

With Attached Photos: **Top photo**, left to right: Christy Jordan, president & CEO, Southeast Georgia Health System; Stuart Stratton, Brunswick Campus 2024 Volunteer of the Year and Peggy Tuten, president, Brunswick Campus Volunteer Services. **Bottom photo**, left to right: Stephanie Stark, DBA, vice president, Service Excellence; Terri Capps, Camden Campus 2024 Volunteer of the Year and Kathleen Worthing, president, Camden Campus Volunteer Services. **Contact:** Jenni Morris, interim director, Marketing & Public Relations; jenni.morris@sghs.org, 912-466-2145

Southeast Georgia Health System Volunteer Services Names Stratton and Capps Volunteers of the Year

BRUNSWICK, Georgia: August 12, 2025 – Southeast Georgia Health System Volunteer Services recently announced Stuart Stratton as the 2024 Brunswick Campus Volunteer of the Year and Terri Capps as the Camden Campus Volunteer of the Year. The awards were presented during the recent Volunteer Services' Summer Luncheons.



Stratton has been volunteering with the Health System since 2017 and can typically be found at the Parkwood Lobby Guest Services desk. "Known for his thoughtful nature and helpful spirit, he will often go above and beyond to make sure a visitor or patient's experience on our campus is a positive one," says Peggy Tuten, president, Brunswick Campus Volunteer Services. "One memorable example of Stuart's dedication occurred when he stayed 30 minutes past the end of his volunteer shift to escort and make sure a patient found their way to the correct area of the hospital," Tuten adds.

Over the past year, Stratton has been instrumental in mentoring and training new volunteers, sharing his experience and warmth with those just beginning their journey of service. His leadership has helped shape a welcoming and capable team at Guest Services, enhancing the experience of new volunteers.

Stratton brings a lifetime of service to his volunteer role. He had a distinguished career with the Air Force and later founded a successful construction company. He is also a strong supporter of Coastal Georgia Honor Flight.



Capps began volunteering with the Health System Camden Campus November 2023. Her first placement was at the Guest Services Desk. According to Kathleen Worthing, president, Volunteer Services, Camden Campus, "From the very beginning she brought warmth, dedication and a willingness to go above and beyond. When she heard there was a need for additional help in the Gift Shop she offered to add a shift in the Gift Shop to her weekly commitment."

Over the past year and a half, Capps has become a vital part of the Health System's Volunteer community. Whether she's covering extra shifts, supporting fundraisers or greeting guests with a smile, Capps presence on campus is a constant reminder of the power of kindness and service.

Prior to joining Volunteer Services, Capps worked in the health care field for 15 years. She currently resides in St. Marys, and travels to Indiana frequently to see family.

During 2024, volunteers contributed a total of 27,397 hours to the Health System, which equates to an estimated monetary value of \$958,073 according to the Independent Sector. Volunteers also donated a total of \$145,000 last year for projects that benefit patient care.

More than 150 volunteers generously share their time and talents to assist patients, visitors, and team members at the Southeast Georgia Health System Brunswick and Camden campuses. To learn more about volunteer opportunities, contact Kristin Doll, CDVS, director, Volunteer Services, at 912-466-1071 or visit sghs.org.

ABOUT SOUTHEAST GEORGIA HEALTH SYSTEM

Southeast Georgia Health System is a not-for-profit health system comprised of two acute care hospitals, two Cancer Care Centers and multiple specialty care centers, including orthopaedic and spine care, joint replacement, breast care, maternity, outpatient rehabilitation, sleep management and wound care. The Brunswick Campus Cancer Care Center is accredited by the American College of Surgeons Commission on Cancer and is one of the few centers in Georgia to offer CyberKnife® M6 with MLC. Additionally, the Brunswick Campus is accredited by The Joint Commission as an Advanced Primary Stroke Center and the Camden Campus is accredited as an Acute Stroke Ready Hospital. The Southeast Georgia Physician Associates medical group includes more than 175 providers working in 20 different medical specialties at more than 45 locations. The Health System is part of Coastal Community Health, a regional affiliation between Baptist Health and Southeast Georgia Health System, a highly integrated hospital network focused on significant initiatives designed to enhance the quality and value of care provided to our contiguous communities. For more information, visit sghs.org.

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