This couple knows first-hand the impact of giving

Story Inside . . .

... like the donation that saved his life.

- Leisa and Earl McCleaf

Your gift matters!

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2019 is going to be a great year.

Our affiliation with WellSpan Health brings together our talents and strengths that will improve health across our region.

It’s about preserving and expanding services for our community and providing local, comprehensive care. Inspiring hope for a healthier life.

What about donations?
As part of this affiliation, the Summit Health Foundation is being established to ensure that your donations will continue to be used for the clinical areas and projects that impact you and your family.

What does the change to a foundation mean for charitable gifts? Current charitable donations and any future gifts, held or pledged, will be used as donors intended - to provide support in our area.

Thank you again for caring so much, for choosing to make lives better, and for inspiring hope with your charitable giving.

Please enjoy this newsletter and know your gifts matter.

Pat O’Donnell
President & CEO Summit Health

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- Stephen Buchanan, Greencastle, PA

Grateful Patient Experience
How your gifts change lives

Stephen Buchanan’s passion is singing. Not long ago the possibility he’d lose his ability to sing was very real. He spent two weeks in Chambersburg Hospital’s Critical Care Unit.

The Greencastle native may not be ready to croon publicly quite yet, but, he’s singing the praises of the hospital staff he says saved his life.

Today he’s feeling healthier and taking better care of himself. He often stops to visit the CCU to check in on the people he credits with his recovery. “Such a sense of peace comes over me when I come back to visit,” Stephen says.

Stephen appreciates having excellent health care available to him when he needed it. And, he’s deeply grateful to all those who support the hospital with their charitable gifts to make that happen. “By giving, you have the ability to change someone’s life.”

Stephen knows he’s been given a second chance, and he’s working hard to be healthier. He’s looking forward to the future.

You make outcomes like Stephen’s possible when you support local health care. He’s grateful to you, and so are countless others who are touched by your kindness when you give. Thank you for supporting your hometown hospital. Your gifts matter.

To read Stephen’s full story go to www.summithealth.org/grateful.

Save These Dates!
Upcoming events to support vital programs, scholarships, and services.
Visit www.summithealth.org/charityevents.

- May 13 HAGT Hospital Auxiliaries Golf Tournament
- June 15 FCC Century Ride for Breast Cancer
- July 12 Lee Crawford Memorial Golf Classic
- August 26 Deb Mumma Memorial Classic
In 1999, local philanthropist, Mary Barbara Hennessy, gave her lovely home to Chambersburg Hospital to be used as affordable lodging for cancer patients. For years it welcomed many patients undergoing cancer care. But now, new treatments make overnight stays unnecessary.

Mrs. Hennessy’s wish was to serve the community she loved. In keeping with her vision, plans are underway to renovate the beautiful home so it can serve in a new capacity - a “wellness center” for patients and their loved ones.

Plans include a patient respite area, a room for health navigators and patients to meet privately, several small group meeting spaces, and an area for larger groups that will include a “teaching” kitchen for nutrition classes.

In addition to cancer wellness talks, presentations and group meetings, the center may serve as a community resource for other meetings or events. You can play a very special part in providing hope and healing for patients and families. Please help by checking “Hennessy Home” when you send your next gift.

New! Whether you or a loved one is currently fighting or fought cancer, or you are a caregiver to someone with cancer, we invite you to attend our FREE sessions to learn more about tests, treatments, life after cancer, navigating appointments, nutrition, alternative therapies, and more. This wellness series is made possible through charitable donations to the Healthy Healing Fund. Please visit SummitHealth.org/HealthyHealing for more information or to register to attend.

Deb Mumma Memorial Classic Takes a Swing at Cancer

The first-ever Deb Mumma Memorial Classic, held by the Giving Fund, netted amazing results for the Hennessy Home and the Oncology Bridge Fund! Tournament chair, Molly Lutton, and committee members, Michelle Rebock, Diana Jones Cosey and Ray Cosey, were all smiles when presenting COO, John Massimilla with a gift of $13,000.

Part of the gift will be seed money for the Hennessy Home renovation, a project near and dear to their hearts. “We knew the home wasn’t getting used like it had been,” said Lutton. “We could see the potential and are delighted to be a part of its rejuvenation and renovation. Deb would have been so pleased to support this project.”

Save the date – August 26 – because plans are already underway for the 2019 tournament. “We hope to raise a good portion of what is needed for this vital project,” says Lutton. “We are counting on our sponsors to share this wonderful vision and help make it happen!” For more info go to www.summithealth.org/charityevents.

Remember Someone Special - March 30 is Doctors' Day!
Family Legacy Impacts Area Patients

A young nurse caring for her patient ultimately turned into a family legacy. Anna Shockey met her husband, Paul, while he was hospitalized at Washington County Hospital where she trained and worked.

They married and raised a family as Paul was a successful co-founder of JLG in McConnellsburg. The Shockeys were always philanthropic and, together, they created the Paul K. and Anna E. Shockey Family Foundation.

Both Anna and Paul have passed, but their charitable legacy lives on through their son, Ken, and his wife, Bonnie. This generation continues to make generous charitable gifts to local medical, historical and community organizations.

Ken and Bonnie Shockey recently presented a $250,000 donation in support of the new WellSpan Greencastle Health Center. The physical therapy area will feature the foundation’s name. The three-story, multi-specialty medical building is expected to open in August 2019.

