

President's Letter, May, 2016

Dear Presidents,

As the Spring Installation meeting approaches, I am reminded that I have another year to write letters, plan meetings and visit auxiliaries just to name a few activities. The 2016 – 17 year should be a year to contemplate growing and learning new things. Press your groups to get more involved in their organization. There is no greater reward during our time on earth than to serve others.

Remind your membership that the installation meeting is May 26th at Schuler's in Marshall beginning at 10:00 am. Also, on my agenda of things to do is getting the list of hospitals and whether they have an auxiliary with a board or volunteer department with a DVS, etc. I have only heard from Sturgis Hospital, Oaklawn Hospital, Henry Ford Allegiance Health and Hillsdale Hospital as of this writing. I definitely need to know if your hospital name has changed as well.

Another cap that I am wearing is article collection for the newsletter and for the MAHA Highlights. July 1st is my deadline, so I would appreciate receiving your articles throughout the month of June. I thank you in advance for providing this information. Please type all articles in **New Times Roman, 12**. The newsletter and Highlights will come out in September. For those of you who will be sending in articles, my email is msebastian@springcom.com and my address is 11525 Pope Church Rd, Springport, MI 49284.

I look forward to meeting with the Hillsdale Hospital auxiliary on Monday, May 16. I am enjoying my visits to the hospital auxiliaries and volunteer groups. It is nice to know where your meetings are taking place and to see the faces of all of your volunteers.

Be sure to check out the Highlights on the website, www.mahaonline.org. The annual meeting takes place June 6 – 9 on Mackinac Island. Our line up of speakers looks great and you can read their credentials and topics at your leisure. If you have the opportunity to attend, you will enjoy the topics that have been selected.

I sincerely hope that all of you are enjoying the spring weather we are having. It has been cool enough to keep the daffodils and tulips blooming. I love the bright colors and the green. As volunteers we all need to bloom just like our spring flowers and make someone's day a little brighter.

Sincerely,

Marlene Sebastian
SWD President