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Quality, Compassionate Care



October-December 2021

Executive Director Lauri Hunner and Therapy Dog, Trenton



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A letter from the Executive Director

Change, whether eagerly anticipated or brought on by difficult or challenging circumstances is an experience that we have all encountered. As we have all learned over the years, our approach to adjusting to changing circumstances is far more effective than any reaction that we may find within ourselves. As we experience the change in seasons and any other individual or collective changes in our future, please remember that holding a positive, loving and kind attitude helps the process.

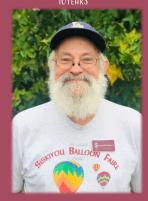
Blessings, ~ Lauri

LYNN GRENVIK DIRECTOR OF PATIENT CARE



We are at once delighted and disheartened to announce that two of our long time employees, Lynn Grenvik and John Hasemeyer will be retiring in December. Lynn and John have been such dedicated, exceptional employees throughout the years, and they have played a vital role to our mission here at Madrone Hospice. We would like to thank them both and wish them the very best in this next chapter of their lives. They will be truly missed.

JOHN HASEMEYER MAINTENANCE-



Light Up a Life Celebrating Love and Light

Our annual Light Up a Life ceremony has been held at Madrone Hospice for over thirty years and is part of an annual tradition celebrated throughout the United States. It is a special way to remember and honor our loved ones who are no longer with us. We do this by dedicating a light in their honor and the reading of names. To pause and reflect on the

many ways they have brightened our lives.

This year, we will once again embrace a virtual service. The live event will be on

Friday, December 3rd at 5:30

You will be able to access the service by visiting <u>www.madronehospice.org</u> as well as Facebook.

A donation of any amount will ensure your loved one's name will be read during the ceremony. Donors of \$50 or more will receive a special keepsake in honor of their loves ones. There is no obligation to donate. To donate or find out more, please call 530-842-3160.



November is National

Home Care Hospice Month

November is a very special month for Madrone Hospice. We call upon our wonderful community to recognize and honor the power of caregiving during this month which is National Home Care and Hospice Month as well as National Family Caregivers Month. During the month of November, we honor the millions of professionals who work in the broad field of home care and hospice work, including physicians, nurses, home caregivers, therapists, and social workers who together make a remarkable difference in the lives of the patients and families they serve. These heroic caregivers play a crucial role in our health care

system and in homes across the nation.

According to the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization, 1.6 million people in this country who are living with a life-limiting illness receive care from hospice providers each year. These highly trained professionals ensure that patients and their families find dignity, respect, and love during life's most difficult journey. Although to some, the word "hospice" may mean giving up on life, the goal of the hospice caregiving team is to ensure that each person we serve experiences the best possible quality of life — emotionally, physically, and spiritually.

At Madrone Hospice, we consider the in-home family caregiver one of our most valuable and unrecognized team members. We honor the service of these family members and friends who have



dedicated their lives to provide much-needed care for patients, both in hospice and general home healthcare. In most cases, the primary caregiver is a spouse, parent, or adult child. Often underpaid or not paid at all, these in-home caregivers frequently take on caregiving responsibilities while still providing for themselves and other family members. The job of a caregiver is never easy or glamorous. Whether you are a family member or professional caregiver, providing care comes with a complex set of responsibilities and challenges Their tasks can be strenuous and daunting and include:

Advocate: Sometimes when speaking with their physician, patients are not completely forthcoming with their physical or emotional needs and tend to downplay their pain. Caretakers play a key role in facilitating honest communication and upholding patient treatment decisions.

Personal Care: Caregivers often help with daily activities such as dressing, bathing, or toileting.

Household Tasks: Caregivers are often in charge of preparing meals, doing chores and laundry, shopping for groceries and essentials, and even paying bills.

Emotional Support: Being comfortable and happy is vital to one's overall wellbeing. Caregivers provide crucial social interactions through daily communication and visits. Caregivers are tasked with the important duty of providing support and encouragement for the patients and often become a much-needed friend and companion. This break from isolation can improve a patient's quality of life.

Medical Care: Caregivers must be present during provider visits to take notes, ask questions and assist loved ones in making decisions with the healthcare team. They may also be responsible for ordering, picking up and administering medications, providing transportation to appointments, and dealing with scheduling, billing, or insurance issues. Care providers may also assist with other medical processes such as physical therapy, injections, feeding tubes, etc.

There are currently more than 65 million in-home caregivers in this country alone and their true value cannot be measured. We thank these in-home heroes and remind them of the important need to take care of themselves. If you are a caregiver, we urge you to take advantage of any resources available to you. Please visit the National Alliance for Caregivers at https://www.caregiving.org/resources/

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In recognition and appreciation of our donors and in honor of the ones they love-the following list represents donations received between <u>June 16th– September 15th</u>

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