



In memory of the committed
service of Olove Colcord, RN

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BCCS Newsletter

Mission Statement

To provide
compassionate in-
home skilled nursing
care and supportive
resources for those
affected by cancer or
related illnesses in
Southwest Michigan.

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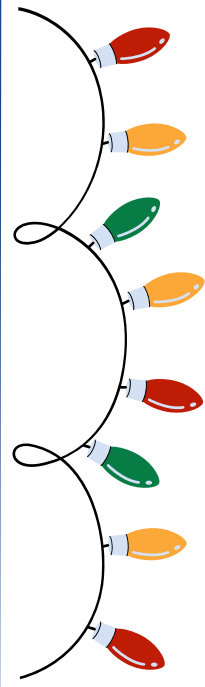


The Joy of Giving
by John Greenleaf Whittier

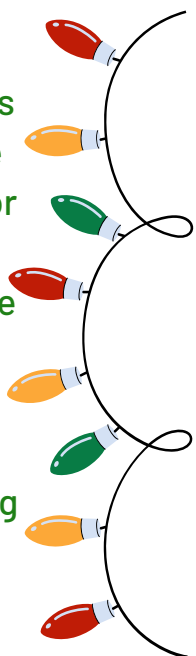
*Somehow, not only for christma,
but all the year through,
The joy that you give to others
Is the joy that comes back to you;*

*And the more you spend in blessings
The poor and lonely and sad,
The more of your heart's possessing
Retuns to make you glad..*

Thank You!



When visions of sugar plums twirl joyfully in the heads of children, we at the Berrien County Cancer Service are filled with gratitude! We send forth our prayers for the health and well-being of our cherished patients. With hearts brimming with appreciation, we honor the generosity of this community that empowers us to uplift local cancer warriors. We are truly thankful to have discovered vocations that allow us to support those navigating the challenges. The legacy of serving our community for 76 remarkable years thrives only because of the benevolent spirit that surrounds us.



Thank you for your wondrous gifts of support!



Join us for the fun!



Berrien Area Hockey Association

January 7-9, 2024

Raised over \$30,000 since 2020

BCCS has been
blessed to partner
with the Berrien
Area Hockey
Association for the
past 5 years

2024

January-July

**Our Nurses made
768 patient visits**

**Resource Locker
loan/given value:
\$31,130**

BCCS Bulletin Board

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Bit of Swiss
Renaissance Athletic Club
Berrien Spring High School Volleyball Team - DIG PINK!
Dr. Gyl Kasewurm's Professional Hearing Services
Corewell Health Infusion Center's - Niles and Marie Yeager Cancer Center

The Renaissance Athletic Club raised over \$13,000 for BCCS - AMAZING!!!



To Everyone @ BCCS,

There isn't an organization more deserving of donations than yours. I wish I was more "financially solvent" to be able to give you much more. That being said, I hope you'll accept this in the spirit in which it's given - a huge thank you for all that you do for so many. I, at one time was the fortunate recipient of your care. But please know that it's not just myself, but also the entire community that is grateful for you and the care you provide.

*A Letter from
a donor and
past patient*

Sincerely,
Kay Schultz



MERRY CHRISTMAS
HAPPY NEW YEAR

2025

Special Holiday Hours

December 24: 9am to 12pm

December 25: Closed for Christmas

January 1: Closed for New Years Day

In the event of inclement weather, please call our office 269-429-3281 to make sure we are open.

Niles History Center Community Tree Decorating



Be sure to get into the Holiday spirit and see all the trees and the room decorated by BCCS!

Special Event Dates

Saturday 11/23 - 10a-2p Holiday Music

11/30 - 12p-2p Small Business Saturday

Saturday 12/14 - 4p-7p Evening Open house

Niles History Center
508 E. Main Street, Niles

This tree stands as a tribute to the cherished memories of those we have lost in 2024, serving as a gentle reminder to keep the families in our thoughts and prayers who have endured the sorrow of losing a loved one this year.

*The Berrien County Cancer Service Board
of Directors and Staff wish you*

Nancy
Merry Christmas & Happy New Year
John
Tyanna
Mikaela
Luz
Jill
Connie
Blair
Sheryl

In Memory

In Memory of Gladys Braun
John and Susan Braun

In Memory of Amy Lausman
Louise Lausman
Joanne Parrish

In Memory of Norma Goldner

Debbie McCartney
Mary and David Sundblad
Passaro, Kahne, Taylor,
DeFrancesco & Thompson Law Offices

In Memory of John McCarley
Janice Nemitz, Jr

In Memory of Laurie O'Connell
Kirsten Trivedi

In Memory of Eileen Oles
Sue Hardy

Berrien County Cancer Service sends our sincere sympathy to all those who have recently lost loved ones. We thank all of our generous donors. Your donations appreciated to help those with cancer in Southwest Michigan.

From the Desk of Nancy Church, RN

This project is the first collaborative, multi-city effort in the country honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



"The Mountain Top"



"A Seat at the Table"

Standing in the midst of a crowd at the Margaret B. Upton Arboretum, you could feel the sense of awe and singleness of vision as civic leaders and community members came together for the unveilings of the Martin Luther King, Jr. monument. His eldest son, Martin Luther King, III presided as the honored guest and speaker at the celebration of the double unveiling. All the young people in the audience were invited to come and participate in removing the cloth. Following the unveiling, a march, complete with the cadence of the drums, commenced over the bridge to the Dwight P. Mitchell Park in Benton Harbor the for 2nd half of the unveiling. From there the program made another journey to Lake Michigan College for, "A Conversation with Martin Luther King, III". At the Grand Upton Hall, Dr. King touched on his life growing up as a son of Martin Luther King, Jr., and the hope of the monuments bringing the two communities together in unity.

The Unified Civic Monuments Project began as the dream of "Two Kings for Two Cities" with Emanuel and Sharon Brown, who were unwavering in their commitment to stay the course until the dream became a reality. September 19, 2024, was recognized and will be continued to be celebrated as a day to reflect on the injustices of the past and moving forward with commitment to come together, where all have "A Seat at the Table". This step was the result of years of planning, working, and fundraising with multiple community partners and 400 community gift-givers. This grassroots project is visual message of coming together, of incorporating the principles it stands for into our daily lives.

As this year comes to an end, all of us at BCCS are grateful for the support that you give us, so that we can work to help relieve the difficulties of those going through a cancer diagnosis. Thank you for the events you've attended, the "pennies" you've collected, the supplies you've donated, the funds you've provided, your smiles when you come to the office. All these brighten our day and enable us to share with others.

**Mail your gift to: BCCS
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**Donate by QR code
or online at:
www.bccancerservice.org**

General Gifts QR Code



Thank you!



**Have a wonderful Christmas
and we'll see you in 2025!**

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Donations can be made in honor of someone or in memory of a loved one. In these instances, we would also like to send acknowledgment to the honoree or next-of-kin, so please provide that information when making your donation.

"Everyone that I've come into contact with was very friendly and helpful. Every visit so far has been very pleasant."

Latona

