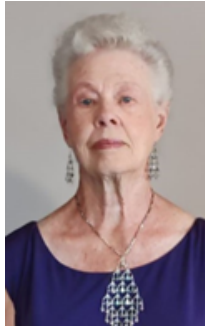


# Auxiliaries in Action

A Publication of the Arkansas Hospital Auxiliary Association

2023 Convention



## 2023 - 2024 AHAA President Neta Sue Stamps



Dear Auxilians,

We hope you enjoy this special edition of the AHAA newsletter and remember to send in information about your auxiliary. It is so interesting to learn how you are providing support to your hospitals and communities.

By this time, the Thanksgiving leftovers should be a thing of the past as we gear up to celebrate “The Most Wonderful Time of the Year”. As we begin this next event, let us try to remember the exuberance of our youth: relax and enjoy!

A joyous Christmas and a safe New Year to all,

Neta Sue Stamps  
AHAA President

Theme: Volunteers Believe

Colors: Purple and silver



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**65<sup>th</sup> AHAA Annual Convention  
General Business Meeting  
November 1, 2023**

The 65<sup>th</sup> annual Business Meeting and Convention was called to order by President Judy Shaffer on November 1 at 1:00 pm in the Rock Island I-III room at the Embassy Suite by Hilton in Little Rock, AR.

Jerry Berley, AHAA Past President from Ouachita County Medical Center in Camden, gave the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Charlotte Jackson gave the registration report for the Convention. There were 223 registered representing 38 auxiliaries. Linda Butler gave the parliamentary report. The number of auxiliaries in good standing is 35. The number of registered delegates is 28. There is a quorum present. Jennifer Baker, Secretary, called the roll. Each auxiliary reported the number of auxiliaries registered and the number attending the convention. The minutes from the last convention were printed in the November/December 2022 AHAA newsletter on the website. The minutes were approved as printed.

Judy appointed three members to approve the 2023 AHAA annual minutes. They are Christy Blackshear, Mercy Hospital Northwest Ark. in Rogers; Ginny Presgrove, NEA Baptist, Jonesboro; and Liz McKay, South Arkansas Regional Hospital in El Dorado. The minutes will be printed in a special Convention edition of the Newsletter.

Charlotte Jackson, Treasurer, reported that the annual financial report is found on page 18 of the 2023-24 Handbook. Debbie Bond from Unity Health made a motion to approve the 2023-2024 budget and Mary Frauenhoff, Baptist Health, seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Mary Frauenhoff, Bylaws Chair, reported that there was no change in the bylaws, which are printed in the Handbook.

Carol Evans, Credentials Chair, gave the committee report with the proposed nominees for 2023-2024 AHAA officers:

|                 |                                   |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| President Elect | Charlotte Jackson, Unity Health   |
| Vice President  | Judy Lawrence, White River Health |
| Secretary       | Jennifer Baker, Baxter Health     |
| Treasurer       | Ron Rupe, Unity Health            |

Beverly Harden, Johnson Regional in Clarksville, made a motion to accept the slate of officers as presented. Dorothy Penix, Dallas County Medical Center seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The new board was introduced and the District Chairs, who were elected at their Spring District meetings were recognized.

|                        |                       |
|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Metropolitan District  | Becky Blackard        |
| North Central District | Mary Catherine Propes |



Northeast District

Ginny Presgrove

Northwest District

Denise McGlone

Southeast District

Liz McKinstry

Southwest District

Janelle Williams

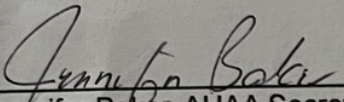
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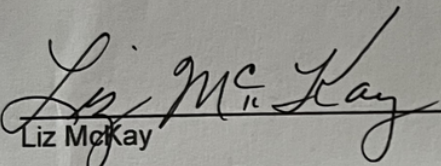
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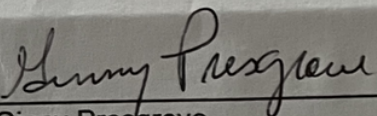
Carol Evans thanked the Convention Committee for their work in organizing the Convention. Judy stated the Memorial Service would begin at 2:00.

