

# FRIENDS of STRONG VOLUNTEER UPDATE

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***Happy New Year to all of our Friends of Strong Volunteers!***

A newsletter for  
volunteers of Strong  
Memorial Hospital

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## **New Debit Card Supports Patient Care**

Advantage Federal Credit Union (AFCU) has partnered with Friends of Strong to offer a debit card benefiting patient care at Strong.

Beginning February 1, if you open a Friends of Strong Debit Card at AFCU, a portion of each purchase you make will be given back to Friends of Strong. The debit card will be available at all AFCU locations and anyone can choose the FOS Give Back card, including URMH employees, staff, students and volunteers.

**The first 100 customers that go to Advantage's URMH branch**, located on the ground floor of the Medical Center (G-6010) near Whipple Circle, who open a new checking account and choose the Friends of Strong Debit Card will receive their choice of a \$25 gift certificate to either the Friends of Strong Gift Shop or any of Finger Lakes Coffee Roasters' three Medical Center locations. The customized debit cards are produced on-site and available within minutes of opening your account.



**As an added benefit, the Friends of Strong Gift Shop is offering 10% off purchases paid for using the AFCU FOS debit card!** (Some exclusions apply—see cashier for details.)

**Here's your opportunity to give back.** The more *you* swipe, the more *they* give back to Friends of Strong to benefit patient- and family-centered care initiatives.

Advantage was established in 1931 as the Rochester City School District Teacher's Credit Union and has served the University since 1985. Today, Advantage serves approximately 70 employee groups throughout the area. For additional information, please stop by AFCU's Medical Center branch, call (585) 295-5135 or visit [advantagefcu.org](http://advantagefcu.org).

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## Welcome New Volunteers

Debra Aaron	MacKenzie Crist	Brian Head	Shannon O'Connor
Maame Esi Aggrey	Tara Daly	Christopher Hidalgo	Daniel Olbrych
Chantale Allen	Tyler Dancause	Caroline Ioele	Michael Pagan
Antonio Alvarado	Aileen De Leon	Jessica Janese	Lee Palmer
Tatiana Amaye-Obu	Kathleen DeCramer	Stephanie Jerome	Americo Paolucci
Kassidy Amburgey	Susan DeNapoli	Andre Jeyarajan	Patricia Paskell
Parvina Amirkulova	Louise DeWaters	Brittney Johnson	Sarah Pericozzi
Savon Amos	Kelsey DiCaprio	Elaine Jones	Michael Pernot
Dwayna Anderson	Dylan DiCarlo	Alexandra Karr	Breanne Peterson
Rahul Angra	Nancy Dieter	Victoria Kass	Khin Win Lei Phyu
Dana Aulogia	Seda Donmez	Joshua Kazdan	Colleen Pichette
Sandra Banning	Laura Dragon	Lynn Keller	Jessica Picone
Nicholas Barilla	Nikhil Dubey	Matthew Ketcham	Harry Pierre-Philippe
Daniel Barnett	Emma Dudley	Katryna Kevelson	Amanda Pittman
Megan Bass	Courtney Dunham	Sayvion King	Alexandra Placek
Abigail (Abby) Benvie	Christine Echtenkamp	Danielle Kirchner	Paul Pompili
Brittany Bo	Pejman Karrokh	Timothy Kwan	Sean Ponzio
Marsha Boelio	Steven Fishel	Nichole LaPlaca	Samantha Poon
Jacob Booher-Babcock	Callie Fisher	Yeonwoo Lee	Brittany Popovich
Poona, Brar	Margaret Fitzpatrick	Steven Li	Melanie Prinz
Emma Broderick	Nina Fong	Samantha Lienert	Laurel Prothero
Thaddeus (Tod) Brudz	Amanda Foti	Euakarn (Som) Lieng-tiraphan	Wendy Qu
Patricia Burns	Kaitlyn Frasca	Selena Lilley	Monika Ragjohn
Elizabeth Butkos	Alex Freedenberg	Linda Lindeman	Mary Rahmlow
Daniel Bykovsky	Yakov Fridman	Katherine Lynch	Yurely Ramirez
Karen Cahill	Joshua Frisch	Yiwen Ma	Kelly Reese
Rachel Castronovo	Daniel Galusha	Florence Mak	Isabella Regalado
Sarah Caternolo	Dishawn Gamage	Victoria Mann	Riane Reighel
Rowland Chen	Wanda Garren	Jennifer Mappus	Amber Reynolds
Yilin Chen	Jeffrey Gasbarre	Samantha Marsala	Bridgitte Richardson
Vijay Chockalingam	Brianna Gibney	Alex Martinez	Leanne Richardson
Joelle Church	Sydney Goldberg	Kiah Mayo	Steven Richardson
Molly Ciarla	Angela Gonnella	Cassandra McCambridge	Bridget Robertson
Domenique Ciriello	Amy Goodno	Audrey McCarthy	Dayeshawn Rotan
Alicia Ciringione	Daniel Green	Gianna Melillo	Yuan Ru
Madison Clark	Christal Greenlaw	Rebecca Mirville	Evan Rubenstein
Mary Clouser	Jennifer Cross	Elizabeth Moon	Jessica Salbert
Adriana Coll De Pena	Megan Gugliuzza	Taylor Moore	Angela Salce
Kathleen Collins	Syeda Hafsa	Jacqueline Moyer	Anne Saleh
Caleb Connelly	Mona Haleen	Shaunea Murphy	Christine Samoriski
Maria Connolly	Kendal Hamer	Mei-Jin Sybil Neo	Julia Samworth
Daniella Cook	Gwyndolyn Hankinson	Courtney Netto	Idalis Santana
Susan Copek	Brandi Harmon	Laiz Novaes	Nitish Sarana
Michelle Cotturone	David Hartman	Grace (Mary) O'Brien	Jessica Saxum
Chirstina Coury	Kevin Heacock		Christopher Scheitingner

