



August 24, 2011

Delia Alvarez
CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital Kleberg Volunteer, President
1311 E. General Cavazos Blvd.
Kingsville, TX 78363

Dear Delia:

Recently I was made aware that the Kleberg Volunteers had made a payment of \$28,500 to the CHRISTUS Spohn Foundation. I believe this was for the ICU Project and a baby project in our OB department. Thank you so much for your dedication to making this commitment a reality.

I know how difficult it is to raise money and funds in these difficult economic times and for you all to make such incredible progress on your commitment is a major accomplishment. When you add these funds to your selfless gift of time, talent, and compassion these contributions can only be described as priceless. We could not operate CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital Kleberg without our volunteers!

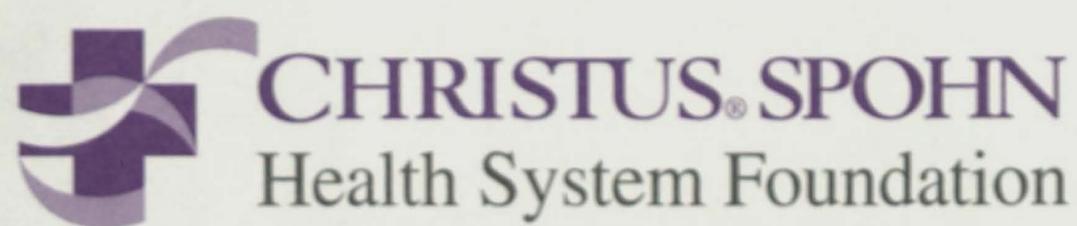
Even as you make incredible progress on our ICU project fund I want to challenge you even more! We are starting our fund-raising campaign for the Emergency Department renovation and expansion which we hope to begin by the end of the year. It is my hope that the Kleberg Hospital volunteers will get behind this project as well and provide that needed boost to encourage all donors and contributors to give something toward the project.

Again, thanks for your dedication to Kleberg hospital—your support has been very important to a successful campaign and was definitely noticed by many major contributors. Thanks for all you do here!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Norman".

Norman L. McBride
Vice President/Administrator



August 25, 2011

Delia Alvarez, President
Volunteers of CHRISTUS Spohn Kleberg
1311 East General Cavazos Blvd.
Kingsville, Texas 78363

Dear Mrs. Alvarez,

In the words of Sir Winston Churchill, "we make a living by what we get; we make a life by what we give." Thank you for blessing CHRISTUS Spohn Health System with your gift of \$28,500 for CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital Kleberg.

Gifts like yours help us to provide South Texans with high quality care in the safest possible environment. Your support of CHRISTUS Spohn's healing mission helps make our community a better and healthier place to live and work.

Hopefully Churchill's observation holds true for you...that your life is enriched by the giving. We know without question that the lives of our patients are made better by your gifts. On their behalf and on behalf of the CHRISTUS Spohn physician partners, Sisters and associates we thank you.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads "Karen Bonner".

Karen Bonner, CFRE
Vice President for Philanthropy

Kleberg Bank donates \$150,000 to Christus Spohn Kleberg ER

By Christopher Maher
cjmaher@king-ranch.com

Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg is one step closer to building a new emergency room, after a local bank pledged \$150,000 in support Tuesday.

Officials with Kleberg Bank presented the hospital with a ceremonial \$150,000 check Tuesday, with the funding to be used toward a proposed \$4 million expansion to the hospital's emergency room.

Norman McBride, vice president and chief operating officer for (See Spohn, Page 8A)



Pictured from left are Frank Armstrong, chairman of the Christus Spohn Health System Foundation; Jean Claire Turcotte, chairman of the Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg Advisory Board; Norman McBride, vice president of Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg; Chad Stary, Executive Vice President with Kleberg Bank; and Thomas Bingham, director of marketing for Kleberg Bank. (Photo by Christopher Maher)

Spohn Kleberg gets special visitor 2/2012



Jim Cato, chief nurse executive for the Christus Spohn Health System, paid a visit to Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg Monday. Pictured, from left, are Registered Pharmacy Technician Robert Garza, Pharmacist Beulah Shodipo, Cato, Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg Administrator Norman McBride, Chief Nursing Officer Rose Medina and Cardiopulmonary Manager Mark Leach. (Photo by Christopher Maher)

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Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg, said the emergency room is a key need for the aging hospital.

"Our infrastructure here is well over 30 years old, and it's starting to need some upkeep and some care," McBride said. "We're just getting too tight for the volume we're seeking in our community."

With Tuesday's donation from Kleberg Bank, the hospital is now \$300,000 from reaching its \$4 million goal.

The Kleberg Bank donation will be paid over a period of six years.

The expansion of the emergency room will include enlarged examination and trauma rooms that can accommodate larger medical equipment, nurses stations that are situated and configured to offer better care, new treatment equipment and more comfortable waiting, reception and triage areas.

McBride said the hospital plans to begin bidding the project in the next few weeks

and begin construction in the spring.

According to information provided by the hospital, when Dr. Arthur E. Spohn arrived to Corpus Christi in 1875, there was no hospital of any kind. Along with his wife, Sarah Kenedy, Robert and Alice King Kleberg, John Kenedy and George Kenedy, Dr. Spohn began the fundraising effort to build a hospital.

Kleberg Bank Chief Executive Officer Joe Henkel was unable to attend the event, but provided a written statement in which he praised the history between the hospital and the bank's founders, the Kleberg family.

"Dr. Spohn delivered all of the five Kleberg Children. There is a deep rooted history that we wish to continue today," Joe M. Henkel, Chief Executive Officer of Kleberg Bank, said in a press release. "Kleberg Bank is committed to providing meaningful benefits to this South Texas community just like the Spohn and Kleberg families did a century ago."

Lilia M. Bruegger

In loving memory of Lilia M. Bruegger, 85, a resident of Kingsville, Texas passed away on March 4, 2012. Lilia was born on Oct. 17, 1926 in Falfurrias to Teodoro and Maria Mangel. She was a retired teacher throughout various South Texas ISDs, a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, Catholic Daughters of America, Auxiliary Volunteer at Kleberg Spohn Hospital and a member of Club Amistad.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Homer Bruegger.

She is survived by one brother, Emilio P. (Elva) Mangel of Encino; several nieces and nephews, Jesse Garcia, Velma (Arturo) De La Paz, both of Kingsville, Debra Ann (Roel) Basaldua of Concepcion, Rose Marie (Juan) Perez, Juan Carlos (Claudia) Mangel both of Falfurrias, Emilio Mangel Jr. of Sierra Vista, Ariz., George Luis (Alma) Mangel of Corpus Christi; 15 grand-



Lilia M. Bruegger

nieces and nephews and five great-grand nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be on Tuesday, March 6, 2012 from noon. until 9 p.m.

Rosary will be recited on Tuesday, March 6, 2012 at 7 p.m. at Ramirez Salinas Funeral Home.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday, March 7, 2012 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church at 10 a.m. with Father Peter Thenan officiating.

Burial will follow at Mangel Cemetery in Encino.

Arrangements under the direction of Ramirez-Salinas Funeral Home.

In Loving Memory Of



Lilia Mangel Bruegger
10/17/1926 – 03/04/2012

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; thou anointest my head with oil: my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Ramirez-Salinas Funeral Home

Kingsville, Texas



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for your efforts each day,
and the care and commitment
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April 13, 2012

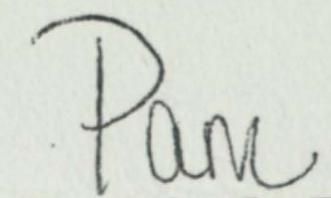
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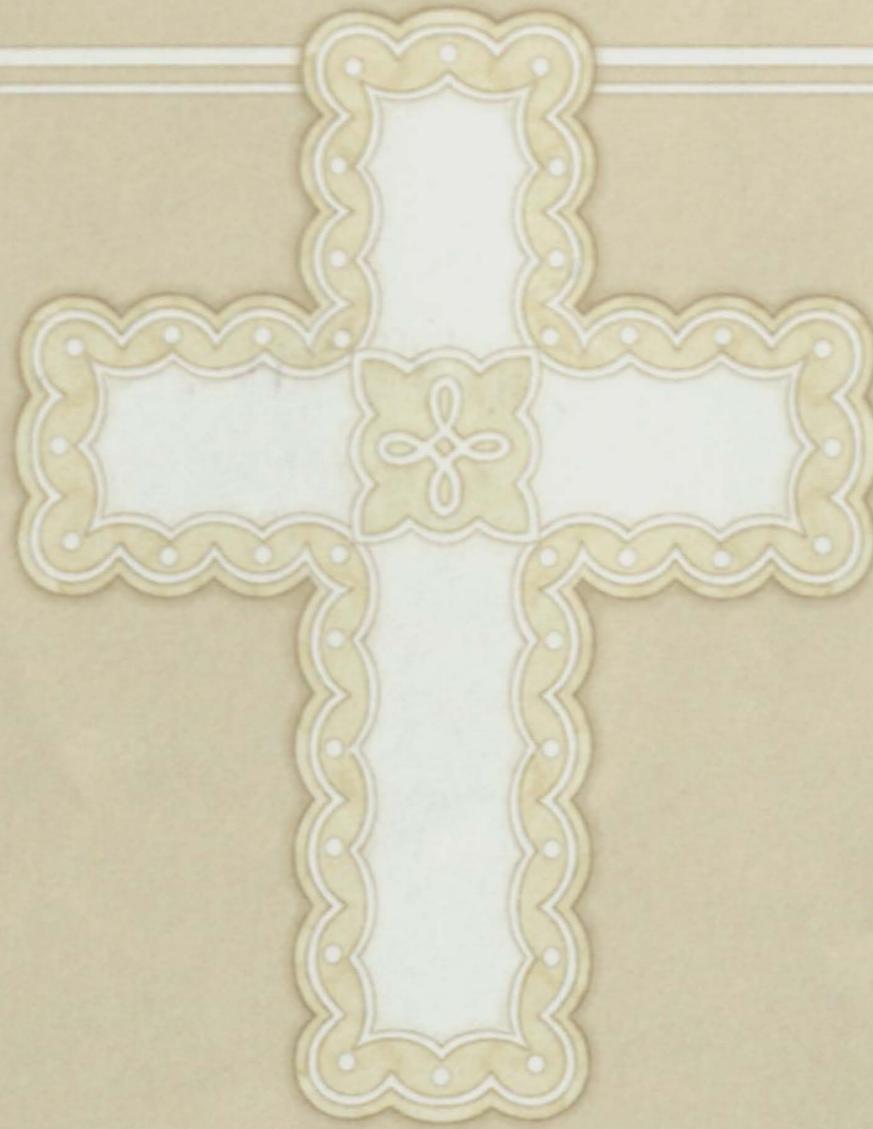
National Volunteer Week is celebrated this year during the week of April 15 - 21. I want to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for all you do to support CHRISTUS Spohn in its mission of caring. Each day, you put your hands and heart to work and reach out in service to others; a generous gift of self, that serves as an invaluable resource to our patients, their families, and our Associates.