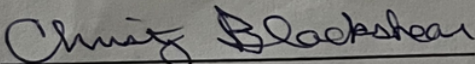
With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:46 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Jennifer Baker, AHAA Secretary

  
Liz McKay

  
Ginny Presgrove

  
Christy Blackshear

## 2023 Administrator of the Year Over 100 Beds



Sammie Cribbs  
North Arkansas Regional Medical Center  
Harrison, Arkansas  
Northwest District

Sammie Cribbs, NARMC President, and CEO, started her new role as President and CEO on April 1, 2022, and led the charge in the fight against COVID-19 at North Arkansas Regional Medical Center which is a 174-bed facility when it hit March 16, 2020.

She is no stranger to hard work and determination. She always puts the patients first and is willing to step up and help her staff succeed by working alongside them to ensure the patients have the best possible outcome.

Sammie Cribbs has something that most administrators in leadership don't. She has worked in the trenches and on the ICU and ER floors and has seen what it takes to make it a good experience for the patients. She not only puts her staff and patients ahead of herself, but she also looks for ways to be a good steward of the hospital's finances while making sure that the patients have the best possible care available.

Recognizing the importance of teamwork and collaboration, Sammie has fostered a culture of open communication and inclusivity. She has actively sought input from healthcare professionals, staff members, and Hospital Auxiliary volunteers to shape strategic decisions and initiatives. By valuing diverse perspectives and encouraging collaboration, she has cultivated an environment where every individual feels empowered to contribute their best, ultimately leading to improved patient outcomes and operational success.

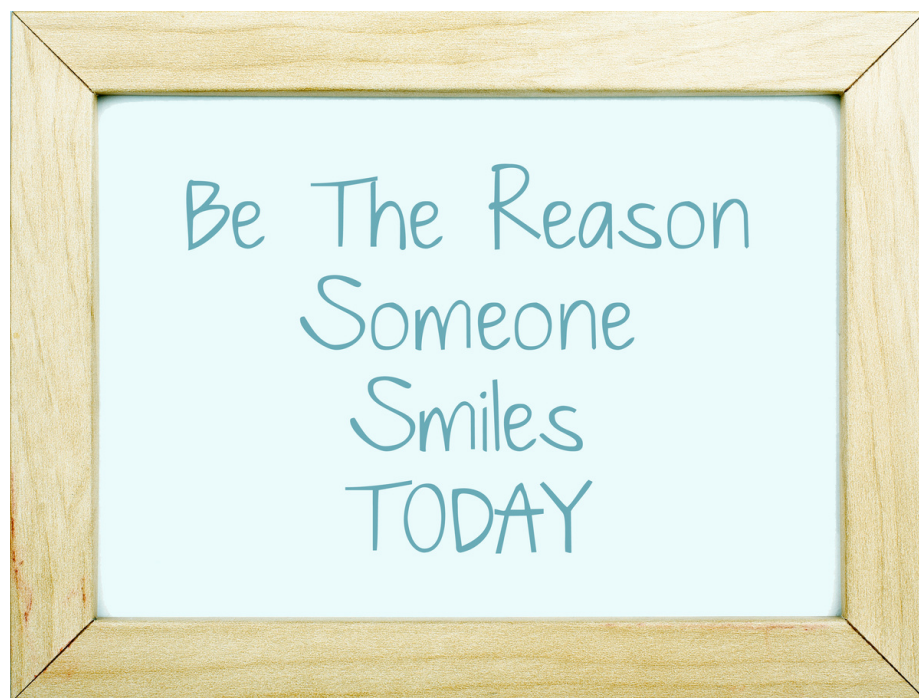


Cribbs has been a steadfast supporter and advocate for the Hospital Auxiliary. She recognizes the invaluable contributions made by the Auxiliary members in enhancing patient care and supporting the hospital's mission. Whether it is through providing resources, facilitating collaboration, or actively participating in Auxiliary initiatives, Sammie has shown immense gratitude for the selfless dedication of the Auxiliary volunteers.

