

Providence Milwaukie Foundation *News*

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Donor gifts help bring healthier babies and happier moms

Women who give birth at Providence Milwaukie Hospital receive special support for their blessed event from Foundation donors. With more than \$1 million raised so far, the One Baby at a Time campaign has created an endowment to help give every infant a healthy start in life.

Meanwhile, donations to the Women and Children's Fund help provide the best in equipment, technology and services for mothers and babies. Here's the latest news:

Warmth and resuscitation. Two CosyCot infant warmers with built-in Neopuff resuscitators now grace Providence Milwaukie's Family Maternity Center. Each mobile, high-tech bassinet not only rewarms and stabilizes the newborn baby immediately after delivery, but also provides optimal resuscitation if the infant needs respiratory care.

The Foundation requested and received \$10,000 from the Robert D. and Marcia H. Randall Charitable Trust to purchase one of the CosyCots.

Lifelike birthing simulator. Much as an airplane pilot can

sharpen skills by using a flight simulator, a doctor or nurse can hone obstetrical skills and readiness by using a birthing simulator. The Foundation has approved \$40,000 in funding for a state-of-the-art simulator featuring lifelike mother-and-baby mannequins with movable joints and realistic functions.

The mother, named Noelle, and her infant, Sam, can be attached to monitors that check vital signs and the baby's well-being. These mannequins can be programmed for a variety of complications and emergencies, such as breech presentation of the baby, respiratory distress or postpartum hemorrhage.

The birthing simulator will complement the obstetrical training that family medicine residents, other physicians and nurses already receive.

Help for high-risk pregnancies.

To support women experiencing both a high-risk pregnancy and financial need, the Foundation has made a grant establishing the Santa Maria Fund. This fund provides for special perinatal tests, such as high-resolution sonograms and



Showing off a new infant warmer with built-in resuscitator are maternity nurses Linda Nelson, R.N. (left), and Shannon Wilson, R.N.

chromosome analysis, to help each high-risk expectant mother and her unborn child have the best possible birth outcome.

In cooperation with Providence Milwaukie Hospital, the Northwest Perinatal Center provides the testing services to uninsured and underinsured women at a greatly discounted flat fee. The Santa Maria Fund covers this fee.

Prenatal counseling. A new program called CoMadres provides prenatal counseling and

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Our Mission

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, Excellence, Stewardship

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Donors deliver support at luncheon

More than 100 people turned out to enjoy Providence Milwaukie Foundation's 2007 Partners in Health fundraising luncheon last November at Waverley Country Club. The event raised about \$40,000 to enhance maternity care for all women who give birth at Providence Milwaukie.

With the funds, the hospital purchased a high-tech birthing simulator that will improve obstetrical training of family medicine residents, nurses and other providers (see page 1). Luncheon-goers were treated to a live demonstration of the simulator – Robert Gobbo, M.D., and Barbara Cole, R.N., helped the lifelike mannequin mother deliver her authentic-looking baby on the spot. Dr. Gobbo, a Foundation board member, co-chairs the One Baby at a Time campaign.



It's a boy! Demonstrating a birthing simulator, Dr. Robert Gobbo (right) and Barbara Cole, R.N., delivered a "baby" at the luncheon.

Thank you to the following sponsors for our 2007 Partners in Health luncheon:
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Partners in Health dinner

Thursday, Nov. 6, 2008
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Blount, Inc., continues chain of tradition as hospital friend

When Ken Saito was asked to serve on the Providence Milwaukie Foundation Board of Directors, he didn't really need coaxing. "I knew," says Ken, senior vice president of manufacturing operations for Blount, Inc., "that Blount had a legacy of supporting the hospital and participating in the hospital Foundation, so it just seemed like a natural thing to do."

In fact, Blount – whose Milwaukie-based Oregon Cutting Systems operation is a global leader in producing chainsaw cutting systems and outdoor care products – has had an executive serving on a key hospital board since 1971, when Providence Milwaukie was Dwyer Memorial Hospital and Blount was known as Omark Industries. Company leaders have served on the Foundation board since its founding in 1989.

