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Community Hospice of Texas and Providence Hospice are dedicated to providing compassionate expert medical care and end-of-life services to families in the Dallas/Fort Worth, Waco and surrounding communities.

Volunteer Spotlight

Volunteers are the heart and soul of our organization providing comfort to patients, an extra set of hands and big hearts. We are grateful for our volunteers and the time they choose to share making an impact on our organization.

Community Hospice of Texas and Providence Hospice provide comprehensive training and support to prepare volunteers to meet the special needs of patients facing a life-limiting illness and their families.

MEET THOM GREER

Thom Greer has a big heart for our patients. His first experience with hospice was when his father-in-law used the services years ago. Fast forward 15 years. Thom and his wife were invited by Robilyn Reed, a long-time friend, to participate in hospice training in Mexia, Texas. Thom praises the training, saying it gives the volunteers the guidance they need. Thom initially thought he would never be able to offer much emotionally, but after he went to sit with a gentleman, he commented that 'you would be surprised what you are capable of handling'.

Thom visits several patients every week and if he can't make it in person, then he is sure to touch base with a phone call. He drives near and far to just be a friend and to find out more about the patient's life. When he can't find the right words, he says he prays for guidance. Thom can even be found making rounds at the nursing home making new friends after his hospice visits. He states "I get as much blessing out of my visits as the patients." Thom also participates as one of our 11th Hour Volunteers, sitting with patients during their final hours. On one occasion, Thom recalls sitting with a gentleman and after he passed, Thom felt no fear and no anxiety, only a peaceful presence.



MEET SUSIE QUIGGINS

Susie Quiggins is a vital component of the Volunteer Ministry at Providence Hospice in Whitney, Texas. For more than 10 years, Susie has been going the extra mile for patients, visiting more than one patient at a time and driving extra miles in order to visit a patient. Susie's experience with hospice is very personal. Susie's sister was on hospice and Susie was able to experience first-hand the compassionate care provided. Susie was so grateful and impressed she later took the opportunity to train and become a volunteer through White Bluff Chapel.



As Susie will tell you, she has enjoyed every minute of volunteering. She is able to be a companion for not only the patient, but also their caregivers citing that simply listening to the needs and concerns of the patients and their families provides so much comfort. Susie serves our patients who live outside the city, often driving more than 50 miles round trip; yet, she always has a smile on her face and grace in her heart. In addition to visiting patients in their home, Susie also leads Bingo at the nursing home every month. The residents love to play bingo and because of volunteers like Susie, even those who no longer can play by themselves have an opportunity for fellowship.

Susie has a truly altruistic spirit, saying "it is such a blessing to help make someone's last days on earth a little more pleasant and peaceful. I pray God will continue to use me in this wonderful ministry as long as I am able."

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FROM THE CEO

As you may know, I began my career in hospice at CHT and consider this my home. I am so thrilled to come full circle, returning to my roots, my love, my home. I spent over 15 years here before embarking on a six-year journey to learn more and gain a deeper depth of knowledge. I always held the hope of coming back, and was thrilled when the offer came to return and lead the organization into our next 20 years. My vision for 2017 is to continue to grow and serve as a not-for-profit hospice; I believe that our service should be about the patient, not the bottom line. In the short-term, I want to ensure our staff and volunteers are taken care of emotionally and spiritually, so that they may continue to provide top quality care and work to collaborate within the communities we serve.



When I contemplate how CHT came to be, I am still amazed. Four local hospital systems who were so forward thinking over 20 years ago came together and blended all their hospice programs into one that is still thriving. When we first merged, we were able to service 125 patients each day; now, we see about 440 on a daily basis. It never ceases to amaze me the statistics surrounding us: 250 employees, 6 locations, 3 in-patient units, THE largest not-for-profit hospice in Texas and THE largest pediatric hospice in Texas. Everything is bigger in Texas, and I am proud to say that we are able to service and support these needs.

With gratitude for your support,

Viki Jingle

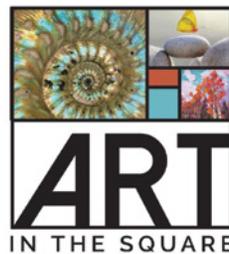
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Special Thanks to

We would like to thank **The Junior League of Fort Worth Texas, Inc.** for their grant to refresh/remodel our children's room at HDD. We are grateful and excited for the support we've received from The Junior League Fort Worth! We cannot wait to see the impact this grant has on updating our playroom at our in-patient unit downtown. Thank you for valuing our program and the impact we make with families!



