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CAMP HAVEN

Richmond County Hospice, Inc., held their annual children’s grief camp, CAMP HAVEN, on March 23, 2017, from 8:30 am to 3:00 pm. Forty-one campers attended the camp which is designed for children, ages 5 to 12, who have experienced a significant loss over the past year. Camp Haven provides a day for children to share their grief with other children who have also experienced loss. Camp Haven provides a safe place for kids to have fun as well as have an opportunity to explore, learn, and grow through their grief journey.

The theme for this year’s children’s grief camp was “Finding Nemo.” The campers experienced Marlin’s journey through the many stages of his grief as they watched the movie in the “under the sea” movie theater. Following the movie, the campers participated in activities and stations that related to the stages of grief – denial, anger, bargaining, depression/sadness, and acceptance. All the activities, crafts, and programs were carefully designed to help the children work through their grief while using the movie characters to guide their way. Activities included drawing their unique grief journey on quilt squares, making stress balls, interacting through a feelings game, and designing a memory box. The motto for the camp, “Just Keep Swimming,” was used to encourage the campers to keep going and to never give up no matter how tough things get. The camp ended with a balloon release where campers and their parents were given the opportunity to remember their loved one in a special way.

Our annual children’s grief camp would not be possible without the tremendous support of volunteers who assisted us with preparations and the actual camp itself. The many volunteers are appreciated for their compassion, kindness, and the giving of their time and talent. Nic Wilkes and Kayla Hernandez, two of our teen volunteers, spent many tireless hours preparing the special decorations and transforming the office and conference room into a magical under the sea world experience for the children. Richmond County Schools’ social workers and counselors, in addition to teens from the local high school’s Beta Club and National Honor Society, played very intricate parts in making the camp a special day. Richmond County Hospice’s staff including three social work interns, Sandra Quick, Sabrina Bailey, and Courtney Pope, were instrumental in creating many smiles on the children’s faces during the day of camp. A special thanks to Mr. Neal Watkins for bringing his dancing chicken with him. In total, we had 85 volunteers along with our staff supporting the campers throughout the day.

The children of the surrounding communities would not be able to enjoy this special camp without the financial support of our local churches and businesses. Our gratitude goes out to the Church of God of Prophecy in Hamlet, Biscuitville, Richmond County Farm Bureau, Outreach for Jesus, Smithfield’s Chicken ‘N BBQ, Big K, and the Board of Richmond County Hospice who all made generous donations to our children’s grief camp. We are truly grateful for the community support given to the campers, volunteers, and staff of Richmond County Hospice making Camp Haven such a success this year.

Camp Haven is a part of our Bereavement program which provides grief support to the community. If you or someone you know need help in navigating the journey of grief, please contact our Bereavement Coordinator, Sandy Black, at 910-817-2757.



Meet Our Hospice Family

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All of our volunteers who are part of our Richmond County Hospice Family Their gift of time and dedication makes our organization the best "Home Town Hospice" around!





Richmond County Hospice, Inc.
Anson Community Hospice and Hospice Haven
910-997-4464 or 704-695-1595

Meet Our Intake and Outreach Team



- Heather Monroe, RN, CHPN- Clinical Specialist



- Teri Norwood, LPN- Referral/Intake Liaison



- Lisa O'Neal- Volunteer and Outreach Coordinator



- Krista Phifer, RN- Development and Outreach Coordinator

**Give us a call and let us show you how we can help
with your hospice referrals!**

These ladies are eager to help in any way possible with your hospice questions or referrals. If you are looking for a way to give back to your community and would be interested in volunteering with hospice, give Lisa a call. If you are a member of a civic group that would like to have someone come explain hospice care to the group, let us know and we can assist with that as well.

