

# THE OZANAM PRESCRIPTION

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## WHAT'S NEW?

COVID-19 OUTREACH

- AGENCY RELATIONS CONFERENCE
- AMERICAN PHARMACISTS'

#### WELCOME TO THE OZ SQUAD! Our New Board Members...

**The Road to Endurance...** A Word from Mrs. Shearie J. Archer, Executive Director

In these times where the "new normal" has become mundane, we look at the road ahead and realize how blessed we are to be here, and what significance and purpose Ozanam has, as we continue to serve the surrounding communities. We have survived the ongoing struggles of COVID-19 and everyday life, and are making sure and steady strides forward. At the pharmacy, there's so much we have accomplished and so much more that we are planning for the year ahead. Inside of this new issue, we celebrate our progress and the support of our donors and partner agencies who make it all possible as well as rewarding. Thank you for your dedication to our mission, and being steadfast on our journey ahead...

Allen Broome, Pharm.D. - Health System Director of Pharmacy at University of South Alabama Health - has a wealth of knowledge in what it takes to make a pharmacy efficient and successful. We welcome him with the hopes of learning how to expand the care we currently provide to our patients, as well as our outreach and involvement of helping pharmacy students expand their education through teamwork and leadership training.





David Dekle - native Mobilian, former owner of The Original Oyster House, and retired businessman has a stellar record of being a determined and motivated top salesman. We welcome him with the hopes of channeling his leadership skills and compassion for the working poor into new and productive ways to increase our community outreach.

# **NEW TO THE "OZ SQUAD"**

In this new season of change, Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy, and our village of supporters, affectionately known as "The Oz Squad", have continued to be steadfast in their efforts to help keep our doors open, and our patients connected to their life-sustaining medications! In addition to our dedicated volunteers and stellar students, we're grateful for a special grant from HRSA (Health **Resources and Services Administration) and** Sostento's Project Finish Line, to forward our efforts to "crush COVID-19" on the Gulf Coast. With these funds, Ozanam has been able to sponsor a COVID-19 Pop-Up Vaccine/Booster clinic through a partnership with Semmes Pharmacy, and allowed us to hire a new employee, Ms. Nettie Stewart. From volunteer to new hire, Ms. Stewart led a phone campaign, calling all patients, making sure they knew we were open and available to help, and also kept track of all the new and constantly changing CDC policies to make sure everyone stayed aware and healthy during the outbreak of the pandemic. She has also been an integral part of our Produce Rx Program, calling to make sure all of our diabetic patients make it to the pharmacy to pick up their fresh produce and having produce boxes delivered to the ones who can't make it to the pharmacy. As **Ozanam's COVID-19 Community Outreach** Coordinator, Ms. Stewart makes great strides to make sure everyone "makes it to the finish line" by letting everyone know when and where they can go around town to stay up to date with their vaccinations and boosters. We are so grateful she chose to permanently join our team!

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Ms. Nettie Stewart COVID-19 Community Outreach Coordinator



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# COVID-19 POP-UP CLINIC



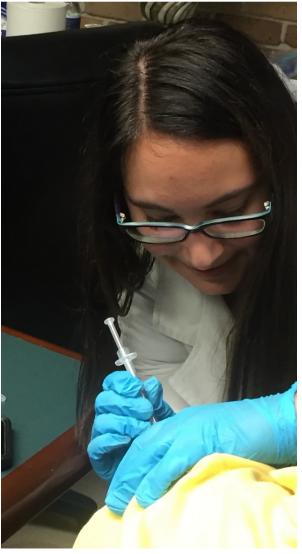
OZANAM PARTNERS WITH SEMMES PHARMACY: Pictured below are the pharmacy tech students Taylor Breech (l.) and Wraychel Hudson (r.), along with Dr. Jessica Hung, Pharm. D. and Clinical Services Manager at Semmes Pharmacy.



(Left to Right) Dr. Jessica Hung, Wraychel Hudson, Taylor Breech, Sam Williams, Ms. Nettie Stewart

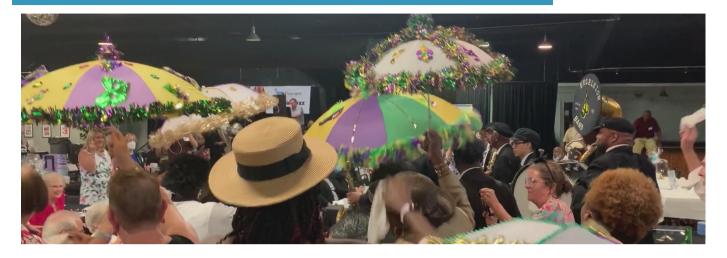


Preparing a syringe ...



Vaccinating a patient...

# JAZZ & COCKTAILS 2022



The evening of June 24th was truly a night to remember, at Ozanam's signature fundraiser of the year! Sponsored by Gardberg and Kemmerly, the event had so much to offer - a silent auction, wine pull, raffle, exquisite food, and live music from Gino Rosaria: The Pianist, Gabby Merz and The Swing Band, and a Second Line led by The Excelsior Band. Having a 139-year history of excellence, The Excelsior Band is also being celebrated as one of the recipients of the 2022 National Heritage Fellowship honorees of the National Endowment of the Arts! The PEOPLE...the MUSIC...the FOOD...the DELIGHTFUL AMBIANCE of the whole evening...A

# **USA PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS**

Thank you to the University of South Alabama Physician Assistant Students, Class of 2023, for their charitable donation. The money they helped raise from Craws for a Cause, and other fundraisers they sponsored, will continue to help with Ozanam's mission of being the medication safety net for the four-county area of the Gulf Coast.





