



Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy Announces New Board President

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Mobile, Alabama, January 11, 2011 – Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy announces the election of its Board of Directors officers and new members.

“I enjoyed serving as President of Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy over the past several years. I witnessed firsthand how efficiently a community pharmacy like Ozanam dispenses medications to those in need in our community. I am honored to pass on my leadership to a dynamic and caring person, new Ozanam Board President, Cathy Whelton. Mrs. Whelton served on Ozanam’s board of directors for many years and has the dedication to strategically move Ozanam Pharmacy in our next step in charitable health care,” explained Mr. Vernon Coleman, past president.

Cathy is a native of Montgomery, and has lived and worked in Atlanta and Houston. She has lived in Mobile since 1981 and holds a BS in Nursing from UAB, and a Master of Science Degree in Health Service Administration. She has been a registered nurse for many years. Her current position is Director of Outreach Services and Diabetes Center at Providence. Cathy is active in many community organizations and serves on the Board of Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy and Bridges to Better Health. She was named as one of 10 statewide Alabama Hospital Heroes for 2009. Cathy is an advocate for the poor and vulnerable.

New board members were officially installed at Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy’s Annual Holiday Luncheon on December 10, 2010. Each will serve a three-year term. The new officers are:

President: Cathy Whelton – Providence Hospital

Vice President: Wiley Christian – Spring Hill Memorial Hospital

Treasurer: Susan Herring – Spring Hill Avenue Temple

Secretary: Marcia Allan – Escambia County Health Department

Christine Cumbie with Gardberg and Clausen, P.C. joins the board as a new member.

And returning members are:

Vernon Coleman, past President – Retired USDA

Julie McGee – Area Agency on Aging

Dr. Allison Chung – Auburn University Harrison School of Pharmacy

Mary Stone – The Brandyberg Firm

Moren Braswell – Retired Administrator

Wes Chiniche – Retired Alabama Power Company

Sister Mary Beth Funyak – The Catholic Service Center

Sister Marilyn Graf – Mercy Medical

Martha Allegri - Mid South Home Health Care

Cornelius Hall – Retired Firefighter

Dr. Stephen A. Kahalley – West Mobile Medical Group

Susan Stiegler - Mobile County Health Department

FAST FACTS

- **The Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy** – an innovative, initiative designed to provide completely free, professional pharmaceutical care to people in need in Mobile Baldwin and Escambia Counties.
- This fiscal year, **The Ozanam Pharmacy** saved the community close to \$1.7 million dollars by providing over 1800 clients medications.
- **Eligibility depends greatly on the ability to document household information.** Those helped include homeless persons, those who have lost their jobs and the working poor who cannot afford prescription insurance.
- Ozanam receives funding from the City of Mobile, Mobile County Commission, and Area Agency on Aging, Baldwin County Commission, Housing and Urban Development, The Community Foundation of South Alabama Medical Interest Grant and individuals.
- Ozanam needs Pharmacists to Volunteer! For more information call (251) 432-4111 or visit our Web site at

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