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Dear Friends,

November brings the opportunity to take time and reflect on all we have to be grateful for in our lives... family, friends, health and the many blessings we have and those that are to come.



At Boca Raton Regional Hospital Foundation, we are so appreciative of the steadfast, strong support we receive from the community. Just this month we saw two new programs come to fruition at the Eugene M. and Christine E. Lynn Cancer Institute thanks to the generosity of donors. CLASSIC and Tree of Hope are incredible initiatives that care for patients beyond the physical treatment of cancer – helping them deal with the rush of emotions, the nervousness of family members and the overall psychological, social and spiritual needs.

Also this month, the Christine E. Lynn Women’s Health & Wellness Institute along with the Foundation and area businesses, came together for the Annual Junior League of Boca Raton Woman Volunteer of the Year Luncheon. This event acknowledges and embraces local women for their volunteerism in the community.

On November 11, 2019 Boca Regional honored and recognized our U.S. Military Veterans at our Veterans Day ceremony. This is always a meaningful occasion for the Hospital and community in remembrance of the many men and women who served our country to protect and defend our freedom.

With Thanksgiving approaching and on behalf of Boca Raton Regional Hospital and the Foundation, I extend our heartfelt thanks to our donors for all that you do and send warm wishes from home to home, to you and yours, for a very happy Thanksgiving holiday.

Mark J. Larkin, CFRE
President, Boca Raton Regional Hospital Foundation



Levitetz Family Foundation Provides Lead Gift For New Cancer Program at the Eugene M. and Christine E. Lynn Cancer Institute



Eugene M. & Christine E.
Lynn Cancer Institute
BAPTIST HEALTH SOUTH FLORIDA

Boca Raton Regional Hospital Foundation is pleased to announce the creation of the Charles Levitetz Advanced Symptom Support & Individualized Care program (CLASSIC) at the Eugene M. and Christine E. Lynn Cancer Institute (LCI) at Boca Raton Regional Hospital. This program was made possible through a very generous lead gift from the Levitetz Family Foundation.

CLASSIC will provide interdisciplinary and team-driven care, focused on patient-centered outcomes such as quality of life, symptom burden, emotional well-being and caregiver needs. This is a relatively new medical subspecialty focused on providing relief from the symptoms and stress of a serious illness. The goal is to improve quality of life for both the patient and their family.



This will be achieved by combining:

- TIME to devote to intensive family meetings and patient/family counseling
- SKILLED COMMUNICATION on what to expect in the future in order to ensure that care is matched to the goals and priorities of the patient and the family
- EXPERT SYMPTOM MANAGEMENT for both physical and emotional distress
- COORDINATION and COMMUNICATION of care plans among all providers and across settings

LCI and Boca Raton Regional Hospital are certain that the CLASSIC program will improve the quality of life for our patients who are enduring some of the most difficult trials of their lives, and this would not have been possible without the generous support of the Levitetz Family Foundation.

To donate to CLASSIC, please visit donate.brroh.com and select **Charles Levitetz Advanced Symptom Support & Individualized Care Program** from the drop down menu.



Tree of Hope is Ready to Bring Comfort to New Cancer Patients

It's always thrilling to see a donor's vision become a reality. That's exactly what happened on the morning of Saturday, October 26, 2019, for Arline and John McNally and the McNally Family Foundation.

More than 30 volunteers met at the JM Family warehouse in Deerfield Beach, FL, ready to make Tree of Hope a reality. Working together, in a seamless assembly line, more than 400 cancer comfort totes were put together. In the past, similar totes were distributed but only once a year. Now, filled with thoughtful items that will provide a personal touch of relief and warmth, every first-time cancer patients at the Eugene M. and Christine E. Lynn Cancer Institute will receive one.

The totes are high-quality bags with multiple, easily accessible pockets. Inside is a plush blanket, comfy slipper socks, performance cap, a journal and pen, a double-walled tumbler for hot and cold drinks, lip balm, hard candies and so much more.