She regularly attends the Auxiliary monthly meetings to keep the Auxiliary up-to-date on what's going on at the hospital and in the community. She also attends all the volunteer events and constantly reminds the Auxiliary members how thankful she is for them and supports them in every endeavor.

Sammie highlights the pivotal role of leadership in shaping the future of healthcare. She not only is the first woman President and CEO of North Arkansas Regional Medical Center but through her exemplary leadership, unwavering commitment to patient-centered care, collaborative approach, and support for the Hospital Auxiliary, she leaves an unforgettable mark on the hospital and the community in which it services. Her passion, innovation, and dedication serve as an inspiration to all, reinforcing the importance of compassionate leadership in creating positive change in healthcare.

Because of her leadership skills and dedication to North Arkansas Regional Medical Center and the community, this year she has been named John P. Hammerschmidt's 2023 Woman of Distinction and Top 100 Women of Impact in Arkansas from the Little Rock Soiree Magazine 2023. In conclusion, we appreciate the opportunity to highlight our CEO and hope that you will agree that Sammie Cribbs deserves the honor of being named AHAA Administrator of the Year.



## 2023 Auxilian of the Year Under 100 Beds



Christina Rainey  
Delta Memorial Hospital  
Dumas, Arkansas  
Southeast District

It is with great pleasure that I write to you today to nominate Christina Rainey for the Hospital Auxilian of the Year award. I believe that Christina is the best choice for this award because she consistently displays our auxiliary values and volunteerism. I have worked alongside Christina in our hospital gift shop which she manages. I have witnessed her passion for volunteering for this auxiliary. The gift shop is a huge success in assisting with the hospital's needs and the needs of its employees. With dedication and commitment to the auxiliary Christina has successfully helped with increasing our auxiliary resources to aid the hospital and community. She has spent countless hours keeping the doors of the gift shop doors open, even when other auxilians are not able to work.

I remember during the pandemic when businesses and organizations were closing their doors, our auxiliary doors never closed. Christina followed the CDC guidelines and showed up when others did not. No one asked her to keep the doors open. That's just the kind of person she is. She knew the healthcare workers were putting their lives on the line, so she empathetically thought of others beside herself. She too, put her life on the line, she is selfless.





I believe our auxiliary is successful because of her continued commitment to inspire and motivate not just the auxiliary but also me. From last June 2022 to April 2023, she acquired 627 volunteer hours. Christina's skills are numerous and impressive, and she continues to amaze me with skills and traits like: Dedication, Humility, Honesty, Charisma, Passion, and Loyalty.

I strongly endorse Christina's nomination for the Hospital of The Year award. I believe that her community and auxiliary contributions make her the best candidate for this award. I hope you consider my nomination, and I hope that I've displayed Christina's capabilities and contributions effectively. Thank you for your time.



## 2023 Auxilian of the Year Over 100 Beds



Judy Shaffer  
Baxter Health  
Mountain Home, Arkansas  
North Central District



We at Baxter Health Auxiliary wholeheartedly nominate Judy Shaffer for the 2023 Auxilian of the Year award. Judy's service and dedication to her home hospital, Baxter Health, and the Arkansas Hospital Auxiliary Association (AHAA) at both the district and state level is so very clear to all who know her and to those she meets and works with.

Judy currently serves as President of the Arkansas Hospital Auxiliary Association. Her goals as President are helping groups rebuild from Covid-19 and encouraging volunteers to take on leadership roles. As she travels the state attending meetings and promoting the AHAA, Judy is living her presidential term theme. . . .finding joy and friendship through volunteering while usually wearing her colors of blue, yellow, and white.

At the District level, Judy is currently serving as the North Central District Secretary and has been for several years. Judy has a wealth of information she is willing to share with the presidents of our district and is readily available to help.