CAMP HAVEN







On April 27, 2017, Richmond County Hospice held its annual Volunteer appreciation banquet to honor those who volunteered within the last year. The theme was “Volunteer Roundup,” set back in the time of the cowboy where the guests could wear their favorite western attire. The night was hosted by two of our dedicated volunteers, Nic Wilkes and Kayla Hernandez. Our keynote speaker, one of our current volunteers, Linda Hatcher, spoke about her experiences as a volunteer and the importance of volunteering. The guests enjoyed bluegrass music from the band “Long Gone.” Next was a performance from Arturo & Company where individuals from the crowd were asked to come up and participate in a skit, with a special appearance from Teddy. Eighteen volunteers were recognized for giving 40+ hours within the last year. Nine awards were presented to individuals for their dedication to volunteering in nine different categories: Freedom Baptist Church, Church Group of the Year; Katie Mabe, Non-clinical Volunteer of the Year; Nic Wilkes, Special Events Volunteer of the Year; Alexis Bittle, Teen Volunteer of the Year; Watson King Funeral Homes, Business of the Year; Susan Eason, Patient Care Volunteer of the Year; Dennis Quick, Board of Directors Volunteer of the Year; Wanda Coble, Rookie Volunteer of the Year; and Myra Leak, Mary Heavner Volunteer of the Year award. We at Richmond County Hospice would like to thank our sponsors for this event: Watson King Funeral Homes and Richmond County Memorial Park. Thank you to Mt. Olive Baptist Church and Supreme Filter Service for their in-kind donations. To the Volunteer Banquet committee, a huge thanks for your continued support to this event, each year. Also, thank you to our keynote speaker, Linda Hatcher. Special thanks to Nic Wilkes, the young man behind the amazing western set that was our backdrop for the evening. Most importantly, thank you to our dedicated volunteers who continue to provide quality care and services to Richmond County Hospice patients and their families, as well as to our staff. Thanks again for all you do.





On March 30, the nation observed Doctors' Day. This day was established many years ago to recognize the work and contribution of physicians in their community. The first observance of Doctors' Day was in Winder, Georgia on March 30, 1933. On this day, Eudora Brown Almond, the wife of Dr. Charles B. Almond, wanted to honor physicians so she sent out greeting cards and placed flowers on the graves of deceased doctors. The day of March 30th was picked because the first ether anesthetic surgery was administered on this day in 1842 by Dr. Crawford W. Long. However, it wasn't until February 21, 1991, when President George H. Bush proclaimed that March 30, 1991, as National Doctors Day.

Richmond County Hospice has three physicians on staff. Dr. Steven Strobel, our full time Chief Medical Officer, joined us in 2014. We also have two part time physicians, Dr. Thai Trinh and Dr. Jennifer Yates. Our Medical team has many years of experience in acute care through the Emergency Room, as an Internist, and Hospitalist; however, they all have developed a passion for hospice and palliative care.

The role of a hospice physician is multifaceted; they manage the overall care for the hospice patient as the palliative care specialist in conjunction with their Primary Care Physician and other specialists. The Hospice Physician and the patient's primary care physician are responsible for completing the required documentation to qualify patients for the hospice benefit under the Medicare Guidelines. This paperwork is called an Initial Certification of Terminal Illness.

Our Hospice Physician visits all new patients admitted to hospice within 48-72 hours of admission in their home environment by making an old fashion "house call." They also then make house calls as needed for symptom management, for re-certifications (first two certifications periods are 90 days, subsequent periods are 60 days), and face to face requirements (occurs after 6 months on the hospice care benefit) The Hospice Physicians at Richmond County Hospice make visits to patients daily at Hospice Haven to manage the care of those who need acute symptom management outside their home environment. They are also very involved with the discharge planning process as patients transition from the Haven back to their home setting for continued hospice care.

On a daily basis our Hospice Physicians are on-call 24/7 so that our nursing and clinical staff have access to medical care for our patients whenever needed. Every 15 days the full clinical team will meet to review the patient's needs, care, and symptoms, led by the Hospice Physician. Our Physicians work side by side with our whole team of caring staff members to provide the best care possible to patients and their families. They are a very important part of hospice care, and we are very blessed to have amazing Physicians on our staff here at Richmond County Hospice.



