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Message from the Chair

Dear Friends of Sequoia,

As I begin my second year as Chair of the Sequoia Hospital Foundation Board, it is my honor to be leading at a critical time. This year we are tasked with meeting a $4 million goal for our Imaging for Tomorrow campaign - to support a new dual-source CT scanner at Sequoia Hospital. With generous support from the community, I'm confident we will exceed our goal.

From its inception, our community has always played an active role in shaping what Sequoia has become. Thanks to your support, Sequoia has boldly brought leading-edge technologies - often the first in the Bay Area to offer such advances. It has pioneered innovative programs and approaches to care, and recruited top-notch clinical leadership. For our past and future successes and for positioning Sequoia at the forefront of exceptional patient care, I am thankful to you, Sequoia's dedicated donor community.

I am privileged and fortunate to serve on the Sequoia Hospital Foundation Board with a group of extraordinarily committed volunteer leaders. We are excited to welcome the following five new members to our board - Ivette Esserman; Ted Hannig, JD; Bahman Nouri, MD; Marisa San Filippo, JD and Darlene Woodson. If the past year has shown us anything, we are ready to do great things together.

With gratitude,
Kenneth Tehaney
Chair, Sequoia Hospital Foundation Board

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STEVEN SAN FILIPPO MEMORIAL INVITATIONAL

Register today!

Registration and sponsorship information for the 2021 Steven San Filippo Memorial Invitational Golf Tournament, to be held on September 13, is now available online. This year's event benefits the Imaging for Tomorrow campaign to support a new dual-source CT scanner at Sequoia Hospital.
sequoiahospitalfoundation.org/golftournament

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Giving for the future

Helen Canevari, a long-time laboratory employee of Sequoia Hospital, who has worked as a Clinical Laboratory Scientist for 25 years before retirement, has recently pledged a substantial legacy gift from her IRA account to Sequoia Hospital Foundation.

For Helen, the lifelong pursuit of knowledge has been a pillar in her life. Even after retirement, she keeps up with the laboratory's innovations. Because of her generosity, she has donated every year since retirement, and subsequently helped the lab purchase an automated microscopic urine analyzer.

After working in healthcare for 44 years, she feels it is critical to give back and even inspire others. Helen said, "Even though I am retired, the labs will always be a part of who I am, and I am delighted to be in a position to help now and in the future."

Designating the Sequoia Hospital Foundation as a beneficiary ensures that the hospital will continue to serve the community through this legacy gift. Thank you, Helen, for understanding and recognizing the intrinsic value of our hospital to our communities with such a meaningful gift.

Did you know that the beneficiaries named on a retirement plan or life insurance policy determine who will receive these funds, even if they are designated differently in your will? Did you also know that funds remaining in your IRA may be subject to multiple taxes if left to your estate?

If you are considering including a gift for the hospital in your will, we have a simple solution. Name Sequoia Hospital Foundation as a beneficiary or partial beneficiary of your retirement plan and leave other less-taxed assets to your family.

It's as easy as 1-2-3

1. Request a "change of beneficiary" form from your plan administrator.
2. List Sequoia Hospital Foundation as a beneficiary at the following address:
   Sequoia Hospital Foundation
   170 Alameda de las Pulgas
   Redwood City, CA, 94062
   EIN #: 94-2909990
3. Let us know so we can thank you!

Please join Sequoia Hospital Foundation's Hearts of the Hospital for an in-person gathering under the stars at a private Atherton residence.

This special event will feature live entertainment and benefits Sequoia Hospital's Women's Health Center.

Event details and registration are available at **sequoiahospitalfoundation.org/heartsofthehospital**

It is our pleasure to share this newsletter with you. If you would prefer not to receive our newsletter, please feel free to call 650.367.5657 or email **sequoia.foundation@dignityhealth.org**.
Our newsletter is also available on the Foundation's website.

Concert for Humankindness

A live virtual event supporting health equity for all!
September 21, 2021

In response to the nation's urgent call to address health equity for all, the Sequoia Hospital Foundation is launching a new fundraising initiative - **Sequoia Health Equity Partnership** to address the needs of those most vulnerable in our community.

This significant effort will be highlighted by a virtual benefit - **Concert for Humankindness** - on Tuesday, September 21, 2021 - showcasing amazing acts of kindness as well as a diverse mix of Grammy Award-winning/nominated artists who believe in a healthier tomorrow.

sequoiahospitalfoundation.org/concert

'Healing Our Healthcare Heroes'

Earlier this spring, through the generosity of our community and 1440 Multiversity, Sequoia Hospital Foundation sponsored approximately 60 clinical staff to attend a weekend resiliency retreat in the Santa Cruz mountains.

The Healing Our Healthcare Heroes program, developed by 1440 Multiversity, included a curriculum that addressed caregiver well-being. The retreat focused on information, skills and tools to help caregivers prioritize, care for and support their mental health and physical, emotional and spiritual rejuvenation. After the retreat, many participants felt they were more equipped to better cope with their work stresses and connect with patients in meaningful ways.

Sequoia staff left their weekend retreat with a renewed sense of purpose. They received tools to assist in processing grief and promoting resilience. This experience provided them with a sense of deep gratitude from the community they serve.

One participant noted, *"I liked the ability to interact with the speakers on campus before and after their presentations. It was wonderful that they were also at our meals, the Infinity Pool, and around campus to chat with them more informally and get to know them as well."*

Celebrating life

On Tuesday, June 22 the Sequoia family gathered to unveil a tribute bench in memory of Michael Marques, MD, an integral part of our medical community. The bench, made possible by donations to the Foundation, was unveiled on what would have been Dr. Marques' 43rd birthday.

Meet Foundation board member Julie San Filippo

Julie San Filippo joined the Sequoia Hospital Foundation's Board of Directors in July of 2020. A resident of Menlo Park, Julie brings more than two decades of experience as a member of Sequoia's family to her role. Together with her late husband Steve, Julie has served as a guiding influence to many of the Foundation's most significant campaigns, events and programs.

In 1999, shortly after the birth of their son at Sequoia, Steve San Filippo joined the Foundation's Board. He served until 2008 and in 2009, after a year away, he rejoined the Board, subsequently serving as its Chairperson. At the time of his passing in 2018, Steve was also a member of the Sequoia Hospital Community Board. In 2019, in consultation with Julie and the San Filippo family, the Sequoia Hospital Foundation renamed its annual golf tournament to honor Steve and his legacy at Sequoia.

During Steve's time on the board, Julie also became an active Foundation community member. She served on the cabinet for the multi-million dollar capital campaign for Sequoia Hospital's patient pavilion which opened in 2014. At the same time, Julie was a member of the task force that worked with the hospital during the lengthy construction phase to minimize impact on neighbors.

Over the years, Julie has been very actively involved in our gala and wine event committees but it is her guiding role on the Foundation's golf committee that has helped establish the event as something special on the peninsula.

This month, the San Filippo family's legacy at Sequoia continues to the next generation as Steve's daughter, Marisa San Filippo joins the Foundation's board of directors.

Community care

The Foundation has been proud to provide support, in partnership with the Sequoia Healthcare District and the hospital, to bring COVD-19 vaccines to those most vulnerable in our community including homebound residents and those with special needs. We have also offered vaccination clinics at Casa Circulo and the Sienna Youth Center.

Since December, Sequoia has helped administer over 32,000 vaccinations.

We appreciate your support

To make a gift to Sequoia Hospital Foundation please use the enclosed remit form or scan this code with the camera on your mobile device to give online.