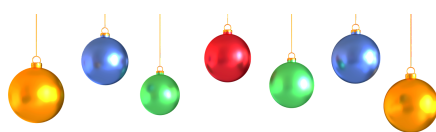
At Baxter Health, Judy has many responsibilities within the Auxiliary. She serves on the Auxiliary Board as Ways and Means Chair. As Chair, she is tasked with sourcing vendors and their arrangements, staffing volunteers for the sales, and coordinating with the accounting department for payroll deduct. As Covid-19 changed the vendor market, Judy has worked diligently finding new vendors and inventing new ways to generate revenue for the Auxiliary. She also serves as the Board's back-up treasurer. And because of her extensive knowledge of the AHAA, auxiliary policy and procedures, Judy is usually sought out for answers to questions and guidance ensuring our Board conducts its auxiliary business in a professional manner.

At the Pink-a-Dilly Hospital Gift Shop, Judy cashiers, orders and stocks the greeting cards, assists the manager with schedules and substitute volunteers, and is the point person for when the Store Manager is unavailable. She also works the very successful holiday "Midnight Madness" sales, keeping the gift shop open until midnight for night staff to shop.

For our two thrift stores, the Bargain Boxes, Judy does all the daily deposits, a daunting task. Yearly deposits for both stores are in excess of \$374,000. She makes sure the cashiers at both stores are properly trained, know the current procedures and have sufficient change for their daily operations along with cashiering shifts at both stores.

Aside from Judy's more business like volunteer activities, she does have a softer side. She joyfully participated at both of our popular Teddy Bear Clinics. This was an interactive healthcare experience with teddy bear repair and adoption with the Emergency & Trauma Unit featured at our hospital health fairs in Mountain Home and Harrison.

Judy has been volunteering at Baxter Health for over 17 years and her lifetime hours exceed 9,150. As you can see, Judy is living a life of service to our hospitals and auxiliaries in the great state of Arkansas. She is truly deserving of Auxilian of the Year.





## 2023 Community Service Award Under 100 Beds



### Baptist Health Medical Center - Heber Springs Heber Springs, Arkansas North Central District

In 2019 Baptist Health Medical Center – Heber Springs Auxiliary organized an Art Show for special needs adults attending the Community School of Cleburne County (CSOCC) as a community service. Art was gathered at the school and judged with ribbons awarded generously. All artwork received a specially created Certificate of Participation and was then displayed in the main lobby of the hospital. Unfortunately, the show was halted during the Covid pandemic, but was revived in September 2022. Artwork included drawings and paintings in a variety of media, pottery, beadwork, and other crafts. CSOCC clients and teachers were invited to come view the display, visit with staff and Auxilians, and enjoy refreshments provided by the hospital. They were excited and enthusiastic for this opportunity and thoroughly enjoyed the outing. The CSOCC Director shared that this was such a positive reinforcement of their abilities and boosted the morale of all 25 of those participating. Six of the approximately 10 Auxilians who were volunteering at the time helped in the collection, set up, judging, or reception for the Art Show. Both our DVS and Hospital Administrator came to the reception to visit with and compliment the artists' efforts. BHMC HS Auxiliary plans to make this CSOCC Art Show an annual event. Our hospital of just 25 beds and the Auxiliary are active participants in a variety of community events around Heber Springs and the entire Greers Ferry Lake area.



## 2023 Community Service Award Over 100 Beds



### NEA Baptist Jonesboro, Arkansas Northeast District

#### What Makes a Healthy Heart. . . .Figuratively

It's often easy to find many community events of which our auxiliary can elect to be a part, but when the community turns the tables and chooses us, that is very humbling! In October of 2022, the Jonesboro Math and Science Magnet School 4th graders were studying about the human heart and how to keep it healthy both literally and figuratively. They asked a cardiologist to speak to them about the ways to keep the hearth healthy literally, but when wanting to have a different perspective on a healthy hearty, they thought of the NEA Baptist Auxiliary who demonstrates a healthy heart figuratively. We were contacted October 20th and asked to speak to the 90 fourth graders on November 17, 2022

President Ginny Presgrove and auxilian Faye Haney went to the school on the selected date. They brought a poster, positive sayings submitted by the entire auxiliary members, our scrapbook, and a heart-shaped stress ball to use while speaking with the students.

