Lately, the expression, “What a difference a year makes” is a common one. The world has been battling a devastating pandemic, which is just starting to get under control, at least here in Connecticut. This of course is in large part to the hard works of all those working and volunteering in the Hartford Healthcare community.

But, the Hartford Hospital Auxiliary is also trumpeting the phrase, “What a difference ONE HUNDRED years makes!” That’s because 2021 marks the 100th anniversary of the organization of this dedicated group of volunteers. In its early years, the Auxiliary supported the hospital during a flu pandemic and a world war... 100 years later the world and the Hartford community is facing a pandemic yet again, and the Auxiliary remains alongside hospital staff to provide volunteers and monetary support in any way we can.

While the scope and dollar amount of the Auxiliary’s donation and volunteer efforts have markedly increased over the years, the commitment and goal of the group has stayed true to its mission. The Auxiliary continues to respond to needs identified by staff, which are not covered under the hospital budget. We fund department initiatives, equipment upgrades, facility improvements, new technology, training, and more, to ultimately benefit patients, family members, visitors, employees, and volunteers.

Through fundraising events, donations, and the Auxiliary Store, we support special projects, the capital campaign, and provide gifts to the Hartford Hospital community now totaling over $1,000,000 year. Our members, board of directors, and elected officers come from all walks of life – full-time working women, hospital employees, stay at home moms, retired executives, young professionals, long-time residents, and people new to the area.

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From the Co-Presidents

Dear Auxilians,

2021 brings the 100 year Anniversary of the Auxiliary, we continue the mission of service to the hospital community. While 2020-2021 was challenging we were able to pivot when necessary and were thankful to be able to master zoom meetings, to eventually meet in person for both the September golf tournament and May Annual Meeting as scheduled.

We remained steadfast and were able to fund $310,000 in new projects as well as the Exoskeleton for the Hartford Hospital Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility.

Some of our project highlights included:

- The Eigenflow ECMO Simulator
- A digital dental impression scanner for the Brownstone Clinic
- Diagnostic Ultrasound imaging scanners for the Lifestar Helicopters
- The purchase of an emergency crash cart and medication boxes critical for nursing education
- A voice analysis system to help those with voice disorders
- Chemotherapy Cold Caps, which will be used to help breast cancer patients keep their hair while undergoing treatment

We have also been blessed to continue to fund our annual discretionary gifts including:

- Holiday gifts to IOL patients
- The Lymphedema Program
- Labor and Maternity Boxes
- Read To Grow
- Chapel and Lobby Floral Arrangements
- The employee holiday event which was a successful pie giveaway this year

With our partnership with the incredible leadership of Hartford Healthcare and the tremendously successful vaccination roll out that we could all be together for the Spring Annual meeting. And we look forward to another successful golf tournament in a few weeks. The pandemic was met head on and many Auxillainas were able to volunteer on the front lines at testing and vaccination locations around the state. As we celebrate our 100 years of service we recognize all those who have given their tremendous talents and time, thanks to all.

Looking forward to seeing everyone on September 13, 2021 for the Golf Tournament.

Best,
Christina Rossi
Marri Fairbanks

The Auxiliary would like to thank the Co-Presidents Marri Fairbanks and Christina Rossi for their steadfast leadership and encouragement in the face of enormous challenges this year. They kept us motivated, online and on time for all our zoom meetings. Cheers to 100 years!

Changing of the Guard

Nominated for election at the 2021 Hartford Hospital Auxiliary Annual Meeting, Julie Corroon will join continuing president Christina Rossi as the Co-President of the Auxiliary.

Julie joined the Auxiliary in 2017 and has served on the Executive Board since 2019 in the capacity of Vice-President of Retail Operations. Julie has chaired the Annual Meeting and served on the Golf Tournament committee. In addition, Julie has volunteered at the Bone and Joint Institute and has been a volunteer at the convention center doing screening for the Covid vaccination program.

Outside of the hospital, Julie has been an active volunteer at Covenant Prep School in Hartford.

Julie and her husband Jack live in West Hartford and have 2 grown children and a grandchild on the way. In her free time, she is an outdoor enthusiast who loves walking, playing golf, and paddle tennis. Julie is thrilled and honored to join Christina as Co-President of the Auxiliary.

Julie Corroon
100 Years of Good Works!

