



January 1, 2015

Dear SED Auxiliary Presidents, Guild Presidents, Volunteer Group Leaders and SED Board Members,

HAPPY NEW YEAR 2015! The New Year has arrived with lots of promise and hope for us as we continue to work together as advocates for our healthcare systems and promoting good health for all in our communities!

It was a joy to visit with the Guild at Mercy Memorial Hospital System in Monroe, MI for their December Guild Meeting and Christmas Celebration and to tour their beautiful gift shop. They had an awesome project called; "Toasty Toes" where the gift shop sold socks that were donated to the homeless in Monroe County. What wonderful outstanding work!

It was also a joy to visit St. Joseph Mercy Chelsea Auxiliary for their Christmas Celebration complete with entertainment! It was great to see and share with so many of their auxiliary members!

Congratulations to Henry Ford Wyandotte for their community recognition. They were awarded the "Rosie Meyer Community Volunteer Award!" AWESOME JOB!

I will be attending the MAHA Committee Meetings and Board Meeting Jan. 13-15, 2015 in Lansing. It will be a time of planning and sharing for upcoming MAHA events.

In January I will be taking part in installation programs at St. Joseph Mercy Chelsea on January 10; Henry Ford Wyandotte on January 23; on January 21st I will be attending the installation of the officers of my auxiliary at McLaren Port Huron; and also attending the January Auxiliary Meeting of St. John River District in East China on January 8. I am looking forward to visiting each of these organizations and hearing all about the exciting happenings of each.

Our Vice President, Juanita Dickerson and Corresponding Secretary are hard at work planning for the SED Spring Leadership Meeting and workshops. You received a "Save the Date" notice in December and will receive registration information shortly. The date for the SED Leadership Meeting and workshops is March 11, 2015, Wednesday at Great Grace in Detroit.

Don't forget to send in your registration forms for MHA/MAHA Healthcare Advocacy

Day – March 17, 2015 in Lansing. You should have received the registration forms via the USPS. If you did not, that form can be found on the MAHA website – www.mahaonline.org

Remember to be tallying your points for the SED Star Recognition and return those forms to me so that your organization can be recognized at the SED Annual Meeting on May 21, 2015. You are ALL amazing and we are so thankful for each of you and your commitment to volunteering!

Mark your calendars for the SED Annual Meeting and Installation Program – May 21, 2015 at Glen Oaks, Farmington. We hope to see all of you there!

The MAHA Annual Meeting will be held June 9-11, 2015 at Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island. Information will be forthcoming regarding registration, speakers etc. via the MAHA Gmail.

DEADLINE TO ME FOR YOUR MAHA HIGHLIGHTS ARTICLE IS – JANUARY 26, 2015 as my deadline to compile and get our entire SED Article to the MAHA Communications Editor is Feb. 1, 2015. So please have your article to me by Jan. 26, 2015. We would like to have all of our organizations represented!

The next SED Board Meeting will be held immediately following the SED Spring Leadership and Workshops at Greater Grace if any of you would like to attend. Also, if you have any thoughts, questions or concerns for your organization, the district or MAHA, please send them to me and I will certainly give attention to each one.

Many of our organizations are going through many changes. Please contact me if you need any help in your transitions. I and the SED Board of Directors are here to help you in any way that we can.

Wow! Looks like we are going to have a very busy year ahead with lots of hard work, fun and exciting times! I look forward to seeing each of you in the months ahead at each event.

Thank you for all you do! Thank you for giving from your heart!

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