They spoke about many of the jobs performed by them in and for the NEA Baptist Hospital, patients, family members and visitors, but then they concentrated on why we do what we do and what it takes to show our healthy hearts to others. Requests were made of the student to make suggestions of how they could show their healthy hearts to their classmates, family, friends and community members. Presgrove and Haney used the poster with a drawn heart

and example words such as giving, compassion, positive thinking, love for self and others, meaningful work, encouragement, kindness, gratitude, forgiveness and helpful. Ginny and Faye gave examples of how the auxiliary demonstrates these characteristics and asked the students to think of how they do or could do the same. The students shared their ideas with each other as desk partners and with the group. It definitely was a two-way conversation! The students talked about how someone demonstrated these figurative healthy heart characteristics to them, and how they would incorporate them into their own lives while interacting with others in the future.

Although the literal day of activity was that one day, the effects were far reaching and lasted much longer. We heard from the administrator of the study, Amanda Mirafuentes, who thanked the auxiliary for showing ways to care about others. The photos and ideas were put on the school's Facebook page and the students continued to demonstrate their healthy hearts. . . . figuratively. Some of these students may end up being junior volunteers for the auxiliary when they reach 16, but until then, we hope we have placed a seed of compassion to others inside their hearts!



## 2023 Fundraising Award Under 100 Beds



Magnolia Regional Medical Center  
Magnolia, Arkansas  
Southwest District



## “2nd Treasurers Silent Auction”

WHY THE SERVICE WAS INITIATED: To create a new fun and unusual form of a fundraising method. “2nd TREASURERS SILENT AUCTION”

WHEN THE SERVICE WAS BEGUN AND WHEN COMPLETED: July 14th – 2011. Held annually each year.

HOW MANY VOLUNTEERS WERE INVOLVED IN THE SERVICE: 25

DEVELOPMENT OF PLANS TO ACHIEVE YOUR GOAL: Each member of the Auxiliary brings 2 new or slightly used items in great condition with a suggested value of \$15.00 or more. We display all the items in the Board Room with attached bid sheets. We even included homemade baked goods. The event starts at 7:00 am and last until 1:00 pm.

RESULTS ACHIEVED: All employees get really excited and into friendly bidding wars. The event creates lots of excitement and fun among the employees. It turns out a profit of over \$1,000.00 at each event with no overhead expenses!

NUMBER OF LICENCED BEDS IN YOUR HOSPITAL: 49



## 2023 Fundraising Award Over 100 Beds



Baxter Health  
Mountain Home, Arkansas  
North Central District

Our Baxter Health Auxiliary gift shop, the Pink-A-Dilly, has a unique way to market the shop with a special seasonal sale during Christmas. Brainstorming along with volunteers and the gift shop manager, Debbie Swan, a special sale was implemented with additional percent off sale on daily featured items, utilizing unique techniques for an exciting day of sales. The 12 Days of Christmas in the Pink-A-Dilly during the month of December was created.

At The 12 Days of Christmas in the Pink-A-Dilly sale, we feature select items daily, and send out messages via email and Facebook to let our customers know what the daily feature items are. As the gift shop is only open weekdays, the 12 days last most of the month of December.

We have 31 volunteers who volunteer in the gift shop throughout the year and have 1-3 volunteers per shift, 2 to 3 shifts per day assisting the customers. During this time, we offer a Midnight Madness Sale for our night crew where all discountable items are on sale after 4pm until Midnight. This is a great employee benefit for our night crew and they are all excited for the opportunity to shop during their shift. Also, during December, we host a gift wrapping fundraiser in the lobby where folks can come and get their purchases wrapped.