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Founded in 1921, the Auxiliary started its rich history by making bandages, clothing and other items needed by the hospital. During World War II many Auxiliary members volunteered their time as nurse’s aides, allowing the administration to keep open an additional third of the hospital. Fast forward to today – we continue to provide services to all aspects of Hartford Hospital, and are still there to support the hospital in times of crises. In 2020, the Auxiliary donated $250,000 to the hospital’s Covid-19 pandemic efforts, going toward the Nurses’ Uniform Initiative, Safe Housing Initiative, a Meal Distribution Plan, as well as to a general pandemic fund for unforeseen expenses.

Likewise, many of our current programs are reminiscent of those from many decades ago, illustrating how our mission has not changed. For example:

- The Auxiliary established in 1922 a $1,000 scholarship in social service or public health. In 1968, a scholarship fund for the children of Hartford Hospital employees was instituted, and still continues, known as the “Sons and Daughters Scholarship Award”, donating $75,000 per year to students. Additionally, in 2004 the Auxiliary developed the VolunTeen Scholarship Award to donate $5,000 to a deserving high school senior who is a VolunTeen at Hartford Hospital and is planning to pursue a medical or healthcare related field of study.

- In 1944, following the Hartford Circus Fire Tragedy, Auxiliary members helped make masks, which were in high demand in the hospital. Once again, several Auxiliary members took it upon themselves to sew dozens of masks as the Covid pandemic swept through the hospital in 2020.

- In 1922, the Auxiliary donated toilet baskets with personal necessities to patients in need. In 2021, we donated $10,000 to Dignity Grows, a project established in 2018 to provide individuals in need with essential hygiene products so they can attend school and work and participate in community life without interruption.

- In the 1920’s, Auxiliary members donated some of their time reading to patients. Since 2008, the Auxiliary has been bringing the Connecticut-based Read to Grow “Books for Babies” program to Hartford Hospital to help new parents understand how books and reading play a role in developing language skills.

After 100 years, the Auxiliary continues to grow, change and foster advancements in our hospital system.

Some highlights:

- We’ve had 31 Golf Tournaments – 1991 – 2020; each one more successful than the last, raising over $6 million in total and typically over $400,000 each year.

- We’ve held 8 Rx For Fun events – each offering the Auxiliary and its guests a wonderful celebration of the year’s efforts, and a $10,000 donation to a special hospital cause.

- We’ve grown our annual project donations from about $45,000 a year to up to $500,000 a year.

- We’ve supported almost 30 annual Hartford Hospital Employee Holiday parties.

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Opening the Auxiliary Store in 1972 Hartford Hospital Auxiliary Store partners with Lori’s Gifts, 2020
100 Years of Good Works!

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- We’ve supported The Auxiliary Store since 1943, providing a gift shop experience to patients, families and staff and raise funds for the benefit of the hospital; now available for on-line shopping and usually same-day delivery!
- We’ve been helping new moms understand the importance of reading to their children since 2008.
- We’ve donated hundreds of hours of volunteer service hours.
- In 2020, we donated $250,000 to the hospital’s Covid Fund, with assistance going to the Nurses Uniform Initiative, the Pandemic Fund for Safe Housing Initiative, and the Meals Distribution Plan. Additionally, many Auxiliary members have taken on weekly volunteer shifts at Covid testing and vaccine sites.

In the last ten years alone, the Auxiliary has contributed substantially to a long list of improvements and additions at Hartford Hospital. Some of these include helping to fund the new Brownstone Clinic and Cancer Innovation Unit, the Bliss Expansion, as well as major Family Lounge, Emergency Observation Unit, and IOL renovations.

We also were pleased to support the Great Gray Wall at the Henry and Harry Gray Cancer Center, the Exoskeleton for the Inpatient Rehabilitation Unit, and new initiatives such as the FoodFarmacy and Dignity Grows.

The Hartford Hospital Auxiliary is a dedicated group of volunteers, who appreciate the opportunity to serve as Ambassadors for the hospital community, some of us for almost 40 years. As always, we have one goal in mind – to make a difference in our community by supporting the values of Caring, Safety, Excellence, and Integrity at Hartford Hospital. And we look forward to continuing to do good works and helping Hartford Hospital strive to be Better Than Normal for many more decades to come.

NOTE: Italics – verbiage from 2018 membership pamphlet or web site.

