

Harrison Memorial Hospital Auxiliary holds second annual tree lighting

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NEWS REPORTER

After sunset on Monday, Dec. 1, Harrison Memorial Hospital Auxiliary hosted the second annual HMM Christmas Tree Lighting.

For some time prior to and afterward, attendees were treated to a fun event to kick off December with music, hot chocolate, popcorn, decorations and pictures with Santa, elves and Rudolph the Red-Nose Reindeer. Also, memory stars were available for purchase.

Children sat on Santa's lap for pictures and whispered their heart's desires to his ancient ear. Everyone kept the cold at bay with hot chocolate and stayed warm in each other's company.

But the main event was the countdown to the lighting of the HMM Christmas Tree. Despite jokes about the famous National Lampoon Christmas Vacation tree lighting blunder, the event went beautifully and according to plan.

Once the count hit "one," bright lights illuminated the lovely tree from a distance and the filled parking lot couldn't help but applaud...holiday spirit was in full bloom for the folks of Harrison County.

This was all thanks to the idea and hard work from the HMM Auxiliary. Theresa Philpott, president of the HMM Auxiliary for 15 years, came



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up with the idea for the event several years ago and helped bring it to fruition.

"I've got a great group of staff that work with me," noted Philpott. "We've got about 50 members. We work together with fundraising, work in our gift shop and whatever is required of us. It's something that I'd always envisioned."

"We had the tree down there and so I went to Kathy Tussey, our CEO at the Hospital, and she said it was a wonderful idea and helped make it happen. It was just something we thought we could do to bring Santa in the hospital and have the employees be a part of. It was a dream of mine that finally happened."

It's been a successful outing for two years now, but this lighting felt a little different for Philpott compared to the first.

"Last year my husband was here to see this. I lost him



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in May, so it's very bittersweet for me this year," explained Philpott.

But she was in high spirits for the event nonetheless and for good reason. It was just another case of the HMM Auxiliary giving back.

The Auxiliary makes money through fundraisers in the hospital, the HMM gift shop and fundraisers at Dairy Queen. Philpott explained that the money raised all goes back into the community, like relay for life, food pantries and

hospital programs. The only money they keep is to operate the gift shop.

Money raised by the group has gone toward an entrance sign, landscaping, some hospital beds and MRI equipment, but those are just a few examples of their contributions.

When asked if the Tree Lighting compares to the other work they've done Philpott exclaimed with excitement, "Oh yes, absolutely! Except for the bitter cold," she joked.



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ficking in a controlled substance (1st degree, 1st offense, methamphetamine, greater than or equal to two grams), trafficking in a controlled substance (1st degree, 1st offense, cocaine, less than four grams), possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia-buy/possess. Waive reading. Not guilty plea. Motion to reduce bond denied.

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