Asking Ken to continue the tradition was long-time Blount colleague Dick Lindsay, who was completing his 2002-03 term as Foundation board president. "We've known each other for over 30 years and Ken's a very solid person," says Dick, a retired senior vice president for Blount.

The company's support for Providence Milwaukie reaches well beyond board meetings. For instance, Blount's corporate matching gift program encourages its leadership team and employees to donate to the hospital, charitable organizations and schools by matching 50 cents for every dollar on gifts of \$50 and above.

"We have over one thousand employees here, and therefore it's important that we have good hospital care in the community," says Ken of his company's support. "And they (Providence) have done a

marvelous job of developing a quality hospital in Milwaukie."

Among the major Foundation projects Blount has backed in recent years are the Emergency Department capital campaign, building and department upgrades, the Women and Children's Fund, and the Emilie Gamelin Medication Assistance Fund.

Since joining the Foundation board, Ken, now serving as secretary, has gained good insights into Providence Milwaukie. "The number one item is how high the hospital is rated nationally. It's outstanding. The second is the amount of charity care it provides as a percentage of

total services," he says.

Ken's also impressed by the hospital staff who attend board meetings to "pitch projects" that they believe merit Foundation funding. "It really shows a commitment to the overall Mission of the Foundation as well as the hospital itself," he says.

A corporate matching gift program gives employees a great opportunity to augment their charitable donations. Providence Milwaukie Foundation encourages potential donors to find out whether their employer offers such a program.



Ken Saito (right) and Dick Lindsay take their place beside a vintage chainsaw displayed at Blount, Inc., in Milwaukie.

New equipment helped steady her troubling, whirling world

Last August, Rhonda Schoenborn's life began spinning, literally, out of control.

It happened gradually. She'd feel dizzy when she turned over in bed or stood up. Maybe, Rhonda thought, she was imagining this sensation, or was shifting positions too fast, or feeling tired from her high-stress work running foster homes.

In time, bending to load the clothes dryer or dishwasher "would make my world spin." Turning in bed now brought on nausea and insomnia. Standing up could send her staggering. "Then it got to the point where I was crawling. I thought, This is ridiculous," says Rhonda, who also gave up driving.

"It was like going on a Disneyland ride without having to pay for the tickets," she quips of her whirling world. "It was not as much fun." Meanwhile, doctor-prescribed exercises hadn't helped.

But Rhonda's baffling condition changed in November – with the aid of new, state-of-the-art equipment funded by Providence Milwaukie Foundation.

Known as a videonystagmography (VNG) system, this \$27,800 diagnostic equipment is used to determine the cause of a patient's dizziness or balance problem. A series of tests can often detect whether the problem arises from the vestibular (balance) portion of the inner ear or a separate medical condition.



Rhonda Schoenborn, holding the high-tech video goggles, appreciated the clear explanations that audiologist Kim Block (right) provided.

Rhonda went to Providence Milwaukie Rehabilitation Services for VNG testing performed by audiologist Kim Block, Au.D. Rhonda wore high-tech video goggles containing infrared cameras while Kim, observing at a laptop computer screen, analyzed how her patient's eyes moved in response to various visual stimuli and body positions. Eye movements can give subtle clues about vestibular disorders.

The VNG pinpointed Rhonda's problem – benign paroxysmal positional vertigo, which occurs when tiny calcium crystals get displaced in the wrong part of the inner ear.

Right after the testing, Kim sent Rhonda upstairs to see Adrian Varela, M.D., a board-certified

ear, nose and throat specialist. He treated her condition that day with a special head-tilt procedure that resettles the wayward crystals.

"She came down after her appointment," Kim recalls, "and was so excited because she felt better immediately."

The vertigo can recur, and Rhonda came in weeks later for follow-up VNG testing. She is taking antihistamines and doing physical therapy to manage her condition.

