

The Right Reasons

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A CAMPAIGN UPDATE FOR FRIENDS OF LAWRENCE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Grateful Patient Lends Financial Support to LMH

Most people have at least one good hospital story to share. Jack Wright has several. As a young boy growing up in Ohio, his mother passionately volunteered for the local hospital, teaching him to appreciate hospitals and the people who work there. It wasn't until adulthood, however, that he truly learned of the importance of first-rate healthcare services. With expertise derived from personal experience, he knows what constitutes quality hospital services, and he enthusiastically touts Lawrence Memorial Hospital as among the best.

In 2001, several months following successful open-heart surgery, Jack awoke in the wee hours of the morning to a second medical scare. Home alone, his wife out of town, he was experiencing intense dizziness and loss of balance. Unable to stand up, he called friends

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who rushed him to the LMH emergency room. His blood pressure was skyrocketing. Neurologist Paul Morte, MD, evaluated the case and expedited Jack's immediate transfer to the St. Luke's Stroke Center in Kansas City. Jack credits Dr. Morte and LMH's excellent ER staff with helping him avoid a stroke.



Jack Wright

Early this year, Jack needed prompt medical attention and, again, LMH was there. Complications with kidney stones resulted in a five-day hospital visit. “The nursing staff provided excellent care,” Jack says. “I can't tell you how grateful I was for the kind and calming treatment I received.”

Just as important as the excellent bedside manner offered by LMH health professionals, Jack believes, is the hospital's ability to provide cutting-edge technology in a state-of-the-art facility. Using his personal experience as his best marketing tool, he joined the LMH Endowment Association (LMHEA) capital campaign early this summer, with hopes of raising a significant amount of money to support the hospital's \$40 million expansion and improvement project. He actively networks to spread the word about the hospital's positive impact on the community.

Like his peers who work with him on the campaign's Community Division, Jack believes the hospital serves as a unique and vital pillar of the community. “During my visits to LMH, I was struck with how easy it is to get great care, in a hurry, and close to home,” he says.

If you are interested in making a contribution, please contact Kathy Clausing, LMHEA vice president and chief development officer, at 785-749-6134.

Busy Campaign Contributors Make Hospital's Success a Priority

The call for community support of Lawrence Memorial Hospital's capital campaign has been resoundingly answered. And according to committee members, that comes as no surprise. So far, 17 individuals have agreed to serve as chairs of the campaign's Community Division. By reputation, all are strong advocates of the community and work diligently for the greater civic good.

Jerry Waugh, formerly of the KU Athletic Department, says he believes there is nothing more important than a strong community hospital. For many years, he has participated in the Penny Jones Golf Tournament, an annual hospital fundraiser celebrating its 25th anniversary this year. "The hospital impacts each person in this community," he says. "And if it hasn't yet, it most certainly will at some time."

Paul Carttar agrees, noting that the importance of LMH to the community is no mystery for people living in Lawrence for any length of time. Paul, who serves as special assistant to the chancellor at the University of Kansas, is a former member of the LMH Board of Trustees.

Other Community Division chairs also have deemed the campaign important enough to take time from their busy schedules to participate.

Paul Davis, Kansas State representative, 46th District, and partner of Skepnek, Fagan, Meyer and Davis, P.A., also serves on the Kansas Bar Association Board of Governors and Health Care Access, Inc.

Paul's parents, **Ray and Kathy Davis**, joined the campaign in conjunction with their son. Kathy, a retiree of Hillcrest Elementary School, serves on the Board for the Lawrence Schools Foundation and works for various

other charitable projects, including Meals On Wheels. She is a member of the LMHEA Public Relations Committee. Ray, a member of the Public Administration faculty at the University of Kansas, serves as an appointee to the newly formed Kansas Health Policy Authority and is associated with the Bert Nash Center. He held a position on the hospital's Board of Trustees for nine years, chairing the Board for two of those years. "LMH is a very important asset to the community because of its ready availability and its high level of expertise and services," Ray says.

Jeff and Susan Sigler, owners of Sigler Pharmacy, have actively supported Health Care Access, Inc., Penn House and the Douglas County Chapter of the American Cancer Society. They are also associated with the American Pharmaceutical Association, the National Community Pharmacists Association and the National Association of Colleges of Pharmacy.

In addition to their local success as partners in operating Pine Family Farms, **Roger and Sue Pine** love giving back to their community so much that they characterize their many charitable activities as "hobbies."

Sandra Gautt, vice provost for Faculty Development at the University of Kansas, also serves Womanspirit Connection and the United Way of Douglas County.



*Paul Davis and his parents,
Kathy and Ray Davis,
are among the community
leaders on the roster*

Christine Kenney, federal prosecutor for the U.S. Attorney's Office, serves on the River City Reading Festival Committee and is associated with Altrusa International.

Bonnie Lowe of Landmark National Bank serves on the Kansas Health Insurance Association Board, the Chamber of Commerce Board and the Bert Nash Executive and Governing Board. She enjoys membership in other community organizations as well, including the Free State High School Alumni Association and the Rotary Club.

