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**It's That Giving Time of Year ...**

Money, money, money. Now is the time we all set aside some extra money for expressing our joy for life and gratitude for those who care for us. That giving goes beyond family and into the community where we show our appreciation for those who are always there to support and take care for us in times of need - like WCA Hospital.

The holiday season opens the door for giving opportunities galore. WCA Foundation has for more than thirty years partnered with you at year-end to support WCA Hospital through the foundation's Donation Days campaign. Building a strong endowment to support our beloved community hospital is the responsibility of our whole community, not just a few. Gifts of all sizes matter. Together they make a difference for all of us.

Thank you for your support. May the joy of giving enrich your holiday season.

To make an online donation, click on the Donate Now button on the left. Or, mail your donation to WCA Foundation, P.O. Box 840, Jamestown, NY 14702-0840. You may contact the WCA Foundation at 716-664-5461.

Season's Greetings to all,

Brigetta Overcash, Executive Director

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**And The Winner Is ...**

Mary Beth Widrig is doing her happy dance these days after being informed that she will be planning her **PIECES OF EIGHT** dinner in 2016. Her early holiday surprise caught her in complete disbelief. Winning such events is not the norm for her, but her lucky number was the charm this time.

The mother of two daughters both born on May 13, four years apart, Mary Beth used the

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About the Foundation

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General donations may be made or gifts can be designated for a specific fund or purpose such as cancer care, pediatrics, the emergency department or Robotic Surgery.

All donations are gratefully received and acknowledged as tax-deductible gifts.

number 13 as her hopeful vehicle to good luck. Her ticket had that number on it and made her a winner this time.

"It's just so unbelievable," she said of her winning. "I'm going to have a lot of fun planning the dinner."

The board of directors of WCA Foundation thank all who bought tickets for the 2015 Pieces of Eight raffle. Purchases were made by individuals from Florida all the way north to New York City and west to Ohio. Of course everyone was interested in winning the \$1,000 valued event with dinner from Chef Todd Singleton and wine pairings from Sam Whitmore at Bag & String Wine Merchants. Who wouldn't be, but supporting the raffle was even more about supporting WCA Hospital, the real winner. Thanks to all for your donations and support.



## Winged Ox Players Support Carol Evans Fund for Palliative Care



St. Luke's The Winged Ox Performers presents a check to support WCA Hospital palliative care. From left are Megan D'Angelo, WCA director of development; Peter Stark, WCA Foundation first-vice president; The Reverend Luke Foder, St. Luke's Episcopal Church; Marge Fiore, The Winged Ox Players director and Barbara Jackson, WCA senior RN nursing palliative care.

The Winged Ox Players ministry of St. Luke's Episcopal Church recently utilized the abundance of artistic talent within the parish and the community and presented "The Death and Life of Everyman: A Comedy." They perform plays that deliver a thought-provoking spiritual message and raise funds to support the topic addressed.

This year, The Winged Ox Players decided to raise funds for WCA Foundation's Carol D. Evans Memorial Fund, which is an endowment fund dedicated to palliative care. The fund was created to enhance palliative care given to patients of WCA Hospital as a result of the care given to her at the end of her life. This is a poignant way for Carol to be remembered



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perpetually since she and her family have been generous supporters of the WCA Hospital and WCA Foundation with their leadership, volunteer time and personal support. She was also an active member of St. Luke's Church in her lifetime.

"The Death and Life of Everyman: A Comedy" is a contemporary interpretation of the allegorical story of a man who learns he must prepare to meet his Maker at the end of the evening's one-hour performance, and then does! As the play progresses and his doom approaches, Everyman discovers that family, friends and fortune cannot accompany him, and that even strength, beauty, intellect and emotion are no match for the Grim Reaper, yet faith, hope and charity prevail."

Year after year, WCA Foundation supports this community's outstanding WCA Hospital with grants generated from its donor directed Designated Funds and the more general Unrestricted Funds. Grants in 2015 totaling \$478,711 have been committed to the hospital, which is income generated by the investment of the more than \$13,5000 portfolio of WCA Foundation. Other gifts, known as pass-through funds, have been received from donors for immediate use by WCA Hospital.