“I feel blessed to work where we’re raising our kids. There’s work/life balance here.”

Dr. Joshua Dunklebarger
Summit Health ENT Physician

You Are Our Hero!

- “Jim” can’t go to his cancer treatment this week. He was too sick to work and didn’t get paid. Now his car has no gas.
- A tiny baby is clinging to life. Specialized neonatal intensive care will save him.
- You had a heart attack. Because friends and neighbors supported local cardiology services, you got the help you needed, in record time.

As someone who supports your local hospital, you are a hometown hero.

Your choice to support local health care gives hope to someone like “Jim” (Oncology Bridge Fund); gives life to the most vulnerable (Family Birthing Services’ Family Tree); and gives back to what has always been there for you (your hospital).

You know your hospitals can’t do it alone. You help. Your gifts matter. Thank you.

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Your gift matters!
As one of our hospital patients put it, “...you’re in the arms of angels.”

In healthcare, we often hear “angel” or “hero” when referring to a doctor, nurse, or other healthcare professional. However, when I hear those words, I see you. Without you, we couldn’t do what we do.

Your charitable gifts provide life-saving services and excellent care.

When you give back, great things happen right here at home.

Yes, we have many angels and heroes within our walls. They restore health and save lives every day.

But, you are also among those extraordinary heroes and amazing angels.

On behalf of the entire team here at Summit Health, thank you for your charitable gifts and your confidence in local healthcare.

I can’t imagine a world without heroes. Thank you for being ours.

Patrick O’Donnell
President & CEO, Summit Health

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Growing Beards ~ Showing Love

Having cancer is scary. Scarier still is wondering how you’ll pay your bills while you are sick and can’t work.

No one should have to face either crisis - especially not at the same time. So, Franklin County Government workers decided to help eliminate that dilemma when they joined a uniquely “hairy” contest.

About 40 workers donated cash to participate in a “No Shave November” contest. The proceeds collected were donated to the Oncology Bridge Fund to help cancer patients struggling to make ends meet while fighting their disease.

Not only did this donation make a big difference for people here in our area, the contest helped get the word out about the little-known fund at Summit Oncology.

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

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Scotland Broncos Youth Football “Pink Out” for Local Breast Cancer Services!

Players wore pink socks during their Breast Cancer Awareness Game and raised money through a basket raffle and donations to support the Rhonda Brake Shreiner Women’s Center. Thank you, Broncos!

(Aerial photo is courtesy of Skyshots by Steve Smith)
Dr. Joseph T. McDermott, III, and his wife, Ellen, were new to the area. He was a new family medicine physician at Summit Primary Care – Mercersburg. And best of all, he and Ellen were expecting their first child.

Life was great.

June 22, 2016 wasn’t supposed to be their daughter’s birthday. Ellen’s due date was still a month away. But baby Parker arrived early, the result of sudden, and very serious, pregnancy complications.

“My mind was going a million miles a minute,” Dr. Joe McDermott recalls. “My newborn daughter was in the NICU and my wife was in the operating room. I was so torn, not knowing where I should go, or whose hand I should hold.”

Born a month premature, Parker needed specialized care at Chambersburg Hospital’s Newborn Intensive Care Unit (NICU).

“It was such a scary time,” Dr. McDermott said. “But, I was so grateful to be in the same hospital as my baby, even though I couldn’t hold her right away.”

Parker spent over a week in the NICU before going home. It was a stressful time. Ellen, still recovering from surgery, was anxious about Parker’s well-being.

“I knew she was near me,” added Ellen, “and that was really important.”

Dr. and Mrs. McDermott are grateful for the very special care their daughter received in the NICU, so they added Parker’s name to the Family Tree in Family Birthing Services. Their donation supports the NICU that is so dear to them.

“We wanted to give back in a way that was meaningful for us,” said Ellen. “No one knows better how lucky we are to have these special services.” The Family Tree, for this new family, was a perfect way to say thank you in a lasting way.

Pictured: Dr. McDermott, Parker and Ellen

The Family Tree Program

There are tiny infants born every day whose survival depends on specialized care and highly-trained doctors and nurses. You can help those babies. When you add a leaf, heart, or branch your gift helps the tiniest, most vulnerable patients in your community.

Healthy babies grow on our Family Trees. For more info, visit www.summithealth.org/familytree.
Where Can You Find Tranquility Amidst Chaos?

There’s a quiet little place, a virtually unknown haven, tucked between the King Street tower at Chambersburg Hospital and the main building.

A simple rock garden, with a curving pathway and park benches, is quiet; patiently waiting for spring to arrive so guests can enjoy its simple serenity.

On a chilly day recently, a group huddled in this special place to honor a beloved friend and colleague, Deborah Mumma, who passed away last May from cancer.

Remembered as a committed and caring nurse, it was only fitting to place something beautiful and lasting where Deb spent her career helping others.

