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Stony Brook Hospital Volunteer, Setauket Resident Elected President of Region's Hospital Auxilian Group

(Hauppauge, NY June 12, 2012). . . Setauket resident Uta Dee, a Stony Brook University Hospital volunteer, was elected to a one-year term as president of the Nassau-Suffolk Council of Hospital Auxiliaries. Her term expires June 2013.

Dee joined the hospital's auxiliary force in 1984 and twice served as president of the auxilian board. She has extensive experience in fund raising and advocating on behalf of the academic medical center. For a time, she also served as president of the University Association. This organization welcomed foreign faculty to the Stony Brook campus and helped them transition to their new environment. A native of England, Dee herself arrived in the United States in 1976. While living in England, she taught French and German.

"Advocacy is a key activity for auxiliaries," said Dee. "I want to encourage interaction between the various auxiliaries in Nassau and Suffolk counties so we can exchange ideas and information."

In her role as Nassau-Suffolk Council of Hospital Auxiliaries president, Dee will continue to lead this organization of hospital volunteers that is aligned with the Nassau-Suffolk Hospital Council (NSHC), the organization that represents Long Island's not-for-profit and public hospitals.

Hospital auxiliaries play a vital role in the delivery of compassionate care at each of their facilities and are major fund raisers for their respective institutions. Collectively, Long Island's volunteer auxiliaries raise millions through gift shop and thrift shop sales, fashion shows and boutiques, and other events.

In addition, they are actively involved in advocating on federal, state, and local levels on behalf of their hospitals and the thousands of patients that these institutions serve each day.

(More . . . see embedded and separately-attached photo)



Uta Dee, a volunteer from Stony Brook University Hospital, is the newly elected president of the Nassau-Suffolk Council of Hospital Auxiliaries.

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