



*From Judeen Reese, President*

*Wisconsin in the summertime...is there a better place to be?*

As we celebrate our country's independence, we realize Wisconsin is one of the best states in the nation. From the ridges and valleys to the tall pines in the Northwoods to the rolling farmland throughout the entire state, Wisconsin is beautiful and there's no better time than summertime to get out and enjoy it.

Wisconsin's Ice Age Trail is a 1,000-mile foot path that meanders throughout the entire state. Put on your walking shoes and you'll see some beautiful landscapes. Not a hiker? How about a little fishing or simply sitting by a Northwoods lake with your favorite beverage or a good book or your best friend. We've got waterfalls, islands and caves, lighthouses, Door County and Pewit's Nest, supper clubs, Friday fish fry, bratwurst, just to name a few. We are fortunate! Dairy farms are everywhere, and so is the smell of cows. If you're not into the rural aroma...

We, ourselves are unique in that we have our own lingo. Anyone from another part of the country might consider a Packer to be someone who loads boxes...we cheeseheads can affirm, it is NOT! How about a brat? No, I don't mean an unruly child. A "Spotted Cow" is not an animal. The Dells are not computers. PBR has nothing to do with bull riding. Bucks are not dollar bills. And it seems we are the few who describe carbonated drinks by the name, "pop".

Everyone else thinks that Green Bay is an inlet where the ocean meets the beach, making it green in color...NOT! We Wisconsinites agree that the area is flooded with a sea of Green—Green Bay Packers! Bears are not large mammals that are known for being furry and eating salmon. Bears are the most overrated team in the NFL. Polka – a dot or a dance?

As with anything, there's always a price to pay. The winters are endless. They are long, cold, and snowy. It's easy to become best friends with your snow shovel. The lakes freeze, so forget about year-round boating or swimming. Snow days can be fun, but they also can mean tricky travel conditions and the freeze-thaw cycle creates potholes galore. Driving can be a bumpy ride. Good shocks on your car are a must.

And lastly, we can never forget our beloved Badgers, Bucks, Brewers and other sports that add to the enjoyment of our Wisconsin lifestyle and even if you're a Cubs fan - **ya gotta love Wisconsin!**

The Partners of Stoughton Hospital Board does not meet during the month of July. Our next regularly scheduled board meeting will be held Wednesday, August 7 in the conference room of the Community Health & Wellness Center beginning at 9:00 AM. All members are welcome to attend.

If you ever have information that you think should be brought to the attention of the board, please send an email to [partnersofSH@gmail.com](mailto:partnersofSH@gmail.com) or call 6085165751.



## *There's Magic in the Air!* *Big Things Are About to Happen in our Gift Shop*

For the past few weeks, lots of behind-the-scenes work has been done to plan for a new and improved POS checkout system for the Hospital Café and our Gift Shop. During the month of July, that work will continue as it becomes reality. Gift shop volunteers will find relief from the current obsolete system and Gift Shop coordinator, Bonnie Anderson, will have lots more features that will provide ease of inventory and reporting. We are currently looking at a “go live” date during the week of July 22.

What's new and better? NO MORE MOUSE! Everything happens with the touch of the screen. Checking out a customer requires less steps. Credit Card sales are done for you; no more credit card receipts to handle. Greeting cards can be scanned instead of keying in the price. Barcodes can be added to all new products that come without them. This will make for a much easier, quicker checkout. Employees wishing to use Payroll Deduction can just swipe their badge. No more forms to fill out.

Training and continuing support will be available as long as needed. Gift shop volunteers should watch for additional information about fun opportunities in July. We're going to get together to celebrate and share information, probably during the second week of July.

*This will certainly be a big improvement to our shop.  
We can't wait to share it with everyone.*



The Stoughton Hospital Foundation is having its annual Summer Splash fundraiser. For every \$36 you donate to Stoughton Hospital Foundation, you will receive a Kwik Trip Gift Card for 5 FREE Ultimate car washes to be used throughout the year at any Kwik Trip location. To order your cards and donate go to: <https://stoughtonhealth.com/stoughton-hospital-foundation/summer-splash/>. If you have any questions feel free to email [foundation@stoughtonhealth.com](mailto:foundation@stoughtonhealth.com) or call 608-873-2334.

