

Compassion in Action

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HELP US SPREAD THE WORD National Hospice & Palliative Care Month

November is National Hospice and Palliative Care Month. As you know, there are many people in our local community who are not familiar with hospice and palliative care.



Many of you, on the other hand, may have experienced hospice or palliative care and know what a gift they can be to anyone living with serious illness and those who care about them.

Help us spread the word in one of the following ways:

1. Leave a review on Google or Facebook about your Samaritan experience.
2. Request a Samaritan speaker to provide a virtual presentation to your faith- or community-based organization.
3. Visit SamaritanNJ.org to request your copy of *Five Wishes*, an easy-to-use advanced directive document that you can use to document your healthcare wishes should you become seriously ill and not be able to speak for yourself. Request more than one and share them with friends, family, or neighbors.



Circle of Life: From Pioneer to Patient

Sue Goldstein learned about the importance of comfort at the end of life while working as a nurse in NYC in the 1970s. She worked the 4 p.m. to midnight shift in a hospital. One night a meaningful yet heart-breaking experience with a patient would change her life forever. Her patient was an 18-year-old man with an extremely high fever, Leukemia, and no visitors. Without family or friends by his side, Sue spent most of her shift sitting with him, holding his hand, and comforting him until he died. Moved by the experience, Sue knew that no one deserved to be alone at the end of life.



This experience would serve as the inspiration for her significant contribution to hospice – and to Samaritan, one of the nation's first hospices that began caring for the South Jersey community in 1980. Sue served as a patient support volunteer, educator, and fundraiser. During her time at Samaritan, she supported countless patients and families, educated hundreds of community members, and raised hundreds of thousands of dollars. Then, at age 75, Sue experienced cardiomyopathy (heart muscle disease) and needed help. With one call to Samaritan, she got the help she needed.

(Photo) Samaritan presented Sue Goldstein with a Legacy Award for her early dedication to its mission. Visit SamaritanNJ.org to read Sue's inspiring story.

Physician House Calls Are Back

Samaritan HomeVisit Physicians primary care doctors and nurse practitioners visit patients in their homes, wherever they call home. This service is ideal for those who are homebound, or have trouble traveling to the doctor's office, and need help managing one or more chronic condition.

HomeVisit Physicians will also help with medication management and in-home fall risk assessments – just to name a few ways in which our expert team supports patients and those who care about them.

Samaritan Honors Veterans

At Samaritan, we care for more than 500 Veterans each year through respectful inquiry, compassionate listening, and grateful acknowledgment. Our care team asks patients about their military history and listens for important information that will enable us to provide the best possible care.

We honor our Veteran patients with a special recognition ceremony to thank them for their service and sacrifice. These ceremonies include a respectful salute, inspirational readings, patriotic songs, and a moving presentation of a special blanket, certificate, bookmark, and pin.

We are grateful to generous donors like you who fund our Veteran's program. To help us thank and recognize more Veterans, visit SamaritanNJ.org to make a donation.



(Front left) Army Veteran Donald Morse with Wife Diane, Nurse Jackie Maddison, and Social Worker Susan Cedrone.

Leave a Legacy – Earn Eternal Recognition

It is our great honor to bestow eternal membership in **The Legacy Society** upon those donors who have chosen to leave a legacy by including Samaritan in their will or estate plan. Please let us know if you have made such a provision, so that we may recognize your generous intent.



Year-end is a great time to review your financial plan. If you've bought or sold a home or business, married or divorced, welcomed or lost a family member, or received an inheritance, your will may be out of date.

As the year ends, remember that:

Donations made by December 31 may be eligible for a charitable deduction in your 2021 tax return. A qualified distribution from your IRA can reduce your taxable income. Gifts of appreciated stock or real property can reduce your capital gains taxes. Samaritan's charitable gift annuity pays the donor a guaranteed, fixed income for life (contact us for a free, confidential, no-obligation illustration).