We recognized there was a need to market the gift shop and build excitement with this fundraising project for the auxiliary. It also is a fun time for the employees and creates a more enjoyable shopping experience. During the 12 Days of Christmas in the Pink-A-Dilly, each day has a few featured item with an additional percentage off for that day only. Everyone is excited to find out what the daily featured item will be and they come each day to find out if that special something they were watching is the feature item for the day.

The results are the shoppers are excited to shop, it draws in folks from outside the hospital, the staff look forward to the sale, and everyone has fun in the seasonal, magical like atmosphere offered during that time in the gift shop. The volunteers find great satisfaction in helping our customers find the perfect gift that is also on sale. The added bonus is we have an increase in sales on those days to better support our hospital with donations for special services and equipment needs.

We are licensed for 268 beds.



## 2023 In-Hospital Service Award Under 100 Beds



Ozark Health Inc.  
Clinton, Arkansas  
North Central District

The service was initiated so that we could have a smooth flow of patients in our Oncology Department. Dr. Patel is from Carti in Little Rock and has a clinic at our facility once a week on Wednesday. We have anywhere from 60 to 90 patients that are scheduled weekly.

We began the service approximately ten years ago. We have five volunteers each week to help with the flow and comfort of our patients. Volunteers show up between 6:30 am – 7:00 am and set up courtesy cart, pickup paperwork sort through to see if any paperwork is missing.

The auxiliary is responsible to see that each patient signs in with the Carti representative, weighs the individual and asked them to have a seat until the lab tech calls their name.

During the wait time we have a courtesy cart loaded with water and soda cold and at room temperature for the patients and their family members that escort them to their appointment. Also on the cart are granola bars, peanuts, chips, cookies for their convenience. We also have an ice machine and coffee available upon their request.





The goal is to keep the patients comfortable during their wait. It may be said that some are there from no less than one hour to eight hours depending on if they need chemo or other infusions.

There is a local church that provides a bag of goodies for all the new patients and it is the responsibility of the volunteer to hand them out. Other churches have donated head scarves, seat belt pads, magazines, color books, crayons etc. At times we must round up a warm blanket to help with a chill.

We know that the patients appreciate all the attention our volunteers give to their comfort.



## 2023 In-Hospital Service Award Over 100 Beds



Mercy Hospital Northwest Arkansas  
Rogers, Arkansas  
Northwest District

1. Why was service initiated: Hospitals can be lonely and stressful places for patients compromised by illness and separation from family and loved ones. Patients encounter multiple stressors including pain, lack of sleep, concerns about outcomes, and an unfamiliar environment that can impact their experience, well-being and recovery. It is well known and scientifically proven that interaction with a gentle, friendly pet has significant benefits both physically and mentally for patients. For example, pet therapy lowers blood pressure, improves cardiovascular health and releases endorphins that have a calming effect. In addition, pet therapy decreases anxiety and lifts spirits to lessen depression. Therefore, Mercy Hospitals Northwest Arkansas Auxiliary created a therapeutic and healing environment by implementing a Dog Therapy program.

2. When the service was begun and when ended: The service began in 2022 and is an ongoing project.

3. How many volunteers were involved in the service: A total of five volunteers along with their highly trained dogs were involved in the service.

4. Development of plans to achieve your goal: In August 2022, representatives from Bissell Corporation, which has been involved in pet therapy programs for many years, and Mercy Northwest Arkansas Foundation approached the Mercy Auxiliary would be interested in serving as a partner in a dog therapy program at Mercy Hospital. The auxiliary board members and volunteer director discussed the proposal and agreed to participate in the project. As a result, the director announced that the Mercy Hospital Northwest Arkansas Auxiliary's new role for volunteers would be for the dog therapy project. The dog therapy program would use volunteer handlers and their own dogs. Each dog is screened by an outside agency specializing in evaluating animals to be part of pet care programs in a healthcare setting. The dogs are required to have one year of experience doing therapy in the hospitals. It was then determined the dogs would visit patient rooms for five afternoons each week. Also, it is a mandatory that patients participating in the program must have a physician's order. These orders would be placed on each staff computer to serve as a reminder as to which patients would be visited by a therapy dog on a specific day. In addition, after the patient agrees to the service, a volunteer handler and therapy dog visits the patient in the hospital room for 10 to 15 minutes. Patients are asked to pet the dog and ask the handlers questions.

