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# 33rd Annual Crouse Hospital Auxiliary 2020

A HolidayTradition Continues

We invite contributors to attend this year's Virtual Lighting Ceremony

## Monday, Nov. 30 5 p.m.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and restrictions on public gatherings, this year's clock tower lighting ceremony will be different, but just as meaningful as ones held in the past. Donors will be able to participate in this holiday tradition from the comfort of home or office via a special Zoom link that will be e-mailed to those who contribute. Please include your e-mail address on the reply card so we can send you the exclusive link to the live celebration.

Proceeds from this year's Lights of Love campaign will celebrate the departments and employees who have focused on keeping Crouse strong throughout this year's public health crisis. Every department was affected by the pandemic, yet patients continued to require care for heart attacks, strokes and the delivery of babies; more than 2100 since the pandemic began. Despite major disruptions, the Crouse staff adapted to meet the challenges and continued to provide safe, compassionate, life-sustaining treatment.



#### **Small Gestures Touch Everyone**

Before COVID-19 changed our world, many of us felt we didn't have the time or energy to extend ourselves to others with small gestures that are at the core of common courtesy. It seems sometimes that this kind of social awareness belongs to the past, to smaller towns and slower times. Yet, when someone extends a heartfelt courtesy to us, we feel touched. Someone who lends a helping hand when we are struggling with our groceries makes an impression because many people just walk right by. Even someone who simply makes the effort to look us in the eye, smile and greet us stands out from the crowd.

#### **Crouse Culture**

Small gestures extended by physicians and staff comprise the foundation of the Crouse culture. Members of the Crouse family carry with them the elegance and grace of another time, and we are always thankful for our contact with them. The Auxiliary will follow that lead and use proceeds from this year's Lights of Love campaign to fund gestures that are meaningful to our patients and critical for their care, including

• a fetal monitor for laboring moms in the Kienzle Family Maternity Center;

• an intra-aortic balloon pump for heart catheterizations in the Miron Cardiac Care Center; and

• a portable ultrasound machine to support the patient care efforts of Crouse Health's Comprehensive Stroke Program.

Thank you for your donation toward improving the quality of patient care at Crouse Health.



Donations to sponsor an individual light are a meaningful symbolic gesture to:

- honor someone special
- remember someone near or far
- give as a gift
- celebrate a special occasion
- show appreciation of exceptional care delivered by a Crouse provider, employee or volunteer



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