



Dear members of our community,

It's an exciting time for health care and such an exciting Spring at the Foundation with the opening of the Monterey Peninsula Foundation Rehabilitation Garden on May 6 and our new Employee Fitness Center in April. It is enormously gratifying to witness our projects coming to fruition.

And we are much encouraged by the over 630 employees who have donated to the Foundation's efforts—a record campaign this year. The employee campaign launched new efforts for a café remodel and outdoor plaza, a partnership between Dignity Health and the Dominican Hospital Foundation. Naming of the outdoor plaza is still available if you or someone you know is interested in that opportunity.

The comprehensive cardiac operating suite is soon to break ground, although we are still working on the last phase of fundraising for that project. Our next big announcement will be the opening of the Norman and Maureen Benito Surgery Courtyard and Central Surgery Lounge, along with the Isabel Wallace Bartfield Terrace.

We continue to develop the specifics for our new women's group with more news soon to follow. Holidays d'Eleganz this year will focus on Innovations & Connections, and will be held on Saturday night only instead of Friday and Saturday.

Our accomplishments are all due to your generous support and passion for health care in our community. I invite you to call the Foundation for a tour of our new garden or a behind the scenes tour of the hospital itself.



With genuine appreciation,

Carol Lezin
President, Dominican Hospital Foundation

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Welcome New Board Members



Rodney Terra, President of FTG Builders, has worked in the construction industry for more than 20 years and has been involved with a number of Dominican Hospital projects. He chaired the 2017 Holidays d'Eleganz Committee and has been active in growing the sponsorship program for

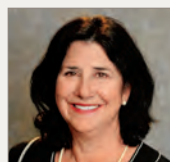
the Foundation. Rodney loves to hunt and do metal working and is devoted to his wife, Angela and his four children. Rodney also coaches youth baseball and soccer. (see sponsor spotlight article for more info on Rodney)



Bonnie Bernardi has lived in Santa Cruz since 1967 when her husband Bob was hired by Plantronics. She has been active with the League of Women Voters, Lyceum of Women Voters, the Cabrillo Music Festival, and the Scotts Valley Arts Commission. She served as founding chair of the Spectra arts

education program, president for the Cultural Council of Santa Cruz County, and subsequently for Santa Cruz Shakespeare. Bonnie loves cooking, gardening, spending time with her family, and painting in her studio. Recently, she and her husband Bob, donated to the Therapy Area in the new Rehabilitation Garden, and Bonnie also generously purchased an Eksoskeleton bionic walker for the hospital.

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Little Heroes

Joshua Rutkoff donates in memory of his mother

It was more than a decade ago when Joshua Rutkoff convinced his mother, Tinette, a retired social worker, to move from New York City to Santa Cruz after Joshua's father, Murray, passed away in 2006.

"She was hesitant at first and wondered how she'd meet new friends, but once she got here, she immersed herself in the community and had a wonderful time," says Joshua.

Tinnette spent the rest of her happy years living in the Dominican Oaks retirement community, and even served as both vice-president and

president of the resident's council. According to Joshua, Tinnette had memorized the names of the more than 200 other residents of the retirement community, and remained sharp and tenacious up until the final days of her 92 years.

Tinnette worked her entire career to help parents receive educational programs for their children who had cerebral palsy. It was during a trip to the emergency room where Tinnette mentioned to her son, that their should be something more to comfort children in the ER waiting area.

This inspired Joshua and the Rutkoff family to donate to the Dominican Hospital Foundation in the spirit of his mother and her lifelong devotion to children. The funds have been used to purchase 340 hand-sewn "Little Hero Bears" from Vermont Teddy Bear Company for the ER and pediatrics. For every bear bought, Vermont Teddy Bears donates an additional bear to a first responder unit to give to a child in crisis.

"I am so proud to make my mom's wish a reality, and with these bears it was really a win-win," says Joshua.



Above: Tinette (Sherman) Rutkoff, 1925-2018, was a resident of Dominican Oaks for more than 11 years, after relocating from New York and a dedicated career serving children with cerebral palsy.

Left: Joshua Rutkoff is proud to make his mother's wish of helping children in the ER and hospital come true by funding the purchase of 340 hand-sewn "Little Hero Bears" from Vermont Teddy Bear Company.

Doctors' Night Out

More than 80 physicians who are members of the Dominican Hospital medical staff and their guests enjoyed an evening of laughter during a special spring event at the Colligan Theater at the Tannery Art Center. The event was hosted by the Physicians' Pteron Society and the Dominican Hospital Foundation as a show of appreciation for the physicians' work and commitment to the community. Guests enjoyed the Jewel Theatre Company's production of the comedic play, "The Odd Couple" by Neil Simon, and a delicious spread of appetizers, wine, and beer served by Neven Brewhouse.

