



# Volunteer e-News

October 2023

## Exciting News from Calvert County



Over the last year, we have been striving to determine the best use of the Burnett Center. We are happy to share with you today a new vision for the center that includes a new way this sacred space can serve many community members who are at different points in living with their diseases. We envision a center where the community can gather to learn, share, receive support, and engage in healing practices.

We envision a center with activities for the entire family such as yoga, therapeutic art, music classes, gardening, reiki, massage, disease specific support groups and special programs for children. We envision a center that is warm, welcoming, and open to the needs of our expanding population who are not only experiencing end of life but more often living with progressive, complex serious illness over a period of years. As you may know, a family living with a loved one with serious illness can experience a heavy toll on everyone over months and sometimes even years. We envision programs uniquely designed to support patients and families throughout their journey starting at the time of diagnosis. Instead of just a few, the new center will serve many.

We are excited to share with you that the new name for the center will be The Burnett Center for Hope and Healing with the full support of Ms. Barbara Burnett, the original donor of the property.

**The Burnett Center for Hope and Healing  
4559 Sixes Road  
Prince Frederick, MD 20678**

We will be celebrating the Grand Reopening with activities at The Burnett Center the entire week of November 13 - 17!

**Wednesday November 15**

**We Honor Veterans Volunteer Training**

1:00 pm

Veteran volunteers, please join us for an Honor Salute Volunteer Forum and Training Session. Click [here](#) to register for the training.

**Friday, November 17**

## **Ribbon Cutting/Grand Reopening Ceremony**

10:00 am

We will be offering building tours, Compassionate Touch demonstrations, Reiki, education about End of Life Support Doulas, a Blessing of the Hands, and more. Detailed information about parking will be provided after registration.

[Click here to register for the Grand Reopening](#)

## **Volunteer Spotlights**



Meet **Karen Thomas**, a compassionate care volunteer from Charles County.

[Click here to watch Karen's spotlight](#)



Meet **Ashley Ureste**, Volunteer Coordinator. Enjoy her spotlight focused on Hispanic Heritage Month!

[Click here to watch Ashley's spotlight](#)

## **Quality and Compliance**

### **Flu Vaccine and TB Documentation Due October 31**

If you haven't submitted proof of your flu vaccination yet, please click the button below to send it now! Volunteers who are not compliant

with flu vaccines will not be able to volunteer.

It is also time to complete your annual Tuberculosis screening. Please click [here](#) to download the form. The form can then be sent to us by clicking the button below.

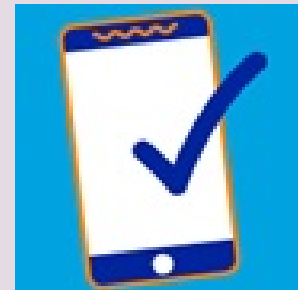
Please contact Heather Conner [here](#) with any questions.



[Click here to submit documentation](#)

## Progress Notes

All volunteers visiting patients are required to complete and submit volunteer progress notes after each visit, tracking their time and details from the visit. This is simply a snapshot of your visit. Progress notes are very important as they capture important information that the volunteer staff shares with the clinical team; the progress note also goes into the patient record.



**REMINDER:** Please submit your progress notes within 24 hours of conducting a patient/family visit. Click the button below to access the electronic progress note.

[Click here to access the progress note](#)

# Recruitment and Onboarding



## Volunteers NEEDED!

We are looking for We Honor Veterans volunteers and Compassionate Care volunteers in all four counties!

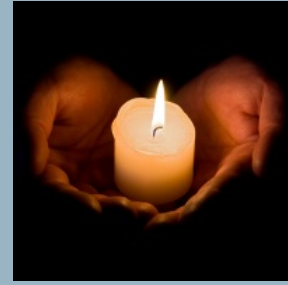
For Calvert specifically, **The Shoppe** is in need of volunteers who love to make people feel their best and want to support our not-for-profit hospice!

*Refer a friend to learn more about volunteer opportunities. Tell them about how you've made a difference in the lives of others as a hospice volunteer and how they can, too!*

# Chesapeake Life Center Corner

## Hospice of the Chesapeake Annual Memorial Services

New this year, Hospice of the Chesapeake is hosting memorial services for the families of hospice patients who passed away in the previous year. The services provide opportunities to remember, and honor loved ones who have passed away through music, reflections, displaying of loved ones' names, and candle lighting. Services are open to people of all faith backgrounds.



As a valued member of our care teams and an important connection for families, you are invited to join one of the memorial services as well. We hope this can be a space for you to honor and remember those patients you have cared for as an HOC volunteer. Please see the dates, locations, and registration links below.

**Saturday, October 21, 2023, at 3 pm**  
*Severna Park United Methodist Church*  
731 Benfield Road, Severna Park, MD  
Please RSVP by clicking [here](#).

**Saturday, November 4, 2023, at 2 pm**  
*First Baptist Church of Highland Park*  
6801 Sheriff Road, Landover, MD  
Please RSVP by clicking [here](#).

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## Volunteers Needed for Holiday Grief Workshop

Living with Loss Through the Holidays will be offered at the Pasadena Campus on December 7 from 5:30 - 7:30 pm. This workshop costs \$10 per person. This program will be offered for both adults and children ages 6 - 18.



Led by grief professionals, participants can join in group activities that help them find a way to honor the memory of their loved ones while still granting themselves permission to grieve. The children's program will offer participants an opportunity to take part in holiday-themed activities that will help them learn about getting through the holidays without their special person.

We are looking for volunteers to help support this program.



## New Drop-In Grief Support Group in Pasadena

Are you grieving a loss? Do you have a friend/family member who would benefit from a space to connect with others?

Drop-in grief support groups are open to anyone grieving. Groups offer participants an opportunity to share their feelings and obtain support from others who are experiencing loss.

This group will meet:

Wednesdays- November 8 and December 13 from 1 - 2 pm. The group is FREE and registration is not required.

## Featured Spotlight



### Holly the Hospice Hog

The Said family (Grand Oaks Farm) in Calvert County raised a hog for the 4H Youth Livestock Auction at the Calvert County Fair and chose to donate all proceeds of her sale to the Hospice of the Chesapeake. Holly the Hospice Hog was sold 9 times! She brought in \$27,802! We are so very thankful to the Saims for their generosity!

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