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## **Huntington Resident and Hospital Auxilian Elected President of Regional Auxilian Group**

July 19, 2016 (Hauppauge, NY) – Huntington Station resident Edna Fetkowitz, a Huntington Hospital volunteer, was elected to a one-year term as president of the Nassau-Suffolk Council of Hospital Auxiliaries. Her term expires June 2017.

Fetkowitz has volunteered at her local hospital since 1977, serving as president of the Huntington Hospital Auxilians from 2007-2012. She was then attending Council Auxiliary meetings and held various rolls there until her recent election as president this June. Since the beginning of her 39 years of volunteering, Fetkowitz has dedicated two nights a week to the Emergency Department of Huntington Hospital, a service she intends to continue while fulfilling her current responsibilities as president.

“I would like to get more involved in advocacy, and what we can do for our hospitals,” said Fetkowitz of her goals for the Nassau-Suffolk Council of Hospital Auxiliaries. “We’re very focused on raising money for our hospitals’ needs, but I think it’s good to find out from each hospital how we can provide more help. So many things are changing in the medical field, I think more and more the auxiliaries are going to be called upon to help, and I’d like to find out how we can.”

In her role as president of the Nassau-Suffolk Council of Hospital Auxiliaries, Fetkowitz will continue to lead this organization of hospital volunteers that is aligned with the Nassau-Suffolk Hospital Council, 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, 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.

Currently, Fetkowitz owns her own company, Kaymont Consolidated Industries, with her husband of 56 years. Her eventual plans for retirement include handing the business over to her son and acting in an advisory role from her home in Florida.



Edna Fetkowitz, a volunteer from Huntington Hospital, is the newly elected President of the Nassau-Suffolk Council of Hospital Auxiliaries.

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