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Dear Friends,

As I look back on my first full year as board president of the Dominican Hospital Foundation, I am thrilled by all we have accomplished and am motivated for an equally impressive second year. This past summer was a busy time for the Foundation office, with the 13th Annual Golf Tournament (our most successful yet), a wonderful Donor Appreciation event in July, and the expansion of the Mobile Wellness Clinic into Watsonville and Davenport.

I encourage you to read more about these exciting happenings in the pages that follow.

The theme of this issue of Focus on Health recognizes community partnerships with Dominican Hospital. The Foundation is well-known for its health-related community outreach initiatives and is dedicated to touching lives, not just at the hospital, but throughout the Santa Cruz community. We maintain a network of affiliations, alliances, and partnerships with many community organizations. I am humbled by the individuals and groups who have embraced the need for health care excellence in this community. We sincerely thank all those who have expressed an interest in and contributed to the Foundation. Our partners play a vital role in Dominican's ability to continue providing close and convenient access to health care.

I would like to say a special thank you to Mary and Harry Blanchard, and Carol and Matt Lezin for hosting beautiful receptions at their homes. These events provide the perfect setting to meet and educate members of our community about the amazing work done at Dominican Hospital. Please contact the Foundation office if you are interested in attending one of these gatherings in the future – we would love to welcome you.

We are looking forward to our biggest fundraiser of the year, Holidays d'Eleganz. This year's event will benefit the Healing Courtyards Initiative currently in design stages by our landscape architect, Joni L. Janecki & Associates. The Friday luncheon will feature America's Got Talent contestant David Garibaldi and the Saturday Gala will include a performance by nationally renowned magician and mentalist, Rich Ferguson. I look forward to seeing you there and continuing our mutual commitment to health care excellence at Dominican Hospital and in our community.

Sincerely,

Jon Sisk
*President,
Dominican Hospital Foundation*



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Foundation Funded Projects 2013-14

In the 2014 fiscal year, the Foundation transferred \$2,350,000 to the hospital for various programs and state-of-the-art equipment. Below are some of the highlights of what was funded. We could not have done this without support from our community. Please know how much we appreciate your generosity. Together, we are bringing the very best health care to the community.



1 **O-arm Surgical Imaging System for Neurosurgery**

This system is optimized for use in spine, orthopedic, and trauma-related surgeries. It provides real-time imaging of patient's anatomy with high quality two- and three-dimensional images, resulting in less invasive procedures and greater accuracy with overall better clinical outcomes.

2 **Endoscopy Suite**

Scheduled to open this Fall, the renovated endoscopy suite offers the latest equipment and technology.

3 **Master Plan for Healing Courtyards**

Research has demonstrated that gardens and planted alcoves can reduce patient pain and stress and prove therapeutic. Five areas in the hospital will be redesigned as healing courtyards. Plans also call for the addition of a surgery meeting room where physicians can meet privately with family members.

4 **Six Panda Beds for Neonatal Intensive Care Unit**

With generous support from the Krassow Family, six Panda beds were purchased for the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU). These state-of-the-art warming beds have built-in resuscitation equipment and can be easily moved between the NICU and patient rooms. In the above photo, Dr. Magdy Ismail shows Dominican Hospital Foundation board member Janet Krassow how the new Panda beds function.

5 **Cancer Center**

A generous gift of \$1 million from Mary Solari helped us create The Mary and Richard Solari Cancer Center. The Center includes a central nurse's station; 15 private infusion bays for cancer treatment, each complete with a recliner, guest chair, and television; and houses the Katz Cancer Resource Center and the Lymphedema Clinic.



Chipping In

The 13th Annual Dominican Hospital Foundation Golf Tournament fell on Friday the 13th this year, but it could not have been a luckier day. We enjoyed amazing June weather and our most successful tournament ever. More than 120 players participated on the beautiful 18-hole DeLaveaga Golf Course and raised more than \$56,000 for Dominican's oncology programs. Funds were raised for improved imaging equipment for diagnosis of breast cancer, the Patient Support Fund, free cancer education programs, and a spanish speaking nurse navigator.

Hosting this event required a large amount of time and energy from our dedicated Golf Committee and volunteers. We really appreciate all your enthusiasm.

