# Foundation Update

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# **Foundation Welcomes New Board Members**



# Eileen Conn

Eileen Conn is the Los Angeles Regional Vice President for Charles Dunn Real Estate Services, Inc. She is responsible for managing over 11 million square feet

of commercial real estate and has over 19 years' experience in property management, portfolio management, and asset management of commercial real estate properties.

Ms. Conn oversees a team of property and portfolio management staff, and handles the daily operations and business development of Charles Dunn management services in the corporate office. She is a graduate of Gonzaga University.

# **Alice Shing**

Alice Shing is the Vice President of Club Operations and Investor Relations with the Los Angeles Football Club. She oversees day-to-day



operations and coordinates communications between management, the board, and ownership.

Ms. Shing joined LAFC after 13 years with the Los Angeles Clippers as the Director of Team Operations. Born in Los Angeles, she attended the University of California. Santa Barbara where she received her bachelor's degree in Business Economics and Sports Management.



# Vivian L. Thoreen

Vivian Lee Thoreen is a partner at Holland & Knight. As a litigator and trial attorney she focuses on trust, estate, conservatorship, and guardianship matters,

including some of the most sensitive and highprofile cases in her field.

An active member of the community, Ms. Thoreen also serves on the State Bar of California Trusts & Estates Section executive committee. She also provides pro bono services through Bet Tzedek. Public Counsel, and the Alliance for Children's Rights. She received her BA and MA from Stanford University and her JD from UCLA School of Law.

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A Message from Our Chair

If you look at the downtown skyline everyday like I do, you can't miss the multiple construction cranes in the sky. With 50 new development projects currently under construction and at least 50 more proposed in the pipeline, our community is growing at an unprecedented rate. By 2020, it is projected that the downtown population will increase by 73%.

What does this mean for California Hospital Medical Center?

As the only hospital inside the downtown "freeway belt," CHMC is a major stakeholder in this community, and our importance to the people of Los Angeles is growing day by day. To keep pace with the rapid change, we are preparing for a strategic expansion that will support the provision of excellent, compassionate care to our current patients and our newest neighbors.

California Hospital was formed in our neighborhood almost 130 years ago on the upper two floors of a small, three-story building. Now, we serve more than 100,000 patients annually in our 318-bed hospital. As part of Dignity Health, healing is our calling, and we strive daily to deliver the level of health care—and humankindness that our patients expect and deserve. We are proud of our past, focused on our present, and passionate about preparing to meet the needs of the future right here in downtown Los Angeles with the highest quality of care and facilities.

Thank you for being part of this exciting journey with me and for your continued support of California Hospital.

Kris H. Davis, Chair California Hospital Medical Center Foundation Board of Directors

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# Save the Date

South Park Speaker Series The 17th Surgeon General of the United States Dr. Richard Carmona Tuesday, October 25, 2016



26th Annual La Grande Affaire Gala Friday, November 4, 2016



# Ready for Anything

There is no doubt that 9/11 and other acts of recent terrorism have changed the way we think about disaster preparedness in our country and community. Not only are residents of Southern California at high

risk of natural disasters such as earthquakes, but we also have to be especially equipped for any imaginable disaster that can occur in a vulnerable, high-density area such as downtown Los Angeles.

- Have availability of space that can be converted for patient triage
- Perform care delivery and decontamination
- Have availability of necessary supplies and equipment, including tents, cots, gurneys, heaters, lighting, generators, HEPA filtration systems, medical supplies, pharmaceuticals, ventilators, and communications and other emergency equipment.

# "California Hospital Medical Center is a stellar example of an Expanded/DRC Trauma Awardee in Los Angeles County."

-Roel Amara, Assistant Director, HPP Coordinator, Emergency Medical Services Agency LA County

To ensure that our community is ready, California Hospital Medical Center takes a leadership role as a Disaster Resource Center (DRC).

After 9/11, our country started making major systemic changes in the way we prepare for disasters, natural or man-made. The U.S. Hospital Preparedness Program was established to enable health care systems to save lives during emergencies that exceed normal day-to-day capacity.

# "It's not about if a disaster occurs, but when it occurs."

-Connie Rangel, DRC Director at California Hospital Medical Center

Los Angeles County became a direct recipient of grant funding through this program based on a risk assessment study. Fourteen DRC hospitals—including CHMC were geographically selected throughout the county to lead regional disaster preparedness.

