



Auxiliary Update – December

Thanks to everyone who participated in the November events!

- The Auxiliary held their annual Veteran's Day Flowers program for residents. They arranged gorgeous bud vases and then delivered to all Health Center residents on Friday, November 9th. Everyone was so pleased to receive this special gift.
- Several Auxiliary members worked alongside residents to create beautiful Thanksgiving arrangements for the Dining Rooms.
- The Auxiliary ran the annual bake sale, in conjunction with the Holiday Craft Fair. This Bake Sale is one of the fundraisers for the Auxiliary and many people look for their special treats each year!

Upcoming Activities:

Gift Wrap – Auxiliary members will be available to wrap holiday gifts for residents on Wednesday December 12th from 11 – 1 in the Living Room. They will wrap any gift to or from a resident, or items purchased in the Gift Shop. Stop by and offer your support or get a gift wrapped.

Christmas Floral Arranging with Residents – On Friday, December 21st, Auxiliary members and friends will help residents create beautiful floral arrangements to decorate the tables in the Dining Rooms for Christmas. Volunteers will gather in the Greenhouse at 10:15 am and then go to one of the neighborhoods. The residents so enjoy touching, smelling and arranging the lovely flowers. You are encouraged to join in the fun!

Angel Hearts – Once again, the Auxiliary will be coordinating small gifts for each Health Center resident for Valentine's Day. Watch for the Angel Hearts Tree in January, and then take a heart and purchase your gift. More details will be coming in next month's newsletter. If your family member has a special gift request (approximate value of \$5), make sure to let the staff in their neighborhood know so that the request can be put on your family member's heart!

The Auxiliary Gift Shop is located off the Health Center Living Room and is open daily. This wonderful shop, offering seasonal and gift items, greeting cards, jewelry and scarves, candy, personal care items and a limited selection of rehab equipment, is staffed entirely by volunteers and supports the entire McLean community. There is also a satellite shop in the Burkholder for Village residents, and a limited number of items available in the Wellness Center. Prices are very reasonable, and there is **no sales tax!** Please stop by to take advantage of this wonderful resource and support the Auxiliary.

You are encouraged to join the McLean Auxiliary as a member or assist them with some of their activities. For more information, please send them an email at mclean.auxiliary@mcleancare.org, call their voicemail at **860-658-3710** or visit their website at <http://mcleancare.org/support-mclean/mclean-auxiliary>.