Golf Committee

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Dr. Jack Watson, Founder

Sr. Rita Eileen Dean Angelo DeBernardo

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Special thanks to board member Ted Burke and Shadowbrook Restaurant for providing delicious refreshments on hole 5. The Santa Cruz Lemonade, paired with chips and salsa, made for a tasty break from the action.

Photos 01: Jack Watson, Sr. and his grandson finish registration with lunch in hand, ready to hit the course.

02: Suzan Rowan, Shoshona Taylor, Dr. Nanette Mickiewicz, Taleese Yonkers, and Kathy Finnigan at the post tournament dinner. **03:** First Alarm's Dan Goldcamp, Sean Maple, Erik Haston, and Peter Otvos pose with Ghostface on the 13th hole.

04: Sisters Rita Dean, Judy Silva, Veronica Kelley, and Maureen Keeler help with golf registration.



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**And a special
thanks to all the
volunteers
who helped make
this tournament
a success!**



Jon E. Nadherny/Calciano Symposium

17 Years of Serving the Community

In October 1995 the Calciano family suffered the tragic loss of their loving son/brother, Jon, to suicide at the age of 23. Jon had just graduated from UC Davis in Agriculture/ Economics, yet he struggled with depression.

In the difficult months that followed, the memories of Jon's compassion, kindness, and sensitivity inspired Ms. Calciano, his mother, to learn what could be established to prevent other families from enduring this catastrophic loss.

"Heartbroken, yet committed, I decided to take action by addressing the challenging issues in adolescent mental health by holding an annual educational symposium to educate and empower, and enrich professionals, parents, and the community," said Ms. Calciano, founder of the Symposium, and a member of Dominican Hospital Foundation Board.

"The Symposium is an event organized by a volunteer advisory board and sponsored by private donations, as well as earnings from an endowment formed by the Calciano family and their supporters. Many of our speakers donate their time. It truly is a community event," said George Jarro, symposium director and director of behavioral & health services at Dominican Hospital.

This year's topic is titled *The Spectrum – From Autism to Asperger's*. "Autism spectrum



Linda Calciano, Founder of Symposium, and George Jarro, Symposium Director.

disorders are the fastest growing serious developmental disorder in the U.S., increasing by almost 120 percent in the last decade," said Dr. Cheryl Bowers, a local neuropsychologist, and a specialist in cognitive and neurodevelopmental disabilities. "It also is a disorder that can cause significant social, communication, emotional, and behavioral challenges. Early identification improves access to services and later outcome during a child's critical developmental period."

Save the Date

17th Annual Jon E. Nadherny/Calciano Memorial Youth Symposium

**The Spectrum – From Autism to Asperger's
Friday, March 6, 2015**

Featuring: Dr. Doreen Granpeesheh, Dr. Susan Bookheimer, and Dr. Liane Holliday-Willey

For more information visit www.supportdominican.org. Can't attend? You can contribute by sponsoring a student or donating to the Symposium at www.supportdominican.org or e-mail Anastasia.Elgina@dignityhealth.org.

Sponsor Spotlight

The Dominican Hospital Foundation Annual Healthcare Sponsor Program is gaining momentum. Recently, two new sponsors joined to support Dominican Hospital health and wellness initiatives.



Whole Foods

The new partnership between the Dominican Hospital Foundation and Whole Foods provides all of our thousand new moms with a bag full of health-related goodies to take home.

“Whole Foods Market has a long and proud tradition of giving back, serving, and investing in the local community in which we operate. In fact it is one of our core values. Supporting the health and well-being of our customers, team members and local business organizations is something we strive for every day, which is why our partnership with Dominican Hospital is such a natural one. We are proud to be working together to foster a healthy local community,” says Michelle Fry, marketing and community outreach team leader at Whole Foods Market, Capitola.

Photo (L to R): Agnes Merlo, RN, and Tamara Dupuis, RN, with NICU Nurse Manager Michele Fahrner, and Michelle Fry, Marketing and Community Outreach Team Leader for Whole Foods Capitola, celebrating the “new mama goodie bags.”



Pacific Gas & Electric



“PG&E is proud to partner with Dominican Hospital to support the incredible work that the hospital does throughout Santa Cruz County. Safety is PG&E’s top priority, followed closely by our commitment to giving back to the communities that we have the privilege to serve. This partnership between PG&E and Dominican gives us the opportunity to merge these two company values and demonstrate our commitment to Santa Cruz County,” says Dawn Mathes, Government Relations. Dawn and Lindsey Miller, Community Relations, recently took a tour of Dominican Hospital, learning about the hospital and the Foundation’s impact on hospital’s programs.

