



## **Congratulations and Farewell: Margie Arnold Volunteer Coordinator, Fort Thomas**

After a career spanning nearly 40 years at St. Elizabeth (and previously at St. Luke), Margie Arnold will be retiring from Volunteer Services. Margie devoted her time and talents to roles in Administration, Public Relations, the Foundation before she found a home in the Volunteer Services department in 2010.

We are grateful for the years of dedication she has shown our community, and we wish her all the best as she enters her next chapter which is sure to involve chasing after grandkids, trips to the lake, and front row seats to Broadway in Cincinnati shows.

A celebration of her retirement will be held on her last day, **July 18**. Please stop by the Volunteer Services Office in Ft. Thomas to share in congratulating her. Cake and punch will be available at noon, but all are welcome to stop in throughout the day.



## July Spotlight: Patio Pals

Patio Pals is a dedicated team of approximately 20 volunteer gardeners who maintain the garden areas and planted pots surrounding the St. Elizabeth hospice facility on South Loop Drive in Edgewood. Their garden experiences vary from being novice to master gardeners and beyond. Many of the gardeners have had loved ones who benefitted from their own hospice experience and see this work as a way to pay forward.

The gardening work compliments the comradery of the group which is enhanced with two official "workdays", one in the spring and one in the fall. On those days all Patio Pals are encouraged to gather for gardening, meeting educational requirements, socializing, and sharing a meal. Otherwise, the gardeners work on their own schedules tending to their assigned spaces. Gardening tasks are within each volunteer's physical capabilities with heavy duty gardening work being performed by hired contractors.

The goal of the patio pals is to provide a well-tended, beautiful hospice campus that inspires a peaceful experience and reflects God's glory for all those who visit.



## Annual Training Reminder

All annual requirements were due on June 30. If you did not turn in your completed annual requirements, then you are considered "non-compliant", and will not be able to return to volunteering until you have turned in the appropriate annual requirements. Please connect with your Volunteer Coordinator if you have any questions!



## Welcome our New Gift Shop Supervisor, Ft. Thomas:

### ***Pam Andrew***

Pam shares: "I have more than 35 years' experience in retail management. For the last 20 plus years I have worked at Hallmark, building relationships with customers and co-workers. Over the years I have used my skills in time management, customer service and merchandising to continually grow the stores I have managed.

"I was born and raised here in Northern Kentucky and love all that our area has to offer. My family and I enjoy going to the zoo, museums and parks whenever we can. Married to my husband Tim, for 28 years, we have a daughter, Megan, 24, recent graduate of UofL. Go Cards! And my son, Chris, 18, starts at NKU this fall, Go Norse!

"I also love movies, modern and classic, reading and being outdoors. Exploring new parks and museums is one of my favorite pastimes.

"I look forward to working with everyone at the gift shop and hospital and starting this new chapter!"

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## Blood Drive

Florence

Thursday, July 17, 2025

9:00am - 3:00pm

Florence Hospital Parking Lot

[Click here](#) to make an appointment

All donors will receive a Cincinnati Reds shirt!

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## Save the Date

### **Volunteer Picnic**

Tuesday, September 9, 2025

More details to follow...

### **Bring A Friend to Volunteer Week**

September 14-20, 2025

## Comment Corner: Celebrating Impactful Moments

### Fort Thomas:

*"The person at the registration desk went above and beyond. I'm on crutches and it's difficult to walk far, and she had a volunteer get a wheelchair and take me up to my scan. So nice"*

*"The person that took me to imaging was in a wheelchair and was so nice and helpful."*

### Edgewood:

*"I entered the hospital through the ER was admitted and received a diagnosis of a rare autoimmune disease which attacks the vascular system. It was quite a shock but everyone from the nurses, doctors, chaplain, nutritionists, nursing aides, housekeeping, volunteers made the unexpected 18 day stay the most positive experience I could have had as a patient. I thank God for each of them."*



## In Memoriam

*Lucy Fotsch (dog) - Paws for Patients*

## WELCOME NEW VOLUNTEERS IN JUNE

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Amina Ali</li><li>• Jacob Anderson</li><li>• Jim Bayne</li><li>• Susan Beck</li><li>• Diane Bezold</li><li>• Heather Blair</li><li>• Anthony Brown</li><li>• Kel Daniel</li><li>• Stephanie de Dios</li><li>• Julia Devadason</li><li>• Nate Elliott</li><li>• Carolyn Foulks</li><li>• Jill Garrett</li><li>• Rachel Glaser</li><li>• Joel Graves</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Jacob Hughes</li><li>• Bonnie Joelson</li><li>• Yana Kemp</li><li>• Megan Licata</li><li>• Morgan Lint</li><li>• Yojana Lopez</li><li>• Neha Nirujogi</li><li>• Felix Otu</li><li>• Will Reimann</li><li>• Sophie Renihan</li><li>• Leah Riley</li><li>• Stephen Shutte</li><li>• Kylie Toole</li><li>• Kate Vitale</li><li>• Joy Williams</li></ul> |
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