In recognition of your service, enclosed is a special pin. Wear it proudly, as we honor you this upcoming week. May it always remind you of our gratitude and serve as a symbol of your giving heart.

Our volunteers are a vital part of our health ministry in South Texas. On behalf of the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word, the CHRISTUS Spohn Leadership Team and our Board of Directors, we salute you and thank you for your continued loyalty and service to CHRISTUS Spohn Health System.

With gratitude and prayers for you,


Pamela S. Robertson
President and CEO



*Please join the
CHRISTUS Spohn Health System
Association of Volunteers
for a Luncheon honoring the
Sisters of
CHRISTUS Spohn Health System*

Wednesday, April 4, 2012

11:00 am to 1:00 pm

*The Art Center of Corpus Christi
100 North Shoreline Boulevard*

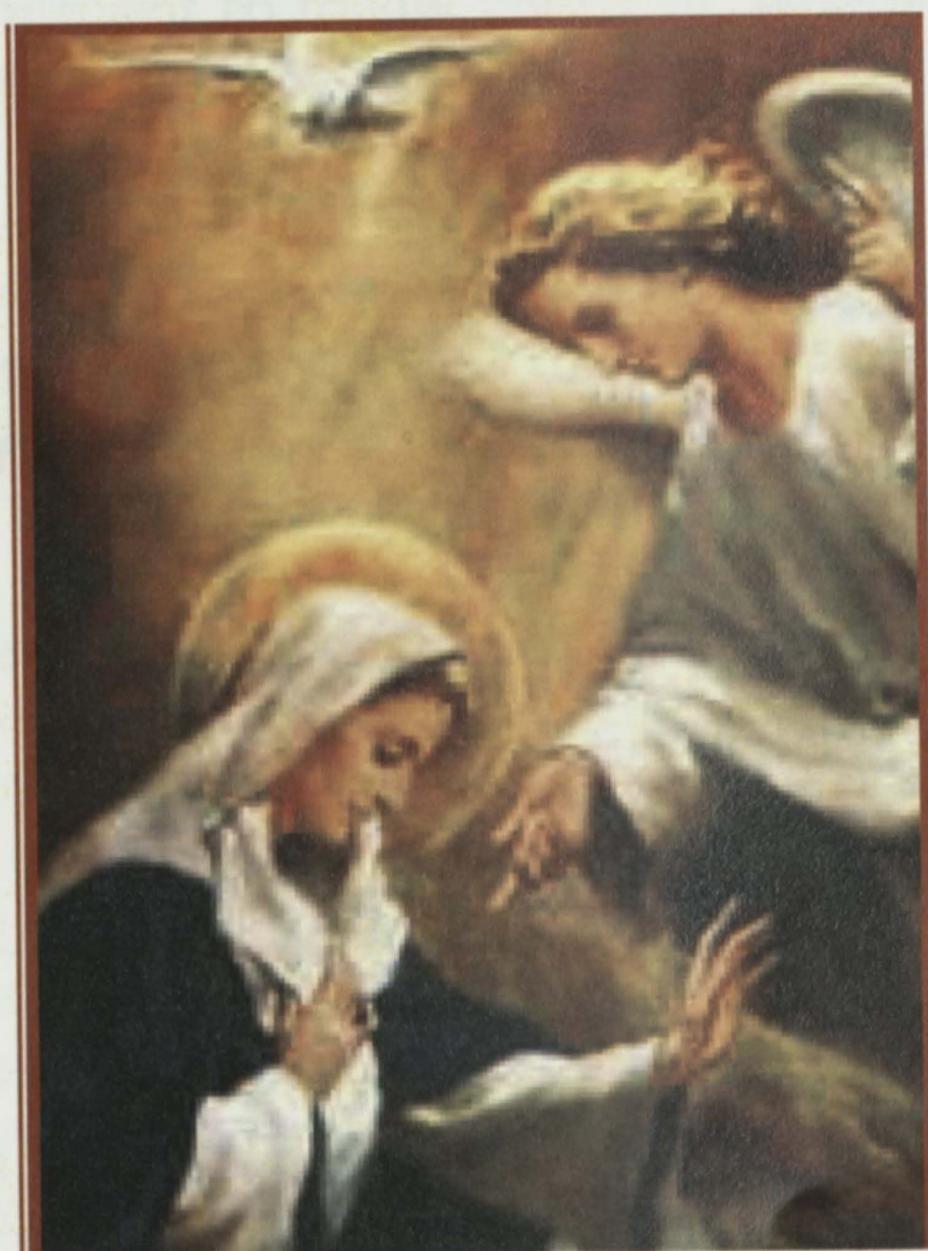
*Return Enclosed Reservation Form
With Payment
By Wednesday, March 28, 2012*

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Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word

Feast Day Celebration



April 4, 2012



100 hours
Carlos Flores



1000 hours
Bert Alvarez
Johnny
Lozano



500 hours
Julie Flores,
Magie Garcia
Myriam Garcia
Grace Rodriguez



1,500 hours
Linda Snyder
Blanche Moore
Johnny Lozano



4,000 hours
Rosa Goode

2,000 hours
Blanche Moore
Doris Peterek
Amy Walsh



3,500 hours
Liz Saenz
Beatrice
Mertens



5,000 hours
Harriet McLeod
Rosalinda Alvarez
Ruth Grossman
Gerald Bennett



5,500 hours
Harriet McLeod
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Mary Harris
Gerald Bennett



7,500
Marilyn Kowalik
Merle Johnson



8,500 hours
Junior Shosman
Marilyn
Kowalik

16,500 hours
Melba Gafford



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Pride and Joy

**CHRISTUS Spohn
Celebrates National
Volunteer Week
April 15 - 21, 2012**

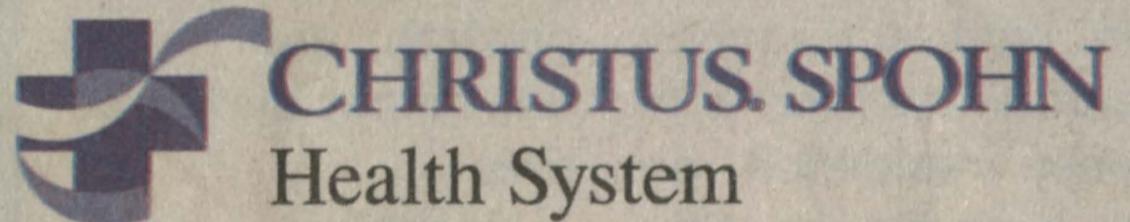
In the heart of every volunteer is pride and joy.

Their pride comes from meaningful participation, accomplishment, teamwork and being part of something larger. Joy springs from the simple but generous gift of self – compassion, time and talents.

As they put their hands and hearts to work and reach out in service to others, CHRISTUS Spohn volunteers embody our mission to extend the healing ministry of Jesus Christ.

This Volunteer Week, we recognize and appreciate our volunteers. They are our pride and joy.

CHRISTUS Spohn Volunteers pictured from left to right: Elma Hinojosa (Alice); Zach Vanderslice (Shoreline); Flora Bartyzal, (South); Delia Alvarez (Kleberg); Bea Hinojosa (Memorial); Cheryl Meynig (Beeville); Gerald Bennett (Kleberg); Alexandra Carrillo (Memorial)



April 10, 2012

Dear CHRISTUS Spohn Health System Volunteer,

We will celebrate National Volunteer Week on **Wednesday, May 2nd**. As part of this celebration the Administration of CHRISTUS Spohn Health System has planned a "special day" for all of our volunteers in beautiful Gruene, Texas.

Buses will depart from the CHRISTUS Spohn Hospitals. There is no cost to you. This trip is for volunteer members only, as our gift to you. You will receive information regarding exact departure times after you register.

Wednesday, May 2nd ITINERARY: (Times are approximate)

7:00 AM	<u>Estimated</u> Departure from designated areas to Gruene
10:15 AM	Arrive at "Gruene Hall"
10:30 AM	Walking Tour
11:30 AM	Lunch at Gristmill
1:00 PM	Shopping and Sight-Seeing
2:30 PM	Depart
5:30 PM	<u>Estimated</u> arrival time home

Should you have any questions or concerns, please call Marissa Carrillo at 361/881-3160 or Amanda Moody at 361/902-6764. Please fill out the registration form below, and return no later than **Wednesday, April 25th**. After we receive your registration, you will be mailed a confirmation letter with details of departure times and places.