Connie Rangel is the DRC Director of CHMC's Office of Emergency Preparedness. She meets with our 12 umbrella hospitals bi-monthly to ensure streamlined plan preparedness. Her team coordinates with other hospital personnel, local police and fire departments, city planners, and representatives from agencies ranging from the Department of Homeland Security to the Centers for Disease Control to develop plans, train staff in dealing with chemical weapons and hazardous materials and decontamination, and conduct exercise drills.

"The team at California Hospital conducts drills regularly and we take being a Disaster Resource Center very seriously. It's not about if a disaster occurs, but when it occurs," says Rangel.

If you live, work, or visit our community, you can have the assurance of knowing that California Hospital is a key part of a network that stands prepared, 24/7, to care for thousands of individuals in the aftermath of a major disaster.

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If you have changed your address, please call CHMC Foundation at 213-742-5703.



Top photos: Newly renovated dining hall at California Hospital; Bottom photo, left to right: Hospital President Margaret R. Peterson, PhD, CHMC Foundation Board Members Richard O. Oxford, Bruce H. Corbin, Jeanne E. Raya, Ronald F. Turner and CHMC Community Board Chair Phillip C. Hill in a newly renovated 9th floor patient room.



Two recent initiatives for the California Hospital Medical Center Foundation were to raise funds for the comprehensive remodel on the 9th floor of our patient care tower and a transformation of our main dining area.

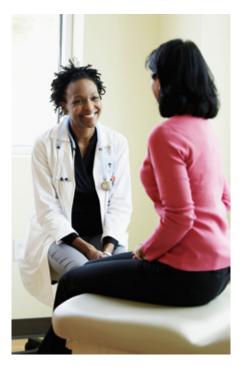
Construction began immediately and many of the patient rooms on the 9th floor are completed and already in use. The remaining renovations on the floor should be completed by the end of this calendar year.

Our remodeled dining hall opened in early June. Guests are enjoying this new warm and welcoming setting.

CHMC Foundation would like to thank you, our supporters, for making these projects a reality. These renovations will maximize convenience and comfort for patients, families, and visitors, easing anxiety and accelerating the healing process.

# **Electronic Health Records Go Live**

On March 1, California Hospital joined thirty other Dignity Health hospitals and went live with the implementation of a new electronic health record system. This system improves patient experience by enhancing communication between doctors, nurses, and clinical staff, helping them clearly understand each patient's needs and effectively coordinate care.



# New! **Baby Wall**

# **Born at California Hospital? Capture that precious** memory for all time in this charming elephant mural.

Made up of many individual plaques, stars, and photos, the Baby Wall offers a way to celebrate that special moment. 100% of the proceeds will benefit our smallest patients and their families in our Neonatal Intensive Care and Labor and Delivery Units.





To order a plaque, please give us a call at:

213.742.5867

Or go online to: supportcaliforniahospital.org **Hospital Update** 

# **CHMC Wins Multiple Awards**

- · STROKE PROGRAM: Get With The Guidelines® -Target Stroke Honor Roll Elite Gold Plus Quality Achievement Award
- · PRACTICE GREENHEALTH'S EMERALD AWARD This competitive award is presented by Practice GreenHealth, the nation's leading health care community that empowers its members to increase their efficiencies and environmental stewardship while improving patient safety and care through tools, best practices, and knowledge.
- · Top Award for Flu **COMPLIANCE** by Dignity Health as a leader in Safe Practices for Excellence for attaining 90% and above with employee influenza vaccination for two consecutive years.
- · VIRTUAL STRATEGY MAGAZINE recognized California Hospital for performance excellence in the reduction of injury falls.
- HEALTHGRADES AWARD: Patient Safety Excellence







**Community Benefit** 

# Best-Selling Author Teaches Healthy Cooking

In April, award-winning chef,
Amy Riolo (pictured), provided
a cooking demonstration
for members of the CHMC
Community Benefit Department's
diabetes support group. Ms. Riolo
is a best-selling author, chef,
television personality, cuisine and
culture expert, and healthy
diet advocate. Participants learned
how to prepare fare that was
both healthful and delicious, and
received an autographed copy of
The Italian Diabetes Cookbook.



Amy Riolo demonstrates some favorites from the Mediterranean diet.



Volunteer Spotlight

# Volunteers Bring Art to the Bedside

Creative Compassion volunteers bring art and creative expression to the bedside of patients at California Hospital Medical Center. Whether the volunteer draws or works on a craft project with the patient, the activity transports the patient away from the hospital environment by taking them on a journey of the imagination.

Patients say it best: "My family isn't from here, so I don't get a lot of visits. I get lonesome often.
But I am glad you guys are around.

It is nice to have company when I feel lonely."

