A few years ago, the Guild introduced a new activity which was designed to engage Associates and the departments in which they work. Hence, our annual Build-a-Basket Competition and Raffle took off, and this year had 26 participating departments. The ingenuity and creativity these departments make use of is nothing short of fabulous and part of the fun. There was a chance to win a puppy (it wasn't in the basket), an old steamer trunk, a girls' bike, and a golf outing with lots of extras, to name but a few.

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These questions encourage a deeper exploration of the Guild Board's role in the community and its impact on various sectors such as health care, arts, and economic development.
MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

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Terry was a supportive member of the Guild, its Board of Directors, and the Scholarship Selection Committee. In addition, he volunteered his time for the Gift Shop, Tree of Lights, and Bake Sale, to name but a few of his contributions to the Guild.

Terry passed away on March 10, 2012. We will miss her, especially her positive attitude and beautiful smile.

Choosing our 2012 recipients was not easy, however. “Both of this year’s recipients not only had good grades but had extenuating circumstances,” said Scholarship Chairperson Katherine Duane, who single them out from the many applicants. One accepted what life dealt her and the other changed what life dealt him. Both made lemonade out of lemons.

The Terry Tremblay Memorial Scholarship was awarded to Rebecca Knoerl, a Bloomfield Central School student. Rebecca took the most rigorous academic program as a senior, but has had to face life-changing moments for the past sixteen years. Rebecca sets her experience as making her a much stronger person: more patient, more appreciative, more persevering and determined. Rebecca will attend Syracuse University majoring in dietetics.

The Phyllis Ehmam scholarship recipient was Thomas Mastin who attended Canandaigua Academy. Tom faced challenges in school. A significant turning point in middle school included a decision to change his behavior and set lofty goals. He became involved in sports, auditioned for the jazz choir ensemble and got in. He applied himself academically and made substantial strides. His career goal is lofty. Tom will attend Syracuse University where he will be a pre-med major.

Congratulations to Rebecca and Tom. You’re both survivors and possess the academic skills and tenacity to overcome obstacles. We’re confident those traits will lead you both to fulfill your personal and professional goals.

Gail O’Brien, Terry Tremblay

ICE: In Case of Emergency

Guild Board Member Taryn Windheim, working in partnership with the Ontario County Safety Council, American Red Cross, and the Thompson Guild, launched a new program on July 1. This child safety program, nicknamed ICE (In Case of Emergency), consists of a set of stickers used on infant and toddler car seats.

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Gail O’Brien

A Memorable Spring Dinner

It was a beautiful spring evening in May, more than 50 Guild members and guests came together to enjoy a wonderful dinner prepared by Country Club chef extraordinaririe Brian Allen, recognition of our 2012 Scholarship recipients and a lively presentation by featured speaker Linda Farbich, our former president/CEO of Thompson Health, who elaborated on “The Spirit of Transitions.” Especially thought-provoking was the segment on “Shedding the ‘Shoulds’.”

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Stop and Smell the Roses

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2012 brought additional requests for newborns. Some moms delivering at Thompson do not have the means or support to have clothing to take their little ones home in. This is especially critical when the weather turns cold and blustery. That’s when our one-piece sleepers and receiving blankets are greatly appreciated by the staff and the moms of babies receiving them. This year to date, the Guild has purchased enough Layette items valued at $300 to keep the newborn nursery well-stocked.

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A few years ago, the Guild introduced a new activity which was designed to engage Associates and the departments in which they work. Hence, our annual Build-a-Basket Competition and Raffle took off, and this year had 26 participating departments. The ingenuity and creativity these departments make use of is nothing short of fabulous and part of the fun. There was a chance to win a puppy (it wasn’t in the basket), an old steamer trunk, a girls’ bike, and a golf outing with lots of extras, to name but a few.

“The Traveling Trunk” created by the Lab was truly something to see. They received ribbons for Most Unusual Theme and Most Creative basket. The Executive Office gave their Keurig-themed basket the title “Break Fluid” and received a ribbon for Most Unique Name. The basket which was awarded the blue ribbon for Most Tickets Sold was submitted by Associate Services/Associate Health. It was a fire pit containing a Kindle Fire entitled “Enjoy the Glow of the ‘Fire’ and So Much More.” All departments which were awarded ribbons received cookies designed to reflect the theme of their entries, skillfully prepared by Sweet Blessings in Shortsville.

What you may not know is that each year Associates compile a “Wish List” of items they would like to receive to help make their jobs more gratifying or easier to perform. The Guild reviews this list and all monies raised from this event will be used to fulfill “wishes” from their lists.

The theme of the Thompson Guild shall be to provide assistance and support to the Thompson Health System, its patients and its Associates, and to act as a liaison for the community and Thompson Health. The Guild’s efforts will focus on public relations, fundraising, health advocacy and related programs beneficial to the Thompson Health System.

Well, we’ve made it through the “Spring Spirits” with a flurry of Guild fundraisers. Over a short span of about six weeks, we raised a combined total of over $20,000 with the first ever Springtime in Canandaigua, the Plant Sale, and the Build-a-Basket raffle. Thanks to all who volunteered to make each of these events a success. In the midst of all of that, we somehow managed to squeeze in a lovely Spring Dinner with Linda Farchione as our guest speaker.

Speaking of Linda, I want to take a moment to acknowledge her vast contributions to Thompson Health on the occasion of her retirement. Linda spoke eloquently at our spring dinner on the occasion of her retirement. Linda spoke eloquently at our spring dinner. She has held various leadership positions in the hospital and community, including serving as President of the Thompson Health Board of Directors. Linda has been a true leader and advocate for the hospital, and her contributions cannot be overstated.

In recognition of Linda’s many contributions to the hospital and community, the Thompson Health Board of Directors has established the Linda Farchione Scholarship Fund. The fund will provide scholarships to qualified students pursuing careers in health care. We are grateful for Linda’s dedication and service to Thompson Health, and we look forward to continuing to support the hospital and its mission in the years to come.

Thank you, Linda, for all that you have done. We wish you the best of luck in your new life with Rick.