We would also like to thank the **Southlake Women's Club** for their continued support of our mission. Each year in April, Southlake Women's Club hosts Art in the Square. This festival is one of the top small art shows in the nation. Art in the Square features artists, musicians, performing artists, food, drinks and children's activities to provide a weekend of fun while raising money for local not-for-profits. We were honored to be chosen as one of the many beneficiaries of this event. Thank you Southlake Women's Club for your continued support.



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2017 Life's Hope Luncheon

Waco - Thursday, October 5, Noon

Fort Worth - Wednesday, November 8, Noon

Mexia - Fall 2017

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THE REX KING MEMORIAL SOCCER CUP

Mike King and Kaye Nazarko lost their father, Rex King, to cancer in 2011: during his battle, he was admitted to Community Hospice of Texas (CHT) in Fort Worth. CHT allowed their father to rest peacefully and gave the family support. Mike remembers how the nurses and staff explained what was happening to his father as he was passing. Because of that kindness and the incredible care CHT provided during their time of need, Mike and his family were compelled to dedicate a soccer tournament in Rex's memory. Students and volunteers lined up to support this tournament with all proceeds benefiting CHT. "It is my hope that Timber Creek High School, our soccer program and our community can provide for those that are unable to afford the care my father received," said Mike in 2015, when the tournament had been raising funds for several years.



As a great coach and leader in the community, Coach Mike King provided an opportunity to give back. Since the inception, the tournament has raised more than \$46,000, to help other families through their most difficult time. The King family truly believes that no one deserves to suffer in their final days when there are resources to help our loved ones rest comfortably.

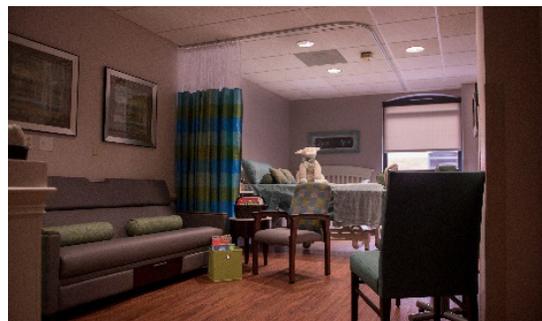
Every year the number of volunteers working the tournament increases. We have added a silent auction, raffle prizes and t-shirts sales. Many of the teams that participate come to support the cause, not just to play in the tournament. The student athletes help locate sponsorships, volunteer in the raffle tickets, t-shirt sales and concessions. Mike's favorite part is "the student athletes supporting this MISSION and educating them on what exactly hospice is with CHT is and how it can help families."

The staff, volunteers and Board of Directors would like to thank the King/Nazarko families and the generous students past and present of Timber Creek High School as they 'score' one for our patients!



Join us for a CONNECT

Learn about our mission of providing compassionate end of life care. You'll hear a Hospice family story and how hospice has had a positive and lasting impact on their family. Tour our state of the art facility. It will last less than one hour and we will not ask you for a donation. It is to inform and inspire.



PROVIDENCE HOSPICE CONNECT TOURS

June 14 **October 11**
July 12 **November 8**
August 9 **December 6**

COMMUNITY HOSPICE OF TEXAS CONNECT TOURS

June 15 **September 21**
July 20 **October 19**
August 17 **December 21**

Please call Bertha Orona to RSVP at 817.989.3254 or borona@chot.org.

How do I GIVE?

We accept gifts made by cash, check or credit card. Or, if you prefer contributing supplies, below is a Wish List for both locations.

Wish LIST

Providence Hospice

Please call us if your faith or community group can deliver snacks to our Hospice House

- Books and magazines
- Small games such as checkers, dominos and card games
- Baby monitors
- Birthday cards for patients
- Toys and books
- New dark bath towels (red or black)
- New twin sheet sets
- Bereavement and grief books for children (please call for a list)
- Items for volunteer appreciation gifts (movie tickets, items for gift baskets)
- Body and Care items for patients (scented lotions, creams, body wash, aftershave, etc.)
- Handheld shower head
- iPods

Community Hospice

Please call us if your faith or community group can deliver snacks to our Hospice House

- Books and magazines
- Small games such as checkers, dominos and card games
- Baby monitors
- Gift bags to deliver Memory Bears and Memory Pillows
- Memory Bear and Pillow supplies (stuffing, pillow forms and ribbon)
- Toys and books for our hospice house
- Card-making supplies
- New dark bath towels (red or black)
- New twin sheet sets
- Items for volunteer appreciation gifts (movie tickets, items for gift baskets)
- Body and Care items for patients (scented lotions, creams, body wash, aftershave, etc.)
- Handheld shower head



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