



The History

of



Beebe Medical Center



Auxiliary

BEEBE MEDICAL CENTER AUXILIARY, INC.

Past Presidents

* Mrs. Edwin Marshall	1936-1942
* Mrs. Charles Horn, Jr.	1942-1944
* Mrs. Lewes Tull	1944-1946
* Mrs. Gladys Seeley	1946-1948
* Mrs. Anthony Ingram	1948-1950
* Mrs. Thomas L. Johnson	May 1950-Oct. 1950
* Mrs. William S. Yarnell	1950-1954
* Mrs. Emily Cooling	1954-1956
* Mrs. Frank L. Moon	1956-1958
* Miss Mary Messick	1958-1959
* Mrs. Franklin Maull	1959-1960
* Mrs. William S. Irving	1960-1962
Mrs. Carl F. Barley	1962-1963
* Mrs. William S. Irving	1963-1964
Mrs. Alfred W. Ward	1964-1966
* Mrs. George F. Chappell	1966-1968
* Mrs. Rolf N. Carlsten	1968-1970
* Mrs. Ralph E. Heitmueller	1970-1972
* Mrs. John W. Howard	1972-1974
Mrs. Frank R. Swezey	1974-1978
Mrs. Howard S. Dewey	1978-1982
* Mrs. Murray Neville	1982-1984
Mrs. Walter Kay	1984-1986
Mrs. Anthony Tremarco, Jr.	1986-1988
Mrs. Virginia L. Escott	1988-1992
Mrs. Dorothy Godwin	1992-1994
Mrs. Virginia L. Escott	1994-1996
Mrs. Patricia A. Johnson	1996-1998
Mrs. Dorothy Godwin	May 1998-Sept. 1998
Mrs. Elizabeth Pratt	1998-2000
Mrs. Elizabeth Pratt	2000-2002

*Deceased

Beebe Medical Center Auxiliary A Short History



In researching the development of the Beebe Medical Center Auxiliary, it is readily apparent that its history corresponds very closely to that of the Medical Center. It is truly a success story for both.

The Beebe Medical Center, then known as the Beebe Hospital, was begun in 1916 as a very small hospital. It consisted of one operating

room and three recovery rooms adjacent to the offices of the founders, Drs. Richard and James Beebe. The Beebe family farm covered the area now occupied by the main hospital, the nursing school, the Tunnel Cancer Center, and the Lewes Convalescent Center.

In 1921 the Beebe School of Nursing was established. With the nursing students living in the town of Lewes, the local residents had opportunities to be aware of ways they could be helpful to the new and growing hospital. A small group of local women met in individual homes to roll bandages, pack layettes, and make holiday favors for the trays of the patients and the nursing students. They rose to the challenge to be helpful wherever needed.

The first record of a formal Auxiliary was the organizational meeting held in June, 1936 in Mrs. Edwin Marshall's home with the stated purpose "to promote the welfare of the hospital, provide recreational facilities for student nurses, direct the baby guild, and 'to take care of' necessary equipment."

Beebe Auxiliary Through The Years