Mail form below to:

Volunteer Coordinator
CHRISTUS Spohn Health System
Corpus Christi - Memorial

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volunteer coordinator, and they will make sure Amanda receives it.

SAVE THE DATE

We're heading to Gruene Hall
for a
Honky Tonkin' good time!

May 2, 2012

CHRISTUS Spohn Health System
Volunteer Trip

More Information to follow soon!

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Volunteer Service Department
CHRISTUS Spohn Shoreline
600 Elizabeth St.
Corpus Christi, Texas 78404



Linda Snyder
1716 FM 1717
Kingsville, TX 78363

Spohn Kleberg Volunteer Annual Awards Luncheon March 8, 2012

Volunteers Have Heart

January 2011 - December 2011

100 Hours

Carlos Flores
Riffat Rizva
Rosie Swann

500 Hours

Julie Flores
Nora Flores
Margie Garcia
Myriam Garcia
Carol Hardenbrook
Grace Rodriguez

1,000 Hours

Bert Alvarez
Johnny Lozano

1,500 Hours

Mary Ann Colin
Johnny Lozano
Blanche Moore
Linda Snyder

2,000 Hours

Juanita Charles
Blanche Moore
Doris Peterek
Amy Walsh

3,000 Hours

Liz Saenz

3,500 Hours

Leatrice Mertens
Liz Saenz

4,000 Hours

Rosa Goode
Tena Standish

4,500 Hours

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Rosalinda Alvarez
Gerald Bennett
Ruth Grossman
Harriet McLeod

5,500 Hours

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Ruth Grossman
Harriet McLeod

6,000 Hours

Gerald Bennett
Mary Harris

6,500 Hours

Gerald Bennett
Mary Harris

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Louise Straiton

7,500 Hours

Merle Johnson
Marilyn Kowalik

8,000 Hours

Junior Grossman
Marilyn Kowalik

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Marilyn Kowalik

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Fred Dierke

10,000 Hours

Delia Alvarez

10,500 Hours

Delia Alvarez

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Melba Gafford

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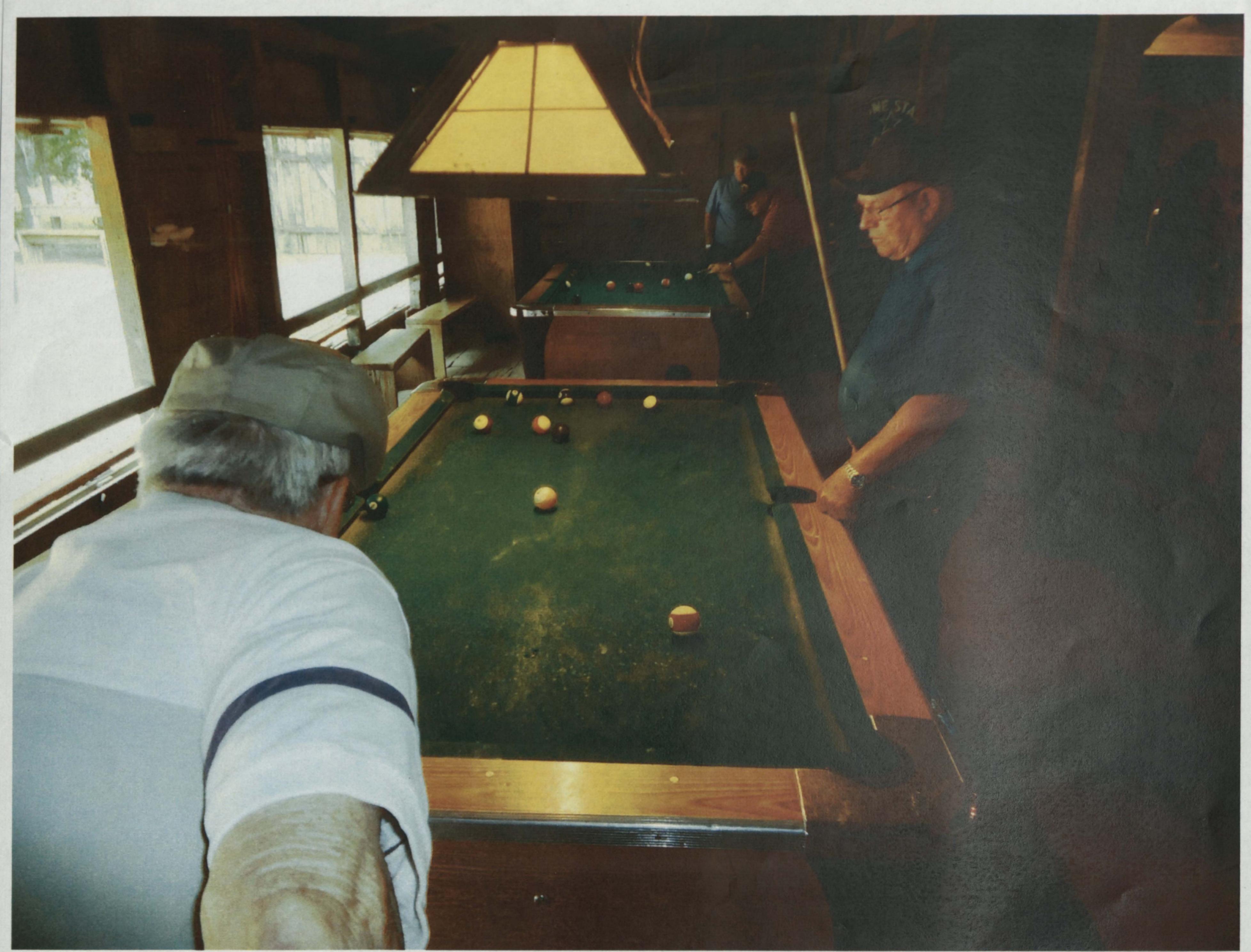
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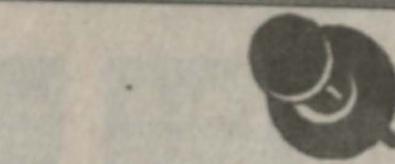


Masquerade Jewelry Sale

Monday, June 11
7 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Tuesday, June 12
7 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg lobby
Proceeds benefit Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg



Gold 'N Visions Jewelry Sale Wednesday, April 25

7 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Christus Spohn Hospital
Kleberg lobby

Sponsored by the Volunteers
at Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg

Jewelry Sale



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**WEDNESDAY
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7:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.
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Exceptional People
Extraordinary Hearts

To honor our
Exceptional People with
Extraordinary Hearts
during Volunteer Week,
April 15 – 21
every Spohn Kleberg
Volunteer is offered a
purchase of one Gift Shop
item at 50% off.

Badges will be required.
Certain exclusions include: perfumes,
snacks, drinks, books, cards, balloons,
and candy balloons, flowers.

Harriet McLead

Patricia 'Pat' McCall Yates

Patricia "Pat" McCall Yates, 81, a long-time resident of Kingsville, died May 22, 2012 at Hospice Austin - Christopher House in Austin.

She spent the last five years at retirement communities in Corpus Christi and Cedar Park.

She was born Sept. 12, 1930 in Flatonia.

Yates was a graduate of Southwest Texas State Teachers College in San Marcos.

She was an active member of St. Gertrude's Catholic Church and participated in Altar Society, Bereavement Committee coordinating and preparing countless funeral meals, as well as numerous other committees.

Yates volunteered many hours at Christus Spohn



Patricia 'Pat' McCall Yates

Hospital Kleberg.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 40 years, C. David Yates, and her infant son, William David Yates.

Survivors include seven children, Mary (Mike) Sullivan of Corpus Christi, Patti (Gregg) Bourland of

