Save-the-Date
Contact Barbara Wahlstrom at (781) 624-4170 to attend or sponsor any of the following events. You may also visit southshorehospital.org/events.

Saturday, October 15
Craft Fair to Benefit Hospice of the South Shore
Abington VFW

Thursday, October 20
Alumni Friends Seminar: Powerful Planning Strategies for You and Your Family
Linden Ponds, Hingham

Friday, October 21
Moonlight & Miracles Gala
Boston Quincy Marriott

Wednesday, November 9
Healthy Values Friends Trip
Musical Tribute To Our Veterans
The Log Cabin, Holyoke

Thursday, November 10
South Shore Hospital Colleague Variety Show
Chapman Middle School

Ask a friend to join The Friends today!
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Focus on Friends Scholarships: Investing in Tomorrow’s Healthcare

One of many ways The Friends help advance South Shore Hospital’s mission of healing, caring and comforting is by awarding annual scholarships to worthy recipients pursuing or furthering education in healthcare. For the first time, The Friends offered a scholarship to Hospital volunteers. Volunteer and 2011 Scituate High School graduate Kristen Faletra won the scholarship. Kristen, in her first semester at the University of Vermont School of Nursing, recently shared her story.

“I’ve always known I wanted to dedicate my life to helping others, so I chose to pursue a career in nursing,” Kristen explained. “I applied for the Friends Scholarship because I knew it would help me fulfill my ambition to become a registered nurse and would start me down the road of helping others and making my life as meaningful as possible.”

“The time I spent volunteering at the hospital left a lasting impact on me. I am so thankful to The Friends for giving me this opportunity,” Kristen said. “Thank you for helping me start my dream to help others. It means the world to me.”

In addition to the new Volunteer Scholarship, another new award was presented to an individual pursuing an education in a health-related field. The recipient was Rosemary Conforto, Laboratory Technician.

Other scholarships awarded include four $1,000 Scholarships for Hospital colleagues pursuing a Bachelor’s of Science in Nursing or higher to Virginia Donnelley, RN, Operating Room; Catherine Gilson, RNC-OB, Obstetrics; Lisa Murphy, RN, BSN, Perianesthesia Care Department; and Gena O’Hara, RN, CMSRN, Pratt 3.

Two $1,000 Martinsen Scholarships given to high school seniors or graduates pursuing a nursing degree were awarded to Stephanie Collas of Plymouth and Hilary Waitner, Case Management. Two $1,000 Terry Reis Scholarships named in honor of a late Hospital colleague are awarded to Hospital employees presently enrolled or accepted in an accredited nursing program. The winners are Cindy DeLuca, RN, BSN, Infection Control and Jeanne Whitman, Pediatrics.

Look for more feature stories about scholarship winners in upcoming issues of Focus on Friends.

MOONLIGHT & miracles
Premiere social event with proceeds for Cancer Care
Friday, October 21, 2011 6 PM
Boston Marriott Quincy
Visit southshorehospital.org/events
October Meetings Announced

Monday, October 3
Alumni Friends
10 AM
Friends Meeting Room
797 Main Street

Tuesday, October 11
Friends of Home Care
4:15 PM
Friends Meeting Room
797 Main Street

Thursday, October 13
Healthy Values Book Club
9 AM
Friends Meeting Room
797 Main Street
October’s book:
“No Man’s River”
by Farley Mowat

Friday, October 14
LINKS
8:30 AM
Hospital Boardroom

Wednesday, October 19
Friends Board Meeting
8:30 AM
Hospital Boardroom

Tuesday, November 1
Helping Children Cope
4:30 PM
Tufts Public Library
Broad Street, Weymouth

Thursday, November 3
Helping Children Cope
4:30 PM
Hingham Public Library
Leavitt Street, Hingham

The Friends Celebrate New Orthopedic Center Opening

More than 100 people attended the September 16 Friends reception for the grand opening celebration of the new South Shore Hospital Center for Orthopedics, Spine and Sports Medicine at 2 Pond Park in Hingham. Among those who enjoyed tours of the new facility were Friends members (photo at right, l to r): Pat Bruneau, Barb and Bill Mercurio, Betty Stewart, and Fran Ryley. Learn more at southshorehospital.org.

Spotlight on: The Friends of Emergency Care

The Friends of Emergency Care was formed to provide patient and family advice about non-medical care aspects of the patient experience to the physicians, nurses and others responsible for South Shore Hospital’s Emergency Department (ED). It also provides other forms of support.

The group provides recommendations for ways to improve non-medical aspects of the ED - such as how patients are greeted, the manner in which family members are provided with updates, and the physical space in the waiting room - for both patients and those who accompany them.

The ultimate goal is to work with hospital leaders to assure that the ED provides a superb patient and family experience with utmost dignity and compassion.

The group developed a brochure to help patients and family members understand what to expect during their emergency visit. They also held a number of fundraising events to provide “busy bags” for children receiving emergency care and their siblings. The bags included items such as crayons, coloring books, and puzzles.

If you would like to join or help The Friends of Emergency Care or any other Friends group, please visit our website at southshorehospital.org/friends or call (781) 624-3788.
$15,000 Raised for Pediatric Care at Stroll for the Goal Fun Day

The Friends of Growing Families Stroll for the Goal Fun Day raised more than $15,000 for the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) and pediatric care at South Shore Hospital. With this support, two in-house transporters specifically designed for moving infants within the hospital will be purchased, and educational programs for pediatric patients and their families will be advanced.

A made-to-order sunny day and the new outdoor venue of The South Shore YMCA in Hanover were the marks of a delightful afternoon that brought out hundreds of area families to support a great cause while having fun.

Little attendees enjoyed everything from pony rides and swimming to a live owl presentation and cookie decorating. Parents were happy to have several health and safety offerings including a fingerprinting and child ID program by the Hanover Police, as well as “Touch an Ambulance” and car seat safety checks by South Shore Hospital. Fabulous raffle items from the local community added to the fun.

The Friends of Growing Families would like to thank our generous sponsors, including: College Education Fund Sponsors Munstis Miracles, South Shore YMCA Hanover, and Aramark; Savings Bond Sponsors Rodman Ford, South Shore Medical Center, and Jimmy Jay Entertainment; Lemonade Stand Sponsors AT&T, Rockland Eagles Aeire #841, South Shore Savings Bank, and Weymouth Bank; Piggy Bank Sponsors South Coastal Bank and South Shore Natural Science Center; Special Donations In-Kind Sponsors American Kempo Karate Academy, Art Impressions Photography, Brockton Rox, Bright Horizons, Burkhardt Brothers Moving & Storage, Busy Bee Enterprises, Inc., Dentistry for Children, Fin, Fur & Feather, Frito Lay, Hanover Police Department, Lou the BalLOUnist, My Gym, Ocean Spray, Paul’s Pony Parties, and South Shore Hospital EMT Services. There is still time to make a donation by visiting our website at southshorehospital.org/events or calling The Friends at (781) 624-3788.

Hospital Shops Announce Upcoming Sales

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What’s the Best Way to Reach You?

To help you remain an active and engaged member of The Friends, we need to send you timely and important information about what’s happening in the organization. To do this, we need you to tell us the best way to reach you and if you expect to be away temporarily - whether you fly south for the winter or are just going away on a short trip. Please complete the information below and return it to The Friends at friends@sshosp.org or 55 Fogg Road, Box 29, South Weymouth, MA 02190.

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