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GUTHRIE LOURDES AUXILIARY NEWS

Auxiliary celebrates hospital's centennial, fulfills pledge at gala

Supporters fêted Guthrie Lourdes Hospital on its 100th anniversary at the Auxiliary's Guthrie Lourdes Ball 2025 on February 22 at The Riverdale in Endicott, NY.

Many guests accepted the invitation to "sparkle," wearing sequins, beads or lamé. In a nod to the hospital's birth year, tables were dressed in an elegant Art Deco palette of black, cream, gold and dusty rose, accented by twinkling crystals.

Historic photos on display depicted moments when the hospital took leaps forward in its mission to provide ever-better patient care.

A highlight of the evening was the Auxiliary's presentation of an \$86,000 check to hospital president Kathy Connerton. This completed our \$386,000 pledge to fund the purchase of state-of-the-art imaging and navigation systems for spine surgery. Already in place at the hospital, this equipment has been used by Guthrie Lourdes orthopedic surgeons in over 300 cases, with phenomenal patient satisfaction. Guthrie Lourdes has become a leader in the field.

Guthrie Lourdes Auxiliary and the 2025 Ball Committee are grateful for the generosity of the businesses and individuals that made fulfillment of our pledge possible, including the following sponsors and raffle item donors.

L-R: Orthopedics Service Line Director Ben Robinson; Dr. Kimona Issa; Guthrie Lourdes Hospital President Kathy Connerton; Dr. Rob Van Gorder; 2025 Ball Co-Chairs Barb Palmer & Kate Newberry (Not shown: Co-Chairs Denise Consol & Bonnie Zulick)

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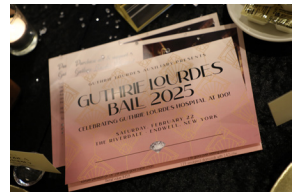
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Also recognized at the Ball was the Auxiliary's 70 years of service to the hospital, its

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Above: Guthrie Lourdes Ball 2025 Co-Chairs Denise Consol, Barb Palmer, Kate Newberry & Bonnie Zulick



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caregivers, patients and the greater community. Since 1955, our members have donated countless volunteer hours and raised approximately \$4.2 million for hospital expansion, renovation and equipment, as well as for grants to hospital departments and community non-profits.

Thanks and congratulations to Ball co-chairs Denise Consol, Kate Newberry, Barb Palmer and Bonnie Zulick, and to their dedicated team: Lory Chambers, Patti Dowd, Betsy Garufi, Francine Butler Groat, Renee Kashou, Micki Matthews, Marina Resciniti, Sophia Resciniti, Polly Spry, Beth Taylor and *especiallly* Laura Freeze and Jennifer Gates. A round of applause as well for assistance from the Guthrie Lourdes print shop staff, Felecia Wagstaff and Lisa Donovan! ●



A fabulous offer...

Purchase art & support Guthrie Lourdes Hospital

Local artist Hall Groat II, Professor of Art and Design at SUNY Broome Community College, has generously offered to donate to Guthrie Lourdes Auxiliary 50% of proceeds from the purchase of his and other artists' original work within his collection through May 31, 2025.

All donated funds will benefit Guthrie Lourdes Hospital.

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Hall Groat II at the Ball with a work that sold. See others at HALLGROAT.COM!



Auxiliary outreach update

In recent months, Guthrie Lourdes Auxiliary has given a variety of gifts to local families, hospital patients, non-profit organizations, and youth.



Holiday Gift Baskets

Auxiliary board members made monetary donations toward Thanksgiving baskets for two families. Thank you to Barbara Simonds for shopping and to Denise Consol for assembling the gift boxes. Board members contributed items for a family Christmas basket. Thanks go to Denise Consol for organizing the basket.



Patient Cheer (Inpatient Tray Favors)

Inpatients received sweet treats in October and votive candles in December. Barb Palmer chairs this committee.

Monetary Gifts to Local Non-Profit Organizations

- \$1,000 to GiGi's Playhouse
- \$500 to Mom's House
- \$1,000 to Broome County Council of Churches



Pediatric Books

In December, Pediatric Books committee chair Annette Varcoe delivered books to Guthrie Lourdes pediatric clinics for distribution to young patients. The Auxiliary is thrilled to once again partner with Visions Federal Credit Union on this project! ●

Hospital open house

Thank you to Auxiliary president Denise Consol and immediate past presidents Kate Newberry and Barb Palmer for representing our organization at the hospital's February 1 public open house. They provided information about what we do for Guthrie Lourdes Hospital and the community, and distributed membership applications. ●



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Dues support Auxiliary projects.