

Celebrating Life's Stories[®]

A NEWSLETTER FOR OUR FRIENDS

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Selma Fund Supports Quality-of-Life Care for Patients and Families

The end of life can be a stressful time for everyone. But when it is compounded by a lack of basic security or resources, the stress can feel insurmountable. Generous donations from community members to the Selma Fund, our quality-of-life care fund, address the immediate needs of our patients and families.

Jody Holstein, a social worker with Ohio's Hospice of Central Ohio since 2018, has seen firsthand how the Selma Fund has helped countless patients. Throughout the years, she has worked with a wide variety of patients in many different circumstances of life. She has seen the impact of hospice care for those struggling with complicated family dynamics, spiritual or emotional crises.

"The complexities of some patients' situations vary widely, and sometimes the need for basic resources can be vital," she said. "I have gone into homes to care for patients who have no plumbing or electricity. I remember caring for an individual who had spent much of their life homeless. When they finally received temporary housing, they only owned a folding chair and a coffee maker."

Generous donations to the Selma Fund helped purchase a bed for that patient so that they could live comfortably. The Selma Fund also helped pay for plumbing and electricity for several patients and their families.

Selma Markowitz co-founded Ohio's Hospice of Central Ohio 40 years ago with the hope that anyone in the care of Ohio's Hospice of Central Ohio could receive the support they needed, large or small, any time of

day. The Selma Fund addresses the most poignant and immediate needs, including clothing, food and shelter.

When you donate to the Selma Fund, your gift helps patients and their families with their most urgent needs, especially where safety and security are concerned. By donating to the Selma Fund, you are lightening the load for families across the region, and you are helping to serve those most in need as they face a life-limiting illness or injury.

We thank Jody for her many years of service, and we're grateful to those of you who have supported our mission through the Selma Fund.



Selma Markowitz



Jody Holstein

For more information about the Selma Fund, please contact Stacy Geller at Stacy@HospiceofCentralOhio.org or 740.788.1488.

Listening to Our Patients and Families



Stacy Geller
Vice President of
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Ohio's Hospice of Central Ohio

One of the greatest pleasures of our work in hospice care is hearing stories from our patients. As I spend time with patients and families, I sometimes get the honor of sitting at their bedside as they recount memories and life lessons. I often think about what a gift these moments are to hear stories about family, love and life. It occurs

to me that listening is also an act of love.

I am also humbled as I work with the members of our team who listen to our patients and their families in very different ways, focusing on every aspect of the patient to meet their needs. The clinical staff listens to the body and what is needed physically, the chaplains listen to the

spiritual needs, the counselors listen to the emotional needs, and so on.

The Ohio's Hospice Foundation is here to meet our patients' needs in a way that honors their legacy. We are here to listen and help navigate how one may want to be remembered.

For 40 years, Ohio's Hospice of Central Ohio has listened to the needs of our community to serve individuals in ways that are most important to them. With the philanthropic support this generous community has provided over the decades, we are well positioned to listen to your needs, and to help carry out patient hopes and planning for the future — ensuring that their vision will be cast. If you have thoughts about your estate plans, please reach out to me at Stacy@HospiceOfCentralOhio.org or call 740.788.1488. Thank you for sharing and allowing us to celebrate your life's story.



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Celebrating Life's Stories for 40 Years

1981

Selma Markowitz and Kathleen Brown, co-founders, begin plans to bring the hospice care concept to Licking County.

1982

The first board meeting is held, and Hospice Service of Licking County is created.

1993

Celebrated by serving our 800th patient.

1995

Name is changed to Hospice of Central Ohio.

1997

The seven-bed inpatient care center, The Selma Markowitz Care Center, opens at Licking Memorial Hospital.

Call for Volunteers

Volunteerism is a vital part of our mission. Our energetic, patient-focused volunteers are integral to our mission. They provide a wide range of services, from patient visits and caregiver relief to office projects, Veteran recognition, and event support. Their caring touch is felt in everything we do.

