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Mercy Hospital Foundation



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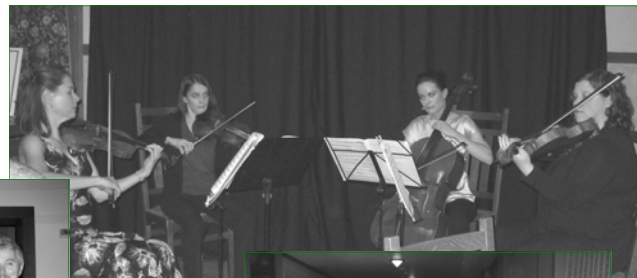


Daniel Leary, M.D. (center) joins Darya Brach and John Brach, M.D., whose group, Aurora Hospitalist, were Hubbard Hall sponsors.



Serrie Lico, M.D. and Jennifer Lico of CTS Lico were Food and Beverage Sponsors.

The Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra's Clara Quartet presented a classical concert following dinner.



The jazz combo Natural Elements performed during dinner.

Food and beverages from a number of local restaurants and wineries were a feature of the evening.



Successful Mercy Autumnal Features Local Food and Music

Guests at the Mercy Hospital Foundation's Second Annual **Autumnal** on October 22 enjoyed a local menu of food and beverages and a private musical performance by the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra's Clara Quartet.

This very special evening was held at the historic Roycroft Inn in East Aurora. Physicians, donors and friends of Mercy Hospital gathered for this signature event to raise funds and awareness for the hospital and its critically important programs for the residents of our community. Over \$50,000 was raised for the Hospital.

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2010 Foundation Disbursements

This year, the Mercy Hospital Foundation has funded over \$100,000 in programs, facilities and equipment for the hospital, including:

New Nurse's Station for Labor & Delivery \$34,300	Cazenovia Health & Wellness Center \$11,556	Nurses' Week \$1,934
Mercy Meditation Garden \$16,146	Continuing Medical Education \$8,838	Imaging Services/ Breast Cancer Awareness \$1,582
Conferences/Education for Associates \$12,309	Blanket Warmers for Emergency Room \$5,125	Spiritual Care \$1,370

Your Continued Generosity Will Make a Lasting Difference

In this season of giving and gratitude, the Mercy Hospital Foundation would like to extend our appreciation to you for your continued friendship and support.

Without your generosity, we could not have provided the many programs and services for Mercy Hospital that you see listed above. **Your commitment is the catalyst for Mercy's current and future success.**

As the end of the Foundation's fiscal year draws near, we are very close to reaching our Annual Fund benchmark of

\$180,000. Please consider a year-end gift to ensure that we will achieve this goal and continue to provide vital support to Mercy Hospital.

To donate, please use the enclosed envelope or contact the Foundation at (716) 828-2120. We are also online at www.mercyhospitalfoundation.org.

With your commitment, we can advance the health of our community for many years to come. **On behalf of all of us here at Mercy Hospital, thank you.**

New Meditation Garden Completed Blessing and Dedication Held on October 8

On a beautiful, sunny October day, donors and friends of Mercy Hospital gathered in the newly completed Meditation Garden for a blessing and dedication service.

Presiding over the ceremony was Msgr. Paul J.E. Burkard, pastor of Our Lady of Victory Basilica. Mercy's connection with Our Lady of Victory goes back many years: the beautiful statue of Our Blessed Mother, the Garden's centerpiece, was a gift of Father Nelson Baker to the Sisters of Mercy in 1929.

The Meditation Garden was partially funded through the Legacy Walkway donors and the Mercy Hospital Foundation. The Buffalo and Erie County Botanical Gardens donated planting services and guidance.

Ran Lydell, plantsman and owner of Cook's Nursery in Dunkirk, NY, donated the garden design. The Pike Company, which managed the Emergency Center construction project, donated the statue's restoration.

The Legacy Walkway within the Garden offers donors the opportunity to make honorary or memorial gifts. Path stones, benches and pedestal markers along the Walkway are engraved with donors' messages. Ongoing donor dedication ceremonies will be held as the Legacy Walkway continues to grow through the coming years.



For donor opportunities, contact Jennifer Merlette, Director of Development, at (716) 828-2120.



Jennifer L. Merlette
Director of Development

Dear Friends,

In October, the Foundation's Executive Director, Dan McCormack, moved on to a new position as Vice President of Philanthropy with the Hospital Sisters Health System in Springfield, Illinois. We will always be appreciative of the many contributions that Dan made in his time here and we wish him the best of luck in his new venture.

In the interim, I am pleased to take the lead in continuing the essential work of the Mercy Hospital Foundation and I am grateful for your ongoing support of our efforts. I look forward to many exciting new initiatives in the coming year and we will continue to keep you informed of our progress.

Best wishes for a wonderful holiday season!

Mercy Hospital Foundation and BlueCross BlueShield Launch Local Health Program



Jennifer Merlette, Mercy Hospital Foundation's Director of Development, Mickey Kearns, South District City Councilmember, and Alphonso O'Neil-White, President and CEO of BlueCross BlueShield of Western New York, tour the Health & Wellness Room at the Cazenovia Resource Center.

This partnership between BlueCross BlueShield and Catholic Health will provide a dedicated neighborhood location where individuals and families can have greater access to health information and community education programs.

A press conference was held recently to announce BlueCross BlueShield's "Helping Our Heroes" initiative, a program to consolidate and streamline services for our local veterans. The Health & Wellness Center at Cazenovia will become the first satellite location for this effort.

The Mercy Hospital Foundation has secured a grant of \$50,000 from BlueCross BlueShield of Western New York to establish the Health & Wellness Connection at the Cazenovia Resource Center in South Buffalo.

Established in 2006 through the efforts of South District Councilmember Mickey Kearns, the Cazenovia Resource Center is a former Erie County public library that has been repurposed into a comprehensive local community center.

Patrick P. Lee Foundation Presents Grant In Support of New Emergency Center

Trustees of the Patrick P. Lee Foundation recently awarded the Mercy Hospital Foundation a grant of \$25,000 to support the new Emergency Center at Mercy Hospital of Buffalo.

Opened in May of this year, the new Mercy Emergency Center is the region's largest and most advanced emergency treatment center, providing round-the-clock emergency care for every member of the family. Between the hospital and the Mercy Ambulatory Care Center in Orchard Park, Mercy Hospital provides more emergency services than any other hospital in our region.

Located in Key Largo, FL and Amherst, NY, the Patrick P. Lee Foundation is a charitable organization dedicated to providing support to non-profit organizations that empower families and communities with the resources needed to



Left to right: Lee Foundation Trustee Michele Lee, Mercy Hospital Foundation Board Chairman Arthur Russ, Lee Foundation Executive Director Frederic Cook and Mercy Hospital President and CEO C.J. Urlaub.

create positive change in the areas of education, cancer treatment/research, mental health and human services in South Florida and Western New York.