

FRAN BRAUN

2008 Burston Award Recipient for Outstanding Achievement in Volunteer Administration

This year's Burston award is presented to Fran Braun, Director of Volunteer Resources at Lancaster Regional Medical Center. Fran has been a DVS for the last 15 years at LRMC overseeing 150 adult volunteers and 150 youth volunteers. She is a member of PSDVS, Central Chapter, Lancaster County Chapter of Volunteer Coordinators, and the Volunteer Advisory Board of United Way of Lancaster County.

As Director of Volunteer Resources at LRMC, she started the Doctor 2 Doctor and Nurse 2 Nurse mentoring programs for teens and college students who are interested in pursuing a career in healthcare. She has spoken nationally about these programs. Fran also started the Concierge Service program to enhance patient care and service to families. She has given at least 100 speeches to various organizations and will speak anytime and anywhere when invited about volunteerism.



In addition to her role as a DVS, Fran speaks to all new employees during orientation about the volunteer department. She served as a patient advocate and had the spiritual care department under her wings. Fran also founded the "Employees Can Help Others" Fund (ECHO) to help support needy employees in times of financial need. Over the last three years, over \$100,000 has been distributed.

Fran is very active in her community serving as a book report volunteer at Eshelman Elementary School, a board member for the American Heart Association and Advisory Board to United Way of Lancaster County, a transport volunteer for St. Anne's Home, and an office volunteer for Schreiber Pediatric Rehab Center.

We are very proud to present the 2008 Burston award to Fran Braun.