2018 RX for Fun Yard Goats Dunkin Donuts Park

Hartford Hospital Auxiliaries making surgical dressing in the 1940s

Rx for Fun Derby Party 2011
On May 18, 2021, the Auxiliary Board gathered in person for the first time in over a year at The Hartford Golf Club for its annual meeting. There was excitement in the room as President & Chief Executive Officer, Jeffrey Flaks recognized the Auxiliary’s early donation to the COVID 19 fund as well as its donation of staff meals and nurse scrubs. Additionally, Jeff applauded the many Auxilians who volunteered at both testing and vaccination sites during the pandemic. The morning included a lively fireside chat discussion about The New Normal: How Covid has accelerated digital health led by Rebecca Stewart, Vice President Content Strategy and Marketing Communications, and Dr. Barry Stein, MD Vice President Chief Clinical Officer. Finally, Christina Rossi introduced next year’s Auxiliary Board Nominating Slate as well as the new Co-President, Julie Corroon, before announcing the Auxiliary’s congratulations and donation in support of the upcoming retirement of Carol Garlick, Vice President Emerita Philanthropy. (See page 6)
The Exoskeleton is here!

After much excitement and anticipation, the "Exoskeleton", or "Ekso", has been installed in Hartford Hospital’s 26-bed Inpatient Rehabilitation Unit (IRU), on Conklin 6. With a gift of $150,000 from the proceeds of the 2020 Auxiliary Golf Tournament, the IRU was able to fully fund the purchase of the Exoskeleton. This ready-to-wear, battery-powered bionic suit is strapped over a patient’s clothing and used for individuals with spinal cord injury, stroke, multiple sclerosis or other types of lower body weakness or paralysis.

Staff believe that the Exoskeleton will help HHIRU be comparable to the top nationally ranked facilities, by providing access to the innovative technologies that are available to help our therapists provide the best outcomes for our patients. Hartford Hospital now joins over 300 rehabilitation centers across the world in helping restore quality, speed and independence with walking. Locally, Peak Wellness of Greenwich and Gaylord Specialty Healthcare in Connecticut also have the Ekso bionic exoskeleton. The HHIRU is the only inpatient rehabilitation unit to have one in the state.

Hartford Hospital’s IRU admits over 700 patients per year. Approximately 70%, or nearly 500, have a neurological diagnosis and could potentially use the exoskeleton to assist with gait training. While this new unit is dedicated to the IRU, their long-term strategy is to acquire multiple units that could be used in the outpatient clinic setting.

The Ekso enables patients to take many more steps earlier in their rehabilitation stay, even before they are able to move their legs on their own. This results in faster recovery and better outcomes. According to Shantel Szymanski, Neurological Rehabilitation Program Manager, IRU, staff will use the Ekso during a patient’s one hour treatment sessions, and are averaging 600 steps per session. How often they use it is individual to that patient’s current function and individual goals. Some patients might use it daily, while others may use it twice a week and work on other aspects of their recovery on the other days.

Staff undergo extensive training as the device has numerous capabilities. Ms. Szymanski feels extremely encouraged in these early weeks of Ekso’s arrival. "It has been great! We are still in the learning phase, but have had some great experiences so far. The whole team including doctors, nurses, personal care assistants, food service, and environmental services get excited when they see someone walk down the hall with it! Everyone cheers the patient on!"

“We have already had 7 patients use the Ekso. The last few patients we used it with, showed some significant changes to their walking pattern once they got out of the Ekso. That’s what it’s all about! We are trying to improve neural connections and maximize nervous system plasticity, or the ability to change. The last man I worked with told me, “I can feel my brain rewiring” as he was learning a new way to walk.”

This amazing new device will be an important member of the team, so staff wants to give it a proper name! Clearly reminiscent of Ironman, Ms. Szymanski noted that some hospitals actually name their Eksos “Jarvis” for that very reason! Stay tuned for the final decision!