But volunteerism goes beyond help for our patients, family members or staff. Our volunteers have told us frequently how invaluable their time has been as they have supported our mission. Volunteers have felt a renewed sense of purpose working in hospice care. They have expanded their friend circle and added a new focus into their lives.

We'd like to invite you to consider joining our vibrant team. We are looking to fill these volunteer positions:

- Animal-Assisted Therapy Companion
- Handmade Items Team
- Haircuts for Patients
- Inpatient Care Center at Licking Memorial Hospital, Newark

To learn more about these and the many other volunteer opportunities we offer, please visit our website at www.HospiceofCentralOhio.org/Volunteers or contact Liz Adamshick, manager of Volunteer Services at: LAdamshick@HospiceofCentralOhio.org or 740.788.1404.

“Volunteering with Ohio’s Hospice of Central Ohio as an animal-assisted therapy companion has further solidified my belief that caring for others is an obligation that we all share. Kylo and I love our patient engagements and interactions. For me, it is one of the most meaningful involvements I’ve had in my life.”

-Pegi Lobb, Animal-Assisted Therapy Companion



Aubrey Morris and Willow

40th Anniversary Sponsors

Community partnerships have been important in sustaining our mission. We are grateful to those who are supporting us throughout 2022 as our anniversary sponsors.

Founder Level:

The Granville Investment Group

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For the Future Level:

Park National Bank

1997

The first bereavement camp, Camp HOCO, is held for the first time for children, ages 6-17.

2003

The Hospice of Central Ohio Foundation is created, raising funds to provide complementary support services to patients and their families at no cost.

2010

Hospice of Central Ohio celebrates serving its 10,000th patient.

2016

Hospice of Central Ohio joins Ohio's Hospice strategic partnership and becomes Ohio's Hospice of Central Ohio.

2022

Ohio's Hospice of Central Ohio celebrates its 40th anniversary.

Ohio's Hospice of Central Ohio Celebrates 25th Annual Golf Outing

Thank you to everyone who came out to support our 25th Annual Golf Outing on June 17 at The Links at Echo Springs in Johnstown, Ohio. It was a lovely day out on the green with more than 120 golfers in attendance. Proceeds from the event benefit patient and family services.

We are grateful to our generous sponsors for their support of our mission.

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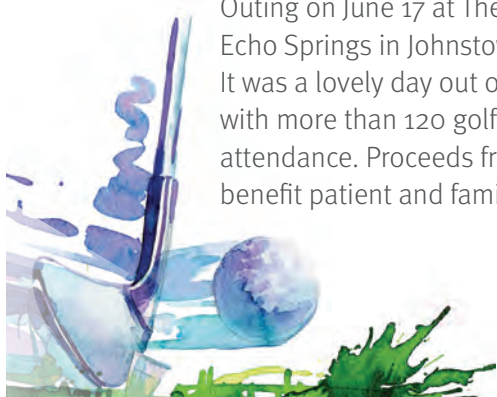
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Save the Date: 2022 Events



What: There is still time to register for our first Celebrating Life's Stories® Butterfly Release. Ohio's Hospice of Central Ohio is holding a Butterfly Release as a way to remember and honor loved ones who have touched our lives and who live on in our memories. Butterflies are \$15 each.

When: Saturday, August 13, 2022, 1-3 pm

Where: Davis-Shai House
301 Central Parkway, Heath, OH 43056

How: Register by Friday, July 29, 2022 online at:
www.HospiceofCentralOhio.org/Butterfly2022

KEYS OF LIFE **FRIDAY**
NOVEMBER 18
2022

Eighties Style

What: Keys of Life: This favorite dueling piano event showcases an adult evening of music, delicious food, beverages, raffles and singalongs, with a theme of "Back to the 80s," as we celebrate our 40th anniversary of serving our community.

When: Friday, November 18, 2022. Doors open at 5:30 pm, and entertainment begins at 7:30 pm.

Where: Bryn Du Mansion
537 Jones Rd., Granville, OH 43023

How: For more information, please visit:
www.HospiceofCentralOhio.org/Keys2022