



# hospice highlights

Hospice of Amador and Calaveras County is a non-profit agency serving Amador, Northern Calaveras, Eastern San Joaquin and Sacramento Counties

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## Hospice of Amador & Calaveras opens Information Office in Calaveras Senior Center

Hospice of Amador & Calaveras has been serving the residents of Calaveras County for many years. We have officially changed our name to include Calaveras County and we are excited to announce the opening of an informational office at the Senior Center in San Andreas. The Center is located at 956 Mountain Ranch Road, San Andreas, CA 95249. Our office is open in the Senior Center each Monday, Wednesday, and Friday morning from 8:30-10:00AM. Stop by or call 223-5500 to learn more about how hospice can serve you and your family.



Nancy Norris, LCSW and Julie Shelby, RN at the new office in the Calaveras Senior Center

## Volunteers are the Heart of Hospice!

On Friday night April 25th over 100 volunteers enjoyed an evening of fun, food, laughs, and appreciation. Held in the American Legion Hall and supported by Amador Creamery, Cost Less Foods, Raleys, Safeway, Save Mart, Sutter Creek Volunteer Fire Department, Swingle Meat Co, Cheryl Barghorn Halfway Ranch, plus plenty of Hospice staff, this was the 15th annual Volunteer Recognition Dinner. Since 1982 volunteers have made the work of Hospice of Amador & Calaveras possible. Last year alone over 165 individuals volunteered for Hospice logging over 17,000 total hours of service. At just under \$15 per hour that effort represents \$250,000! The theme of the evening, Our Volunteers are "Sun" sational says it all along with these photos!

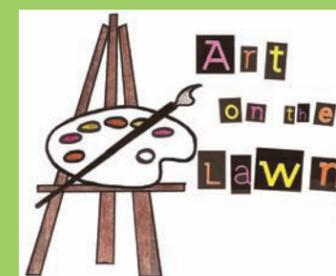


The volunteers provide services in patient's homes, at the thrift store, working in the office, and as members of the Griefbusters program. Hospice of Amador &

Calaveras salutes our impressive group of volunteers and encourages others in the community to get involved.

For more information on how you can become a Hospice volunteer please call Ann Metherd at 223-5500.

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## Four ways you can Support Hospice

- 1 Every time you receive a Hospice newsletter donate \$25.00 to Hospice. If everyone who received the newsletter did this it would generate \$20K per year!
- 2 Log on to [www.hospiceofamador.org](http://www.hospiceofamador.org) and click on the "How You Can Help" button. Donate whatever you can! It's safe, it's easy, it's tax deductible, and best of all it will enable your local Hospice to continue providing quality end of life services to anyone who needs them.
- 3 Volunteer by calling Ann @ 223-5500. There are many ways to volunteer. Call Ann to learn more.
- 4 Donate your lightly used articles of clothing and home furnishings to the Hospice Thrift Store (10776 Argonaut Lane, Jackson)

## Board of Directors Updates

After serving 3 full terms (9 years) with Hospice, Ursula Tocher, President of the Board has recently resigned. Thank you Ursula for your many years of service and dedication to Hospice. Your contribution has been enormous and will always be appreciated. Mary Lambert who has also served for many years as the vice president has also recently resigned. Best wishes to Mary also and a sincere thank you from your friends at Hospice!

New officers were sworn in May 2008 and include:

- Paul Cherry -President
- Stephen Larson - Vice President
- Wayne Garibaldi - Secretary
- Sally Kornegay - Chief Financial Officer

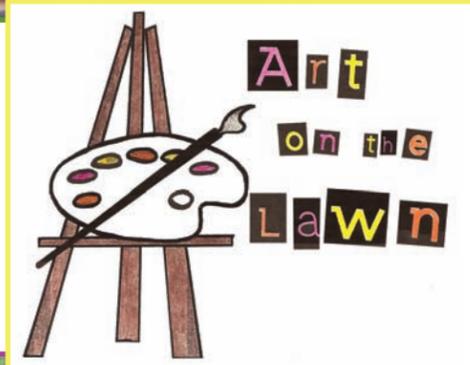


## Record Breaking Art Auction

On June 27<sup>th</sup> over 150 Hospice Supporters joined us at the St. George Hotel for our 11th annual "Art on the Lawn" fundraiser. This year, between the terrific music of Herb Boxhorn, the great food and wine, the fantastic variety of creative arts, a great evening was enjoyed by all.

Thanks to our very generous sponsors, patrons, and the special community in which we live and work, Hospice raised over

\$15K! Executive Director Dan Riordan exclaimed, "I think this was a record breaking night in terms of the amount of money we raised. This was a great night. The spirit of generosity was in full bloom and this type of support is exactly what we need to continue providing quality care to our patients and families during their end of life process! I am absolutely honored to be part of this!" **Please Support our Sponsors!** →



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## All Around the House with Hospice by Penny Tone

As I looked around my house one day, I said aloud, "I could be an advertisement for the Hospice Thrift Store". It seemed every where I looked there was an item



### The Table That Hospice Set

Thrift Store Items: Waterford crystal stemware and tumblers, crystal wine decanter, silverplate gravy boat and serving bowl, silverplate centerpiece vase, linen napkins, china napkin rings, silver salt & pepper shakers, silver butter dish & pitcher, vintage silverplate flatware for twelve by Roger's Bros.

that I had purchased from Hospice. I must have repeated that statement to someone who agreed with me, because here I am telling my story.

My first acquaintance with the Thrift Store resulted from going there to meet my daughter who was volunteering on Friday mornings at the check out counter. As I waited for her shift to end, I glanced around the store and what to my wander-

ing eyes should appear but eight tiny reindeer perched on a beautiful Christmas table top center piece. I was hooked. Soon, I became a regular at the check out counter.

Over the next two years I have found treasure after treasure. Some things I needed, but many were pure luxury items that I would not have treated myself to at regular retail prices.

As a "Frequent Shopper", let me tell you some of the things I've learned about this great Thrift Store. The location is

ideal; how many times do we locals end up at the "Top of the Hill" above Jackson? Well, that's where you need to swing onto Argonaut Lane and take a quick left into the store's parking lot. Usually I'm doing a quick stop, and I like knowing there is always plenty of parking.

Because the access and parking are easy it is simple to drop off donations. Stopping by to leave off donations is a dou-



Whenever I want to click my heels together I just shop the Hospice Thrift Store for a variety of high quality and stylish shoes.

There's no place like Hospice, There's no place like Hospice...

ble pleasure; I am helping the wonderful work that Hospice does for our community, and, of course, I get to shop. It is a nice feeling to know that every cent I spend and every cent my donations generate go to support such a giving and needed service. One last thought; if you really want to keep an eye on the store's inventory...become a volunteer. Oh my, I do sound like an advertisement for the Hospice Thrift Store. Oh well, I guess I am...just look around my house!

## New Leadership at Your Local Hospice



hospice nurse for over 6 years with an additional 5 years experience as an ICU nurse. Under Caela's leadership our Hospice is poised to continue providing exceptional care to patients and families as they traverse the end of life process.

Recently, Sharon Edgar, RN, retired from our Hospice leaving a vacancy in our Director of Patient Care Services position. Sharon will be missed and we thank her for her fantastic contribution to our community over the past 4 years. After a widespread and thorough recruitment effort we are happy to announce that we have filled this very important position from within our own ranks. Please welcome Caela White, RN who has been a



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