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President's Note Spring, 2021

Now that 2020 is behind us, we would like to share some of this very challenging (yet special) year's highlights with you.

For many years, the Auxiliary's two major fundraisers have been the Winter Beach Ball and the Kitchen Tour. We were fortunate to be able to hold the Fourteenth Annual Winter Beach Ball on March 10th at the Anah Shrine. Motor Booty Affair was back to entertain, and their great disco music had everyone on the dance floor. Rollie's Grille from Belfast provided a variety of delicious dinner options, cooked and served by their staff who worked tirelessly to meet the needs of our guests, while many Auxiliary members volunteered to bake contributions of mouth-watering desserts. A net of over \$29,000 was raised towards our five-year, \$175,000 pledge to the NICU, as part of Northern Light EMMC's Remarkable Begins with You campaign. Unfortunately, due to the Covid-19 restrictions, we were not able to hold our Annual Kitchen Tour in October 2020. However, despite the challenges brought on by the pandemic, we are happy to announce that we fulfilled our five-year pledge of \$175,000 to the NICU. This effort would not have been possible without dedicated members of the Board, volunteers, supporters and friends like you!

The pandemic has certainly changed the way that we fundraise and hold events in 2020 and beyond. Like most in-person events throughout the country and the



world, the Auxiliary events such as Coffee and Conversation, Lunch and Learn, Paint and Sip have also been cancelled. However, in spite of the challenges, the Board and the committees continued to meet virtually, brainstorming new ideas and keeping each other in good spirits. Our work continues, and our engaged, motivated volunteer group is happy to announce the launch of our new five-year pledge of \$125,000 to purchase Miracle 2, a new infant transport ambulance for the NICU. Though we remain hopeful that we will be able to hold in-person events in 2021, we are currently focusing on various virtual and low-contact fundraising events. We are proud to report that we kicked off 2021 with a Calendar fundraiser, which was a huge success and netted \$7,545! We are off to a great start, and with your support hope to continue this upward momentum to achieve our goal.

Northern Light Eastern Maine Medical Center Auxiliary is most appreciative of the interest and support of our members and friends. Thank you, and we wish you all a happy and healthy 2021!

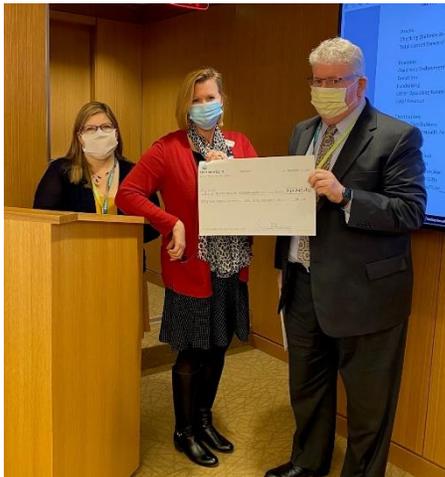
Friends of the Auxiliary



Please consider joining our all-volunteer Auxiliary. As a member, you can choose any level of involvement you are comfortable with in our mission to help meet the healthcare needs of our community. You may want to join a working committee, help with set-up or take-down at one of our events, write a grant, sing with us at Christmas, work on one of our social gatherings, and so many more opportunities to support our work in meeting monetary pledges to specific NL EMMC needs. Currently we have pledged \$125,000 to a new neo-natal transport ambulance- the "Miracle 2" Ambulance. With the current pandemic upon us, we have had to postpone many of our traditional events, but we are continuing our commitment to safely accomplish great things for the health of our community. As a member, you will have the satisfaction of helping our community's tiniest babies. Won't you join us?

For more information, please contact Stacey Coventry at 973-7851.

Completion of the "Remarkable Begins With You" 5-Year, \$175,000 Pledge!



The Auxiliary is proud to announce the completion of the "Remarkable Begins With You" 5-Year, \$175,000 Pledge! At the modified Auxiliary Annual Meeting in November, outgoing board president Susan Nasberg (pic at left, on left) presents the remaining funds pledged to Wendy Lux of NLH Foundation, and Marc Edelman, Senior Vice President of Operations at NL EMMC. At right, Susan Nasberg receives a Certificate of Appreciation from Wendy Lux and Kelly Pearson, Major Gifts Officer at NL EMMC Foundation. In part, the certificate reads, "We are grateful for your tireless efforts, volunteerism, and commitment to Eastern Maine Medical Center and its patients. Your unwavering support has made a positive difference in our community" – Rand J. O'Leary, MSA FACHE, President EMMC, Senior Vice President, Northern Light Health.

Ways to Support Our New Pledge – from a distance

Due to the pandemic, we are unable to host the Winter Beach Ball as well as the Kitchen Tour this year, though we remain committed to honoring our new 5-year pledge toward the purchase of the Miracle 2, a new infant transport ambulance for the NICU. How can you help make our goal a reality? Read on!

Shop Amazon at [smile.amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com/smile) and Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases, at no cost to you. When picking your charity, make sure to select *Eastern Maine Healthcare Systems Auxiliary*.

Like and Follow us on Facebook to hear how you can participate in future events, track our progress, and cheer us on!
(<https://www.facebook.com/NLEMMCAuxiliary/>)

Want to donate directly? Please send check to: Northern Light Health Foundation PO Box 931, One Cumberland Place, Suite 300, Bangor ME 04402-0931, and notate "EMMC Auxiliary" so funds go toward our pledge

2020 EMMC Auxiliary Nursing Awards

At a recent modified Auxiliary Annual Meeting students from Husson University Nursing received Auxiliary scholarships in recognition of their academic achievement and clinical skills.

Pictured left to right:

Mikele Neal, BSN, RN, Nurse Manager, NL EMMC, and students Iliana Ballinas, Janice Novak, Carissa Feero and Maggie Perry.

Not pictured: Suzette Vernon, RN, BSN. Congratulations to all!



You could win a
Mother's Day Basket!

Basket to include restaurant gift cards, spa and floral gift certificates, fudge, jewelry, beauty products and more!

Get **1 entry**
for a donation
of **\$5** or
3 for \$10

**Winner will
be drawn May 3!**



All funds will go toward our pledge to the
NICU 2nd Ambulance: The Miracle 2