Carol Garlick, a person beloved by the Auxiliary, has announced her retirement this coming October. Carol currently serves as the Vice President of Philanthropy and has played an essential role throughout her 23 years of work for Hartford Hospital. Not only has Carol seamlessly guided the endeavors of the Auxiliary board for the past two decades, she has additionally raised millions of dollars for various programs benefiting both the hospital and our community. Carol has been our eyes and ears and a wonderful liaison, guiding the Auxiliary through communication and matching the needs of the hospital. The Auxiliary will be making a donation to Hartford Hospital in honor of all her hard work throughout the years. We wish Carol nothing but the best and congratulate her on her retirement this fall!
Despite the unprecedented times of this past year and a half, the Auxiliary was able to continue its support of annual efforts, most notably the golf tournament. In the months before the September tournament plans, dates, and sponsorships are typically solidified, but 2020 proved to be nothing but typical. The Auxiliary’s incredible leaders, Lori Flaks and Patti Maciag navigated the changing landscape of the event and overcame the issues regarding capacity, regulations, and safety. Due to the surprise of none, Lori and Patti were able to throw an extremely successful tournament despite all the obstacles in their way. While the formation of the tournament did not follow its traditional model, participants had nothing but praises to sing about the event. The golf tournament was able to raise $361,000 for Hartford Hospitals Covid-19 Relief Fund. With the revenue brought in from the golf tournament, the Auxiliary has been able to fund $310,000 of new projects and allocate $150,000 for a project for the Exoskeleton which is currently in use at the Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility. As we look forward to the 2021 Tournament on September 13th, the beneficiary will be Food Farmacy which helps those in the local community that suffer from food insecurity by providing them with prescriptions for food access at Hartford Hospital.

**Holiday Pies**

To celebrate the Holiday season and show gratitude to the tireless Hartford Hospital employees, the Auxiliary Donated $10,000 worth of pies for the staff to enjoy with their families. We are looking forward to hosting a traditional holiday party in the future.
Reflections on the Auxiliary, Past and Present

Jeanne Conrad and Jennifer Conrad Wedeles

As the only mother and daughter who have ever both served as a co-president of the Hartford Hospital Auxiliary, we have been asked to share some of our thoughts and reflections with you. I joined the Board in 2000 and served as co-president from 2001 to 2003. Jennifer started on the Board in 2014, and was co-president from 2017 to 2019. Despite the years separating our terms, we share a common sense of gratitude and pride to have had the opportunity to lead this worthy and vital Board.

I was inspired to join the Auxiliary by a dear friend and then Auxiliary President, Susan Ely. I felt an especially strong connection to the goals of the Auxiliary because my husband, William Conrad, did his residency at Hartford Hospital and was a longtime practicing physician there (now retired after thirty plus years). My term as co-president was the first time the Auxiliary had co-presidents rather than just one president; I served with Marilyn Rettig in the first year of my term and with Hillary Pease in the second year. We established the model of alternating co-presidencies that I think has now stood the test of time. During my years as co-president, highlights included funding the establishment of the Cancer Center Boutique at the Helen & and Harry Gray Cancer Center, the commitment to fund the creation of a café (which later led to Au Bon Pain) in the hospital’s newly renovated lobby, an extensive study of the store and its subsequent renovation and reorganization, and pledging $500,000 over five years to the hospital’s 150th Anniversary Campaign. It was an eventful time for the Auxiliary, with some difficult transitions and significant contributions.

Jennifer was inspired to join the Auxiliary by her father and me, and says that she knew that after she moved back to Connecticut in 2010, it was only a matter of time before she would join the Auxiliary. In 2014, she and her sister-in-law, Kimberly Conrad, carried on the family tradition and both became Board members. Jennifer’s co-presidency began in 2017 when she served with Amy Steinberg, followed by her second year with Shelley Dodd. Highlights of her time as co-president include donating $200,000 to the Institute of Living to complete a number of necessary renovation projects, donating $150,000 through golf tournament proceeds to the Family Experience at Hartford Hospital that helped renovate the hospital’s family lounges, and a significant donation to fund The Great Gray Wall, a mural that was painted outside the infusion center at the Helen & Harry Gray Cancer Center.

One common point of gratitude that we share is for the opportunity we have had to work alongside so many of the hospital’s wonderful doctors, nurses, staff, and leadership. The respect, support, and appreciation for the Auxiliary by the hospital has been and remains extraordinary.

Looking back on our years on the Auxiliary Board, we appreciate all the more the experiences we had, the friendships we made, and the good works that the Auxiliary continues to do for Hartford Hospital. I am in awe of the level of financial support that the Auxiliary currently is able to give. As a still active Board member, Jennifer believes the Auxiliary is so consequential today because it has been able to build upon the foundation laid over the years by countless dedicated Auxiliary members. And we are especially grateful to be able to share this bond of experience and commitment to an institution we care so deeply about.