Photo: Dawn Mathes, government relations PG&E in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit for premature babies with Medical Director, Dr. Magdy Ismail and Greta Hill, Charge Nurse.



Community Helps Support Dominican Hospital's Mobile Wellness Clinic



The 37-foot traveling clinic has been providing access to healthcare for uninsured and underinsured members of our community.

This summer, the Mobile Wellness Clinic expanded its services to Watsonville and Davenport, adding to their five existing locations. Both areas have large populations with lower incomes, lack of access to regular medical care, and transportation challenges. This expansion was made possible through a grant from the Adrian Dominican Sisters, donations from Dominican Hospital employees, and other Foundation donors.

"I have been out of work and cannot afford to pay for a doctor's visit to renew my prescription," said one patient in Watsonville. "I have not been taking my medication for a month and could feel this taking a toll on my health. Thank you for coming here."

Demand for the clinic has been growing. In 2013, more than 2,500 patients were served, up from 1,900 the year before.

"Our goal is to keep people out of the emergency room. We help patients see a clinician before their condition gets to

the point that an ER visit is required," said Sister Michaela Siplak, director of community health integration services at Dominican Hospital.

Plans include adding mammography screenings to the already extensive range of services available at clinic. "I believe in one-stop shopping," said Sister Michaela. "The Foundation allocated \$10,000 to the Women Helping Women program, which funds mammograms for women who cannot afford them."

The mobile clinic is now also performing asthma/COPD screenings on patients in a new partnership with the Respiratory Department. This service is available to all community members and is not limited to uninsured patients. Patients may call the mobile clinic to sign up in advance for these quarterly screenings.

If you would like to support this effort, please contact the Dominican Hospital Foundation at 831.462.7712 or givingtominican@dignityhealth.org.



Now, There's Another Way to Say, "Thank You!"

Grateful Patient— a meaningful way to say, "Thank You Kindly!"

Our patients and families often express their gratitude for excellent care in a variety of ways— through kind words, smiles, letters of thanks, "likes," volunteer efforts and financial support.

Generous gifts to Dominican Hospital Foundation's Grateful Patient Program from patients, their families and friends are a great way of saying, "thank you kindly" to a talented and compassionate staff, while helping the hospital to fulfill its mission of providing exceptional care to our community.

When you make a gift in recognition of a physician, nurse, therapist, hospital department or any member of the healthcare team, we'll notify them of your generosity and recognize them in our Dominican Hospital Foundation annual report.

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Let's Get Together

This is your community, your hospital, and your future.

For more information about how you can say, "Thank You Kindly"
Contact Beverly Grova, VP of Philanthropy at (831) 462-7712, Beverly.grova@dignityhealth.org.



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We Appreciate You

The Dominican Hospital Foundation welcomed donors, Legacy Society members, hospital leadership, and Foundation Board members to Hollins House on July 20 for our annual donor appreciation event. We could not have asked for more glorious weather to host one of our favorite events of the year.

Foundation President Jon Sisk provided welcoming remarks and recognized the outgoing Foundation board members, presenting them with certificates of appreciation. He also acknowledged and

welcomed the four incoming members: Joe Burton, Dr. Ciara Harraher, Dr. Julie Jaffe, and Dr. Greg Whitley. Hospital President Nanette Mickiewicz, expressed her gratitude and highlighted several Foundation-funded initiatives that were made possible because of those in attendance.

The Dominican Hospital Foundation has raised more than \$3.8 million since 2012. Our every success begins with you—our committed community of supporters.

Photos 01: Over 120 benefactors to the Foundation gathered at the beautiful Hollins House at Pasatiempo for a day of breathtaking views and delicious hors d'oeuvres. **02:** New Dominican Hospital Board President, Janet Capone, O.P. offers the opening reflection **03:** Angelo Grova, Ginny Solari Mazzy, Mary Solari, and Dr. Michael Alexander. **04:** Chip and Suzie Bogaard enjoy the sun. **05:** Rodney and Angela Terra representing annual healthcare sponsor Fernandes & Sons. **06:** Jon Sisk and Dr. Keith McKenzie with a certificate in recognition of his service on the Foundation board.