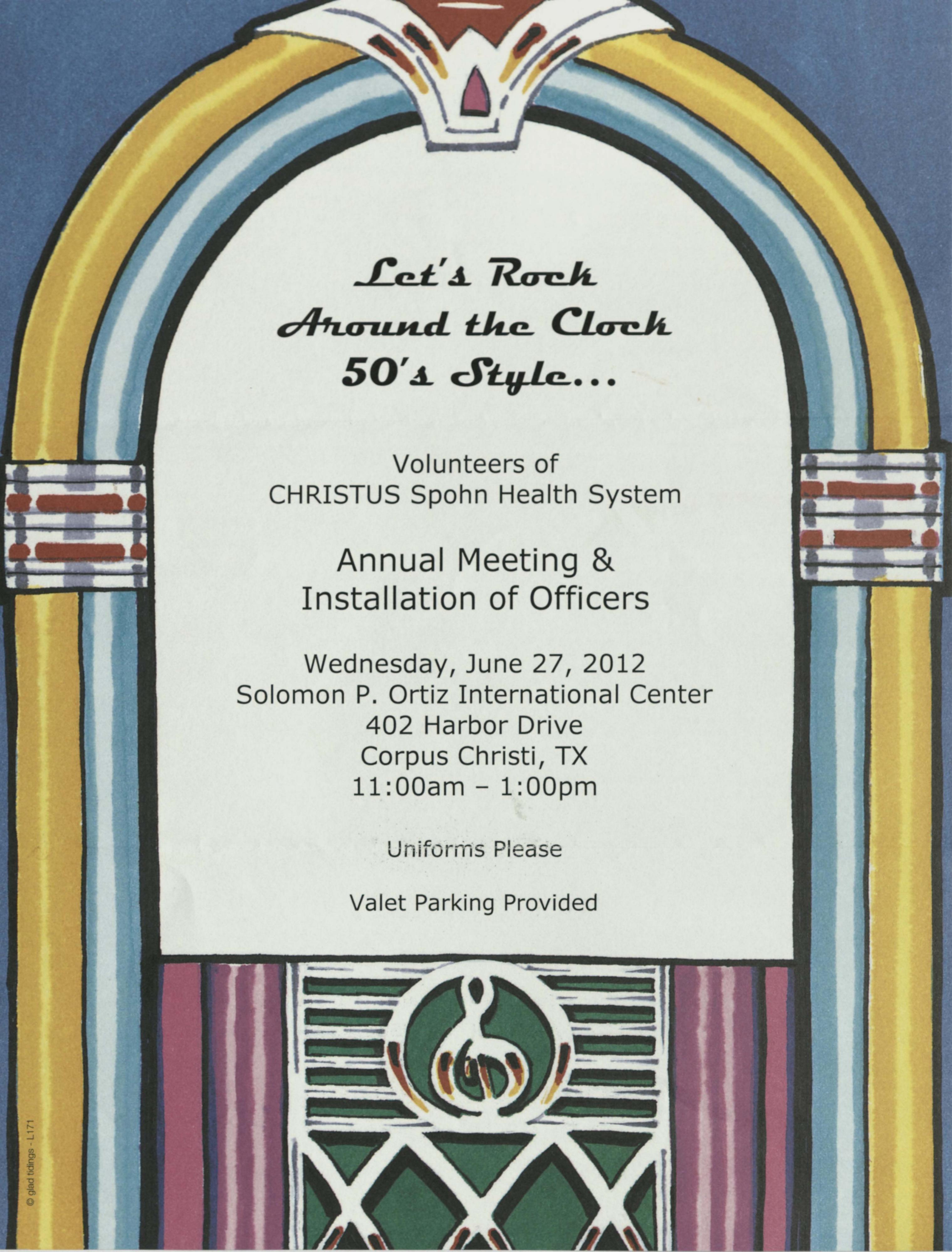
Jonestown, Howard (Teresa) Yates of Kingsville, Carol (Lee) McConnell of Fort Worth, John Yates of Lago Vista, Lou Ann (Bill) Hicks of San Antonio, and Robert (Brooke) Yates of Austin; two sisters, Dorothy Fountain of San Antonio and Mildred Jenkins of Dickinson; and 11 grandchildren.

Arrangements are pending with Turcotte-Piper Mortuary, located at 205 Gen. Cavazos Blvd.

Memorials may be made to St. Gertrude's Catholic Church, 1120 S. 8th Street, Kingsville, Texas 78363 or to Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg Volunteers, 1712 Santa Fe, Corpus Christi, Texas 78404.

Condolences may be offered at www.turcottepiper-mortuary.com.





*Let's Rock
Around the Clock
50's Style...*

Volunteers of
CHRISTUS Spohn Health System

Annual Meeting &
Installation of Officers

Wednesday, June 27, 2012
Solomon P. Ortiz International Center
402 Harbor Drive
Corpus Christi, TX
11:00am - 1:00pm

Uniforms Please

Valet Parking Provided

CHRISTUS SPOHN KLEBERG

VOLUNTEER GROUP

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

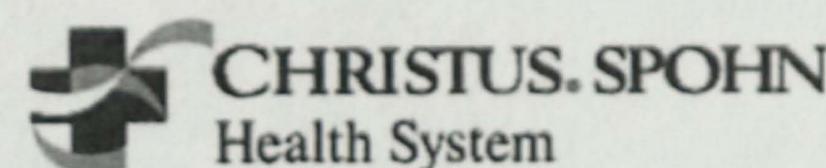
THURSDAY, July 12, 2012

11AM TO 1PM

H.E.B. Conference Center

Uniforms Please

Please sign up at the Information Desk



MEMORANDUM

To: All CHRISTUS Spohn Health System Associates, Physicians, Volunteers, Board of Directors, Foundation Board, Advisory Boards, and CHRISTUS Executive Council

From: Pamela S. Robertson, President and CEO and Brian Smith, Vice President, Mission Integration

Date: August 15, 2012

RE: Retirements of Sister Elizabeth Smith and Sister Margaret Mannion

With sadness we share the news that Sr. Elizabeth Smith and Sr. Margaret Mannion have decided to retire from CHRISTUS Spohn Health System in the next few months. Ironically, these decisions were made independent from each other and until just a few weeks ago they did not know the other was planning on retiring!

This will mark a new chapter in the history of CHRISTUS Spohn. There will no longer be any sisters from our founding congregation, the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word of San Antonio, working in our facilities. Sr. Margaret recently shared, *"I have the utmost faith that the legacy and Mission begun by the Sisters 107 years ago, will continue for another hundred years."* While we know this is true, having the sisters nearby has always been a visible reminder that we are called "to extend the healing ministry of Jesus Christ."

Sr. Elizabeth will be celebrating 25 years of service as a chaplain at CHRISTUS Spohn Kleberg this September. Sr. Margaret has served 30 years at CHRISTUS Spohn; first, as a Social Worker at Shoreline and then as Coordinator of Mission Services for the Region. We will miss all of the gifts they have brought to their ministry, especially their kindness, compassion and gentle presence.

We will be working with each of the sisters on a transition plan and eventually to fill their positions. Obviously, no one can "replace" them, but our commitment to the Mission and spiritual care for our patients and staff will remain a priority.

So let's begin the process of saying good-bye and thanking the sisters for all they have been for us. We will soon be announcing the dates of the celebrations to recognize each of the sisters at their respective campuses. We are working with each of the sisters to have the kind of celebration they each want. Of course, they both said, *"Keep it simple and don't make a big fuss!"* We have reminded them this celebration is about thanking God for their ministry, and an opportunity for us to thank them for helping shape our response to God's call to extend his healing love.



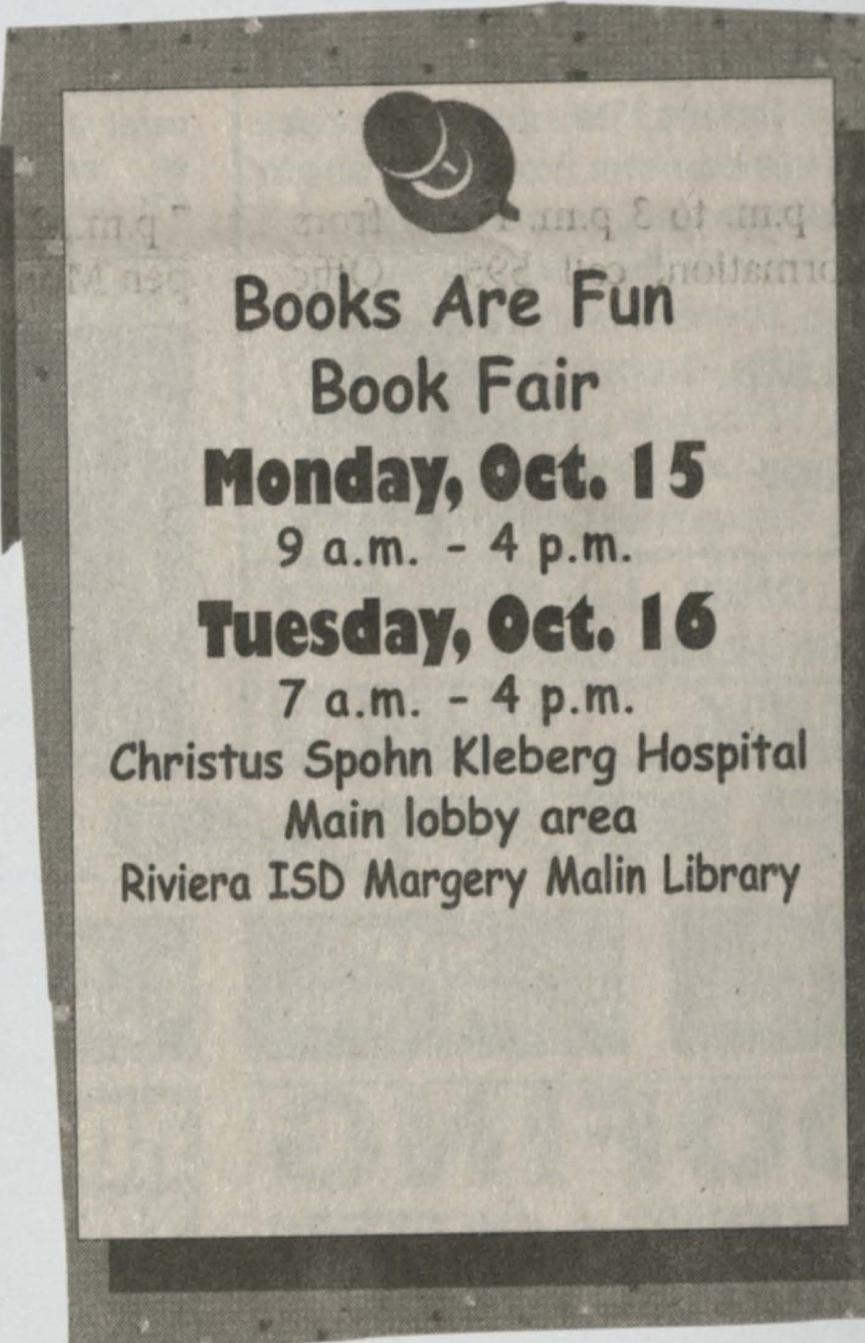
Electronics, Fragrance & Jewelry Sale

Monday, Aug. 27
7 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg front lobby

- Computers • Gaming Consoles
- TVs • Cameras • Music Players
- Fragrances • Jewelry

Sponsored by Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg volunteers



Books Are Fun

Book Fair

Monday, Oct. 15
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 16
7 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Christus Spohn Kleberg Hospital Main lobby area
Riviera ISD Margery Malin Library

McBride retiring as head of Christus Spohn Kleberg

By Katy Kiser
Christus Spohn Communications

Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg's vice president and chief operating officer is leaving his post in September, prompting Christus Spohn to launch a search for his successor. Norm McBride, 64, plans to retire Sept. 28, 2012, and after selling his home in Kingsville, plans to move to Colorado. He has held the post at Christus Spohn Kleberg since 2009.