"You know, I love spending time with you volunteers. I have been here for a while now, and I am always doing the same thing over and over again—sleep, eat, checkups. But when you come around, I get to do something different, which makes me feel happy."

For more information about volunteering at CHMC, please contact Tracy Nordbak at 213.742.5707.

"When I stepped into the field of medicine, I had a narrow perspective of healing—surgery and drugs. Volunteering here made me realize that healing can take on many forms: It can

# A Volunteer's Perspective

stem from soothing piano music, or a smile, or a simple handmade paper rose to brighten someone's day. I'm thankful to be able to spend time making bedtime art with these patients. My time at CHMC reinforces my choice to pursue a career in medicine, my passion to help those in need, and the impact I can make, however big or small." —Agassi Tran, California Hospital Medical Center Volunteer

# Thank you!

A letter to the lifesavers of California Hospital

A simple roll of candy is all this appears to be, Medical Center but it is much more. This candy is a symbol of what

I started out as a routine traffic accident victim, was done for me. but soon I began to crash. My brother and his wife gathered at my side to say their goodbyes. But before I lost consciousness, I was asked a simple question. Do you want to live? I responded, yes.

One doctor became an orchestra leader. He summoned all of the various professionals that a trauma center could muster and then the magic began as everything possible was done to bring me back from the brink of death. Through the technology and skills of a welltrained team, I made it and awoke four days later to realize that I had just been given the gift of continued life. For that, you can never understand the depth of my gratitude.

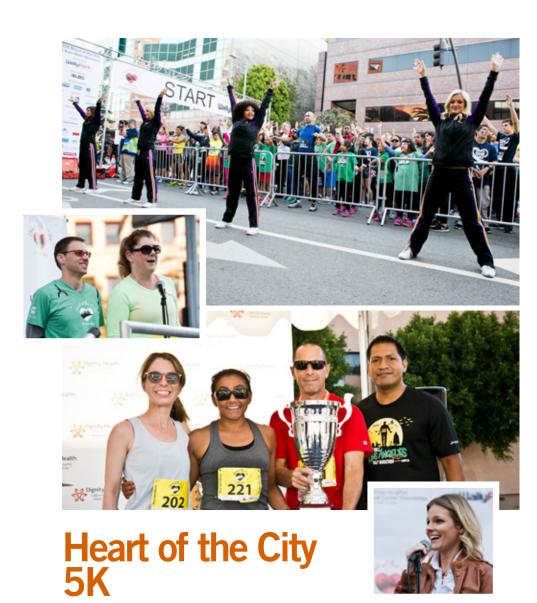
I appreciate you as a team member that gives people in literally the worst moment of their lives another chance to see their loved ones again. For even when the prognosis is grave and the chances are slim, think of the roll of Lifesaver candies and remember that your skills and dedication do make a difference. The next time you see a patient on the edge of life and death remember your valiant efforts are appreciated beyond belief.

You are a lifesaver.

Patient of California Hospital Medical Center

Grateful Patient Glenn Laird and Gudata Hinika, MD, Medical Director of Trauma Services

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On Saturday, April 2, California Hospital Medical Center Foundation hosted its fourth annual Heart of the City 5K Run/Walk in downtown Los Angeles. Nearly 3,000 people (and more than 100 dogs!) attended the event.

Participants and donors raised over \$190,000 to help purchase equipment that will benefit the hospital's smallest patients and their families in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU), Labor and Delivery, and Pediatrics.

The event featured an exhilarating course that started and concluded at CHMC. Runners and walkers traveled past the STAPLES Center, L.A. LIVE, The BLOC, FIGat7th and other local landmarks.

After the race, attendees enjoyed a free community festival on the hospital's campus that included a doggie costume contest, yoga, magic show, Zumba class, a Kiwanis-prepared pancake breakfast, pet adoptions, and more family fun.

Photos, from top to bottom: Participants join the LA Laker Girls in a warm-up as they line up to begin the race; Clare De Briere and Marc Futernick, MD, 5K Event Co-Chairs; 2016 Corporate Cup winner JW Marriott Los Angeles L.A. LIVE; Chelsey Crisp from ABC's sitcom, "Fresh off the Boat," joins the event as the Master of Ceremonies.

# Heart of the City 5K 2016

# Thank you to our sponsors for helping make this event a success!

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Clockwise from top left: Luncheon Honorees Steve Needleman, Cathy Needleman, and Raul Vargas; Members of the Hope Street Fund Development Committee Lilith Borko, Shianne Hollander, Hannah Kirschner, Event Co-Chairs Linda Ellman and Eloise Appel EdD, Susan Berk, Jeanne E. Raya, and Committee Chair Richard O. Oxford; Hope Street children perform during the luncheon; CHMC Hospital President Margaret R. Peterson, PhD, and Member of the Los Angeles Board of Supervisors, Hilda Solis, attended the luncheon.

