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CRMC Awards Luncheon Honors Volunteers

The men and women of the Cortland Regional Medical Center Auxiliary were recently recognized at their Annual Awards Luncheon at the Cortland Country Club. The event, sponsored by the medical center's Administration and Board of Trustees, honored the volunteers for their effort, dedication, and financial support during the past year.

In all, 358 volunteers donated 36,846 hours in service to CRMC patients and staff in 2006-07. The CRMC Auxiliary, which numbers 228 active men and women volunteers, provides various services throughout the medical center. These include assisting in hospitality, clerical tasks, and patient transport.

In addition, the Auxilians operate the coffee and gift shop, and coordinate TV/telephone service for patients. Proceeds from these services, as well as fundraising events such as bake sales, raffles, and the Christmas bazaar, benefit the Cortland Memorial Foundation.

The Awards Luncheon served as a forum to honor Auxilians for their continuous service over the years. Service plateaus ranged from 100-16,000 hours.

Katia Marsted led all the honorees and was recognized for having given CRMC over 16,000 hours of service through the years. Helen Christian and Dick Lorows each reached the 10,000 Hour plateau. Nellie Beames became a member of the 6,000 Hour Guard, while Betsy Wingard received 5,000 Hour Guard recognition. Joining the 3,000 Hour Guard were: Betty Finsterwalder, Dolores Grenell, and Lorraine Taylor. Fanny Anthony and Josephine Brown were both honored for 2,000 hours of service.

Others reaching service milestones included:

1,000 Hours

Colleen Bentley	Shirley Kane
Lillian Berry	Ray Kellogg
Jacki Brazina	Joan Lieber
Steve Brazina	Lonnie O'Donnell
Michelle Ferris	Joan Vrooman

500 Hours

Phyllis Adams	Nancy Root
Pat Fox	Linda Spencer
Holly Greer	Gail VanPatten
Wilma Henry	Elsie Wildman
Eleanor Miner	Joe Wood

100 Hours

Marietta Aldrich	Martha Craig Diehl	Jean Ostrander
Marcia Barden	Charlotte Ellsworth	Judy Pribula
Charles Bernheim	Nancy Mann	Elizabeth Rodman
Erin Boylan	Cody Misener	Jan Thomsen
Emilia DeForest	Sheryl Morris	

If you enjoy meeting and helping people, and want to really make a difference in your free time, there is a place for you at Cortland Regional Medical Center. Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer is asked to contact Lynda Harrison in the Volunteer Office 756-3555. Your time and talents are greatly appreciated.

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