# **Gratitude** Creating a healthy community. Together.

# SEQUOIA HOSPITAL FOUNDATION | SUMMER 2023

Dear Friends of Sequoia Hospital Foundation,

Summer is here and with it I feel energized to continue our mission of supporting patient care and services here at Sequoia Hospital. Thank you for being a part of our community.

In this issue of **Gratitude**, you'll read about some of our exemplary nurses, how Sequoia is all in on robotic surgery, our plans for a state-of-the-art simulation lab and meet our new Chief Philanthropy Officer, Lindsey Hincks. Welcome, Lindsey!

I hope that you will join me in championing our nurses, clinicians and patients by attending two upcoming events:



### **Stepping Forward Soirée**

August 19, 2023 from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Menlo Circus Club

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to be an orthopedic surgeon for the day? Join us for an evening of libations, food and robotics! Test your surgical skills with the MAKO Robot, all while raising funds for an important cause.



### Steven San Filippo Memorial Invitational Golf Tournament October 30, 2023 at Green Hills Country Club

Hit the links with us, this year at a new location, to benefit our Simulation Learning Center!

To RSVP for either event, or to learn more, please contact the Foundation at **650.367.5657** or email **Sequoia.Foundation@DignityHealth.org**.

Thank you for supporting Sequoia Hospital and placing your trust in us as stewards of your contributions towards your cause of choice. You are an integral part of our success! With gratitude,

Beverly Joyce, MD Chair, Sequoia Hospital Foundation

P.S. 100 percent of donations received are transferred to the hospital, as the Foundation's overhead is covered through our parent company, CommonSpirit Health.





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On June 21, the 2023 awardees joined the Jernigan's at a private reception. Pictured left to right: Dieter Bruno, MD, Chief of Surgery at Sequoia Hospital, Bill Graham, CEO/President of Sequoia Hospital, Annaliese Hunter, RN, Jenny Moscini, RN, Delores Ogholoh, RN, Berdine and Cliff Jernigan, Ziping Cen, RN, Joy Liu, CNA, Kim Costello, RN, Director of Nursing, and Amy Huang, CNA.

# Berdine and Cliff Jernigan Exceptional Nursing Awards

### Support for Sequoia Hospital staff members

Through personal experiences both Berdine and Cliff Jernigan have benefited from exceptional care here at Sequoia Hospital. They share the belief that nurses should treat their patients with kindness, empathy, respect and dignity, and listen to their needs. As a result, they proudly established the Exceptional Nursing Awards in 2021 to recognize and reward nurses who provide a superior health care experience to their patients.

Annually, this award honors nurses and clinical staff members (such as certified nursing assistants, etc.) with a monetary grant. They established this award to inspire nursing staff candidates to provide the most exceptional hospitality and customer service to our patients.

#### Awardees exemplify characteristics such as:

- Respect and courtesy
- Flexibility
- Helpfulness
- Noticing issues and solving them (a can-do attitude)
- Empathy
- Attentiveness
- Exhibiting a positive attitude
- Listening skills
- Communication skills

Funding for the awardees this year was also made possible from the support of board member, Marylue Timpson. We welcome you to join the Jernigans in showcasing your appreciation for the excellence of our active nursing staff members with a gift in support of the Exceptional Nursing Awards.

Learn More: sequoiahospitalfoundation.org/ways-to-give/exceptional-nursing-awards

### **SEQUOIA HOSPITAL FOUNDATION | SUMMER 2023**

## ANNOUNCING THE 2023 RECIPIENTS

#### Sequoia Nurses:

- Ziping Cen, CSU
- Amy Huang, CSU
- Annaliese Hunter, CSU
- Zoe Karns, CSU
- Joy Liu, MSO
- Jenny Moscini, CSU
- Delores Ogholoh, L&D

# Sequoia Certified Nursing Assistants:

- Vanessa Meyer, CSU
- Raveena Singh, MSO
- Marilee Tagle, CSU

\*Cardiac Surveillance Unit (CSU), Medical/Surgery/Orthopedics (MSO), Labor & Delivery (L&D)



# In Gratitude to Orthopedic Surgery

Grateful patient Steven Kozned, shares his appreciation and insight

"On an idyllic day in Squaw Valley, I embarked on my first-ever skiing experience with friends. But just as quickly as our adventure started, another began: I would need arthroscopic knee surgery. My first surgery was a nightmare, leaving me with a stiff knee and hours of painful rehabilitation. But years later, I met Dr. Bradley Graw, who exuded both intelligence and compassion. He suggested using the state-of-the-art MAKO robot for my full knee replacement. I imagined R2D2 with a chainsaw but thankfully, no chainsaws made an appearance, and my surgery was amazing. I feel invincible!"