"Norm McBride has played an important role in the development of the excellent medical care and services you see at Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg today. He embodies great leadership qualities, and we are blessed to have had his leadership for the last three years," said Estela Chapa, (See Spohn, Page 5A)



Norm McBride

Spohn

Chief Operating Officer,
CHRISTUS Spohn Health
System.

McBride has had a 40-year career in health care.

He has been an active member of the Kingsville community involved in the Kingsville Rotary Club, the Kingsville Chamber of Commerce, the Kingsville Economic Development Council and is a Kleberg Bank Advisory Board Member.

He is a veteran of the Vietnam War where he served with the 1st Cavalry Division as an Army infantry medic and is an active member of the Kingsville Military Order of the Purple Heart, as well as America's Last Patrol.

He is married to Ruby McBride and they have a total of four children and two grandchildren.

The public is invited to a farewell reception from 3 to 5 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 20, in the H-E-B Education Center behind Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg.

Christus Spohn Kleberg ER expansion underway



Bill Colston swings a sledgehammer through a portion of a wall at the Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg Emergency Room on Tuesday to commemorate the beginning of construction to expand the facility. (Photo by Tim Olmeda)

By Tim Olmeda
tolmeda@king-ranch.com

The expansion of the emergency room at Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg kicked off Tuesday with a swing of a golden sledgehammer — several, in fact.

Representatives from the hospital joined donors who had given money towards

the \$3.9 million expansion of the emergency room by taking turns smashing a sledgehammer through a portion of the wall that will be demolished this week to make room for the addition.

"We're fixing to step into the new millennium... and it's all going to be located in Kingsville," Bill Colston, president of the

Christus Spohn Health System Foundation Board, said during the event. "We don't have to go to Corpus (Christi) to get our patients and our family stabilized."

Colston, whose family owns the Riviera Telephone Co., was one of a number of donors who funded the expansion project. The new ER will be nearly (See Spohn, Page 10A)

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double the existing facility, which will grow from 4,200 square feet to 7,900 square feet, and will incorporate new monitoring systems for patients and larger trauma bays, among other improvements, hospital officials said.

"It's going to be a wonderful addition to the Kleberg hospital," Karen Bonner, vice

president of philanthropy for the foundation, said.

Linda Bell, a resident of Riviera, joined her sister, Kathy Saul, from Kingsville at taking a few shots at the wall with a sledgehammer. She said the new facility would be highly beneficial to the area, whether they are within the city limits or not.

"It's exciting," she said. "I

can't wait until it's done."

Bonner praised the support the project garnered from the community over the past few years.

"There is not a community that I've worked with like Kingsville — these people are just amazing," she said. "We could not have done this without that philanthropic support."



JOIN US FOR A VERY SPECIAL RETIREMENT CELEBRATION
AND PRAYER SERVICE HONORING SR. ELIZABETH SMITH, CCVI

OCTOBER 12, 2012

GATHERING: 4:00PM · PRAYER SERVICE: 4:30PM

CHRISTUS SPOHN HOSPITAL – KLEBERG
HEB EDUCATION CENTER

In lieu of gifts, please make donations in honor of
Sr. Elizabeth Smith, to the sister's retirement fund.

Checks payable to: The Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word.

The checks can be sent to:

McBride honored for service at Christus Spohn Kleberg

By Gloria Bigger-Cantu
gbiggercantu@king-ranch.com

Colleagues, local and area leaders commended Norman McBride for his professional and community achievements during a retirement reception held Thursday afternoon.

McBride served as the vice-president and chief operating officer of Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg since 2009. He officially retired on Friday.

"When we were on the selection committee, we wanted him to be a part of the community and have leadership abilities that are responsible of a hospital and he was that person," Jean Claire Turcotte, chairman of the hospital's advisory board, said. "He was very approachable and very professional at all times."

(See McBride, Page 10A)



Mary LaFrancois, vice-president of Human Resources for Christus Spohn Health System, presents Norman McBride with a retirement gift during a reception honoring him Thursday at the HEB Education Center. Numerous community leaders and colleagues attended the event. (Photo by Gloria Bigger-Cantu).



You are cordially invited to a
Christmas Luncheon
honoring

**CHRISTUS Spohn
Health System Volunteers**

*Wednesday, December 5, 2012
11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.*

*Solomon P. Ortiz International Center
402 Harbor Drive*

*R.s.v.p. by November 29th
361-881-3160*

Valet parking

McBride

She said McBride was very active in the community, serving as president of the Kingsville Chamber of Commerce, along with being a strong supporter of Texas A&M University-Kingsville. He has also been an active member of the Rotary Club, Greater Kingsville Economic Development Council and a Kleberg Bank Advisory Board member.

Turcotte presented McBride with a gift as she spoke to over 75 people present at the event held at the H.E.B. Education Center.

"I am going to miss this hospital because it is a real asset to the community, and we need to make it as good as we can," McBride said. The people he worked with, he added, were dedicated, compassionate and caring.

"They have a high mission to complete – they recognize it and do their best," he said.

McBride said he and his wife plan to live in Kingsville for a while before moving to Colorado next spring.

Bill Colston Jr., a member of the Christus Spohn Health System Foundation, said McBride was well liked in the community.

"This hospital has really benefitted from his presence, and we are going to miss him," he said.

Estella Chapa, executive vice-president and chief operating officer of the Christus Spohn Health System, said McBride accomplished one of his primary goals of integrating himself into the community.

"I am happy for him to take time out, enjoy life and I am going to miss him," Chapa said. "He has been very successful as an administrator here."

She said he would continue to participate in hospital events, such as the groundbreaking of the emergency room expansion,

which is scheduled to take place next month.

Rehabilitation Service Manager Penny Merriman said she has worked with McBride since he began work at the hospital.

"I have a lot of respect for him because he is a man of integrity and an excellent mentor," Merriman said.

Katy Kiser, communications manager for Christus Spohn Health System, said McBride was one of her favorite leaders because one of his biggest strengths was to reach out to the Kingsville community.

"Norman has had an open door policy," Kiser said. "He is very intelligent in knowing the ins and outs of this complex industry."

She added that McBride was a very kind man that helped her make the transition from working in the news field to the health care profession.

McBride's wife, Ruby, said they have a whole bucket list of things to do together.

They plan to go hiking, traveling and continuing their pursuit of wildlife photography. The couple has four children and two grandchildren together.

McBride, an Indiana native, has worked 40 years in administrative roles in health care in Texas, Maine, North Carolina, Colorado, California and other states. He is also a Vietnam War veteran, having served in the 1st Cavalry Division as a U.S. Army infantry medic. McBride is an active member of the Kingsville Military Order of the Purple Heart and America's Last Patrol.

Steven Daniel will serve as the interim Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg administrator. Daniel is the senior vice-president of Community Rural Hospitals and chief operating officer of Christus Spohn Hospital Alice.



Above, Norman McBride reacts to a gift presented to him by Jean Claire Turcotte, chairman of the Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg Advisory Board, during his retirement reception on Wednesday. McBride served as the hospital's vice-president and chief operating officer from 2009 until Friday. (Photo by Gloria Bigger-Cantu)



GARDEN CLUB MEMBERS MAKE DONATION—Kingsville Garden Club Members present flower arrangements to the Christus Spohn Kleberg Hospital Auxiliary Flower Shop where the flower arrangements are sold. Proceeds provide funds for nursing scholarships. Pictured are: left to right, Garden Club members, Maggie Fugitt, Shirley Jones, Jean Meyer, Audrey DeRouen and Auxiliary member Harriet McLoud.

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CHRISTUS SPOHN KLEBERG

VOLUNTEER GROUP

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

THURSDAY, September 13, 2012

10AM TO 12NOON

Continental Breakfast will be served at 10am
No lunch this time

H.E.B. Conference Center

uniforms Please

Please sign up at the Information Desk

most of her normal day involved with patients and their families at the hospital. "We are honoring you for your faithful, compassionate and caring ministry at Christus Spohn Hospital," Liz Saenz said Friday at Sister Elizabeth's retirement reception held at the H.E.B. Education Center. Saenz, a Spiritual Care Chaplain volunteer, worked with Sister Elizabeth for nearly eight years. She said Sister Elizabeth had been her mentor all of these years. Saenz said she "treated everyone with respect and dignity."

"Thank you for letting God use you in such a beautiful way," Saenz said. "You are one of a kind."

"She was a real caretaker for the patients, their families and for the staff," said Marcia Kline, one of the hospital's interim chaplains. "I have learned more about the dedication to be a good chaplain from her," Kline said. "I've had a lot of good teachers, but she was the best."

Olga Alvarado said she attended mass at the hospital chapel when Sister Elizabeth approached her to become a volunteer.

"She was very concerned with families, and if they

"She is a champion of the poor and underserved and treats all patients with dignity, especially inmates and the undocumented immigrant.

- Brian Smith, VP of Mission and Integration

did not have the financial resources, she would help them," Alvarado said. "She was very good with the immigrants."

Alvarado said Sister Elizabeth asked volunteers to bring clothes and kept a supply of clothing for needy people. She said Sister Elizabeth also helped families who lost babies by providing caskets and burial clothing for them.