## Welcome New Volunteers (continued)

Stephen Scheutzow	Beverly Stephenson	Andrey Tsyupa	Lauren Wiater
Donald Schultz	Caitlin Stoltman	Priscilla Urena	Lara Wilcox
Sheryl Seliger	Karissa Stoyell	Daniel Valeri	Lan Wu
Christine Shea	Kathryn Strine	Peggy Veiro	Olivia Wuest
Ashely Shepard	Michael Strumpfler	Tarah Venn	Linqian (Linda) Xu
Greg Shinaman	Jennifer Switzer	Kathleen Vernam	Jenny Yau
Emily Silco	Lyla Tan	Marissa Vincenzi	Hyerin Yoon
Aryn Slade	Briaune Taylor	Vivek Viswanath	Emily Zeh
Joniece Smith	Joshua Terrore	Mary Jane Walsh	Ann Yao Zhang
Marie Sorrentino	Caroline Thomas	Anna Weldy	Xiaobai Zhou
Eileen Stair	Kara Thomson	Melissa Whelen	Jessica Zimmerman
Myranda Steingraeber	Emily Toohey-Crawford	Kathleen (Kathy) White	

## Group Interviews in January

We began scheduling appointments for new volunteers starting December 12 and are beginning to fill our group information sessions for January and February! We feel fortunate to have so many people in the community who wish to volunteer with us. If you have any friends or family that are interested in hearing more about our program, please have them give our office a call or check out our website for more information. [friends.urmc.edu](http://friends.urmc.edu)

## Active Flu Season Declared by New York State

Since 2013, New York State law mandates that all UNVACCINATED employees, students, volunteers, and non-employed licensed physicians MUST WEAR A SURGICAL MASK during the timeframe of “widespread influenza activity” as determined by the New York State Health Commissioner.

If you declined participation in the 2016-2017 Flu Vaccination Program, please be prepared to wear a mask each time you volunteer until the mask requirement is lifted by the State. Please contact our office with questions.

## Wine Tasting February 10 at Monroe Golf Club

Join us as we sample from a selection of over 100 red, white, and sparkling, imported and domestic wines along with French champagnes, hors d’oeuvres, and desserts at Monroe Golf Club, from 7 to 10 p.m., on Friday, February 10. Tickets are now available at [giveto.urmc.edu/fosgala](http://giveto.urmc.edu/fosgala). All event proceeds benefit patient care at Strong.

## Save the Dates ...

**February 10** – 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Gala Wine Tasting  
Monroe Golf Club

**March 23** – Celebrity Bartender Night  
Grappa's at College Town

**April 22** – Knighthawks vs. New England  
Blue Cross Arena

**April 23** – 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Rochester River Run 5k  
Genesee Valley Park

*For more information, please call our office at  
(585) 275-2420 or go to: [fos.urmc.edu](http://fos.urmc.edu)*

## Donations

### Friends of Strong

Anonymous

Department of Imaging Sciences

William Jenkins

Joseph Munson

Kathleen Nau

Joseph Unger

### ***Louise Criticos Endowment***

Rose Faucette

***In Memory of Hon. Patrick Pietropaoli***

Tim Foster