



February 25, 2015

Dear Presidents and Vice Presidents,

February seems to have been a quieter month. Maybe it is all the cold weather we have been having and staying a little closer to home or maybe just a pause for beginning in March again.

Mid-March your ECD Board will be meeting with St. Mary's of Saginaw to finalize the plans for the spring meeting. You will be receiving your invitations and all the information shortly following that meeting. Do you have the ECD Meeting and Installation on May 20, 2015 on your calendars so that you can discuss attending at your meetings?

We will also be finalizing the arrangements for the Leadership Workshop on April 15. It will be held at the Covenant HealthCare Mackinaw Campus, Saginaw for a nominal fee of \$10. Consider those in leadership roles currently or those you have been "grooming" for a leadership role to attend. Be on the lookout for that invitation also.

Nancy Viele, MAHA Vice President shared with us at our last meeting this brochure on MAHA. You may want to share it with your members so that are aware of the relationship with the state organization. Do remember when you print it to change your printer to landscape so that it prints correctly.

Also, one of the hospitals shared a fund raising idea "Designer Purse Bingo" so I am attaching that information for your consideration. I am sure that you will be able to find additional information if you Google it.

Do go on the MAHA web site (MAHAonline.org) as something new is to be added. Monthly it will be SPOTLIGHTING a volunteer group from around the state. ECD will have the first opportunity as they are going according to ABCs and the hospital is by a random drawing. Check it out.

Are you aware that there is a Hospital Auxiliary President's Handbook available on the MAHA website? It covers every aspect of the role and you may find so information you were not aware of. I first found it when I was looking for a format for an installation program.

Have you had contact with Janet Barker, Counselor helping her with suggestions for the ECD Board and their contact information? As you know, in our own organizations this is not an easy task and for the ECD Board we are looking for members representing the twenty one hospitals so she does need your assistance. You can email her at j56barker@gmail.com.

A reminder to talk with your board about cohosting the ECD Fall Meeting and be prepared to volunteer to do so at the ECD Spring Meeting or contact me before so that I can make the announcement that you have volunteered.

The next opportunity for us to get together is Advocacy Day, March 17. I am looking forward to seeing several of you and do remember to wear green as it is St. Patrick's Day.

Sincerely,

Anne Lorentzen, ECD President
989-792-6002
amlorentzen5803@charter.net

Enclosures:
MAHA brochure
Designer Purse Bingo information

CC:
DVSs

Advocacy Day, Lansing	March 17, 2015
Leadership Workshop, Saginaw	April 15, 2015
ECD Spring Meeting & Installation, Horizon Saginaw	May 20, 2015
MAHA Annual Meeting and Installation, Mackinaw	June 9-11, 2015
ECD Fall Meeting, Horizon Saginaw	September 23, 2015
MAHA Fall Conference, Crystal Mountain	October 12-14, 2015