Thanks to her caregivers' expertise and to donors' generosity, Rhonda has her busy life back on steady footing.

Maternity care

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childbirth education at no charge for mothers-to-be in financial need. Participants meet in groups at the Providence Family Medicine-Southeast clinic. As well, CoMadres offers maternity case management in partnership with Providence Beginnings, which provides support services for women during pregnancy.

The Foundation is helping fund CoMadres through grants from the Juan Young Trust, the Hoover Family Foundation, Rose E. Tucker Charitable Trust and NW Natural.

Welcome to board members

The Providence Milwaukie Foundation Board of Directors is pleased to welcome four new members who have joined for three-year terms.



Jeff Dulcich is owner of Pacific Group Consulting, Inc., which facilitates negotiations and solicits and merges investors in limited liability corporations. He served as president of the Happy Valley City Council for four years and was President of the Jesuit High School Alumni Board, as well as chairman of the Happy Valley Planning Commission.



Cindy Fetty is co-owner of four local family-run businesses: Purdy's Car Wash, Purdy's Auto Detail, Purdy's Pit Stop drive-through coffee shop and Classic Memories Motor Cars. Cindy is a member of North Clackamas Chamber of Commerce and Clackamas Rotary Club.



Shirish Patel, M.D. has had a long career in obstetrics and gynecology in his native Zambia and in India, Canada and California. Dr. Patel is an owner and manager of a thriving hospitality business including the Hampton Inns in Clackamas. A trustee of the Portland Hindu Temple, he also is a member of the City of Portland's Immigrant & Refugee Task Force and of Clackamas Rotary Club.



Michael Reggiani is an insurance agent and partner with Fullerton & Co., Inc.,. A graduate of Oregon State University, he is a longtime Clackamas County resident who graduated from West Linn High School. Michael is active with Clackamas Rotary Club, has served on the board as treasurer for Portland Police Sunshine Division, and is current board chair for Oregon Impact.

Hospital names new assistant administrator

Bringing a wealth of knowledge and experience, Keith Hyde has been named assistant administrator at Providence Milwaukie Hospital. The 28-year Providence Health & Services employee most recently served as regional director Respiratory Care and Neurodiagnostic Services.



Keith Hyde

Keith's new role includes operational coordination of major programs at Providence Milwaukie, physician relations, service excellence and program development. He began his position on Feb. 4.

In memoriam:

The Foundation fondly remembers Bob and Ed and are grateful for their service and support.

Robert W. Vial 1930-2007

- Administrator, Providence Milwaukie Hospital, and Dwyer Memorial Hospital, 1983 -1996
- A founder of the Milwaukie Foundation and board member since 1992



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MedStation is a welcome addition for emergency staff

Busy emergency staff at Providence Milwaukie recently welcomed a vital new addition to their department – an automated medication dispenser that improves patient care and safety. Called the Pyxis MedStation 3000, this highly sophisticated system was funded by a \$30,000 grant from the Foundation.

“It’s an ATM for medications,” says Brad Massey, R.N., nurse manager in the Emergency Department. The computerized MedStation can store 60 kinds of medications and allows staff to log in for quick, accurate retrieval of drugs for their patients.

MedStation offers patient protection by ensuring that the correct medications are administered. By reducing the time caregivers spend in dispensing and accounting for drugs, it frees them to spend more time with patients. The system provides automatic inventory and reordering.



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Doctors take leadership

The Foundation board members congratulate the following physicians and wish them success in their new appointments.

Scott Browning, M.D., of The Colon and Rectal Clinic has been named medical staff president at Providence Milwaukie Hospital for 2008-2010. He piloted the hospital’s Direct Access Colonoscopy clinic in 2007.

Marc Carey, M.D., Ph.D., of Providence Family Medicine-Southeast has been named quality medical director for Providence Milwaukie. He will provide leadership and planning in quality management to ensure excellent inpatient, outpatient and community-based care.

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