

# Providence Milwaukie Foundation News



At one of the free clinics, Heather Sedillo (right), a scheduling specialist in diagnostic imaging at Providence Milwaukie, interviews Sheila Jensen. The patient and her husband, an unemployed contractor, had to drop their health insurance this year.

## Mammogram clinics for uninsured prove to be 'a great experience'

Mammograms save lives, but too many women go without because they simply can't afford the screenings. Providence Milwaukie sought to remedy this situation recently by providing free breast exams and mammograms for uninsured women over age 40.

Funded by a Safeway Foundation grant to Providence Milwaukie Foundation, the clinics served a total of 45 women during three evenings in September. Many staff members and physicians volunteered their time and expertise, including Elizabeth Klein, M.D.

"I will always remember," Dr. Klein notes, "the words of one of the patients after I completed her breast exam. She said, 'Doctor, thank you so much for being here tonight.' In that moment, I was thankful again for my training and realized how much we have to offer our patients as family doctors.

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## 'Service Above Self' propels Rotary gifts to Providence

Eradicating polio worldwide and supplying clean water to remote Indonesian villages – these are two ambitious health promotion efforts of Rotary International, the humanitarian service organization. Here at the local level, the Rotary Club of Milwaukie helps build a healthier community by supporting Providence Milwaukie Hospital.

In fact, the Providence Mission of compassionate service to vulnerable people resonates well with Rotary, says Heather Hobson, club president. "It's very much in line with our 'Service Above Self' motto and service to our community."

The Rotary motto and logo grace a plaque outside a patient room at the hospital. The plaque is there because a dozen years ago, the late Bill Brod – community volunteer,

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Gathered after a recent Milwaukie Rotary meeting are Heather Hobson (right), president; Chris Wilson (center), chair of Youth Exchange-Outbound; and Jan Foley, chair of the Rotary International Foundation.

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As people of Providence, we reveal God's love for all, especially the poor and vulnerable, through our compassionate service.

**Our Core Values**

Respect, Compassion, Justice,  
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## Thank you for your support

Dear Friends of Providence Milwaukie Hospital,

On behalf of the Providence Milwaukie Foundation Board, thank you for your ongoing support of our community hospital.

Providence Milwaukie Foundation, launched 21 years ago, has raised nearly \$6 million to support a wide variety of projects for our hospital. These include building expansion and modernization; new equipment; medications and medical supplies for people who can't afford them; maternity care; and an array of community health and educational programs.

We are nearing the end of our current capital campaign, which supports the expansion of the hospital's Endoscopy Services Department. Colon cancer is 90 percent curable when detected early. The expansion will triple the hospital's capacity for colon cancer screenings, meaning that more lives will be saved. Please help us beat the odds of colon cancer with a gift today to the endoscopy services expansion.

We are very grateful to all of the donors who have supported Providence Milwaukie Hospital over the years. Thanks to you, Providence Milwaukie Hospital is able to provide world-class health care in our community.

John Wyatt, President

Providence Milwaukie Foundation Board of Directors



John Wyatt

## Community Health in Motion Fund helps to serve the most vulnerable

Helping serve the health needs of Clackamas County's most poor and vulnerable residents, from children in financial need to frail older people, is the aim of Community Health in Motion. Providence Milwaukie Hospital joined with several community partners to start the program in 2005.

Now, Providence Milwaukie Foundation has established the Community Health in Motion Fund to raise money for the program's important projects.

Community Health in Motion provides thousands of free immunizations for children who are at risk of being excluded from school because they haven't received the required immunizations. It also provides hundreds of free sports physicals for children whose parents can't afford the required exams. As well, the program has offered basic health screenings for adults, fall prevention clinics for seniors and community health fairs.

Community Health in Motion resulted from a community needs assessment that revealed that access to basic health care was a critical concern in our community. A more recent assessment identified additional priority areas, including services for the elderly, primary care access for the uninsured and underinsured, care for diverse populations, and behavioral health services.

To learn more about Community Health in Motion, or to contribute to the foundation fund, please call 503-513-8325.

## Partners in Health event bolsters endoscopy capital campaign

More than 135 people gathered to enjoy Providence Milwaukie Foundation's 2009 Partners in Health fundraising event, a dinner and program Oct. 22 at Waverley Country Club. The event raised more than \$70,000 for the capital campaign supporting the expansion of Providence Milwaukie Hospital's Endoscopy Services Department.

Underscoring the importance of endoscopy services, especially

colon cancer screenings, was a video presentation featuring two local colon cancer survivors, Mike Richardson and Father Theodore Weber. The video also included Bill Call, former board member and longtime friend of the foundation, who talked about the value of having a high-quality community hospital; and Elizabeth Klein, M.D., family physician. Dr. Klein described how the Community Health in Motion Fund and the Emilie Gamelin Fund benefit poor

and vulnerable people.

Besides raising dollars for endoscopy services, the capital campaign also has raised community awareness of the lifesaving importance of colon cancer screenings.

Thank you to the event planning committee: board secretary Diane Greenman, chair; board member Cindy Fetty; and community volunteers Bob Palandech, Jennifer Tan and Kris Olson.



Enjoying the evening are (from left) Megan Danilson, Dan Floyd, director of public affairs of Safeway; John Wyatt, foundation board of directors president; Michelle Weisenbach, board vice president and treasurer; and Theron Park, Providence Milwaukie Hospital chief executive.