"Philanthropy wasn't a priority until I went through my surgery at Sequoia Hospital, but now I really get it. You cannot choose a better place to invest! All I need to do is look at my knee to realize how a miracle machine, like the MAKO robot, can improve someone's life."

# Maisel the Marvelous MAKO

Staff were encouraged to submit their ideas for the naming of the new robotic joint replacement technology. Laurie Page, operating room coordinator, had the winning entry!



Sequoia Hospital Foundation's \$1.2 million funding initiative, **Stepping Forward: Transforming Orthopedic Surgery** brings orthopedic care to the forefront of excellence. With philanthropic support, the joint replacement center will utilize the MAKO SmartRobotics<sup>™</sup> system for use in knee and hip replacements to benefit patient comfort and healing.

Learn More: sequoiahospitalfoundation.org/ what-we-support/stepping-forward

# Initiative Spotlight: Simulation Learning Center

With our continued focus on best-in-class surgical robotics, coupled with supplying our nurses and providers with the most innovative and comprehensive approach to education, Sequoia Hospital Foundation set the ambitious goal of creating a Simulation Learning Center.

The training center will provide our nurses, nursing assistants, and other clinical staff the ability to mirror a clinical experience representing a hospital setting with the latest manikin technology - all onsite. This means an even better experience for our patients and their families when they choose their care at Sequoia Hospital.

We are halfway to our fundraising goal, thanks to a lead gift by the Gellert Foundation, and invite you to learn more at:

sequoiahospitalfoundation.org/what-we-support/simulation-lab



# Leave a Legacy

A legacy gift enables you to support Sequoia, may secure the financial needs of your loved ones, and provide you with tax benefits. Legacy gifts of all sizes combine to provide support across all initiatives and projects here at Sequoia.

### Types of Legacy Gifts:

- General bequest from your will
- Retirement account beneficiary gifts such as a Charitable IRA Rollover
- Appreciated stock, bonds or mutual funds



The Sequoia Hospital Foundation's 1950 Sequoia Society recognizes individuals in our community who have provided for Sequoia Hospital's future through an estate or planned gift.

We invite you to consider joining this important group dedicated to ensuring that Sequoia's award-winning programs continue for generations to come. Adding just a few specific words to your will or trust will keep your support local and will advance quality health care for the future of our community.

Let us help you plan a legacy that reflects what is important to you.

### Learn more: mysequoialegacy.org



# We Appreciate Your Support

To make a gift please use the enclosed form or scan this code with your mobile device to make an online donation at sequoiahospitalfoundation.org

# **Meet Lindsey Hincks**

"After admiring Sequoia for years, I am elated to join such a caring, supportive and inspirational community!

I look forward to meeting each of you, rolling up my



# sleeves, and unlocking the philanthropy to help Sequoia provide the best possible patient care and services."

An entrepreneurial spirit with a deep knowledge of the academic medicine and higher education landscape, Lindsey is known as a strategic leader, trusted mentor, and passionate health advocate with maximum impact.

For the last seven years, Lindsey served as Deputy Director at Lucile Packard Foundation for Children's Health - the sole fundraising entity for Stanford School of Medicine pediatric research and Lucile Packard Children's Hospital. There, she personally closed nearly \$70 million in pediatric support, led a successful team of frontline fundraisers, built processes and systems for the major gifts team and created the footprint for a robust grateful patient program.

Lindsey received her master's degree in Business Administration from Hawai'i Pacific University and both a B.A. in public relations and B.A. in French linguistics from Grand Valley State University. Visit us online to read her complete bio.

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