Debbie May, Linda Goldman, Hillary Pease, Jeanne Conrad, Susan Ely at the 2016 Annual Meeting
Hazel Vail, Former Auxiliary Board Member and Current Hartford Hospital Volunteer

In 1968, the Auxiliary established the scholarship fund for children of Hartford Hospital employees. The top award of up to $10,000, is given in honor of Hazel Vail, an Auxiliary Board Member from 1992 to 2015. Established in 2016, this award honors Hazel, a Hartford Hospital volunteer since 1979, who has dedicated almost 16,000 hours of service.

“I loved my time on the Auxiliary for the comradery that it offered, its mission to help people, and because it allowed me to learn how the Hartford Hospital organization was run and operated. I believe that the major change over the years is the large amount of money raised each year for the hospital, mostly through the successes of the golf tournament, but also think the focus of the Auxiliary has changed. During World War II the hospital trained a group of women as nurses’ aides. They worked almost full time and allowed the hospital to keep more rooms open. I feel this was the time that the focus of the Auxiliary changed from sewing and bandage rolling to doing what the hospital needed most. This continually changes.”

She explains that it started off focusing on sewing masks, bandages and clothing and supporting nursing education, but has grown much larger and now able to support all areas of the hospital. And in 2020, of course the Auxiliary’s ability to support the hospital community during the Covid pandemic has been extremely important and will be a notable element in the Auxiliary’s history. Hazel also shares that the hospital has always been very appreciative of the Auxiliary, but even more so in recent decades and she feels proud to have been a part of that. At 94, Hazel still comes to the hospital to volunteer in the Volunteer Services Department twice a week, and loves to help the Auxiliary in any way she can.

Bimal Patel, President Hartford Hospital & Hartford Region, SVP, Hartford HealthCare

“Over this past 100 years, the Hartford Hospital Auxiliary’s support has been critical in our ability to provide the best care to our patients and healthcare access to all of the communities we serve,” said Bimal Patel, Hartford Hospital President and Senior Vice President, Hartford HealthCare. “This has never been more apparent than during the recent pandemic. Thanks in part to Auxiliary’s support we were able to ensure that our frontline colleagues had what they needed at work and beyond to help fight the pandemic and keep them, their colleagues and their families safe. I am profoundly grateful for the Auxiliary’s support now and always.”

Steve Donahue, Director, Center for Education, Simulation and Innovation

“I can’t begin to express my gratitude and appreciation for the Auxiliary. Without their steadfast support from the inception of Simulation 1999 to the State of the Art training center 2021, the Auxiliary has been a major supporter and advocate each step of the way and has helped shape us into a world class training center. The Auxiliary saw the vision and capabilities of simulation since the late 90’s and early 2000’s and the tremendous benefit it has had on training and education, as well as improving patient safety. Thanks to their support, they have helped us train thousands of health care providers, EMS, Military, Police and Firefighter personnel.”

Carol Garlick, CFRE, Vice President, Philanthropy, Emerita

“For 100 of its 167 years, Hartford Hospital has benefited from the good works of our Auxiliary. Just as the hospital has evolved and grown throughout its storied history to improve the health and healing of the communities we serve, so too has the Auxiliary transformed itself to always be a valued partner — from making bandages and clothing in its early days, to today, serving at COVID-19 testing and vaccine sites and contributing especially generous gifts to support the hospital’s response to the pandemic. Hartford Hospital could not be more fortunate to stand with such a committed, dynamic, and caring Auxiliary which advances our mission in so many impactful ways.”

Eileen Pelletier, CAVS, Director of Volunteer Services

“Congratulations on 100 years to an amazing Auxiliary! The Volunteer Services program at Hartford Hospital grew from the Auxiliary’s efforts, so our groups have been entwined for many years. The supportive and collaborative relationship we have has resulted in increased opportunities for service and improvements that have benefited Hartford Hospital and its staff, patients, visitors and our volunteers and Auxilians. We look forward to many more years of collaboration.”
Reflections on the Auxiliary, Past and Present

Kathy Winslow Herzog, Auxiliary Board Member

It is a great joy to be on the Hartford Hospital Auxiliary Board as we celebrate the Auxiliary’s 100th anniversary. I came to the Auxiliary Board after completing a long involvement with Camp Fire and the Presidency of The Constitution Council of Camp Fire. The HH Auxiliary Board seemed like a logical organization for me with my husband, Dr. Al Herzog, working on the staff as a psychiatrist and later as a Medical Staff president and Hospital VP for Medical Affairs. Ironically, my mother had been a devoted member and president of a hospital auxiliary in Massachusetts, and I had declared to my husband that I most certainly did not want to follow in her footsteps! My introduction to the HH Auxiliary and the Board came in about 1989, included two years as its President and other years serving in a variety of aspects, particularly many years as the editor of the Auxiliary newsletter and many more years of volunteering at the Auxiliary Store. Now I am still in the Auxiliary and presently the oldest member serving on the Auxiliary Board. I have enjoyed getting to know its many amazing and accomplished members and I am so proud of all we have accomplished in support of Hartford Hospital and Hartford Healthcare. Happy 100th Birthday, Hartford Hospital Auxiliary!!