“It’s time for my parents to be recognized,” Ken Shockey says.

“We also want to encourage others in the community to give. The level of giving doesn’t matter, each and every dollar is appreciated.”

The Shockey family’s legacy of generous giving remains strong and committed to the health and wellbeing of our community. And it all started with one nurse and her patient.

“We just want to help other people…”

The Next Generation Committee of Local 1024 Steel Workers Union at Corelle Brands in Greencastle, PA raised $1,000 for the Oncology Bridge Fund which helps cancer patients struggling to make ends meet during treatment.

“We just want the money to help people with their bills and anything else they may need,” said Valerie Holman, committee chair.
Life Can Change in an Instant...

Earl McCleaf lay in a hospital bed after having an allergic reaction that caused his kidneys to fail. He was very sick. There was a chance he wouldn’t make it through the night without dialysis. Luckily, a new portable dialysis machine donated by the hospital’s Auxiliary had just arrived.

As tubes took blood out of Earl’s body, through the machine, and back, his worried wife, Leisa, sat beside him. They were exhausted. But, when the couple heard the Auxiliary was canceling plans to see the new machine because it was in use, they knew the group needed see the impact of their gift. Leisa’s eyes brimmed with tears as she thanked them.

Leisa and Earl understand the power of giving. It’s as natural as breathing for them.

It started for Leisa as a child when she needed glasses - something her family could barely afford. The optician said an anonymous donor had paid their bill. That kindness left an indelible mark on her – something she was determined to pay forward for the rest of her life.

“We like to give to others where we can,” says Earl McCleaf, “It’s a good feeling to know you’ve helped. And, we like to give where we know it will make a difference.”

Leisa, an employee of Waynesboro Hospital, gives through her employee giving program. She knows how life can change in an instant. “You never know when you may need help,” Leisa says, remembering that machine that saved her husband’s life. Every gift counts.

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No Shave November

For the 3rd year in a row, Franklin County Government employees went to great “lengths” to help others. The 3rd annual No Shave November contestants raised $870 dollars to help cancer patients.

Their gift to the Oncology Bridge Fund provides patients in need with gas cards, groceries, pharmacy vouchers, and other types of emergency assistance.

Not only did this donation make a big difference for people here in our area, the contest helped spread the word about this special fund at Summit Oncology and Hematology Services.

Thank you, Franklin County Employees. You are our heroes!

Commissioner Dave Keller, Beth Stephey (Summit Health), Charles Martin (Franklin Co. Human Resources), Sarah Hamel (Franklin Co. Human Resources/Wellness Program), Janet Daniels (Summit Health), Commissioner Bob Zbirowski, Jason Miller (Dept. of Emergency Services) and Commissioner Bob Thomas
Connecting Worried Parents to NICU Babies

When paramedic, Sara Shank, welcomed her son into the world it wasn’t quite what she’d anticipated. During labor, her baby’s heart rate dropped dangerously low, causing him to come into the world by emergency c-section. The newborn wasn’t breathing. Something was seriously wrong. While doctors tended to Sara, her tiny son, Daniel, was whisked away to WellSpan York Hospital’s Newborn Intensive Care Unit for advanced specialized care. It was heart-breaking to be separated from him.

Sara couldn’t be at Daniel’s side all the time, but she and her family could see and talk to him. WellSpan York Hospital’s NICU had a new web-based camera system called Angel Eye. It featured live video, access to clinician records, communication during rounding, and personalized education videos for after their baby came home. It was a crucial link for Sara and her family.

The NICU experience left an indelible mark on Sara. The cameras were so important to her that she decided to help raise money to bring them to Chambersburg Hospital. The project could cost upward of $25,000, but thanks to Sara, $15,000 has been committed so far from the SuperHero Project, Inc. But, there’s still a gap to fill to complete the project and support ongoing maintenance.

You can’t put a price on peace of mind. Please consider making this special project a reality for parents of critically ill or premature newborns. Give to the Angel Eye Project today. For info, email giving@summithealth.org or call (717) 267-7794.

“My Why” Employee Spotlight

Carolyn has been a Chambersburg Hospital employee for 28 years. She’s included programs and services at work in her charitable giving since 1997. When asked why she gives back at work she said,

“My family has always had a philosophy of giving. I give back because I appreciate all that I’ve received. I see the good Summit Health does for the community. I also appreciate what’s been given to me here. It’s put food on the table, and the education assistance program has helped me go to college. I was able to start small and increased my giving when I could. I know my contribution helps support our services and our employees. The iGive program makes it so easy.”

“Lifting others up makes me happy. Everyone, no matter what their circumstances, is going through something or struggling in some way.”

– Carolyn Clouser
Executive Assistant to the President & CEO

Friendships are Golden

Last July, the Lee Crawford Memorial Classic welcomed Noelker and Hull Associates, Inc. and Menno Haven, Inc. as new Gold Level sponsors in their 2018 tournament!

Their generous sponsorships support the Longitudinal Integrated Clerkship (LIC) for medical students. Attracting new talent to our area is crucial. Programs like the Longitudinal Integrated Clerkship builds lasting relationships with students and provides opportunities and experiences we hope will bring them back as doctors.

We are grateful to all of the tournament sponsors whose ongoing commitment and generosity makes this education program possible! For more info about LIC or the tournament contact (717) 267-7794.

Save the Date: July 12 - Lee Crawford Memorial Golf Classic
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