Longtime foundation supporters Joe and Shirley Bernard (left) are joined by Father Theodore Weber, and Peggy and John Brockamp.

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Diane Greenman, foundation board secretary and Partners in Health event chair, celebrates a successful evening with her husband, Terry Greenman.

## Barbecue serves up gratitude and glimpse of donors' contributions

**N**ow Serving...A Heaping Plateful of Thanks!" declared the aprons worn by board members who served at the annual donor appreciation event hosted by the Providence Milwaukie Foundation Board of Directors. The July 16 barbecue recognized and thanked donors for their support.

During the festivities, Bill and Donna Zagone received the 2009 Outstanding Community Inspiration award for their decades-long contributions to the foundation and the Milwaukie community. Bill is an honorary board member.

More than 120 guests enjoyed live music, dined on all-American fare in a casual outdoor setting at Providence Milwaukie Hospital, and received a "behind the waiting-room door" glimpse of advanced medical equipment made possible by donations.

Guests witnessed "live birth" demonstrations featuring

a computerized mannequin, with Robert Gobbo, M.D., and Shawn DeRemer, M.D., presenting. Attendees also visited the site of the future expanded Endoscopy Services Department, where Scott Browning, M.D.,

and Kirsten Kinsman, M.D., emphasized the importance of colonoscopy in early detection of colon cancer.

The new Endoscopy Services Department, due for completion in January 2010, is expected to triple the capacity for endoscopic procedures performed at Providence Milwaukie Hospital. To date, caring donors have raised more than \$465,000 in support of the capital campaign.

Thank you to the physicians, employees

and volunteers who freely gave their time and expertise to make the evening enjoyable. Thanks also to Bob's Red Mill Natural Foods, Inc., for providing nutritious samples to our guests.



Donna and Bill Zagone share the good cheer upon receiving the foundation's Outstanding Community Inspiration award.

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philanthropist and a founding Milwaukie Rotary member – persuaded his fellow Rotarians to donate \$10,000 to the hospital's major building expansion.

Ever since, the club has carried forward that spirit of supporting Providence. Made up of business and professional people, the Milwaukie Rotary is a member of the Business Alliance Club, comprised of businesses and organizations that donate \$1,000 or more a year to Providence Milwaukie Foundation.

"We're so community oriented; we want to partner with the people in our community," Heather says, "and to remember the businesses that are right here within our community. And we feel there's a definite need [for Providence Milwaukie Hospital]. So it's a good partnership for us."

She adds, "We have had speakers from Providence come and talk on various health subjects." The Rotary club meets every Tuesday for lunch and a program.

Living out their "Service Above Self" motto, the Milwaukie Rotarians throw themselves into a wide array of community service projects. These range from building wheelchair ramps and cleaning roads to supporting North Clackamas School District's Parenting, Academics, Careers and Employment (PACE) program and recognizing a "Student of the Month" at each Milwaukie elementary school.

The Rotarians raise much of their funding each year with a pancake breakfast and a "Wild, Wild West" barbecue and auction. It's all in good fun, and all for truly good causes.



Providence Milwaukie urologist Gilbert Klemann, M.D. (center), chats with Bob and Mary Jane Smith after his talk at the prostate cancer forum. Bob is a Providence Milwaukie Foundation board member, and Mary Jane co-chairs the hospital's Festival of Trees committee.

## Prostate cancer forum a success

An attentive and inquisitive audience of 35 took part in a free community forum on prostate cancer Sept. 2 at Providence Milwaukie Hospital. Presented by Providence Milwaukie Foundation, the forum was moderated by Calvin Harrison, executive director of Providence Cancer Center.

Speakers were Gilbert Klemann, M.D., urologist; Matt Solhjem, M.D., radiation oncologist; and Janet Ruzich, D.O., medical oncologist. More than a dozen questions followed the doctors' remarks.

## Mammogram clinics

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"Truly this was a great experience for the patients, but it was also a great experience for this tired, overwhelmed family physician," Dr. Klein continues. "I must not give up, but keep advocating for health insurance for all Oregonians."

Serendipitously, the clinics had been scheduled during Providence Health & Services' annual Mission Week, Sept. 21-25, which celebrates the Mission of providing compassionate service to all, especially the poor and vulnerable. The clinics were "a truly rewarding experience that makes me proud to work for Providence Milwaukie Hospital," says Penny Wilson, diagnostic imaging manager.

The mammogram clinics were part of the hospital's Community Health in Motion services. In November, the Safeway Foundation is funding an additional clinic for 21 uninsured women who were on the waiting list.

## Three urologists open office on campus

Residents of the Milwaukie community will now have an easier time finding a urology specialist. This past June, three physicians from The Oregon Clinic's urology division established an office on the Providence Milwaukie Hospital campus.

Urologists Gilbert Klemann, M.D. (top), Lance Marr, M.D. (middle), and Donald Young, M.D. (bottom), practice three mornings a week at 10202 SE 32nd Ave., Suite 702. Anyone wishing to make an appointment can call 503-215-2399.



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foundation without having to count the distributions as taxable income. For you to qualify, the funds must be transferred directly from the IRA to the charity.

“Using my money in my IRA to make a gift to support Providence Milwaukie was simple and easy to do,” says Bill McDonald, Providence Milwaukie Foundation honorary board member. “The option to use my IRA to make a gift provided me a way to make a larger gift and use funds for giving that were previously unavailable to me.”



Bill McDonald