5. Results achieved: Therapy dogs have visited 250 patients, and it is clear that after the visits by the therapy dogs the patients realize he or she is smiling and feels a little less tired and more optimistic. Participants were asked to rate their experience with the dog therapy program and they rated the experience very favorable. For example, one patient described that there is something about being able to pet dogs that is soothing and for a brief moment the stress of being in the hospital on hold. Another patient who was very emotional about

being away from his dog while in the hospital felt that the visit by the dog and handler was immediately comforted. Most patients cannot wait to tell their families about their visit by Mercy Hairy, Honey, Sir Edmond and Pixie.

6.Number of licensed beds:275



## *State Convention & Annual Meeting*

I want to thank all of you who were able to attend the 2023 AHAA Convention in Little Rock for coming. I also want to thank the Convention Committee for an outstanding job. It was a fun and great convention along with a few hiccups. It was good to have the awards back.

Thank you all for making my year as AHAA President a very memorable one and it was my pleasure to serve as your President. Neta Sue will do a fantastic job as President and she is always full of surprises.

May your Holidays be filled with much joy and may 2024 bring you great joy and happiness.

Judy Shaffer  
2022-2023 AHAA President



### Memorial Service

From left to Right: Becky Blackard,  
Mary Catherine Propes, Betty  
Moad, Liz McKinstry, Dorothy  
Berley, Linda Butler



Judy Shaffer  
AHAA President 2022 - 2023



# *State Convention & Annual Meeting Speakers*



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Lori Paladino Ross  
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Past President



Above:  
Dorothy & Jerry Berley  
Past Presidents



Right:

Judy Shaffer  
Past President

Charlotte Jackson  
President Elect

Linda Butler  
Valley District Chair

Below:

Jamie Laughlin, DVS

David Underwood  
Photographer



Above:

Mary Frauenhoff  
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Left:

Carol Evans  
Past President

Judy Shaffer  
Past President





Above:  
Baxter Health

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Mercy Hospital Berryville

Below:  
Unity Health





# *State Convention & Annual Meeting*

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## 2023 - 2024 District Chairs

Left to right:

Marsha Zachary, Valley, Liz McKinstry, Southeast  
Denise McGlone, Northwest, Ginny Presgrove, Northeast  
Mary Catherine Propes, North Central, Becky Blackard, Metro



Judy Shaffer  
Past President



Past President's Pendant  
Carol Evans  
Judy Shaffer



President's Pendant  
Judy Shaffer  
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# *State Convention & Annual Meeting*

## *Passing the Gavel*



Past Presidents (left to right)  
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Hannon, Mary Frauenhoff,  
Jerry Berley, Dorothy Berley,  
Margaret Underwood

Below:

Dorothy Berley, Margaret  
Underwood, Darlene Tuohy,  
Jan Gardner

Below:

Margaret Underwood, Darlene Tuohy,  
Jan Gardner, Kathy Gammill, Carol  
Evans, Judy Shaffer, Neta Sue Stamps



