

Upcoming Events

September

Environmental Services
 and DME
 Awareness Week

October

3rd- Camp Willow
2027 Pet Peace of Mind
Calendars on SALE!
 National Boss's Day
 National Clergy Month

November

National Hospice Month
5th-6th- Coping with the
Holidays Workshops
 RSVP by October 26th

Growing through Grief Support Groups:

Open to anyone **in the community!**

Mondays: 10:00 am - noon.
 Tuesdays: 3:30 pm - 5 pm.
 The meetings will be at the
 Hospice of the Ozarks
 Administration Building.

3rd Thursday of the month from
 2 pm - 4 pm at Kirby & Family
 Funeral Home 717 Central Blvd,
 Bull Shoals .

call: 870-508-1771

Our services are about
 Quality of
 Respect for
 Celebration of **Life**

**For information on
 upcoming events visit:**

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2026 AUTUMN NEWSLETTER

Setting up for success - the “hardware” of Hospice

September is National Durable Medical Equipment and Environmental Services Recognition Week.... goodness that's a mouthful!
 So what does this mean? What is the role of this department in hospice care? Well, to put it simply, Stacy, Monty and Christine set us up for success from the equipment side of things. Whether it is in our warehouse, the patient's home, or in our 12-bed Hospice House facility; this team makes sure that everything is clean, fully functioning and ready to use.

“Our main role is to deliver, set up, and maintain equipment like hospital beds, oxygen concentrators, and wheelchairs. Each household we visit presents unique circumstances, and each family copes with different challenges. We learn to communicate with empathy, respect each family's privacy, and remain calm under pressure. Sometimes, taking the time to explain the equipment thoroughly or simply listening to a caregiver's concerns can have a significant impact by easing stress and tension.”

This job also requires strong organizational and technical skills. The DME team manages complex delivery schedules, maintains equipment, keeps accurate records, and responds swiftly to urgent service calls. Flexibility is crucial, as patient's needs can change rapidly and often require immediate attention.

“One of the most rewarding aspects of the job is knowing that this work directly improves a patient's comfort and quality of life. A properly adjusted hospital bed or reliable oxygen equipment can make a notable difference in helping patients remain comfortable in their own homes. Although we are not providing direct medical care, we understand that our role is an important part of the hospice care team.”

“We are proud to be part of a team dedicated to helping patients spend their final days, weeks or months in comfort and peace. This experience reinforces our commitment to serving others and highlights the meaningful impact of behind-the-scenes roles like ours.”

We are so blessed to have these wonderful, compassionate professionals on our hospice team. We couldn't do it without you!!

Camp Willow **October 3rd** **RSVP by September 24th**

Camp Willow, a one day children's bereavement camp, is a program offered every spring and fall. If you know any children who have experienced the death of a loved one, Camp Willow can assist them and their families in processing their grief and remembering the person they lost.



**Camp
 Willow**



We are continuing with our beloved annual tradition of the Pet Peace of Mind Calendar! The 2027 Calendars will be on sale mid-October for only \$10. Keep a look out on our website and on our social media. Every penny raised with the calendar goes towards providing care, and when necessary, rehoming the pets of those who are seriously ill or animals that belonged to patients who have died. We appreciate everyone for participating in this fun contest. Thank You for your support!



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*Our mission: To improve the quality of life for individuals and their families
in the last phases of an incurable illness and in times of grief.*

Our annual Coping with the Holidays workshops have become a cherished tradition at Hospice of the Ozarks over the years. This free event provides essential support and guidance to members of our community as they navigate the tender and emotional moments during the holidays while grieving the loss of a loved one. It serves as a space for connection, support, learning and healing.

Our doors will open for this workshop for two days on November 5th and 6th. Please send in your RSVP by October 26th.

Coping with the Holidays Workshop



Hospice of the Ozarks hosted its annual gala, A Night of Hope, on Saturday, June 6th. This event is a catalyst to our annual fundraising efforts & plays such a pivotal role in the success and sustainability of the organization. Once again, this incredible community showed their support and exceeded our expectations far beyond what we could have imagined!

Inspired by the beauty and romance of the city of lights, 'An Evening in Paris' brought our community together for a spectacular night of friendship, philanthropy, and support for Hospice of the Ozarks.

The night began with a cocktail reception, where guests mingled while browsing and bidding on an impressive selection of silent auction items. As the festivities continued, attendees gathered in the dining room to enjoy live music by Conwave and a chef-selected three-course dinner.

The evening's program featured the presentation of the 2026 Community Partner Awards, recognizing individuals and organizations whose advocacy and community involvement have made a meaningful impact on Hospice of the Ozarks and the patients and families we serve. We were honored to recognize **Danfoss** as our **2026 Community Partner of the Year** and **Charlotte Repp** as our **2026 Champion of the Year** for their outstanding dedication to our mission.

Following the awards, guests enthusiastically participated in an exciting live auction featuring everything from a homemade peanut butter pie to local vacation getaways. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our generous sponsors, auction donors, volunteers, board members, staff, and everyone who attended and supported this special event. Because of your generosity, An Evening in Paris was not only a wonderful celebration but also a tremendous success in helping Hospice of the Ozarks continue providing compassionate care to patients and families throughout our community.