# **Hope Street Family Center Update**

# Circle of Hope Champions for Children Luncheon

On Thursday, February 25, the Circle of Hope Champions for Children Luncheon raised more than \$300,000 with a cost ratio of only 20%. All event proceeds will support the after-school and summer school education and wellness services provided to children and families through the Hope Street Margolis Family Center. A total of 350 guests were in attendance at the Jonathan Club to give recognition to our welldeserving 2016 Champions for Children honorees, Cathy and Steve Needleman and Raul Vargas.

Other highlights of the event included a performance by Hope Street's preschooler choir, science experiments conducted by three Hope Street youth, and the personal stories shared by two college students and a mother describing the impact that Hope Street has had on their lives. Nancy, a young mother who participates in the Family Literacy program with her son, captured a sentiment shared by many in the room that day when she stated, "I think no other hospital has a Hope Street-but every hospital should."

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# Gift from AAA Automobile Club of Southern **California Funds New Security Cart**

You might notice a new set of wheels driving around California Hospital's campus! Through a generous donation from the AAA Automobile Club of Southern California, the CHMC Foundation recently acquired a new golf cart for the hospital.

This gift will enable our security team to easily and quickly move around the campus as they ensure the safety of our patients and visitors. Thank you to the AAA Automobile Club of Southern California and CHMC Foundation Board Member, Robert K. Rothbart, MD, for making this donation possible.

Do you care about the future of Los Angeles? Our Annual Giving Society donors do. They give to support a bright and limitless tomorrow for downtown!



I appreciate the way that California Hospital and the Foundation really help people. In my short time being involved, it's already very apparent. All the charitable endeavors I've ever pursued are just that: people helping people. And I'm looking forward to what the future holds.

—Michael J. Gillmore, Partner at Ernst & Young, LLP, CHMC Foundation board member, and Annual Giving Society donor, pictured at the 2015 President's Reception



Help California Hospital continue to grow. Join the Annual Giving Society today! Funds given by our Annual Giving Society donors provide the resources necessary for CHMC to continue to provide care and compassion to the community.

Please call Steve Scott, Director of Annual Gifts, at 213.742.5663 to learn more.

Left to Right: Jeffrey Spring from AAA Automobile Club of Southern CA, Hospital President Margaret R. Peterson, PhD, and Robert K. Rothbart, MD

# 2016 California Hospital Golf Classic Sponsors

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Top left (l-r): Guests were treated to an engaging conversation with former LA Rams players Joe Sweet, Greg Bell, and sportswriter for the Los Angeles Times, Sam Farmer

Top right (l-r): Dr. Liang's team, the top winners with the lowest gross score. Planning Committee Member, Faye Lee, MD; Committee Co-Chair, Robert Rothbart, MD; Jerry Blumberg, MD; Larry Liang, MD; Stanley Jordan, MD; Committee Co-Chair, Jeff Cunningham; and Leonard Liang, MD

Bottom right (1-r): Suhail Dohad, MD, Scott Miller, Haejung Kim, and Marc Girsky, MD

Bottom left: Lisa Margolis and Committee Founding Chair Robert Margolis, MD wave as they head out.

#### TOP WINNERS FOR THE DAY

#### **Gross Score**

1st Place - Score: 56 Leonard Liang, MD; Larry Liang, MD; Stanley Jordan, MD; Jerry Blumberg, MD

2nd Place – Score: 56 Tom Conroy; Scott Mackey; Bill Foulkes; Jimmy Cole

3rd Place – Score: 57 Rodney Cheng, MD; Ed Moses; Ryan Miller; Grant Yasui

#### **Net Score**

1st Place - Score: 51 Bob Felix; Travis Craven; Chris Brown; Wade Rushton

#### 2nd Place - Score: 54 Shelby Jordan; Nicholas Maddox;

Boyega Adelekan; Marcus Craney

3rd Place - Score: 56 Don Lavi; Jeff Germain; Richard Gallagher; Harrison Shaw

Closest to the Pin: Hole #12: Steve Vuckovich

> **Longest Drive** (Men 54 and younger) Tyler Schwanz

**Longest Drive** (Men 55 and older) David Wade

Longest Drive (Women) Lisa Margolis

> Mega Putt Don Lavi

# Golf Classic Raises Record Support for CHMC

The 10th Annual California Hospital Golf Classic was held on Thursday, May 26 at Angeles National Golf Club. The event had a slate of over 150 golfers and raised over \$210,000 for California Hospital's Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, Pediatrics, and Labor and Delivery departments.

