those celebrating an 80th birthday on up. Send your request to The White House, Greetings Department, Washington, D.C. 20500, at least three weeks before the event. Your letter must include the complete name and address of the celebrant. Don't forget the zip code and, if the person lives in an apartment, the apartment number. You must specify the occasion. The messages are presidential, but the signatures attached to the over 45,000 greetings sent each month are done by machine.

ALWAYS READY TO HELP



Reception Desk Volunteers Doris Mayer and Lori Laughlin. The kindness and cheerfulness of all our volunteers does not go unnoticed.

SEASONAL HOLIDAY CLASSICS

Available now for your holiday use and gift giving. Call Jackie Dowd at 891-3174 for information.

GET WELL ELTON!



Happy recovery wishes for Elton Acton, husband of Jane Acton (President of Middletown Auxiliary) seen here assisted by Leah Kipp, RN.

HALLOWEEN AT RMH **"Spooktacular"**



More fun than soaping windows!!

UPCOMING EVENTS

A holiday gives one a chance to look backward and forward to reset oneself by an inner compass. Look ahead with coming events:

- December 8 - Lima Bake Sale
- December 11 - Executive and General Board Meetings
- December 15 - Springhaven Plant Sale
- January 8 - Executive and General Board Meetings
- February 12 - Executive and General Board Meetings
- February 13 - Beatty Hills Auxiliary Violet Sale
- March 12 - Executive and General Board Meetings
- March 16 - Rose Tree Bake Sale
- March 24 - Bus Trip to Phantom of the Opera
- March 30 - Nether Providence Auxiliary Rose Sale
- April 6 - Concord Auxiliary Bake Sale
- April 9 - Executive and General Board Meetings
- April 11 - Springhaven Auxiliary Plant Sale
- April 21 - Man O'War Ball
- May 5 - Middletown Auxiliary Moana Fashion Show
- May 11 - Media Auxiliary Bake Sale
- May 14 - Executive and General Board Meeting
- May 21 or 23 - Rose Tree Auxiliary Annapolis Bus Trip
- June 11 - Executive Meeting
- August 14 - Executive and General Board Meetings

THE VALUE OF A GIFT

On Monday, October 9th, **Robert D. Hopkins**, Vice President, visited with us at the General Board Meeting. His presentation focused on the real impact of private support and what it means to the hospital. Some startling facts were shared:

- * Riddle must generate more than \$105.00 of patient care revenue just to net about \$1.00 which can be used for needed renovation and new equipment acquisition.
- * Net operating margins at virtually all of the country's hospitals are expected to dip to 0% (or lower) in 1990, marking the first time in recent memory that hospitals will average a near deficit on patient operations.
- * The impact of private philanthropy is quite real ... A gift of even \$25.00 is just like the hospital realizing almost \$3,000.00 from conventional patient operations. In other words, the \$25.00 *replaces* the \$3,000.00 from patient revenue the hospital *didn't see*.



Just think. The \$1,000.00 or \$2,000.00 generated from various individual Auxiliary functions has the impact (and the benefit) of more than \$105,000.00 being generated by patient revenues. And just imagine the impact of the proceeds from the County Fair and Thrift Shop!

Does *your* gift make a difference? As Bob reminded us, all gifts to the hospital have more impact than many givers may think. This is why the support of the Associated Auxiliaries is so vital and enormously appreciated.



**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE
CAROL KOMISAR
DECEMBER 1989**

In this holiday season, we pause to reflect on all our blessings. The end of this season not only brings a new year, but a new decade. May your lives be filled with joy and happiness, and may our commitment to Riddle Memorial Hospital continue as strongly as it has over the last decade. *Happy Holidays to one and all!*

Carol Komisar, President



*Because a child was born
We celebrate Christmas
And the birth of love
In every heart*

*Merry Christmas and Happy New Year
from the Associated Auxiliaries*



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