Dr. Steven P. Strobel
Chief Medical Officer



Dr. Jennifer Yates
Medical Provider/PRN



Dr. Thai Trinh
Medical Provider/PRN

Volunteer Corner

Richmond County Hospice held its 2017 Volunteer Skills Fair on Wednesday February 15, 2017. Spiritual Distress, Confidentiality and Boundaries, Caregiver Burnout, Dementia, and Coping with Your Own Grief were the topics presented. We would like to thank each of our volunteers who came out to complete their ongoing education and for all they do for Richmond County Hospice. If you would like to volunteer or have any questions, contact Lisa O'Neal, Volunteer and Outreach Coordinator at (910) 997-4464.



Wishes Do Come True!

Imagine a place where the highly skilled care from a compassionate and caring staff is administered around the clock in a comfortable, home-like setting where patients can be surrounded by their loved ones. In Richmond County, this place is called Hospice Haven.

Hospice Haven re-opened in December of 2012 as a General Inpatient Center after a one year enhancement to meet the state and federal changes needed for this higher level of hospice care. Hospice Haven is a six bed hospice inpatient unit for short term care of patients as an alternative to hospitalization when pain and symptoms require greater medical supervision and care than can be provided at home. Our goal at Hospice Haven is to immediately begin resolving the suffering from the intense pain, breathing difficulty, nausea/vomiting, or other acute symptom, so that a better quality of life may be obtained.



Since 2012, Hospice Haven has been providing care for terminally ill patients with acute symptoms and for respite care. After the first year of operation, our team identified a few changes as a wish list to enhance our services at Hospice Haven. Some of these items on our wish list included; (1) a covered ambulance/staff entrance with double automatic doors for patients, emergency personnel and transportation companies to be sheltered from the weather (2) larger storage areas, (3) a family kitchen, and (4) a laundry room.

As a way for our wish list to become a reality, our grant writer, Jessica Mims and her assistant, Kristina Leyden, began the journey of writing grants for an addition to Hospice Haven. Hard work, dedication, and donors with a passion for hospice and philanthropy made it possible for two foundations to award Richmond County Hospice grants for the Hospice Haven Expansion!

The Cole Foundation has awarded us \$125,000 and the Richmond Community Foundation awarded us \$175,000 for a total of \$300,000 for our Hospice Haven Expansion Project. We will continue to share our journey of breaking ground later this year as we begin this exciting project.

We are proud of our inpatient center and very proud to serve our patients and families.



Anson Community Hospice was established in 2000. This year a committee was formed to grow our outreach efforts in Anson County as we began to educate the community on hospice care and services. The Anson Advisory Board Committee meets monthly to plan and coordinate outreach and educational opportunities for Anson County.

The Anson Advisory Board and our outreach efforts have increased our hospice care in Anson County. Late in 2016, a decision was made to move our office in Anson County to 108 Greene Street to have additional space for staff.

On Tuesday March 28, 2017, Anson Community Hospice held a ribbon cutting and open house in the new office. Thank you Anson County for the kind words and warm welcome, and we look forward to continuing to serve you and your families.

Our bereavement coordinator has started a Grief Support Group at our new location on the 2nd Tuesday at 12 noon. For more information call (704) 695-1595 and ask for Sandy Black.



Chaplain's Corner



Rev. Chris Thornton

I would like to take this time to thank all of the churches and organizations that have participated in our Church Outreach program, and that have allowed me the privilege of speaking to their congregations about Richmond County Hospice and the services we offer. All of these churches have been a blessing and have treated me with the love of Christ! I pray that someone has been reached in each service. I am looking forward to having the opportunity of speaking at many more churches around our and surrounding communities. If I have not yet been to your church, please call me here at the office and I will be more than happy to schedule a time to speak with your congregation. It will be my honor to come and not only discuss our services, but to share what God is doing at Richmond County Hospice!

I have also been writing monthly inserts to go into the church bulletin as a part of the church outreach program. I wanted to add an example of the inserts in this quarterly newsletter. If you think your church may be interested in receiving an encouraging bulletin insert please contact me.