### **United Way Day of Caring**



#### **THANK YOU DONORS!**

**Alabama Free and Charitable** Clinics **SARPC/Area Agency on Aging The Nan H. Altmaver Foundation Greater Brewton Foundation Mapp Family Trust HRSA/Sostento Mobile Diabetic Clinic Poarch Band of Creek Indians AHEPA Charitable Foundation AT & T Ascension/Sacred Heart Ascension/Providence Catholic Charities City of Mobile Performance City of Mobile CDBG Mobile County CDBG Baldwin County Commission Hill Crest Foundation JL Bedsole Foundation Crampton Trust Dog Hill Foundation McMillan Trust Moses Foundation United Way of Southwest Alabama Holy Name of Jesus** 

<u>UNITED WAY DAY OF CARING</u> - Thank you for the outstanding service provided by the volunteers from Mitsubishi Polysilicon. They refreshed the pharmacy inside and out, taking great care of every detail, right at the turn of Spring! What a wonderful job everyone!



Invest in a healthier Community with Ozanam's 10th Annual No Show Gala

Although the season of Summer sunsets, sandy beaches, and a host of gatherings is over, Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy cordially invites you NOT to attend its 10th Annual No Show Gala! You're a survivor of the COVID-19 global pandemic, and the economic challenges that followed! By the grace of God, Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy has also managed to keep our doors open, and our medication safety net afloat, for more than 1233 uninsured individuals who faced great challenges well before the pandemic...welcome to their world!

We hope you'll agree that Ozanam's 10th Annual No Show Gala is a stressfree opportunity to make an investment in a healthier local community...without all the fuss! Just sit back and relax, grab a glass of lemonade and your remote control...it's a NO SHOW GALA! For more than 24 years, Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy has been that vital medication safety net for south Alabama's uninsured individuals in Mobile, Baldwin, Escambia and Washington counties, yet the need has grown due to the devastating effects of the COVID-19 pandemic! As a survivor, you can be a part of the solution by sharing part of your blessings as an investment in a healthier local community.

Please visit our webpage, www.ozanampharmacy.org, and DONATE TODAY!

# **AGENCY RELATIONS CONFERENCE 2022**

Thank you to all partner agencies representing healthcare organizations, hospital systems, public health agencies, social service organizations, and homeless shelters who attended the Annual Agency Relation Conference in August at Goodwill on Gordan Smith Drive. This annual conference aims to train health care providers and social workers on referring and certifying patients to use Ozanam Pharmacy services. This year was the first time since COVID-19 we held an in-person conference. Over 70 people were in attendance, representing all four counties, Mobile, Baldwin, Escambia, and Washington. A special thank you for being a part of our medication safety net, and your efforts in keeping our community healthy.





Pictured are Lead Pharmacist Anne Daniels and Auburn University Harrison School of Pharmacy's 4th Year Pharmacy Student Sam Williams, discussing the importance of being able to communicate with patients about their medications, their experiences with helping patients understand their medications, and bridging the gap between the doctors and patients by enrolling them in Ozanam's Medication Therapy Management Program (MTM)

MTM is a distinct group of services that optimize therapeutic outcomes for individual patients. For example, MTM educates the patient about disease state, how to take their medication, and other resources, which include diabetic education and smoking cessation.



Pictured is Mr. James Roberson with South Alabama Regional Planning Commission/Area Agency on Aging Regional Coordinator SHIP, SMP, and SenioRx. Mr. Roberson discussed how the Area Agency on Aging helps seniors and disabled, uninsured, and underinsured individuals to receive services necessary for purposeful living. The Area Agency on Aging and Ozanam Pharmacy partner to provide the SenioRx Program.

SenioRx helps with high-cost medication for the disabled and individuals 55 years old and up who have high copayments and can't afford their medication. For more information about the SenioRx Program call (251) 432-4111.



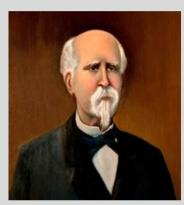
improve patient care.

Louis J. Dutilho, Jr., was a France native who moved to New Orleans, LA with his parents and brother in 1803. He graduated from the College of Pharmacy in Paris,

licensed Pharmacist in 1816. The old pharmacy is now the New Orleans Pharmacy

returned to New Orleans, and passed the licensing examination to become America's first

## Louis Joseph Dufilho, Jr.



### Susan Hayhurst



Susan Hayhurst, from Middleton Township, PA, was an American physician, pharmacist, and educator, and the first woman to receive a pharmacy degree in the United States from the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy in 1883.

## William Procter, Jr.

Museum.



## Anna Louise James



William Procter, Jr., born in Baltimore, MD, became a pharmacist when he graduated from the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy in 1837. He is known for his role in establishing the American Pharmacists Association and his work on the United States Pharmacopeia. He was the author/editor of the first pharmacy textbook published in America and is generally regarded as the Father of American Pharmacy.

### Robert H. Carter



Robert H. Carter, native of New Bedford, MA, became board certified by The Massachusetts Board of Registry in Pharmacy, as a registered pharmacist on Jan. 5, 1886, making him the first African American certified pharmacist.

Born Louise Clegget James in Hartford, CT, Anna Louise James graduated from the Brooklyn College of Pharmacy as not only the college's first African-American woman graduate in 1908, but also the first female African-American licensed pharmacist in 1909. She owned and ran her own pharmacy for 50 years.



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Community support is vital to our mission. Your gift to mark an occasion or remember a deceased loved one is gratefully appreciated. Please use the enclosed envelope for donations or you may donate online at www.ozanampharmacy.org. You may also text "GIVE" to 251-244-2974.

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