Karen Heeb, a 23-year veteran of the Lawrence Public Schools, actively works on the Ministry Board of the Lawrence Free Methodist Church and enjoys spending time with her nine grandchildren as well as showing horses, gardening and managing her farm.

In addition to the various tasks she performs as executive assistant to the chancellor at the University of Kansas,

Mary Burg serves on the Douglas County Red Cross Board, the Presbyterian Manor Advisory Board and the Leadership Lawrence Board.

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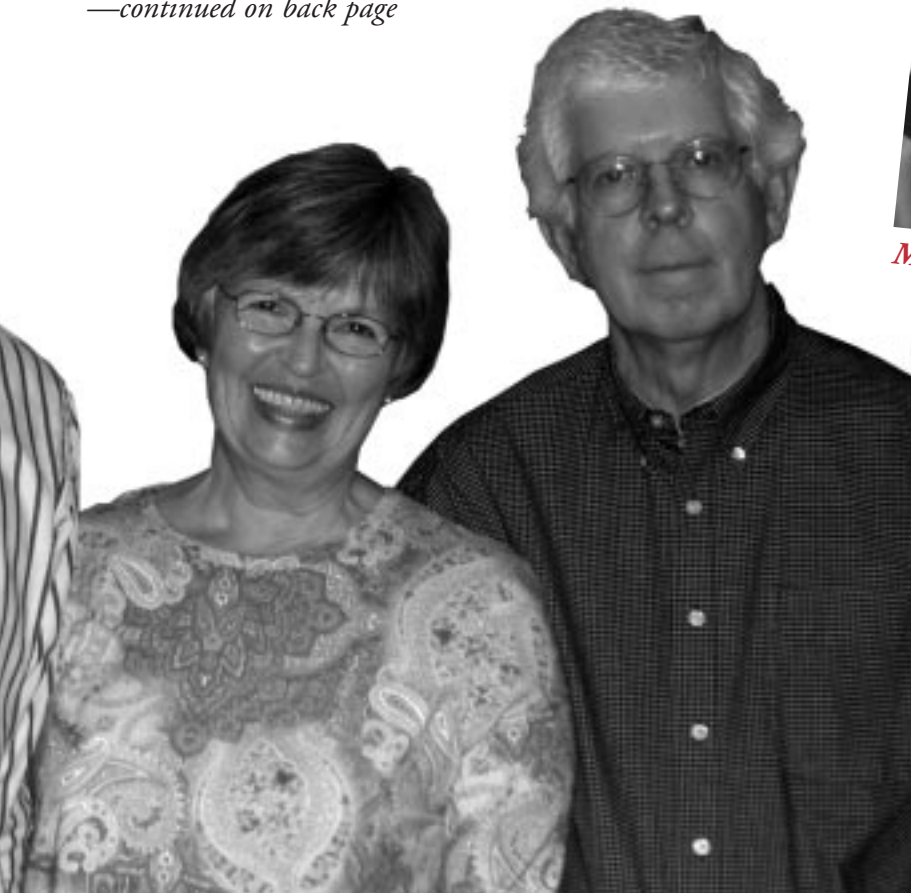
Christine Kenney

LMH Breast Center Relocates to LMH South

Beginning August 14, the LMH Breast Center will relocate to LMH South. The Breast Center will still provide the same services as usual, only in a new, temporary, location. We will be moving all of our mammography machines, paddles, artwork, educational materials and furnishings with us and plan to return back to the LMH campus after the hospital expansion is complete. However, since the move is temporary, the imaging equipment will remain at LMH. To schedule an appointment at the Breast Center, please contact us at 785-840-3300.



Mike Amyx, Bonnie Lowe and Paul Carttar



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Meet Our Community Division Chairs, cont.



Roger and Sue Pine, Karen Heeb and Mary Burg

Julie Manning participates in various community philanthropies, especially those dedicated to helping the homeless. “It is extremely important for the people of Lawrence to have a comfortable healthcare facility they can count on,” she says.

Mike Amyx is a life-long resident of Lawrence and is the owner of Amyx Barber Shop, Inc., a family owned and operated business since 1942. He and his wife Marilyn have a son, Chris.

Jack Wright, professor of Theater and Film at the University of Kansas, recently joined the campaign. Despite a hectic summer schedule, Jack is optimistic that his networking efforts will result in significant contributions.

Although the campaign relies heavily on corporate donations, the individual contributions procured by the Community Division are key to reaching the campaign’s \$8 million goal by the fall. So far, the division chairs have raised nearly \$200,000 of their goal of \$500,000 toward the project. The capital campaign is the first of its kind in the hospital’s 85-year history to ask for community support. It was created to supplement the hospital’s upcoming \$40 million expansion project, comprising a new emergency department, new birthing rooms, reconstruction of the surgery department and the conversion of semi-private rooms to all-private rooms.