Peace Island Volunteers

January 2018 Update

Children's Exam Room in the PIMC Clinic





When the clinic Caregivers asked for an exam room that would appeal to children, Peace Island Volunteers went to work! Artist Gary Wallace created a whimsical forest scene, complete with a kite on the ceiling, a happy sun shining down, ducks, bunnies, and even a cat in a tree. A bright yellow park bench, matching book racks, colorful clock, and a multi-use white board all add to the lighthearted feeling. The room brings a smile to the face of everyone who enters—kids or adults, sick or well.





A Thank You from PeaceHealth



Peace Island PeaceHealth Medical Center opened its doors five years ago, on November 17, 2012. But months before that Peace Island Volunteers was taking shape. A group from the old Medical Center Guild knew there would be a need, and had a solid organization in place before PIMC's door opened.

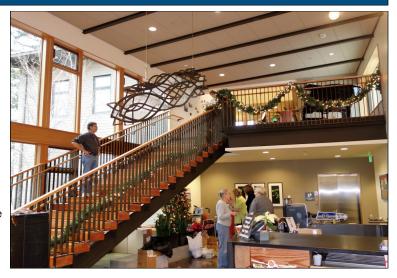
In a special ceremony, PIMC CAO Merry-Ann Keane presented 5 year certificates to PIMC Caregivers who had been there "from the beginning"; Peace Island Volunteers was part of that group.

Be sure to read the enclosed letter from the PIMC leaders. It is an excellent information-filled summary of PIMC's first five years.

OUR ONGOING PROJECTS

PIV's established projects continued to flourish in 2017. Our many services to PIMC include

- In House Volunteers who staff reception desks and support visiting physicians
- Cancer Care hats, lap blankets, mitts, Chemo Comfort Kits
- Stuffed animals and bags of games for young ED patients; adult coloring books and colored pencils for older ED patients
- Angel Fund for medical emergencies not covered by insurance
- Holiday decorations 5-6 times a year
- Lunch ordering service for Caregivers, as there is no cafeteria at PIMC
- Magazines for waiting areas



RAISING FUNDS

Throughout the year we hold events which raise not only awareness of PIV but also funds for our many projects. One of these events is our annual **Easter Basket Sale**. Volunteers assemble sumptuous, beautifully wrapped baskets with many themes. You may find baskets for gardeners, wine lovers, pets, or cooks, as well as for young children, teenagers, or retirees. This year the sale will be on **Friday**, **March 23 from 10-1 in the PIMC Lobby**. If you have questions or would like to order a special basket, call Anne at 298-1789 or email us at peaceislandvolunteers@gmail.com





Peace Island Volunteers is grateful to be part of King's Market's give back program. Just bring your King's receipts to Peace Island Medical Center (there are boxes at the Main Lobby desk as well as the Emergency desk), or mail them to PIV, PO Box 3077, Friday Harbor, WA 98250. We'll process them and King's will donate 1% of the total to us. Thank you—it helps A LOT!

BE A MEMBER IN 2018!

Peace Island Volunteers provides needed support to Peace Island Medical Center, but is a separate organization, with its own 501(c)3 designation. PIV keeps its operating expenses to an absolute minimum, using the majority of its funds to support its many projects.

As a member, you have a choice as to whether you want to contribute time or not. Decorators have the fun of transforming PIMC at Christmas time, and adding seasonal touches the rest of the year. Bakers not only celebrate the staff with treats on special days, but also create goodies for special PIMC events. You may also help with lunch orders, or support visiting physicians by coordinating patients.

Many PIV members are not able to contribute hours of service at all, but their dues are an important way of supporting the volunteer program.

Your dues are essential in allowing PIV to continue giving help where help is needed. Remember, we welcome men as well as women! Please join for 2018 by using the enclosed card and envelope. Thank you!

Peace Island Volunteers supports and promotes healthcare services at PeaceHealth Peace Island Medical Center and in the San Juan County Community.

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