Covid-19 Tests and Vaccinations

Better than normal, Auxiliary board members took part in stopping the spread of Covid-19 through their participation in testing centers and vaccination sites across the state. Auxiliary members served as greeters at these various testing centers, enforced social distancing regulations, took temperatures, and facilitated registration. They ensured that everything was running smoothly and sported their appropriate PPE. As the pandemic progressed, focus transitioned from testing to vaccine administration allowing life to get back to the way it used to be. We are grateful for the work that Hartford Hospital has done for the community in the past months and thank you for helping all get the shot!
HARTFORD HOSPITAL AUXILIARY DONATES $10,000 TO DIGNITY GROWS

The Hartford Hospital Auxiliary has donated $10,000 to Dignity Grows, which provides individuals in need with essential hygiene products so they can attend school and work and participate in community life without interruption. This donation comes from money raised at the Hartford Hospital Auxiliary Golf Tournament, and was actually increased to $12,500 through a match from the Jewish Federations of North America. These funds will allow for 1,250 totes to be provided to men and women at the Brownstone Clinic and Women’s Ambulatory Care. Packed in reusable, branded zipper-top totes, each Dignity Tote is filled with a month’s supply of hygiene products.

Open only 18 months, Dignity Grows has helped fill and distribute over 5,000 totes filled with hygiene products – things so many take for granted... from a bar of soap to feminine hygiene products. Especially during these challenging times, such donations can be lifesavers. This initiative began as a one-night initiative aimed at helping individuals in the Greater Hartford community who cannot afford monthly menstrual and hygiene products. The project quickly grew through word of mouth as organizations and agencies in the Hartford area learned about the mission of Dignity Grows. The initiative began at the Jewish Federation of Greater Hartford, but is now a national initiative chaired by founder Jessica Zachs.

Members of the Auxiliary on Sunday, Nov. 29, assisted at a Covid-safe, socially distanced “pack,” where they helped pack totes for those in need over the winter months. Dignity Grows is working with Dr. Janice Hartnet, Medical Director, Women’s Ambulatory Health Services, and her team, who will receive all the totes and distribute them as they see fit.

2021-2022 Hartford Hospital Auxiliary Scholarships for Employee Sons and Daughters

The Hartford Hospital Auxiliary Board is excited to recognize the winners of the Hartford Hospital Auxiliary Scholarships for Employee Sons and Daughters for the 2021-2022 academic year.

The Auxiliary Scholarships for Employee Sons and Daughters are competitive, merit-based scholarships, awarded annually to children of Hartford Hospital employees. The $10,000 Hazel Vail Scholarship is the top scholarship, given in honor of a most loyal, determined, and forward-thinking woman.

An Auxiliary Board Member from 1992 to 2015, Hazel Vail has been a volunteer at Hartford Hospital since 1979 and has dedicated over 13,000 hours of service. Hazel’s spirit and energy continue to inspire, and we are proud to present this scholarship in her name.

In May 2021, the Auxiliary Board awarded 30 scholarships totaling $75,000 for the 2021-2022 academic year. The winner of the $10,000 Hazel Vail Scholarship was Matthew Guasta of Glastonbury, CT. Matthew is the son of Tina Guasta, a Supervisor in the Respiratory Care department and an employee of Hartford Hospital for over 30 years. Matthew plans to attend the University of Connecticut in the fall and will major in Actuarial Science.

Additionally, 29 students received Sons and Daughters Scholarships ranging from $3,500 to $1,000. The Auxiliary would like to congratulate all of the scholarship recipients.
Auxiliary Support

Your donations continue to provide critical support in meeting the needs of the hospital community. With your help, the Auxiliary has funded over $800,000 this past year to benefit our patients, visitors, staff, and volunteers. Thank you to all who have joined in our efforts. Please consider a gift to the Auxiliary.

Visit us online at hartfordhospital.org/auxiliary