“Hello my brothers and sisters in Christ! I pray that the peace of God be with each of you every day. I wrote about the glory of God and our purpose in this life. I can’t stress the importance of us grasping this! We were sent here to be in this ever moment to bring glory to God. Whatever you are facing no matter how bad things may be, God has called us to bring glory to Him. The Lord is our strength to be able to do this and it’s only through His grace that makes it possible. Jesus said to His Father in **John 17: 4** “*I brought glory to you here on earth by doing everything you told me to do.*” As I looked deeper in how to bring glory to God and I found four ways that will always bring that glory to God. First, worshipping The Lord will bring glory to God if we are motivated by love, thanksgiving, and delight, not out of duty. Worship is far more than praising, singing, and praying. Worship is a lifestyle. When we use our life for God’s glory, everything we do can become an act of worship. Second, we bring glory to God by loving each other. It is our responsibility learn how to love as God loves, because God is love, and it honors Him. Jesus said in **John 13:34-35** “*As I have loved so you must love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.*” Third, we bring God glory by telling the world about Him. Once we know the truth, he wants us to share that truth with others. Jesus said in **John 8:32** “*You will know the truth and the truth will set you free.*” He wants everyone to be set free from the laws of sin and death! Fourth, being like Christ will always bring glory to God. God wants us to grow spiritual. We just strive to become spiritually mature Christians. Becoming spiritually mature is thinking, feeling, and acting like Christ in every situation. In **2 Corinthians 3:18** “*As the spirit of The Lord works within us, we become more and more like Him and reflect his glory even more.*” As we go through this next month let us ask ourselves, am I bringing glory to God? What would Christ do in this situation? Am I really worshipping The Lord every day? Who did I share the Truth with this month? Have I shown the love of Christ to everyone I have come in contact with?”

Lastly, I would like to give a friendly reminder that in November 2017, we will be celebrating our annual recognition of Hospice Sabbath. Please begin to mark this on your calendar, as we would like to increase the number of churches that participate in our annual celebration. As November approaches, I will have more information regarding this celebration.

In Christ’s love,

Rev. Chris Thornton, CPC

Chaplain

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Richmond County Hospice Basketball Team



A huge congratulations goes out to our Richmond County Hospice basketball team. They won the championship and finished the season in first place. We are extremely proud of these young gentlemen, and it was an honor to sponsor such a great team this season.



NATIONAL SOCIAL WORK MONTH

Richmond County Hospice, Inc. employs a dedicated group of social workers. Our social workers perform a variety of tasks including: conducting visits, providing linkage to community resources, assisting with advance directives, and offering additional support to patients and families. Social Workers serve as part of the interdisciplinary care team and assist with the mission of providing peace, comfort, and dignity to those we serve. Join us in wishing them Happy Social Work Month!



Standing: Mary Martha Warnock, BSW Home Care Social Worker; Kristina Leyden, MSW, LCSW, CEO; Stephanie Thornton, BA Inpatient Care Coordinator: *Sitting:* Shannon Huff, BA, Home Care Social Worker; Jessica Mims, BSW, CHPSW Family Services Manager; Sandy Black, BSW Bereavement Coordinator.



SOCIAL WORK MONTH 2017 PROCLAMATION

“SOCIAL WORKERS STAND UP!”

WHEREAS, the primary mission of the Social Work profession is to enhance well-being and help meet the basic needs of all people, especially the most vulnerable in society;

WHEREAS, Social Workers embody this year’s Social Work Month Theme, “Social Workers Stand Up!,” by serving, advocating for, and empowering millions of Americans each day;

WHEREAS, Social Workers embody the theme of this year’s World Social Work Day on March 21, 2017, “Promoting Community and Environmental Sustainability,” by working with individuals, organizations and local and federal government to improve communities and protect the environment;

WHEREAS, Social Work is one of the fastest growing careers in the United States, with almost 650,000 members of the profession;

WHEREAS, Social Workers work in all areas of our society to improve happiness, health and prosperity, including in government, schools, universities, social service agencies, communities, the military and mental health and health care facilities;

WHEREAS, Social Workers have pushed for decades to ensure equal rights for all, including women, African Americans, Latinos, people who are disabled, people who are LGBTQ and various ethnic, cultural and religious groups;