For the first time this year, we held a new contest at the tournament. It was our version of an On-Course Poker Run. Participants were tasked with getting either the best poker hand or the worst poker hand by exchanging and collecting cards throughout the day. The winner with the Best Poker Hand was David Moore—and the "winner" with the Worst Poker Hand was Craig Humphrey.

During the reception and dinner, guests were treated to an engaging conversation between sportswriter Sam Farmer of the *Los Angeles Times* and two former LA Rams football players, Greg Bell and Joe Sweet.



California Hospital Medical Center Foundation's 25th Anniversary of La Grande Affaire was our most successful gala to date with over \$530,000 raised! The success of this event, which took place on Thursday, November 19, at the Millennium Biltmore Hotel, is attributed to our many sponsors and donors that gave generously in support of the hospital's mission. Guests were transported to Italy where they dined "Under the Tuscan Sky," enjoying a delicious five-course meal prepared by Chef Celestino Drago with a specially paired wine complementing each course.

Event proceeds supported the acquisition of a new fluoroscopy machine and the renovation of the hospital's dining area.



CHMC Hospital President Margaret R. Peterson, PhD, welcomes the audience to the 25th Annual La Grande Affaire



Planning Committee Chair Jeffrey R. Germain, Chef Celestino Drago, Culinary Coordinator Kora Kroep, and Chef Di Cucina Ian Gresik



Planning Committee Members Patricia A. Lott and RJ Noonan; Susie Noonan

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# In Memoriam

# Donald F. Shellgren



The California Hospital Medical Center Foundation family lost a dear friend on Don Shellgren. With his passion for fine wine, Mr. Shellgren was the central creative force behind the birth and growth fundraising gala, La Grande Affaire, which celebrated its 25th anniversary in 2015. He and his wife of more than 50 year, lending their joyful spirits and genuine fondness for the hospital's mission to the evening's festivities.

involved with CHMC through his work with Transamerica, where he served for 36 years in a number of key positions, including Senior Vice President overseeing Community and Government Affairs. His commitment to the success of benefited causes ranging from the arts and education, to

# Please remember to include California Hospital Medical Center Foundation in your estate planning.



# **Planned Gifts**

# **Estate Planning Tips**

It's important to spell out what you would like to happen with your estate through a will or living trust. Start your planning with this list:

Have a will or living trust written. Talk to an attorney you trust to have this done.

Have formal health and financial power of attorney documents established.

3.

If you have children under the age of 18, make sure to name a guardian.

If you have a retirement plan [IRA, 401(k), or 403(b)], be sure you name at least one beneficiary.

Consider naming California Hospital Medical Center Foundation for a percentage of your estate.

For more information, contact Susan Shum at 213.742.5662.



**Physician Spotlight** 

# Brian D. Solberg, MD

Orthopedic Surgery, California Hospital Medical Center

"If you really want to serve your community, consider donating your time and resources to a place where they will make the biggest impact. No hospital does more good, for more people, than California Hospital Medical Center."

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# California Hospital Medical Center Foundation: What We Do

Since 1887, California Hospital Medical Center (CHMC) has provided quality, affordable, health care. Whether you live, work, or visit downtown Los Angeles, CHMC is your hospital. CHMC Foundation supports the hospital's mission by raising funds for capital improvements, new technology, staff education, and community services.



# **Dignity Health** — Mission, Vision and Values

### **Our Mission**

We are committed to furthering the healing ministry of Jesus. We dedicate our resources to:

- Delivering compassionate, high-quality, affordable health services;
- Serving and advocating for our sisters and brothers who are poor and disenfranchised; and
- Partnering with others in the community to improve the quality of life.

Please remember to include California Hospital Medical Center Foundation in your estate planning.

### **Our Values**

Dignity Health is committed to providing high-quality, affordable health care to the communities we serve. Above all else we value:

**DIGNITY** — Respecting the inherent value and worth of each person.

**COLLABORATION** — Working together with people who support common values and vision to achieve shared goals.

**JUSTICE** — Advocating for social change and acting in ways that promote respect for all persons and demonstrate compassion for our sisters and brothers who are powerless.

**STEWARDSHIP** — Cultivating the resources entrusted to us to promote healing and wholeness.

**EXCELLENCE** — Exceeding expectations through teamwork and innovation.