The Physicians' Pteron Society, with more than 60 members, is an exclusive association demonstrating philanthropic leadership for Dominican Hospital's key initiatives through annual contributions of \$1,200 or more to the Dominican Hospital Foundation.

Julie Jaffe, MD, Chair of Medical Philanthropy Council, spoke about the purpose of the Pteron Society and recent accomplishments.

Areas of impact include supporting the Health Careers Academy and Scholarship Program, and the renovation of the hospital's new Central Surgery Lounge, part of the Healing Courtyards Initiative. Construction is currently underway for the new lounge, with completion this fall.

For information about the Physicians' Pteron Society, call 831.462.7712.



Physicians enjoy the reception at the Colligan Theater.



Above: Dominican Hospital Foundation President Carol Lezin with Jay Johnson, MD, and his wife, Jennifer.

Below: Julie Jaffe, MD, and Michael Shorenstein, MD.





Sister Rita presides over the garden's blessing.

Monterey Peninsula Foundation Garden Opens!

We had a great show of support as over 130 people celebrated the dedication of the new Monterey Peninsula Foundation Rehabilitation Garden on May 6. The renderings are now a reality and the garden exceeds our expectations in beauty and impact.

Therapists are bringing our patients out into the sunshine for therapy exercises, to play chess, and to feel the vibrations of the healing bell. Balance, memory, and cognition are being reinforced by the varied plant life, water feature, and multiple textures in paving. It is a garden designed to promote sensory awareness, and it's working.

Patients aren't alone in benefiting from the improved environment. Physicians and staff are having meetings in the garden, taking restorative breaks under the beautiful trellis, and enjoying their place of work.

Recently, a patient even had a wedding in the new garden.

And this is only the beginning: The Norman and Maureen Benito Surgery Lounge, Central Surgery Lounge, and Isabelle Wallace Bartfield Terrace are now well under construction and anticipated to open in the fall. Phase II of our garden project is currently in design and then headed for state approval, with construction projected for late 2019. This phase includes the Nello and Pamela Santacrose Meditation Garden and Dr. Joseph T. Anzalone Family & Newborn Care Courtyard.



Guests enjoying the garden at the dedication.



Robert J. Bernardi Therapy Area.



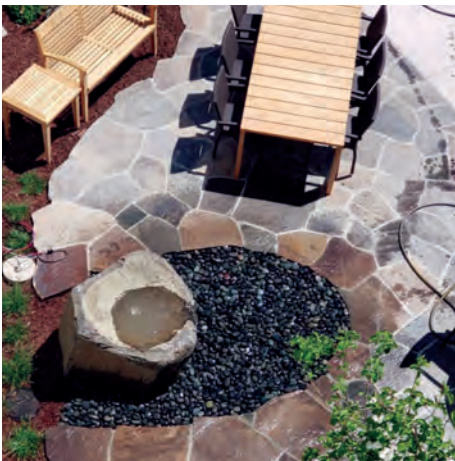
Marc Monte takes the first putt. He named the putting green in honor of his parents.



**Mary Gunn, Director of Philanthropy,
Monterey Peninsula Foundation.**



**Healing Bell, created and donated by
Angelo Grova and family.**



Bill and Karen Moncovich Fountain.



“Every day we focus on providing excellent patient care. The new garden is an important piece of the healing environment we want to create. It has surpassed what I envisioned and is being very well received and appreciated throughout the hospital.”

— Nanette Mickiewicz, MD, Dominican Hospital President



**Above: Aerial Image of Monterey Peninsula Foundation Rehabilitation Garden.
Left: Reiter Family Trellis and Rudolph D. Monte and Doris S. Monte Putting Green.**

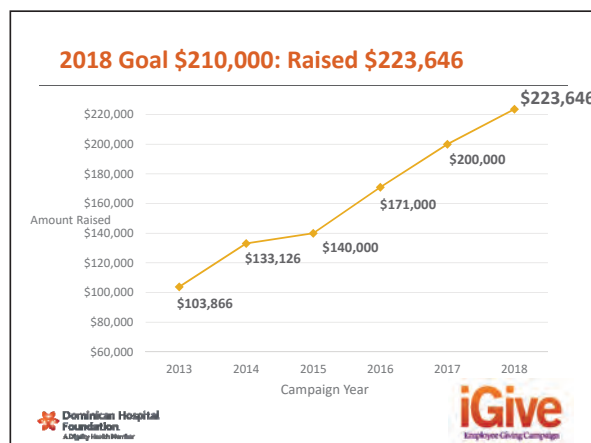
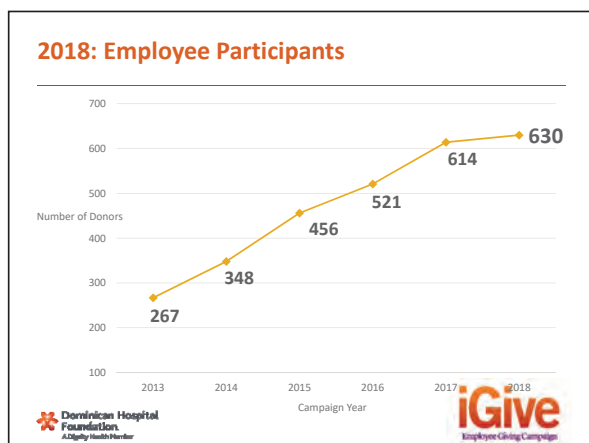
Employee Giving Campaign 2018



A special thanks to our employee giving champions!

