

# DMMUNITY ONNECTIONS

The E-Newsletter of the Chilton Medical Center Foundation

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# A MESSAGE FROM THE FOUNDATION

Happy New Year from the Chilton Medical Center Foundation to you and yours! Personally, I love this time of year—it's full of fresh starts, new plans, and the promise of exciting opportunities during the next 12 months.

In the fall, our Atlantic Health System community hospital foundations—Chilton Medical Center Foundation, the Foundation for Hackettstown Medical Center, and Newton Medical Center Foundation—completed an organizational redesign, intended to grow each of the foundations and benefit their communities.

The three foundations will share resources and talent under an umbrella of unified strategic planning while maintaining each foundation's unique identity and donor base. There are some new team members, and all roles have been expanded to streamline efforts and maximize resources. Please refer to the last page of this newsletter for the full list of our dedicated Chilton Medical Center Foundation team members.

With a fantastic team in place and a great deal of thoughtful planning—Chilton Medical Center Foundation and the other community hospital foundations are ready to put our plans into action to support our community hospitals! I look forward to sharing great news of our progress in future newsletters.

Thank you for your continued support!

- Megan Sandow, Chief Philanthropy Officer Chilton Medical Center Foundation Foundation for Hackettstown Medical Center Newton Medical Center Foundation

# SAVE THESE DATES!



# Wine, Dine & Denim

Thursday, May 2, 2024

Preakness Hills Country Club Wayne, NJ

# atlantichealth.org/winetasting

## **Golf Classic**

Monday, September 30, 2024 Mountain Ridge Country Club West Caldwell, NJ atlantichealth.org/golfclassic

## Fall for Chilton

Thursday, October 24, 2024 Mountain Ridge Country Club West Caldwell, NJ

atlantichealth.org/fallforchilton

# CAMPAIGN UPDATE

The Chilton Medical Center Foundation is pleased to report that the Oncology Expansion campaign is off to a great start, having secured a generous leadership gift that will ensure a successful initiative! The campaign is a two-year project that meets an urgent community need in renovating and expanding the Collins Pavilion that houses the oncology and infusion center.

This vital initiative will help meet the needs of a growing number of patients who turn to Chilton Medical Center for infusion services and who find comfort and peace of mind in having those services available close to home.

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Chilton Medical Center leaders and board members cut the ribbon to celebrate renovations to Chilton Medical Center's Emergency Department.

Isobel Wayrick, longtime donor and Chilton Medical Center Foundation and Community Advisory Board member, addresses Fall for Chilton attendees.

# ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL **FALL FOR CHILTON**

Our thanks to everyone who joined the Chilton Medical Center Foundation for our annual Fall for Chilton in November! Over 140 guests were on hand for an elegant evening at Mountain Ridge Country Club as we celebrated four seasons of excellence at Chilton Medical Center.

In addition to exceptional fine food and drink, attendees enjoyed a live band, a strolling magician, and a live auction featuring travel experiences. Capping off the evening was the heartfelt story of a friend's positive personal experience at the Collins Pavilion cancer center shared by Isobel Wayrick, longtime donor and Chilton Medical Center Foundation and Community Advisory Board member.

Thanks to our generous community sponsors and attendees, we raised over \$121,000 to support programs, services and projects at Chilton Medical Center.



Enjoying the evening are, from left to right, Denise Quackenbush; Tania Cutone; Maureen Schneider; Anna DeLuca; Catherina Sawoszczyk; and Diane Friswell.



Chilton Medical Center Foundation Board member Thomas Shara and Foundation Board Chair Craig Montanaro.



Chilton Medical Center President Maureen Schneider and Chilton Medical Center Advisory Board member Hank Driesse



Left to right, Tony Christiano, Foundation Board Vice Chair 1; Linda Husti, Foundation Board Vice Chair 2; Philanthropy Manager Christina Hall; and Foundation Director Russell Miller.

### **CAMPAIGN UPDATE**

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Positive projected outcomes for patients of the Collins Pavilion Infusion Center include:

- Access to a complete array of oncology outpatient services including radiation and immunotherapy, just a short distance from home
- · Availability of the continuum of care, offered through Atlantic Health, to efficiently meet any/all of patients' health care needs
- · Familiar surroundings and dedicated staff who live and work locally create a sense of community and comfort for patients and less disruption in their daily lives during treatment
- · Enhanced privacy in treatment areas Led by Lydia Nadeau, RN, MBA, Executive Director, Oncology Service Line, Atlantic Health, and Sandra Leo, RN, Nurse Manager, the Collins Pavilion Infusion Center staff is a dedicated team of health care professionals.

Additional aspects of the project will include:

- · Updating the Atlantic Medical Group (AMG) Medical Oncology Suite
- · Enlarging the on-site pharmacy
- · Creating new conference space and offices
- · Establishing a satellite of the Glasser **Brain Tumor Center**

You can help bring the best care, comfort, and experience to patients in the Chilton community.

To learn more, please contact the Foundation Office, 973.831.5165 or visit atlantichealth.org/chiltonfoundation.







# OUR GENEROUS **COMMUNITY**

Community-minded friends Jake and Jordan VanderVrede, Kyle and Blake Andrikanich, Tyler Ingles, and Luke and Noah Pokrywka held a lemonade sale in the Fall and happily donated their \$151 proceeds to the Chilton Medical Center Foundation. Our thanks to these generous young philanthropists!

Staff, students and the **Home and** School Association of Stephen J. Gerace (SJG) Elementary School in Pequannock ran a "SJG Pink Out" to show support for Chilton Medical Center Foundation's "Paint the Towns Pink" in October. They raised \$432 for Chilton Medical Center in honor of Eileen Kapotes, a past SJG teacher who battled breast cancer for 12 years. Unfortunately, Eileen lost her battle with the disease on the day of the "SJG Pink Out," but she is remembered with love for her courage and the impact she had on others.

**Chilton Medical Center Junior** Volunteer Claire Wang and Justin Jiang, both from the organization Teens for Healthcare, donated 150 gift bags for pediatric patients in Chilton Medical Center's Emergency Department (ED). Teens for Healthcare (Teens4HC.org) is a student-led organization of teens interested in exploring the diverse pathways of health care. We're grateful to Claire, Justin and their group for sharing their time, talents and gifts with Chilton Medical Center and our young ED patients.

# CHILTON GOLF CLASSIC

Beautiful weather was the icing on the cake at the 39th annual Chilton Golf Classic in October!

Over 100 golfers gathered at Mountain Ridge Country Club in West Caldwell to support the Chilton Medical Center Foundation.

All proceeds will support the renovation and expansion of the Collins Pavilion that houses the oncology and infusion center. Thanks to all who participated and sponsored!



Chilton Medical Center President Maureen Schneider, Foundation Director Russell Miller, Foundation Data Analyst Patty Dunn, Foundation Event Manager Kim Walsh, and Theresa Lombardi took time for a photo during the busy day.



One of the many beautiful views at Mountain Ridge Country Club.



Vice President of Ambulatory Services for Atlantic Health System Paul Marmora happily supported the event as a golfer.



A foursome representing Chilton Physical Therapy, left to right, Christian Marquez; Michael Petelicki; Albert Gambale; and Benjamin Isola.

**DID YOU KNOW?** The work of the Chilton Medical Center Foundation is supported and enriched by a dedicated group of volunteer board members. Thank you to the following who so generously offer their time and talents as members of the Chilton Medical Center Foundation Board of Directors:



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