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Welcome Spring at Mount St. Mary's Tulip Tea

Mount St. Mary Hospital is inviting the community to help celebrate the arrival of Spring at its second annual Tulip Tea. Taking place at Mount St. Mary on Sunday, April 20, the Tulip Tea is a fundraiser to support the purchase of new hospital equipment.

“Spring is definitely in the air and we want to show off our wonderful gardens,” said Veronica Osborn, Chair of the Mount St. Mary Foundation. “Tulips represent love and friendship – two things we aim to provide on a daily basis to our residents. What better way to express this than by opening our doors and showcasing 3,200 tulip blooms at their peak.”

The tulips were donated by an anonymous source and were planted in the fall by residents and volunteers from Majestic Landscaping. The eight tulip varieties planted throughout the property reveal a magnificent burst of reds, yellows and purples.

“Many of the tulips were planted in the inner courtyard’s Blondin Garden,” said Osborn. “It’s a place where many residents and their families connect with nature and each other.” Recent research in psychology and horticultural therapy have demonstrated far reaching benefits of human interactions with flowers including enhanced brain function and improved episodic memory in older people, increased alertness, and improved mood.

“Money raised will go toward purchasing necessary hospital equipment that will assist in comfort care for residents,” said Mandy Parker, Executive Director of the Mount St. Mary Foundation. “The community has a long history of supporting Mount St. Mary and we are very grateful.”

The Tulip Tea is on Sunday, April 20 from 1 – 4 pm at Mount St. Mary Hospital, 861 Fairfield Road. Guests will enjoy an English tea, music, learn about programs at Mount St. Mary, and view items from the Sisters of St. Ann and the St. Joseph’s School of Nursing archives.

The Mount St. Mary Foundation is a not-for-profit organization, created to support the many valuable programs of Mount St. Mary Hospital and to enhance the quality of life of our residents.

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