Several years ago, Sister Elizabeth came up with the idea of having volunteers build small caskets for stillborns and infants who passed away. She involved many people in making the small caskets and clothing for the infants.

Sister Elizabeth was also instrumental in establishing a special place in the cemetery for babies who passed away. She was also active in the hospital's participation in

the La Posada celebration during the Christmas season.

"She is a champion of the poor and underserved patients with dignity, especially inmates and the undocumented immigrant," said Brian Smith, Christus Spohn Health System's Vice-President of Mission and Integration.

Sister Elizabeth plans to live in Kingsville, a community she has called home for many years. In lieu of gifts, donations in honor of Sister Elizabeth's retirement fund may be made. Checks can be made payable to "the Sister of Charity of the Incarnate Word to: Esther Ng, General Treasurer; 4503 Broadway; San Antonio, Texas 78209-6297. The organization may also be reached by telephone at (210) 828-2224 ext. 230 or by email at esther.ng@amormeus.org.

By Gloria Bigger-Cantu
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Sister Elizabeth Smith, a longtime community leader, retired as the Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg Spiritual Care Chaplain last week.

"Sister Elizabeth," as she was known in the community, served 50 years with the Congregation of the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word, with 26 of those years at the local hospital.

Sister Elizabeth spent
(See Sister, Page 8A)



Sister Elizabeth was recognized during a special ceremony at Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg Friday. She retired after serving 26 years at the hospital. (Photo courtesy of Benny Guerra)



Masquerade Jewelry Sale

Monday, Nov. 26
7 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 27
7 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg lobby
Proceeds benefit Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg

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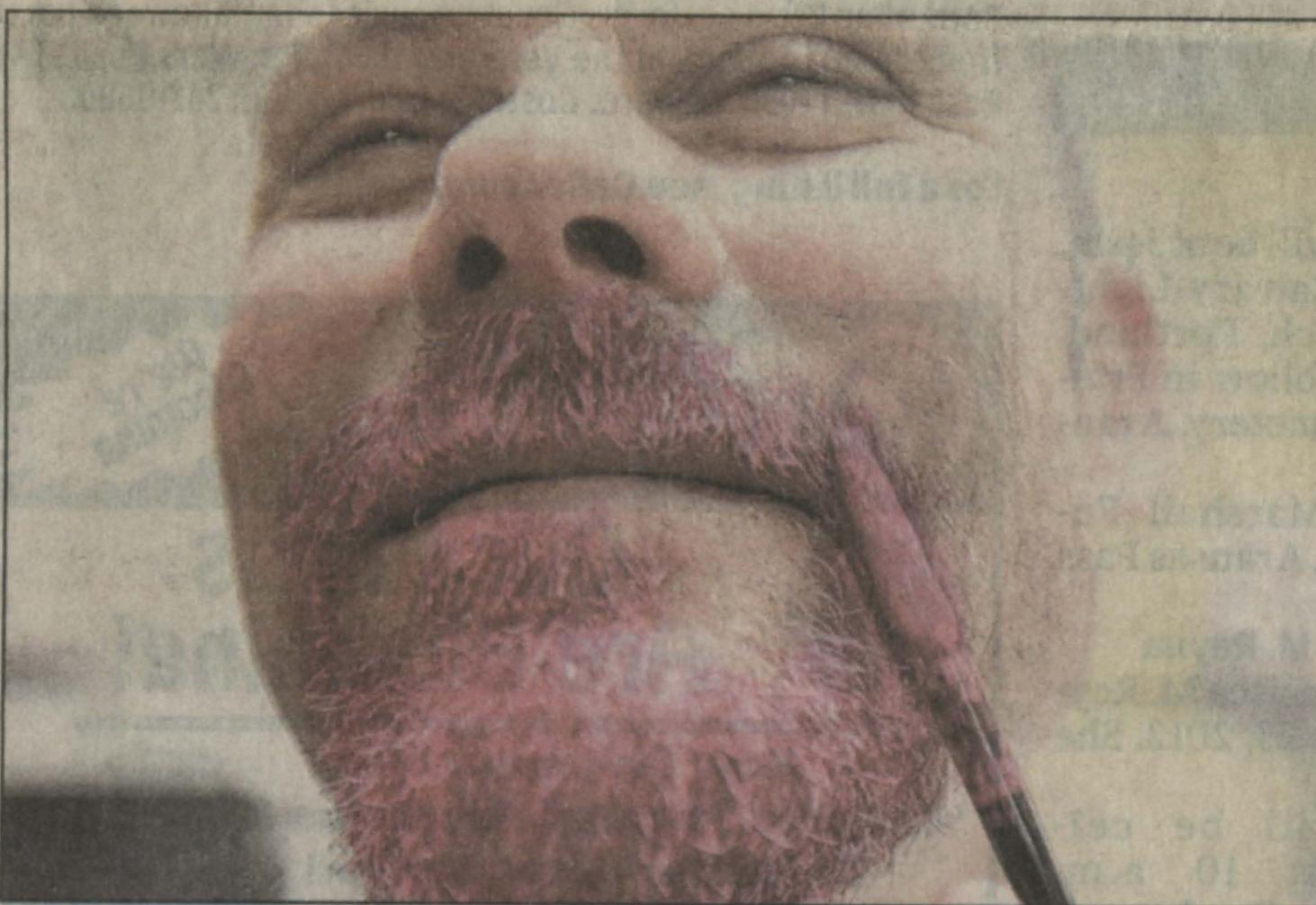
Supervisors dyed beards, mustaches, eyebrows and their hair Friday to raise money and garner support for Breast Cancer Awareness Month at Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg.

After making a donation, hospital employees could select which manager they wanted to dye their hair pink. They also could make a donation to get their own hair dyed.

"This is a great way to end Breast Cancer Awareness Month," said Mark Leach, an employee who helped organize the event. "This also helps remind people and give the patients a few giggles."

Rachel Denny Clow

RIGHT: Roy Leyva, an employee at Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg, gets his facial hair dyed pink.



PHOTOS BY RACHEL DENNY CLOW/CALLER-TIMES

ABOVE: Mark Leach, an employee at Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg, gets his facial hair dyed pink during a fundraiser at the hospital in support of breast cancer awareness. He said the fundraiser was a great way to end Breast Cancer Awareness Month and in addition to raising funds, was a great way to make patients aware. **RIGHT:** Hospital employee Penny Merrin laughs as she checks out her new hairdo.



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See more photos from Friday's breast cancer awareness event.



Rosa Goode
Delia Alvarez
Gerald Bennett

Make a resolution that will reward you every time you keep it. Volunteer at CHRISTUS Spohn and enjoy a meaningful, fulfilling experience.

Make a Rewarding Resolution: Share Yourself by Volunteering

There are many different volunteer roles at our hospitals, and they're all important. Every visit you make, every smile you offer and each moment you contribute makes someone's life better...and your own. It's no wonder our volunteers return year after year and share a unique bond.

To learn more about volunteering please call 361-985-5871 and join us on

**Thursday, January 31
10 am-12 pm
Kleberg Hospital Board Room 1**

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*We're Nuts
About Our
Volunteers*

11:30 Welcome

*Delia Alvarez
Volunteer Group President*

11:35 Reflection

*Marissa Carrillo
Director of Volunteer Services*

11:40 Business Meeting

Delia Alvarez

12noon Lunch

12:30 Awards Presentation

*Steven Daniel - Sr. Vice President &
COO Spohn Community Hospitals
Rose Medina - Chief Nursing Officer Spohn Kleberg
Marissa Carrillo
Donna Stockwell*

1:00 Spohn Kleberg Update

Steven Daniel

1:10 Closing Remarks

Delia Alvarez



Spohn Kleberg Volunteer Annual Awards Luncheon

We're Nuts About Our Volunteers

January 2012 - December 2012

Pin

Hilda Cantu
Susan Morris
Benilde Perales
Oscar Peterson
Patti Wolfe

2,000 Hours

Delpha Barrera
Johnny Lozano
Linda Snyder
Bernice Wiederanders

500 Hours

June Lindsey
Marilou Lynch
Fran McQuiston
Oscar Peterson
Raul Rosales
Dale Yaklin

2,500 Hours

Johnny Lozano
Blanche Moore

1,000 Hours

Carol Hardenbrook
Grace Rodriguez

3,000 Hours

Blanche Moore

3,500 Hours

Goldia Hubert

4,000 Hours

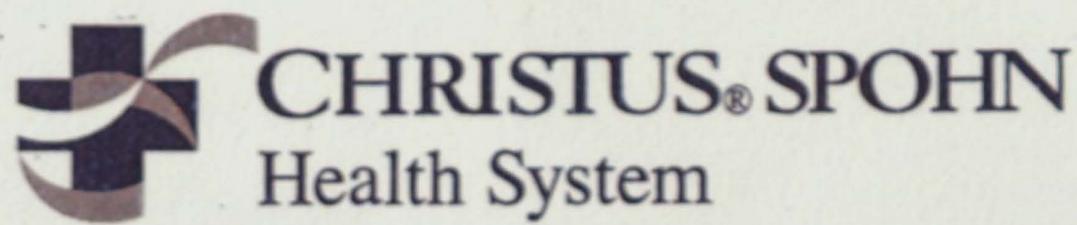
Liz Saenz

4,500 Hours

Lois Bradshaw
Rosa Goode

1,500 Hours

Bert Alvarez
Margaret Carter
Dan Ott



April 19, 2013

Dear CHRISTUS Spohn Volunteer:

National Volunteer Week is celebrated this year during the week of April 21-27. I want to take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation for all you do to support CHRISTUS Spohn's mission and core values. With your helping hands and caring hearts, you reach out in service to others. Your ministry is an invaluable resource to our patients, their families, and our Associates.

