

+ On the Website

Instead of mailing the newsletters you will now find it on the hospital website which I plan to update on a monthly basis. If you do not have access to the website please ring me and I will organize to have it sent out to you. Thanks - Jitka

Volunteer Luncheon

Don't forget our volunteer luncheon to be held on August 19th from 12.30 – 2.30 at Dianella Hostel. This is a great chance to meet and chat with other volunteers ... and to let 'us' look after you for a day.

RSVP: Jitka on 0419564520



Thanks for everything!

Supporting people who have dementia

Presentation – joint conversations and sharing

Who should come: Families, staff & volunteers

The following training was run for volunteers in May and whilst only a small number of volunteers attended it was an excellent session enjoyed by all those present. Supporting people who have dementia is an important yet complex role. If you were unable to attend the session in May please come to **ONE** of the two sessions suggested below.

Caring for someone with dementia can present families, staff and volunteers with various challenges. This **very practical** presentation aims to provide you with information about 'approaches' to better understanding, supporting and communicating with people who have dementia. With families, staff and volunteers joining together we hope to build some ongoing sharing and conversation about how together we can better support the special sensory and communication needs older persons within our care.

When: **Two sessions will be offered – you only need attend ONE**

1. Tuesday 29th September 9.15am – 12.30pm
2. Tuesday 29th September 6pm – 8pm

Where: 'The Parlour' - Caladenia

Facilitator: Tracey Hooke. Activity Therapist Caladenia

RSVP: Jitka on 0419564520 to register.



Volunteering in Oncology – Training Session

When: Thursday 29th October 2015

Where: Bluestone Training Room

Time: 10am – 2pm



Who should attend: volunteers interested in working in the oncology unit

At present our oncology unit at Kilmore Hospital runs once a week and provides necessary treatment for people with cancer. Our program means that people in the local area no longer need to travel to hospitals in metropolitan areas to receive vital treatment. In the near future we plan to commence volunteering support in the unit. If you would like to be a part of this program you are required to attend an initial 4 hour training session which will offer information about the program and important considerations for being a volunteer.

RSVP: Jitka on 0419564520.



Every day thousands of unsung heroes bring caring and compassion to the lives of millions. Their names are never featured in the headlines, but our world would be a much darker place without them."

-Charles Devlin



Bev recently retired from volunteering at Dianella Hostel as she and her husband leave to retire in Echuca. Thanks Bev for your time, commitment and caring. You will be missed!!