Friends, co-workers, and family donated three elegant wind sculptures to add a calming beauty to the space.

Ongoing gifts in her honor support the Oncology Bridge Fund, continuing Deb’s legacy of caring, particularly for those facing cancer.

Please, come visit this peaceful spot. Relax, read, think, have your lunch – or, just...be still. It’s there for you.

You can continue Deb’s legacy. Gifts to support the Oncology Bridge Fund to help local cancer patients make ends meet. Thank you for caring!

Opportunities are available to name kinetic sculptures in the garden in honor of a loved one. Contact the Development Office for more information at 717-267-7703.

2017… a new year filled with promise. Resolutions have been made, some already broken. Others are still in play. How about yours?

My resolution is to find and give thanks for small things...as well as those bigger life events and moments.

Being grateful has been shown to help lower stress and promote a sense of wellbeing. Wouldn’t your physician like to see those benefits on your next patient visit?

I’m keeping a written “grateful” journal. My hope is that finding things to enjoy and be grateful for daily will become as natural as breathing.

In this issue you’ll find numerous examples of gratitude. I trust they will warm your heart and inspire you to find your own joy gems.

Most of all, I’m thankful for the impact you make in patient lives through your charitable gifts. You’re in my “grateful” journal.

Deborah Strong, CFRE, CSP
Director of Development
& Assistant to the President
Physician Giving Spotlight:

“I love seeing the smiles on my patients’ faces when I’ve been able to help them. I feel like I’m making a difference. It’s that, and being a part of this great community, that I appreciate most about what I do.”

-Dr. Joshua Dunklebarger, ENT

Seven years ago Dr. Joshua Dunklebarger and his wife, Erica, were looking for a place to put down roots. They were struck by the warmth and friendliness they found in their visit to Chambersburg. “Everyone waved to us as we drove through the different neighborhoods,” Dr. Dunklebarger said with a broad smile. “That said so much about this community we now call home.”

Dr. Dunklebarger, an ENT physician, was particularly impressed with the healthcare system here. Despite being rural, he found services to be top notch and wide-ranging. “I wanted to be a part of that… to be able to bring new techniques and technology here, and to grow the specialty with my partners,” said Dunklebarger.

Giving back is very important to Dr. and Mrs. Dunklebarger. They are active in their church, they support local music education, the food pantry, and other charities.

“We are wholly committed to this community and health system… absolutely, 100%,” said Dr. Dunklebarger. “That means giving back through my expertise as a doctor, being active members of our church and community, and by giving back financially to help those in need.”

Thank you, Dr. and Mrs. Dunklebarger, for your strong commitment to our community.

We’ve Got Your Back

If you’ve been hospitalized at Chambersburg or Waynesboro Hospital, you’ve probably been cared for by one of the Summit Hospitalists.

These dedicated and caring people are not only great doctors - they are philanthropists as well. This past December, the Summit Hospitalists donated to a group gift toward Summit Physicians Services’ Employee to Employee Assistance Program and Summit Health’s Care for the Caregiver program.

Both of these special programs lend a helping hand to the folks who care for you.

This year they are taking their giving even further. Through a pledge to the 1895 Club they are directing part of their charitable giving toward the population he serves most – kids.

Chambersburg Hospital 1895 Club and Waynesboro 1922 Club members commit at least $10,000 over a maximum of 10 years to support programs and services at the hospitals.

Kudos, and many thanks to the Hospitalists for helping keep the Summit Team healthy and strong for our community!
Sisterly Love

Sorority sisters of Beta Sigma Phi were spreading a special kind of love this past summer. They added a leaf to the Family Tree in the Family Birthing Services to lend a hand to special babies cared for in the NICU.

After taking care of tiny babies, the sisters turned their love to those facing difficult circumstances brought on by cancer. Their gift to the Oncology Bridge fund impacts lives. Because of their kindness, a load has been lifted and there will be a reason to smile today.

Thank you for all you do to help others, Beta Sigma Phi sisters!

Employee Giving Spotlight: Wanda Crilly, RN & Nurse Manager

In June, Wanda Crilly will celebrate 37 years of service in Waynesboro Hospital’s Family Birthing Services. Needless to say, Wanda loves babies. When asked why she gives, Wanda replied,

“I live in Hagerstown but have worked here my entire nursing career. It makes sense to me to support the community that supports you. Giving allows me to “pay it forward” to others within the hospital and community.”

Wanda is pictured (left to right) with other iGive members, Betsy McKelvey, RN, and Amy Farner, RN. Together they have been giving to support services at Waynesboro Hospital for over 17 years.

Employees Giving for You.

When you see this badge at your doctor’s office or hospital you are looking at someone very special.

It means they are a member of the iGive Employee Giving Program and they support programs and services for you.