If you have questions, contact Chris Rollins, CFRE, at (856) 552-3287 or CRollins@SamaritanNJ.org.

Top Hospice & Palliative Doctors



Congratulations to Samaritan Chief Medical Officer Stephen Goldfine, MD, and Director of Inpatient Palliative Medicine Sara Pagliaro, DO!

They have been chosen as two of *SJ Magazine's Top Docs* and *South Jersey Magazine's Top Physicians* in the hospice and palliative medicine category.

Successful Golf Tournament

Samaritan gratefully thanks the sponsors, donors, golfers, and volunteers who helped make DRIVE FORE! A Good Cause, Samaritan's annual golf tournament and South Jersey's favorite golf outing, a success!



(Left) Board Chair Phillip Heath, President/CEO Mary Ann Boccolini, Tournament Sponsors Jim and Shirley Richardson, Golf Committee Co-Chairs Roy Fazio and Cliff Mancine

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June 27, 2022

Welcoming New Board Member



Samaritan is proud to welcome Dr. Camille Green to our board of trustees. Dr. Green is a primary care physician at Cooper University Health Care.

The board of trustees is comprised of a growing, diverse group of community leaders and are among a 500-member volunteer base. A group of dedicated volunteers started Samaritan 40 years ago and remain the heartbeat of our organization.

Giving to Samaritan

COMMEMORATIVE PAVERS



(Left) David, Christina, Jennifer, Dave, and Natalie

Because of the comfort, support, and dignity Angelina Alleva received at The Samaritan Center at Voorhees, her family dedicated a commemorative paver in her memory.

You can also support Samaritan's mission of service by dedicating a paver at The Samaritan Center at Voorhees in memory or in honor of someone special in your life today. For more information, visit SamaritanNJ.org/Paver.

IN LIEU OF FLOWERS



Many grateful families choose to "pay it forward," by supporting Samaritan, and naming us as the beneficiary of memorial gifts in lieu of flowers. These thoughtful remembrances make a real difference in the care and lives of other patients and their families by sustaining and advancing services such as the Center for Grief Support, Veterans hospice, Advanced Cardiac Care Program, *Five Wishes*, music therapy, massage therapy, and more.

Your memorial gifts enable us to offer our life-enhancing care to your family, friends, and neighbors in South Jersey. For more information, visit SamaritanNJ.org/Giving.

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*Because of your referrals, volunteer time,
and generous donations, we are the largest
hospice provider in the state of New Jersey.
Thank you!*



Coping with Holidays

For those facing holidays after the loss of a loved one, it can be lonely, depressing, and often difficult to handle. For tips, sign up for our complimentary online workshop. SamaritanNJ.org/Coping

Volunteer

Serve as a greeter at The Samaritan Center at Voorhees, help at Samaritan Thrift, and more. We offer at-home opportunities and online training. Call Sharon: (856) 552-3238. SamaritanNJ.org/Volunteer

Plan Ahead

Five Wishes is an easy-to-use advanced directive, compliments of Samaritan. Get yours today in English or one of 28 other languages. SamaritanNJ.org/Five-Wishes

Six Reasons to Choose Samaritan Not-for-profit and Community-based Since 1980

We are proud of the many differentiators that set Samaritan apart. Since we were founded in Moorestown, Samaritan has become an essential community asset, making a real difference in the lives of thousands of people in the South Jersey region each year. We encourage patients and families, volunteers, and donors to learn why Samaritan is the right choice!

- We are here for people, not for profit.
- We provide primary care at home, palliative medicine, hospice care, and grief support as well as extra "above-and-beyond" services by expert, compassionate staff that help patients and those who care about them live their best life every day.
- We are committed to inclusion, diversity, and equitable access to care and opportunities for everyone in the communities we serve.
- We partner with regional healthcare providers and community-based organizations to provide serious-illness and end-of-life care for all those in South Jersey.
- We provide education for healthcare professionals to advance the field of palliative medicine, and community engagement to empower patients with personalized care that honors their goals, wishes and values.