WHEREAS, Social Workers have been behind and continue to advocate for legislation and policies that reduce racial discord, including renewal of the Voting Rights Act, The Violence Against Women’s Act, The Civil Rights Act, the Affordable Care Act, Medicaid, unemployment insurance, workplace safety and Social Security benefits;

WHEREAS, Social Workers are the largest group of mental health care providers in the United States, and work daily to help people overcome substance use disorders and mental illnesses such as depression and anxiety;

WHEREAS, Social Workers deploy across the United States and the world, helping people overcome earthquakes, floods, wars, and other disasters and return to peace and prosperity;

NOW THEREFORE, in recognition of the numerous contributions made by America’s Social Workers, I Kristina Leyden, proclaim the month of March 2017 as National Social Work Month and call upon all citizens to join with the National Association of Social Workers and Richmond County Hospice in celebration and support of the Social Work Profession.

NATIONAL HEALTHCARE DECISIONS DAY



Imagine you were embarking upon a journey. How would you prepare for the trip? What items would you pack for this endeavor? Life has often been compared to a journey; however, many times we are unprepared for the curves along its road.

Good health is one of the most precious gifts that we may be given. However, we never know when a serious or critical injury or illness may threaten our health. Just as we prepare for a journey, we too should prepare for such unexpected twists in life.

Annually, April 16 is designated as National Health Care Decision Day. This day is devoted to discussing advance care planning with family and friends. Individuals are encouraged to:

- ◆ Learn about various treatment options
- ◆ Think about your values
- ◆ Talk about your decisions
- ◆ Document your wishes

Some may question why such steps are necessary. but there are many reasons to explore and implement these steps. Consider the following examples that demonstrate the importance of advance planning:

- * Inability to speak for yourself/voice your wishes
- * Sudden illness or injury
- * Assistance in guiding your loved ones with honoring your wishes
- * Giving your loved ones peace of mind

In all honesty, none of us like to think about suffering from illness or experiencing a life-threatening illness. As difficult as it may be for us to consider these issues and make such decisions, it is even more difficult when our loved ones are faced with these decisions on our behalf.

Executing advance directives such as a living will, healthcare power of attorney, or five wishes can alleviate this burden for loved ones. In many ways, advance care planning is a gift to your family.

If you would like additional information on advance care planning, please call (910) 997-4464 and ask to speak to a social worker. Start the conversation today and make your wishes known by giving this special gift to your loved ones!

What's Happening

Introducing Our New Billboards on Wheels

Richmond County Hospice staff took to the streets in their new company cars or as we like to think of them as, "our new billboards on wheels."
The home care team was very excited to get their keys.



Congratulations

Congratulations to our very own, Jessica Mims who received her certification in Hospice and Palliative Social Work! It's been a two year process and we are very proud of her commitment to furthering her education.



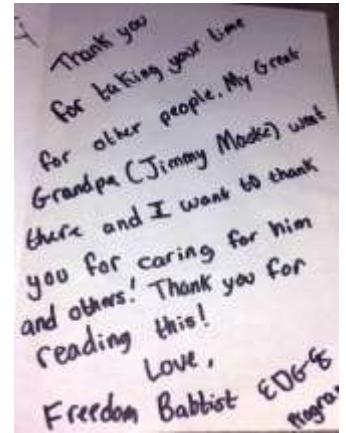
A BIG THANK YOU FREEDOM BAPTIST CHURCH

We have the most wonderful neighbors, Freedom Baptist Church. They have adopted us for one of their outreach programs. Thank you Freedom Baptist for our employee appreciation cook out.

New Office Chair



Thanks to a wonderful anonymous donor, the staff and members of Richmond County Hospice has received new office chairs. We can not thank you enough for the generosity you have shown. Your donation is truly appreciated.



Hospice Haven is in the beginning stages of replacing the recliner chairs in the patients rooms.



The first recliner/lift chair was donated by the BB&T Hamlet Lighthouse Project. Thank you so much for all of you're support for Richmond County Hospice/Hospice Haven.