Starting at back, left to right: Babs Kingsley, Eric Hand, Beth Watkins, Jan Slay, Michael Simpson, John Hadveck, Ted Burke, Adam Fox, Susi Ballard, Janet Souza, Niko Takaoka, Sister Rita Dean, Kerry Nehls, Barbara Rodrigues, Sister Beth Butler, Kathy Swinn, Sister Adrienne Piennette, Daisha Marsh, Gina Hurrell, Marsha Moreno, Brian Brown, Andrea Martin, Samantha Polizzi, Kyle Middleton, Terri Primavera, Hari Bartlett, Carol Lezin, Beverly Grova, and Alex VanZanen

Not pictured: Maria Alvarez Robles, Karlie Asahina, Jason Battles, Cheryl Bezucha, Beatriz Briseno, Eric Conrad, Jessica Eslit, Linda Foster, Carol George, Chris Homan, Lillian MacMinn, Dennis Martinez, Betty Patten, Meg Reamy, Elizabeth Robertson, Esmerelda Sandoval, Tari Schwarz, Denisse Ugaldez-Flores



New Café & Outdoor Plaza Coming Soon!

Our focus for this year's campaign supported the creation of an Outdoor Plaza to accompany the remodel of the Café.

"I am very thrilled for the upcoming plans for a beautiful outdoor seating area! This new renovation will directly impact visitors, physicians, and staff by having a spacious area to not only eat in but also socialize, take a break, and relax," exclaims Meg Reamy, RDN, Manager of Nutrition Services and Patient Services at Dominican Hospital.

The campaign raised over \$220,000 from 630 employees — which surpassed our goal of \$210,000! This gave us a substantial start on the new Outdoor Plaza.

"The Dominican Hospital Foundation does a tremendous job of supporting the many service lines and departments of the Hospital. Support of the employee giving campaign has increased over the years, with direct impact on the hospital's departments and programs. As chair of the Employee Giving Campaign, it is my job to energize individuals and familiarize our employees with

The new Employee Wellness Center, funded by the Foundation and the 2017 Employee Giving Campaign, is now open! Employees have begun to enjoy utilizing the exercise room with spin bikes, treadmills, elliptical machines, and free weights. The center also includes male and female locker rooms complete with showers.



Architect's rendering of Outdoor Plaza.

the tremendous work being done that would not be possible without their support," explains Michael Simpson, PT, DPT, Supervisor of Acute Rehabilitation at Dominican Hospital and Employee Giving Campaign Chair.

Participation in the employee giving campaign is one more powerful way that employees can make an impact throughout the hospital while showing the community that extraordinary care starts with us.

Foundation board members, Ted Burke and Ian Mackenzie serve on the committee, and donated much appreciated chocolates from

Mackenzies Chocolates to all employees and gift certificates from Shadowbrook/Crow's Nest for our Champions.



Eric Hand and Terri Primavera plan upcoming classes in the meditation courtyard area of the new Employee Wellness Center.





One Patch at a Time

Watsonville Police Department raises more than \$6000 for Dominican Hospital's Katz Cancer Resource Center



Renee Aispuro Gonzalez, Oncology Nurse Navigator at the Katz Cancer Resource Center, and Anthony Pagliaro, Manager, Philanthropy Operations at the Dominican Hospital Foundation, were presented with the donation of \$6,193 from the Watsonville Police Department. Watsonville police officers: Thomas Sims, Assistant Chief of Police; Anthony Magdayao, Police Captain; Jorge Zamora, Captain; David Honda, Chief of Police; and David Rodriguez, Police Captain.

Last fall, the Watsonville Police Department joined forces with a variety of other law enforcement agencies across the nation to raise money for breast cancer awareness through the innovative Pink Patch Project.

With just a \$10 donation, county residents were given a pink Watsonville Police Department patch. The project became so popular that the police department ran out of their initial supply of patches and had to order more to keep up with the demand. By the project's completion, they had raised more than \$6,000, which the department donated to the Katz Cancer Resource Center at Dominican Hospital.