In your honor, a special day trip to Boerne, Texas has been planned for May 7. I know this day will greet you with a blessed meal, sight-seeing and downtown enjoyment with your fellow volunteers.

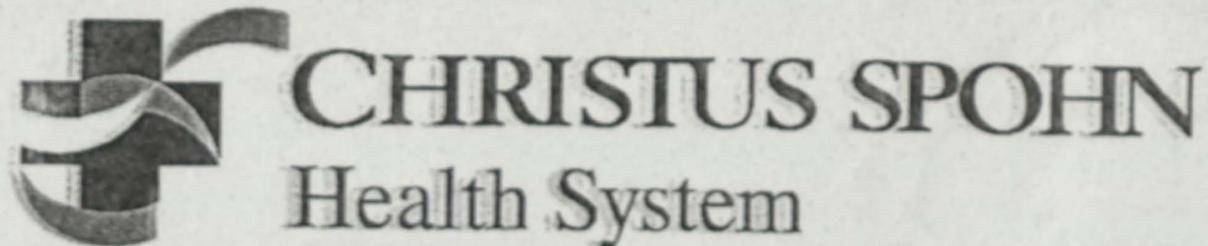
You are a vital part of our healthcare ministry in South Texas. On behalf of the Executive Team, management and Board of Directors, we salute you and thank you for your continuing loyalty and service to CHRISTUS Spohn Health System.

With best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Pam".

Pamela S. Robertson
President and CEO

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April 19, 2013

Dear CHRISTUS Spohn Health System Volunteer,

National Volunteer Week is from April 21st – 27th. As part of this celebration the Administration of CHRISTUS Spohn Health System has planned a "special day" for all of our volunteers in Boerne on **Tuesday, May 7.**

Buses will depart from the CHRISTUS Spohn Hospitals. There is no cost to you. This trip is for volunteer members only, as our gift to you. You will receive additional information and exact departure times in the mail after you register.

Tuesday, May 7th ITINERARY: (Times are approximate)

8:00 AM	<u>Estimated</u> Departure from designated areas to Boerne
11:15 AM	Arrive at "Ye Kendall Inn"
11:30 AM	Beautiful (shaded) Courtyard Lunch
12:30 PM	Downtown Boerne (shopping and sight-seeing)
3:00 PM	Depart
6:00 PM	<u>Estimated</u> arrival time home

Should you have any questions or concerns, please call Marissa Carrillo at 361/881-3160 or Gina Cunningham at 361/881-3000 ext 14913. Please fill out the registration form below, and return no later than **Tuesday, April 30th**. After we receive your registration, you will be mailed a confirmation letter with details of departure times and places.

Mail form below to:
Marissa Carrillo – Volunteer Director
CHRISTUS Spohn Health System
600 Elizabeth St.
Corpus Christi, TX 78404

Or – hand to your volunteer coordinator, and they will make sure you will be added to the list.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Cell _____

Hospital that you volunteer at _____

I would like to depart from (please circle) Alice – Beeville – Kingsville – Shoreline – South



Masquerade Jewelry Sale

Monday, June 10
9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Tuesday, June 11
7 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg lobby
Proceeds benefit Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg

Jewelry Sale

Tuesday, Sept. 17
7 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg
main lobby

Sponsored by Auxiliary
to Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg

Oletha Fels Cumberland

Oletha Fels Cumberland, 90, of Kingsville, died Monday, May 13, 2013 in Corpus Christi.

She was born Jan. 25, 1923 in Kingsville to Ed F. Fels and Mary Gerdens Fels.

Cumberland, a homemaker, was a charter member of Trinity Lutheran Church and a charter member of Kingsville Woman's Club.

Cumberland was also a former member of Christus Spohn Hospital Auxiliary.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Albert Miles Cumberland; parents; and daughter, Kathleen Oletha Ply (Cash).

Survivors include one son, John Albert Cumberland (Debbie) of Kingsville; one daughter, Karen Denise Cumberland Harris (John) of Robstown; sister, Ellinor Menn, formerly of Kingsville; 10 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Visitation is scheduled from 5 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 15 at Turcotte-Piper



Oletha Fels Cumberland

Mortuary.

A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, May 16 at Trinity Lutheran Church, 401 W. King St. in Kingsville, with the Rev. Melvin Antonio officiating.

Burial will follow at Chamberlain Cemetery in Kingsville.

Memorials may be made to Trinity Lutheran Church, 401 W. King St., Kingsville, Texas 78363.



**Oletha Fels
Cumberland**

**January 25, 1923
May 13, 2013**

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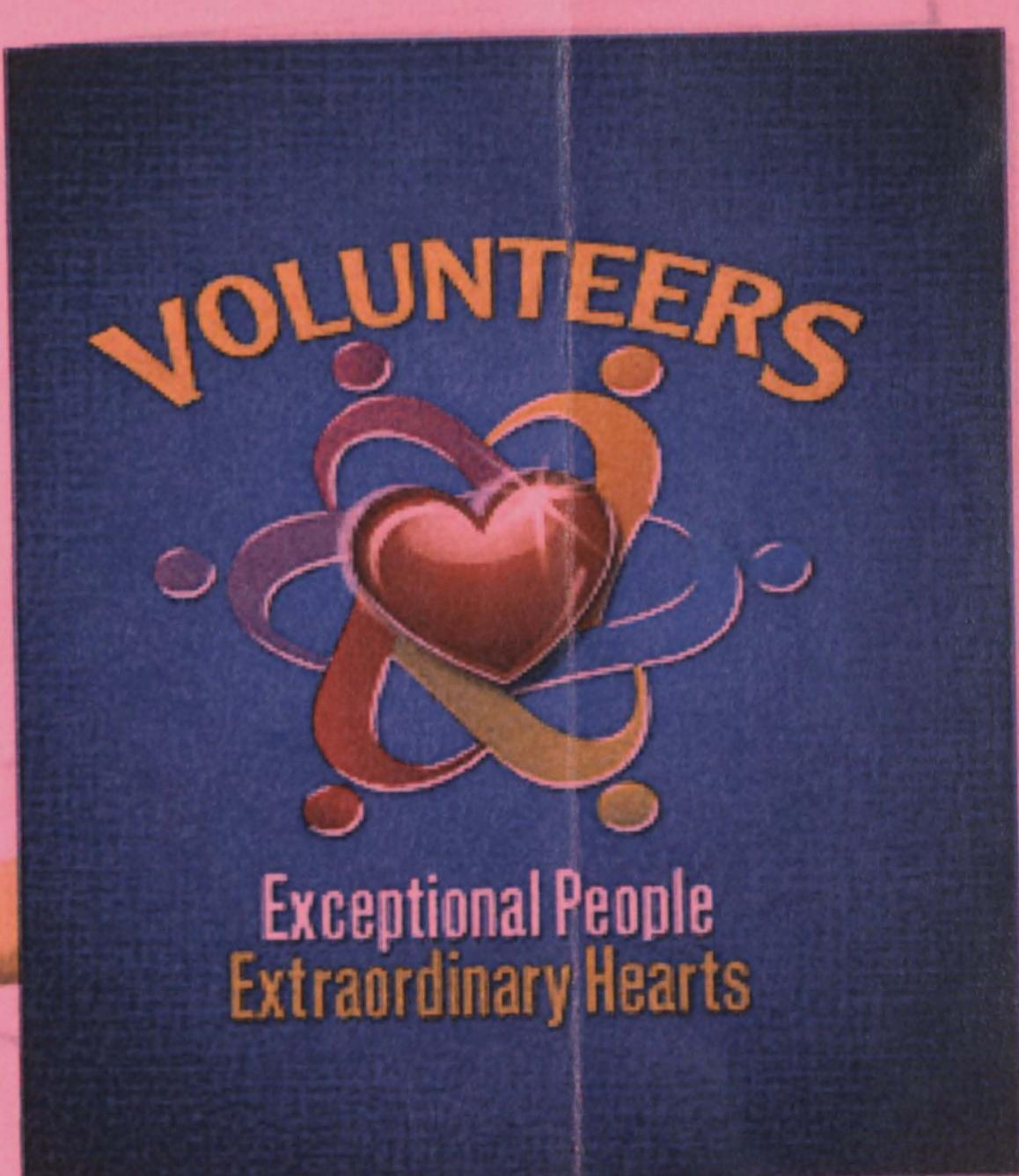
Monday
June 10th
9 am - 6 pm

Tuesday
June 11th
7 am - 4 pm

CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital
Kleberg - HEB Center
(Behind Spohn Kleburg)

Cash & Debit/Credit Cards Accepted

Proceeds Benefit
CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital Kleberg