New Bench at the Hospice Haven

With high volume traffic at the Hospice Haven, one of our donations this year was used to replace an over used bench in our hospice foyer. We give thanks to our donors who continue to make a difference to our facility. Thank you for all you do for Hospice Haven.

Golf Tournament

Anson Community Hospice (Division of Richmond County Hospice) had great representation from some of our fine gentlemen at the Anson Chamber Golf Tournament. Representing us was Chris Thornton, Hospice Chaplain; Marvin Taylor, Director of Finance; Dr. Steven Strobel, Chief Medical Officer and Wayne Burgess, Board Member.





Forever Tree

Our loved ones touch our lives and they forever remain in our hearts. Richmond County Hospice, Inc., would like to invite you to share in the beauty of this joyous holiday season while providing you with the opportunity to share the memory of your loved one on our Forever Tree.

Our Forever Tree will be illuminated by bright white lights representing memorial and honorarium contributions for individuals as given by their family and friends. Individuals can have their loved one remembered by making a \$10 donation to Richmond County Hospice for each light they would like to have named for their loved one.

On **Thursday, November 30th at 6:00pm**, we will conduct a lighting ceremony at **Richmond County Hospice, Inc.**, located at 1119 N US Highway 1, Rockingham, NC. The names of those being remembered or honored will be placed on a light, and all of the names will be read during the Forever Tree ceremony. To be recognized during the ceremony, donations must be received by **Tuesday, November 21, 2017**.

If you decide to place a light on the Forever Tree in memory or in honor of your loved one, please complete the Forever Tree insert for Richmond County Hospice and send it along with your contribution of \$10 per light to Richmond County Hospice Inc. 1119 US Hwy #1 N, Rockingham, NC 28379. Acknowledgements will be mailed beginning **November 21st** unless otherwise requested.

Anson Community Hospice will host a Forever Tree service this year in Anson County. We are in the process of determining the location, date, and time. Please indicate if you would like your light(s) to be placed on the Anson Community Hospice's Forever Tree by completing the Forever Tree insert for Anson Community Hospice. Please mail the insert with your donation (\$10 for each light) to Richmond County Hospice, Inc. 1119 US Hwy #1 N, Rockingham, NC 28379.

As with all contributions to Richmond County Hospice Inc., these donations are tax-deductible and the funds received from the "Forever Tree" help support our mission of providing grief support and bereavement programs to our families and our community.



Donate

How To Donate To Hospice

There are several ways to contribute to your hometown hospice. You can donate your time by visiting patients, helping around the offices, helping during special events, in-kind gifts from our Wish List, or sending monetary contributions. Monetary donations may be given in the following ways:

1. Send a check with your donation by mail to our main address
2. Call directly to our office and make a credit card contribution
3. Visit our web site: <http://mpweb.org/hospice>, under the tab GIVE.

You may donate on behalf of someone, in memory, or in honor of a loved one, friend, neighbor, member of your church, or an employee. You may also contribute out of the goodness of your heart.

*Contributions are welcomed towards special projects such as our **BRICK FUNDRAISING** by buying bricks to help build our “Walk to Remember” and the “Veterans Wall.” More information on this project may be found on our web site. All the funds collected through these projects are used directly and exclusively to benefit current and future patients under our care.*



In-Kind Donations

Richmond County Hospice and the Hospice Haven are very fortunate to be surrounded by a compassionate community who supports our not-for-profit hospice agency. We are honored to care for patients and families during their end-of-life journey. With support of our faith community, business community, private clubs, civic organizations, and individuals, we are able to provide various items to our patients. Below is a list of “wish” items that are continually needed and will help our patients in their homes or in our inpatient center, the Hospice Haven.

Reminiscence Items: journals, pens, greeting cards, stationary; Laundry Supplies: laundry detergents, fabric softeners; Food and Basic Staples: applesauce (individual cups), bread, cake mixes and frostings, cereal, cereal bars, can sodas (sprite, diet coke and coke), cookies (snack size packages), crackers, (individual snack packs), Easy Mac, flavored creamers, frozen dinners, fruits, granola bars, individual ice cream, individual yogurts, jelly, juices, microwave popcorn, peanut butter, pudding cups, snacks; Kitchen supplies: aluminum foil, paper plates, napkins, plastic cutlery, Ziploc bags; Personal Supplies: chap stick, conditioner, shampoo, dental floss, Kleenex, lotion, soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste; Gift cards and Certificates: gas stations, Lowes, and Wal-mart.