"Many people who are diagnosed with breast cancer don't even know the questions they should ask, so we guide them through the entire process," says Oncology Nurse Navigator at the Katz Cancer Resource Center, Renee Aispuro Gonzalez. "And all of our services are free of charge, because Dominican Hospital loves the community and invests in the community."

The resource center will use the donated funds to educate patients and help them to remove any barriers on their path to recovery—from insurance issues to transportation to providing wigs, scarves, and hats. The center's services are not limited to Dominican Hospital

patients, but to all Santa Cruz County residents.

Through the project, police officers and community members not only raise breast cancer awareness, but by donating to the Katz Cancer Resource Center, they provide much needed support to friends, family, and their communities in so many ways. And because last year's Pink Patch Project was so successful, the Watsonville Police Department plans to do it again this fall.

"I'm hoping this year will be bigger and better," says Aispuro Gonzalez.

Sponsor Spotlight

Rodney Terra, Jr.



“I’m looking forward to offering my ideas and advancing the hospital’s philanthropy in any way that I can,” Terra says. “I know it’s a great place, I believe in the people, and I want to help them to serve this amazing community.”

While it is the physicians, medical professionals, and other support staff of Dominican Hospital who provide the hands-on care for patients, it’s Rodney Terra and his team at FTG Builders who have helped to develop and construct some of the spaces where that critical care and healing can occur.

As president of FTG Builders, Terra has proudly overseen the planning and construction for Dominican Hospital’s Monterey Peninsula Foundation Rehabilitation Garden—one of four new open-air courtyards fashioned to promote patients’ healing while reducing stress.

“The most rewarding part of being involved with building the courtyard was the feedback from not only the staff who are going to use it, but the patients who have benefited from the space,” he says. “This garden really promotes a healing

environment, and just walking through the space is incredibly calming. It feels great to be a part of that.”

Terra has worked in construction management for more than 20 years, has been a key sponsor of the hospital for many of those years, and now serves as chair of the Holidays d’ Eleganz committee. And now, following close to a decade-long relationship with the hospital, the Dominican Hospital Foundation is proud to inaugurate Terra as one of its new board members.

“What became apparent to me very early on,” Terra says, “is just how much the hospital’s leadership and the people who work there truly care. They’re incredibly kind, extremely invested in the patients they help and the projects we’ve worked on. So it inspired me to

want to become a bigger part of all of that.”

As this new chapter opens in Terra’s connection to Dominican Hospital, he is eager to bring energy, innovation, and openness to the role.

“The most rewarding part of being involved with building the courtyard was the feedback from not only the staff that’s going to use it, but the patients who have benefited from the space.” — Rodney Terra, Jr.



Bob Swenson Legacy Society

The Dominican Hospital Foundation held a private reception at the Shadowbrook Restaurant to recognize and thank members of the Bob Swenson Legacy Society for their support. Venue and refreshments were graciously hosted by Ted Burke, our past president, and also provided by Kevin Sanchez, UBS Financial Advisor. The Legacy Society honors benefactors who

have included Dominican Hospital in their estate plan – leaving a lasting legacy in our community. Nanette Mickiewicz, MD, Dominican Hospital president, spoke about recent advancements at the hospital and Beverly Grova, Vice President of Philanthropy, provided an update on recent Foundation accomplishments.



Ted Burke with Nanette Mickiewicz, MD, and Michael Ellison, MD.



Above: Della McKenzie, Elizabeth Rafietari, Maureen Benito and Keith McKenzie, MD, enjoying the refreshments at Shadowbrook.

Right: Joan Shapiro, Chuck Cowden, Gail Carhart-Scofield, Josie Cowden, Mary Solari, and Anthony Pagliaro.



We are extremely grateful to our Bob Swenson Legacy Society members for including Dominican Hospital Foundation in their wills and estate plans. Such a choice demonstrates a remarkable commitment for future generations to benefit from highly advanced patient care.

To learn more about making a gift in your estate plans, please contact Beverly Grova, Vice President of Philanthropy, at 831.462.7712 or Beverly.Grova@DignityHealth.org.
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Nanette Mickiewicz, MD, Dominican Hospital president, provides a hospital update to Legacy Society members.



PLAN FOR YOUR *Future*

One approach that
may help you with your
planning is to think about
**the who, the what and
the how** of your plan.

What Do You Own?

You may own real estate, personal property, an insurance policy or retirement, bank and investment accounts. You should ensure that your plan accounts for all that you own.

Who Matters to You?

Consider who is important to you and the legacy that you want to leave.

How Should You Give?

You may want your plan to include charitable vehicles, such as gift annuities and charitable remainder trusts. These can accomplish charitable goals, and provide income and tax benefits.

No matter what your goals, we can help you. We have information that can help you put together a plan that is right for you. Please call (831)462-7712 or visit us at dominicangiving.org so that we can assist you.



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