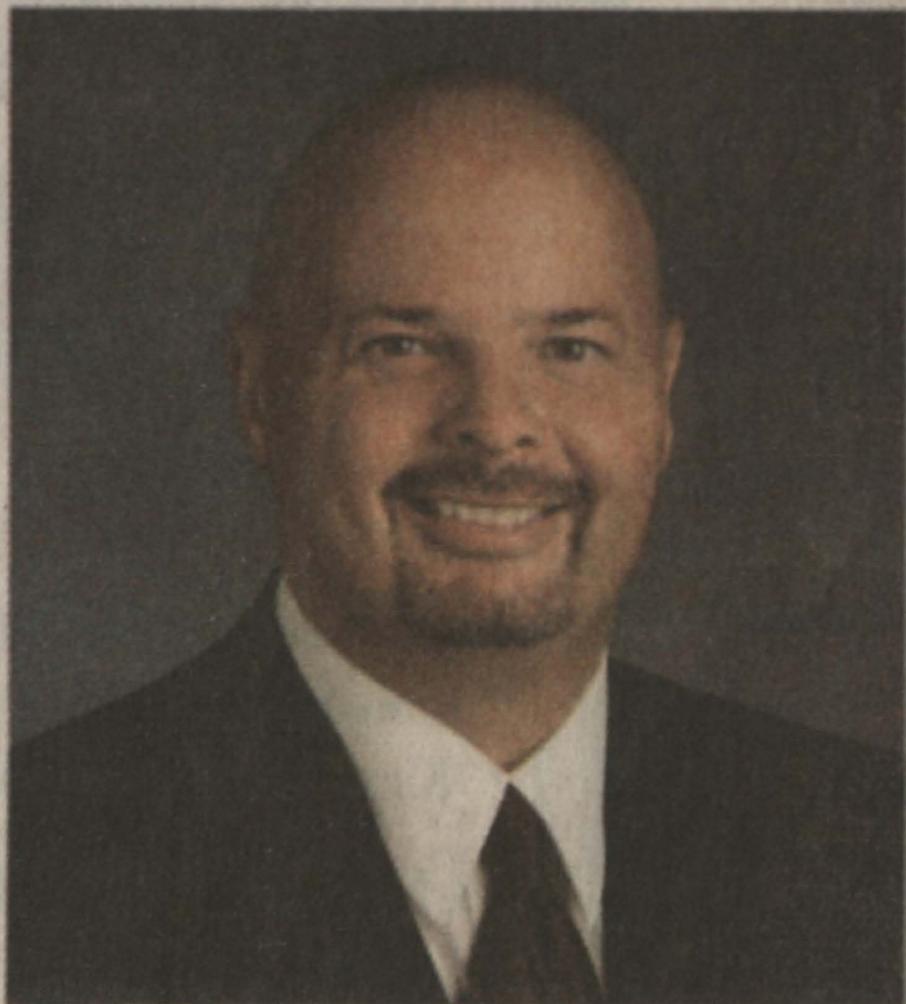


To honor our
Exceptional People with
Extraordinary Hearts
during Volunteer Week,
April 21 - 27
every Spohn Kleberg
Volunteer is offered a
purchase of one Gift Shop
item at 50% off.

Badges will be required.
Certain exclusions include: perfumes,
snacks, drinks, books, cards, balloons,
and candy balloons, flowers.

CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital Kleberg

Welcomes



David LeMonte
Chief Operating Officer

Join us for refreshments and a visit with
David LeMonte, VP/Chief Operating Officer for
CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital Kleberg.

Wednesday, June 12, 2013

4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital Kleberg

HEB Education Center

(behind hospital)



CHRISTUS SPOHN
Hospital Kleberg

CHRISTUS Spohn Health System Annual Volunteer Meeting & Installation of Officers June 25, 2013

11:00 AM

Invocation

Marissa Carrillo
Director of Volunteer Services
CHRISTUS Spohn Health System

11:15 AM

Lunch

12:00 Noon

Welcome and Introductions

Karen Bonner
Vice President for Philanthropy
CHRISTUS Spohn Health System

Association Presentation

Patsy Coleman
Association President

Annual Reports
Volunteer Presidents

12:30 PM

Installation of Officers
Karen Bonner

12:50 PM

Closing
Marissa Carrillo

Christus Spohn administrator hopes to improve patient care

By Claudia Perez Rivas
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Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg recently announced a new addition to its administration - Chief Operating Officer David LeMonte.

An Indiana native, LeMonte was hired in May and said he felt welcomed by the Kingsville community. Prior to relocating to Kingsville, LeMonte served as chief executive officer at Memorial Medical Center in Livingston, Texas for several years.

Before that, he also served as chief operating officer at Woodland Heights Medical Center in Lufkin, Texas.

"I've worked almost solely in community hospitals and I have not seen the support that I have seen here in Kingsville from the community," he said. "The community support here in Kingsville is like nothing I've ever seen, so that's exciting for me."

LeMonte said he is looking forward to (See LeMonte, Page 7A)



David LeMonte

LeMonte

working alongside associates and physicians at the hospital. He said he also looked forward to helping the hospital provide quality care for its patients.

"I'm passionate about driving people to those award-winning levels," he said. "Our physicians and associates need someone they feel they can work with."

LeMonte said he planned to

become involved in the Kingsville community by being an active participant in local organizations.

"In the communities where I live, I always try and get involved as much as I can," he said.

LeMonte said community support of the hospital is an integral part of its success.

"Community support helps make this hospital so vibrant," he

said. "Our E.R. is currently being renovated, expanded. The I.C.U. has been recently renovated...the wellness center. The support from the community to make these things happen is something you just don't see in many communities."

He said future plans include ways to expand specialty physician coverage in the hospital such as cardiology, neurology and

nephrology.

LeMonte mentioned the possibility of bringing in experts via Telemedicine, where a physician need not be present physically, but could interact through a computer or robot via video with other physicians and patients.

"I have seen this in action at a hospital I used to work at and it works well at community hospitals

such as this," he said. "We get the expertise we need without actually having these physicians physically here."

LeMonte stressed the need for the hospital to stay on the cutting edge of technology.

"We have to make sure we can take care of our community," he said. "We've got to make sure to improve on quality of care."

Health fair aims to educate public

By Claudia Perez Rivas
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Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg is making preparations for an upcoming health fair that organizers hope will educate the community on a variety of health and safety issues.

Carrie Rickman, organizer for the Happy Healthy Summer Health Fair, said the July 20 event is a way for the community to come together, have fun and learn health and safety tips. It could become a yearly event, she added.

"This is a community outreach event in an effort to teach people about healthy habits during the summer," she said.

The fair will include a number of presentations to educate the community in different aspects of health and safety. A HALO Flight helicopter will be available to view for attendees, and there will be face painting, Hygiene Hannah Mascot, free food and refreshments, along with other activities.

"There will be information about distracted driving, beer goggles (to simulate the effects of alcohol), hand hygiene, body mass index, blood pressure checks and much more," Rickman said.

The fair will be held outdoors near the HEB Center behind the hospital, Rickman said, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. In addition to presentations and informational booths, the Colston Wellness Center will be providing a kickboxing and Zumba demonstration. The instructors, Ida Ledesma and Elda Leal, are veteran instructors with regular classes available at the Colston Center, Fitness Coordinator Jorge Rodriguez said.

Class demonstrations will begin at 11 a.m.

Arcelia 'Shelly' Mendieta Munoz

Arcelia "Shelly" Mendieta Munoz, 73, went to be with our Lord on Oct. 1, 2013 in Kingsville, Texas.



Arcelia 'Shelly' Mendieta Munoz

Born May 22, 1940 on the King Ranch to Seferino and Victoria Mendieta, Arcelia worked as a dental assistant for 33 years. As a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel parish for over 40 years, Arcelia served on several committees. She was the Rite of Baptism coordinator for four years, a Eucharistic Minister for 30 years, a Celebration Committee member for 12 years, CCD teacher and volunteer for 38 years, and a church lector for 20 years. Arcelia also provided the Holy Eucharist to those unable to attend mass. Arcelia's love for children and the importance of religious education in her life inspired her to establish a breakfast program for all the children attending religious education at Our Lady of Good Council on Sunday mornings. Arcelia also helped to initiate the A.C.T.S. retreat at Our Lady of Good Counsel and St. Gertrude's Catholic Church. She provided Spiritual Formation through the A.C.T.S. Corp. for two years. She spent four years as a volunteer at Christus Spohn Hospital Kleberg and two years as a volunteer at Kingsville Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

Arcelia was preceded in death by her husband, Nazario Munoz Jr.; parents, Seferino

and Victoria Mendieta; and brother, Armando Mendieta. Survivors include her daughters, Norma Munoz-Davila and Kristina Munoz-(Jacob) Rubio of Kingsville, Texas; grandchildren, Elizabeth (William) Stokes, Jacob and Joshua Davila, Tristian and Adriel Jimenez; great-grandchildren, Nicholas, Tyler and Sophia Stokes all of Kingsville, Texas; siblings, Arnoldo Mendieta of Alice, Texas, Alfredo (Hilda) Mendieta and Alicia Mendieta Castro, all of Kingsville, Texas. She is also survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins and relatives.

Funeral services were held on Friday, Oct. 4, 2013, at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, followed by burial at Chamberlain Cemetery in Kingsville, Texas.

Memorial contributions can be made to Our Lady of Good Counsel Church CCD Program, 1102 East Kleberg or Christus Spohn Kleberg Volunteers, 1311 General Cavazos Blvd.

Flowers will be Blooming,
and Butterflies
will be Fluttering...

Please join the
Volunteers of
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Tuesday, June 25, 2013
Corpus Christi Country Club
6300 Everhart Road
11:00am – 1:00pm

Valet Parking Available

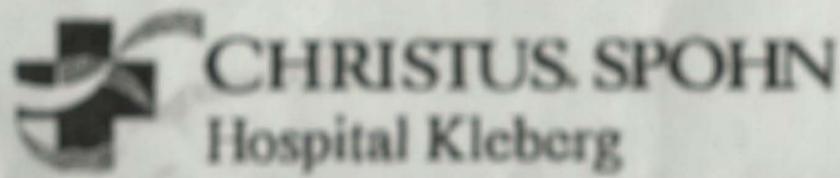
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Garden Hats Welcome

RSVP by June 21
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Join us for a first-hand look at our new improvements including
three-fast track bays, OB/GYN room, new patient monitoring system,
central nurse stations and upgraded call system, expanded trauma bays
patient isolation room and renovated lobby.

October 10, 2013
4:30-6:30 p.m.

CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital Kleberg
1311 General Cavazos Boulevard, Kingsville, TX



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