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## **BOTHWELL HONORS VOLUNTEERS WITH LUNCHEON**

SEDALIA, MO - Bothwell Regional Health Center honored its volunteers from American Red Cross, Bothwell Auxiliary, and Chaplain volunteers at its annual Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon. The annual luncheon is hosted during National Volunteer Week. Volunteers and friends attended the luncheon at the First United Methodist Church Celebration Center on Friday, April 24.

“Our volunteers do an amazing job. Their generous gift of time and dedication to Bothwell is an example of the giving spirit of our community,” said John Dawes, president and chief executive officer of Bothwell Regional Health Center.

One hundred forty-eight Bothwell volunteers donated a total of 126,064 hours of service to Bothwell Regional Health Center in 2014. They were honored with Presidential Service Awards.

Ervene Nothwehr was honored with a Lifetime Achievement Award, which is bestowed on volunteers who have donated more than 4,000 hours of service.

Carlene Ficken received the Ida Hoffman Volunteer of the Year 2014 Award from the American Red Cross. She volunteered 601 hours of service to the hospital in 2014.

Virginia McAllister received the Marian Tempel Volunteer of the Year 2014 Award from the Auxiliary. Virginia McAllister volunteered 429 hours of service to the hospital in 2014.

Nominations for The American Red Cross and the Bothwell Auxiliary are based on service, character and dedication. Group members then vote to select the volunteers of the year, who are recognized at the annual appreciation luncheon.

“National Volunteer Week celebrates service, but in a hospital setting your volunteer work is more than a service. You are an active partner in improving community health. And today we are here to celebrate our volunteers as partners in our mission to serve the community,” said Dawes as he addressed volunteers

at the annual banquet. “Thank you for your generous gift of time and dedication to serving patients and their families.”

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Bothwell Regional Health Center is a 145-bed regional health center serving west-central Missouri with state-of-the-art technology and comprehensive health and wellness services including surgical, cancer, orthopedic, cardiovascular, women's health, and therapy services. For more information on Bothwell Regional Health Center and our services, visit the Web site at [www.brhc.org](http://www.brhc.org) or find us on Facebook.