

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

TAMMY HALL, MBB PRESIDENT

Happy New Year! I hope this letter finds you staying healthy and warm. The chill in the air has not slowed down the Brigade. With the great momentum we had in 2023, we continue to work on updating our information and preparing for this year's events. We hope to see many new guild fundraisers and expand our membership in 2024.

Brigade highlights for 2023 were a payment of \$5 million toward the new Mary Bridge Children's Hospital, an increased exposure on social media (Please follow us on Facebook and Instagram and share our posts with others!), and an increase in guild events, including many new ones. The Agnew and Karshner Guilds combined their energy and had a very successful holiday season event.

The Brigade has always been a great service organization, not only through the funds we raise, but also in the generosity we share through in-kind donations. Our in-kind help is just as important, giving our organization more visibility and making a direct impact on the patients at Mary Bridge. Last year, 14 guilds reported in-kind donations valued at over \$9000.00.

I encourage you all to dream big about what your guild may do this year with fundraising events and community service to help further the support we give to Mary Bridge Children's Hospital.

BRIGADE COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, Feb. 26, 2024

9:30 AM

TG Conference Room

All Members Encouraged to Attend

Construction
Continues: A Look
Inside the New MBCH

Annual Meeting & Luncheon May, 23, 2024 | 10:30 am Tacoma Country & Golf Club

Chambers Creek Guild

Annual Spring for Kids Floral Color Bowl Sale

Bulbs are Back! Overflowing oval color bowls will delight you with a breath of spring!

Make a difference for the children of our community with your purchase. Color bowls are \$25 each and arrive the second week of February. Order soon – they sell out FAST!

Order forms are available on Brigade website or contact the office at 253-403-1427 or marybridgebrigade@multicare.org. Questions? Call Jill at 253-219-1458.



MATTY Bridge Chickens Into

Meet Maverick! He was the first graduate of the Mary Bridge NICU in 2023. The exciting change in licensure allows the youngest and tiniest patients to have a centralized, multidisciplinary pediatric care from birth.

<u>Upcoming Dates and Events</u>

- Jan. 31: All Guilds '23 Year End Financial Reports, 2024 Member Dues and Rosters due to Office.
- Feb. 26: Council Meeting | TG
 Conference Room | 9:30 am
- March 1: All Annual Guild Credit Reports for 2023 due to Office.
- March 8: All Lifetime Achievement Award Nomination Letters due to Office.
- May 23: Brigade Annual Meeting and Luncheon | Tacoma Country & Golf Club | 10:30 am
- September 26, 2024 | Annual Soiree