### *Construction at Stoughton Health*

We are excited to announce the new building will officially be named the **Stoughton Health Outpatient Center**.

The construction continues as planned and the Stoughton Health Outpatient Center is still scheduled to open in March 2025.

Don't forget you can watch the building progress anytime from home by going to [Stoughtonhealth.com](http://Stoughtonhealth.com) or scanning the QR Code.



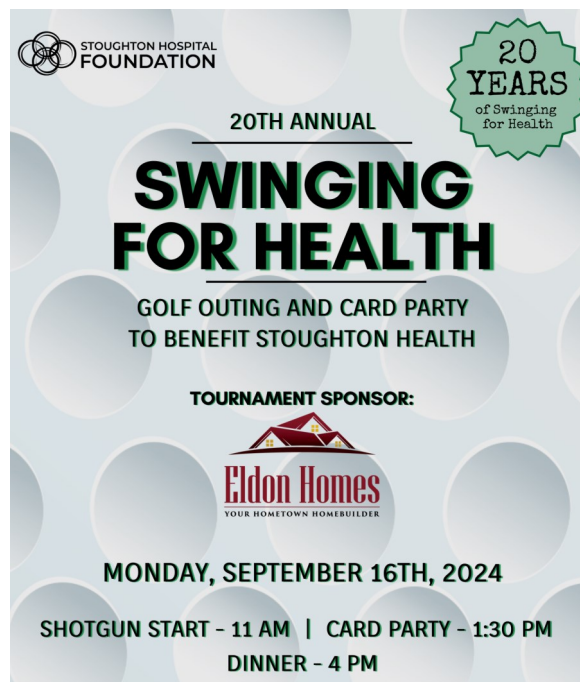
## It's Golf Season Again!

The Stoughton Hospital Foundation would like to invite you to participate in the **20th Annual Swinging for Health Golf Outing**.

We are excited to be able to offer a golf outing, auction, and card party on Monday, September 16 at The Legend at Bergamont in Oregon.

The card party is open to all bridge and euchre players; it is \$30 to play and dinner is included. If you would like more information on the card party, virtual auction or golf, call at (608) 873-2334 or email us at

[foundation@stoughtonhealth.com](mailto:foundation@stoughtonhealth.com).



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# SWINGING FOR HEALTH

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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH, 2024

SHOTGUN START - 11 AM | CARD PARTY - 1:30 PM  
DINNER - 4 PM



An important part of the volunteer work we do as Partners of Stoughton Hospital is fundraising. That can sound a bit intimidating, but it can also be loads of fun. With so many popular activities, Fall is a perfect time to host a special event that allows us to support Stoughton Health.

We are looking for the perfect activity or event and hoping you have a fantastic idea. Perhaps you have been invited to an event that another group has hosted. Would it work for us? Maybe you have purchased a product through a fundraiser. Is it something we might like to try?

Please share your suggestions via email at [partnersofsh@gmail.com](mailto:partnersofsh@gmail.com) or call 6085165751.

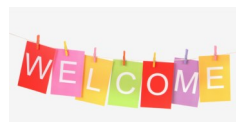


July 3 - NO Monthly Board Meeting  
July 16 - Recliner to 5K  
July 31 - Gourd Decorating Class

Aug. 7 - Partners Monthly Board Meeting  
Aug. 16 - Blood Drive  
Aug. 24 - Farmers' Market; Mum Preview  
Aug. 28 - Free Memory Screenings  
Aug. 28 - Ten Warning Signs, presented by Alzheimer's Association

Sept. 16 - 20th Swinging For Health, Bergamont, Oregon  
Sept. 28 - Farmers' Market: Harvest Baking

For more information about classes and events go to <https://stoughtonhealth.com/events/>



*If you know someone who might enjoy being a Partner, please encourage them to contact Brenda Klitzke.*

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