Right:  
Judy Shaffer  
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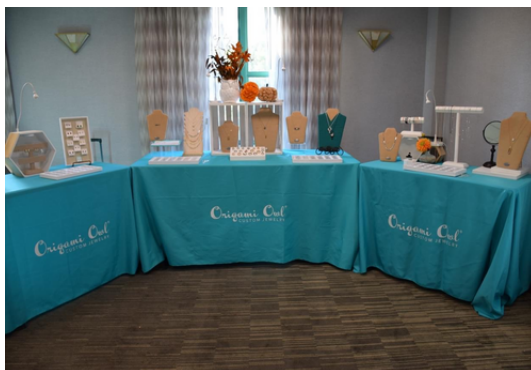
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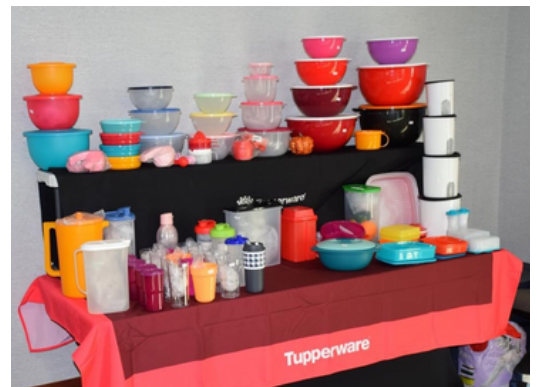
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Accessories



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**Metropolitan District**

**CHI St. Vincent Infirmary**

Ruth Forster (AHAA Past President 1981–1982)

**CHI St. Vincent Morrilton**

Karen James

**North Central District**

**Baptist Health Medical Center – Heber Springs**

Susan Jane Morgan

**Baxter Health**

Sharon “Terri” Lynn Argyle

Constance “Coni” Baldwin

Tom Burkhardt

Ed Chollar

Shirley Cornue

Sheila Cox

David Osmond

Curtis Pechaver

Patty Perry

Joyce Pumford

Barbara Riley

Catherine Sawyer

Paul Schwarz

Velma Shaw

Louella Strong

Jerome Widmer





**White River Health**

Justin Burge  
Don Heurer  
Gladys “Irene” Shear  
Peggy Stewart  
Gwen Thompson  
Bill Williamson

**Northeast District**

**NEA Baptist**

Melba Gatlin  
Margaret Hilburn

**South Mississippi County Regional Medical Center**

Treva Joyce Reese  
Mary “Pud” Thomas

**St. Bernards**

Lucille Clay  
Suzanne Hackney (AHAA Past President 2018-2019)  
Maxine Halbert  
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## **Northwest District**

### **Mercy Hospital Berryville**

Anita Boyd  
Myrtle LaJunta Holman Colvin  
Dollie Gaylen  
Lynn Gaylen  
Loretta Pearl Harris  
Myron Kilgore  
Margaret Eva Gordon – Locke  
Bonnie Lea Standlee

### **North Arkansas Regional Medical Center**

Doris Darter  
Ella Jane Holtmann  
Pat Larson  
Elizabeth Long  
Allene McCrary  
Becky Potter

### **Northwest Medical Center – Bentonville**

Wayne Hubbert  
Don Kerr

### **Northwest Medical Center – Springdale**

Helen George (AHAA Past President 1985-1986)  
Louetta Varner Jorgenson (AHAA Past President 2004 – 2005)

### **Siloam Springs Regional Hospital**

Louise Brown



## **Southeast District**

### **Drew Memorial Hospital**

Shirley Burks  
Frances Jordan

## **Southwest District**

### **National Park Medical Center**

Bonnie Ervin

### **Ouachita County Medical Center**

Annette Dorman  
Ann Siefert

### **South Arkansas Regional Hospital**

Jim Mullins  
Louise Powell

## **Valley District**

### **Baptist Health – Van Buren**

Barbara Brasuell  
Peggy Lewis

### **Johnson Regional Medical Center**

Arlene Casey  
Dorothy Spencer (AHAA Past President 1989 – 1990)  
Alma Lee Wilson





AHAA 66th Convention and Annual Meeting  
October 30 - November 1, 2024  
Embassy Suites by Hilton  
11301 Financial Centre Parkway  
Little Rock, AR 72211

This is a *Special Edition* newsletter that has covered only the convention and annual meeting.

More photographs are on the AHAA Facebook group. If you have not already joined the private group, please do so. Search for the Arkansas Hospital Auxiliary Association, answer the three questions, and when you are approved, please share news from your auxiliary.

*"People will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but  
people will never forget how you made them feel"*

*~ Maya Angelou*

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