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Good morning to All Auxiliary Members,

As the third and final year of my term as president draws to an end, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our members for their continued support and understanding through some of the most difficult times we have ever faced.

The pandemic has taken a terrible toll, not only of human life, but all things around us. It has posed a very challenging time for our auxiliary: our membership numbers have decreased; our fundraising has mostly been put on hold; and, we have not been able to continue volunteering in many areas we had enjoyed in the past.

Through all of this, there has been overwhelming support from our members to provide things that showed our hospital staff that we were standing behind them 100%, even though we were not there, and were willing to help in any way that we could. The things we were able to do for our staff did not go unnoticed and so many of them expressed sincere appreciation for all that we have done—from cookies, donuts, candy, bagels, pizza, to the relaxation room we were able to furnish.

The auxiliary should be very proud and thankful that our gift shop has been able to remain open through much of the pandemic. So many staff members have expressed how grateful they are to have it open and how by just visiting during their breaks, they get well-deserved downtime from an otherwise trying day. Whether they purchase something or not, their spirits have simply been lifted by being able to spend time browsing.

I appreciate having had the opportunity to be your president for the last three years. May all of you stay healthy and well during the coming year. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Ed Holt



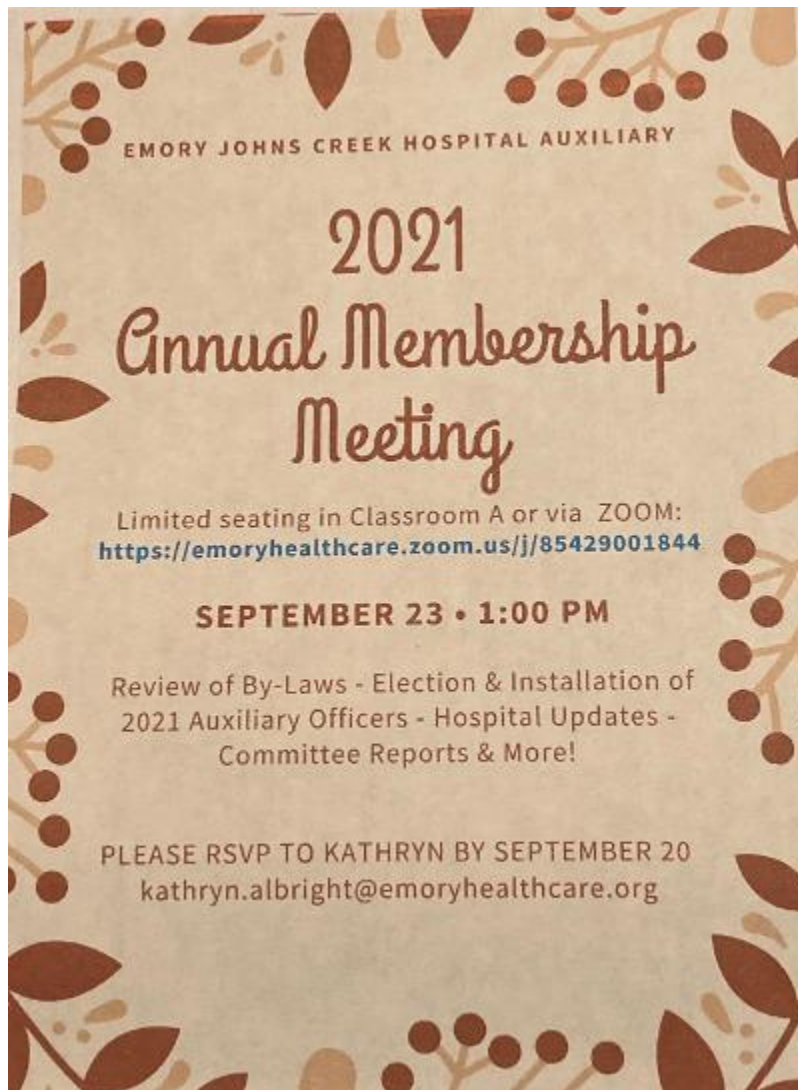
Marilyn Margolis, CEO

A message from Marilyn Margolis:

We've been through a lot of change over the last 18 months of this pandemic, haven't we? It's been an extremely tough time for health care workers but I truly believe it has brought out the best in us. I see acts of compassion, support and kindness throughout the hospital every day; these small acts give me such a feeling of appreciation for our staff. Different teams are coming together to creatively solve problems, encouraging each other to keep going as we continually experience new issues and challenges.

However, I would be remiss if I didn't also acknowledge you, the volunteers, who have stuck by us through everything. You've donated equipment, you've kept the Gift Shop open, and you've hand-made comfort items for patients. These are the things that keep hope afloat. Seeing more and more volunteers coming back to the hospital, often having to adapt to new or modified roles, gives us a lot of joy - and maybe even a little hint of normalcy. Your partnership means so much to everyone at Emory Johns Creek Hospital.

Thank you for your commitment to improving lives and providing hope. I know we will all get through this together.



All volunteers have received an email from Kathryn Albright regarding the annual membership meeting on September 23rd. Seating is limited but you can watch from the comfort of your home by using the Zoom link noted in the flyer above. Annual dues can be paid at the meeting or you can pay in person at the Gift Shop or mail to Kay Edwards. The new Board will be installed during this meeting. Our new president-elect is Cheryl Pressly; we thank Ed Holt for his commitment to the Auxiliary over the past several years, especially during the pandemic.



Flu vaccines will be available by the end of September. All volunteers must have the flu shot in order to volunteer. You will receive a notice in September. If you get a flu vaccine locally, please bring documentation for Kathryn Albright.

COVID-19 vaccines continue to show strong protection against hospitalization

Vaccine effectiveness against hospitalization...

before

Delta variant increase

95%

during

Delta variant increase

92%

*New York State, May–July 2021

**Get vaccinated.
Protect yourself against COVID-19 hospitalization.**



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Annual Meeting September 23 at 1 p.m. Meeting Room A or on Zoom

A scrubs sale is being scheduled for October; volunteers needed!

**The hospital will hold a garage sale and donated items would be appreciated.
More information will be forthcoming on that in the weeks ahead.**

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SEEN AROUND THE HOSPITAL

CEO Marilyn Margolis and Kathryn Albright



GIFT SHOP

Stop by the gift shop and check out new seasonal items. Did you know that our gift shop was ranked #1 for all of Johns Creek a few years back? You can find everything from cards, balloons, stuffed toys, jewelry, lotions and “potions”, handbags, story books, candy, cookies, beverages, college paraphernalia and so much more. Gift shop profits are used to fund medical scholarships so your support is appreciated. Check out the pictures below:





Only a life lived in the service to others is worth living.
Albert Einstein