Supporting Richmond County Hospice is as easy as shopping on-line. The Amazon Smile Foundation and the ebay Giving Works are programs where a donation of 0.5% of your purchase price will be given to YOUR charitable organization. Please go to your Amazon Account and ebay Giving Works and choose Richmond County Hospice as YOUR organization!

<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/58-1678217>



Help Richmond County Hospice, Inc., raise more funds by adding them as your favorite charity on eBay.

<http://givingworks.ebay.com/charity-auctions/charity/richmond-county-hospice-inc/77770>

Upcoming Events

Grief Support Group: Richmond Memorial Park and Richmond County Hospice, Inc., co-facilitate a Monthly Support Group. The meeting is held on the first Saturday of each month beginning at 10:00 am. - Richmond County Hospice Campus in our Hospice Haven Solarium (2nd building). For more information, please contact Mrs. Sandy Black, Bereavement Coordinator - (910) 997-4464 or Ext. 910-817-2757.

Anson Grief Support Group: Anson Community Hospice will sponsor on the second Tuesday of every month at 12:00 noon at 108 South Green Street, Wadesboro, NC 28170. This is a free grief support group for your community. If you have cared for or lost a loved one, you are not alone. Each person's journey is different, but together, we can help each other through it. For more information, please contact Mrs. Sandy Black, Bereavement Coordinator - (910) 997-4464 or ext. 910-817-2757.

**SAVE
THE DATE!**

2nd Annual Taste of the Sandhills/Showcasing dancing with the Stars: Come join us on Saturday, September 9th for our 2nd Annual Taste of the Sandhills showcasing Dancing with the Stars fundraiser benefiting Richmond County Hospice, held at the Richmond Community College Cole Auditorium, Hamlet, NC. From 6:00pm until 10:00pm. This event will open with a sampling of favorite menu items from local businesses followed by the Dancing with the Stars competition featuring local "Stars." Mark your calendars now to support this worthy cause while enjoying a night out with friends. Watch this event page for more information and for ticket sales! Last year tickets sold out a few weeks in advance!

Annual Salute to Veterans: Friday, November 3, 2017: Richmond County Hospice - 1119 US Highway #1 North, Rockingham, NC. More details will follow closer to the date.

Light of Life Memorial Celebration: Thursday, November 9, 2017: (Time and location-TBA)

Forever Tree Lighting Ceremony: Thursday, November 30, 2017: held at the Administrative building on the front lawn at Richmond County Hospice.



We're looking for volunteers, civic groups, youth groups, or church groups who would like to participate in beautifying the garden and walking trail at Hospice Haven. If you are interested, please contact Lisa O'Neal, Volunteer Coordinator/Outreach at (910) 997-4464

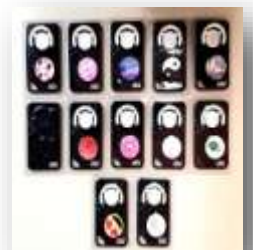
Culinary Comforts Cookbook

Richmond County Hospice has cookbooks available for a \$20 donation. With your donation you will receive a Richmond County Hospice 30 year anniversary Cookbook, Culinary Comforts from Your Hometown Hospice since 1985. This cookbook contains over 300 recipes, a message from our CEO, and a timeline of our first 30 years. All proceeds from the sale of this cookbook will go to our Benevolent Care Fund. Cookbooks may be purchased at Richmond County Hospice Administrative Office at 1119 US HWY 1 North, Rockingham, NC 28379 or by calling 910-997-4464.



Popsockets For Sale!

Richmond County Hospice has popsockets for sale - \$8.00 each. All proceeds to benefit Relay for Life. Call or come by if you would like to make a purchase. Mary Martha Warnock (910)-997-4464



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