*To all who have made
a gift to the Dominican
Hospital Foundation,
thank you!*



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Dominican Patients & Friends Support Improvements in Heart Attack Care

Hear attacks can happen at any time, but patients who suffer one in Santa Cruz have a greater chance of survival, thanks to Dominican's pacesetting excellence in heart care. On June 18, a group of community leaders and Dominican Hospital Foundation board members heard from hospital and physician leadership about the vision for the cardiac program. The event was graciously hosted by Mary and Harry Blanchard.

"We have personally felt the importance of having exceptional cardiac resources available, close to home," remarked the Blanchards. "It was an honor for us to host the cardiac reception for Dominican Hospital and help spread awareness to members of our community."

Dr. Nanette Mickiewicz, Dominican hospital president, Dr. Conrad Vial, thoracic and cardiac surgeon, and Dr. Jay Johnson, chief of staff and cardiologist, spoke at the reception.

"We have an excellent and experienced cardiac team at the hospital including a new, very accomplished cardiac surgeon," said Dr. Vial. "Our vision for the cardiac program is to have the most advanced technology and the best facilities here at Dominican. Heart attack response needs to be fast and close by. We need community support and private donations to ensure the continued excellence of the cardiac program."



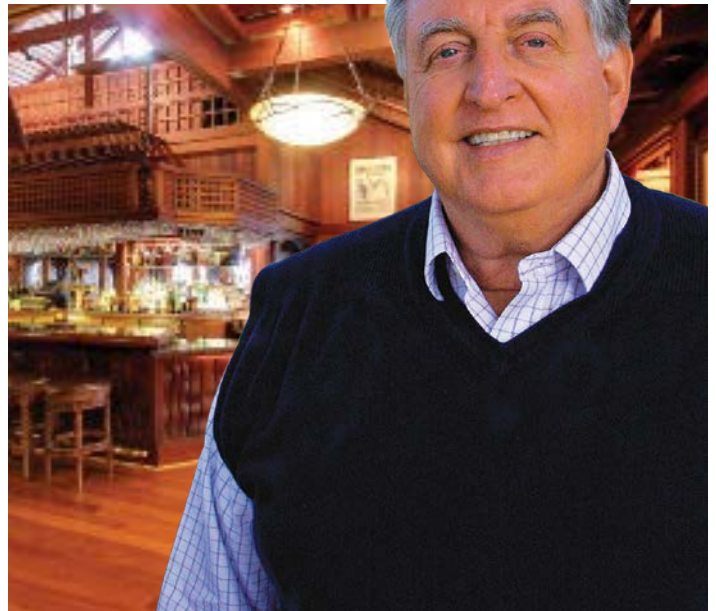
For more information about this important cause, please visit the Dominican Hospital Foundation webpage at supportdominican.org, and click Key Initiatives or call the Foundation office at 831.462.7712.

Photos 01: Mahlon Foote (left) with hosts Mary and Harry Blanchard. **02:** Dr. Conrad Vial and Susan Hawley. **03:** Guests enjoy the view and the Wednesday

What will you leave behind?

“That’s the question we all need to ask. For me, this was the best way to invest in the future of our community.”

— Ted Burke,
co-owner, Shadowbrook Restaurant,
explaining his decision to make
Dominican Hospital
a beneficiary of his estate



As an award-winning restaurateur, Ted Burke has been serving the Santa Cruz area for over 40 years. So it's only natural that he has taken this next philanthropic step.

“As a community, we all want the very best healthcare to be available. But ‘the very best’ doesn’t come for free. It takes resources. It takes all of us joining together to take ownership and to give whatever we can.

“I’ve seen the tremendous good that Dominican Hospital does in our community: providing the latest medical equipment and technology, health education, outreach and charitable care to those in need. I know that with additional resources, they could do even more. This is my way of doing my part—contributing to something that can really make a difference in the lives of people I care about.”

Leave a lasting legacy. Become a Dominican Heritage Society Member.

The Heritage Society is a special circle of individuals who have informed Dominican Hospital Foundation, confidentially and in writing, that they have included us in their estate plans. The Society is here to recognize, honor and thank those who have given a planned gift while they are still with us.



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There are many ways to give and no amount is too small.

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