As the McNallys so perfectly explained, "Starting the cancer care journey can be very scary and overwhelming. Patients coming in for their first chemotherapy session, whether by themselves or with a companion, can feel alone and isolated." The McNally Family Foundation's intention is that the Tree of Hope initiative will provide comfort and encouragement to patients during their treatment process.

As with all new initiatives, we are looking for support from our community. If you would like to contribute to the Tree of Hope cancer care initiative, please [click here](#) to donate now or call the Boca Raton Regional Hospital Foundation at 561.955.4142. *Please note that on our website or when calling the Foundation you can always make your gift in honor of/in memory of a loved one or friend who is presently going through their cancer journey or has already fought their battle.*





Boca Raton Regional Hospital Foundation

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Boca Raton Regional Hospital Honors Veterans on Staff and in the Community with a Beautiful Morning Ceremony

Boca Raton Regional Hospital held its annual Veterans Day ceremony on Monday, November 11, 2019 to honor and recognize its own physicians, employees, volunteers, board and community members who are veterans of the U.S. armed services.

A warm welcome to all attending was offered by Maureen Mann, Executive Director of the Christine E. Lynn Women's Health & Wellness Institute and the Eugene M. and Christine E. Lynn Cancer Institute. Scott Singer, Mayor of Boca Raton, delivered sincere remarks about the importance of the holiday and issued an official proclamation for the city and its veterans. Following the mayor was keynote speaker, Gary T. White, M.P.H., SFC, U.S. Army (Retired), President and Principal Consultant with Gary White Training & Consulting, LLC. Mr. White shared how his rearing on a 300-acre farm and 21 years of service in the military contributed to his strong work ethic and success in life.

The ceremony also included two beautiful performances by the Super Splash Show Choir from Spanish River High School under the direction of Rita DiDominic. Maureen Mann closed the ceremony with a heartfelt story about her father's military career and his dedication to our country.



Personalized Healthcare Services for Women

Christine E. Lynn Women's Health & Wellness Institute offers personalized healthcare services to help women optimize their physical, mental and emotional well-being. If any woman has a health issue for which she needs assistance or guidance, she should contact our **Women's Health Navigator, Chay Shavrick, RN**, by calling 561.955.6281 or via email at CShavrick@BRRH.com. *This is a service we provide free of charge to support women in their journey for better health.*



Chay Shavrick, RN



Junior League of Boca Raton Names 32nd Annual Woman Volunteer of the Year

On November 8, 2019 at the Boca Raton Resort & Club, the Junior League of Boca Raton celebrated its 32nd Annual Woman Volunteer of the Year. The marvelous event recognized outstanding women in the community who were nominated by nonprofit organizations throughout Palm Beach County for their dedication and expertise as volunteers.

The Luncheon featured a state-of-the-art runway fashion show presented by Saks Fifth Avenue and designer A.L.C. by Andrea Lieberman. In attendance were more than 1,200 guests to celebrate who among the 37 women nominees would receive the official title of "Junior League of Boca Raton Woman Volunteer of the Year 2019!" All of the nominees were recognized for their incredible dedication, spirit to volunteerism and efforts to improving the quality of life in our community.

With a superstar line-up of women dedicated to their volunteer cause, the decision was not easy to make, however, this year's honor for "Woman Volunteer of the Year" was awarded to Michelle Stallone. Over the past twenty years, Michelle has actively volunteered in local charities throughout the community, including Boca Helping Hands, West Boca Youth Basketball League, as well as her church and children's schools. Most importantly, in 2010, Michelle became the Founder and President of Pinkball - Striking Out Breast Cancer. The mission of Pinkball is to raise funds for screening and diagnostic mammograms and breast ultrasounds for women in our community who are uninsured or under insured who may not qualify for other types of grants/funds. Michelle devotes countless hours to raise much-needed funds for Pinkball's mission. Along with the award for Michelle, the Junior League of Boca Raton awarded a \$2,500 grant to Pinkball.

Also recognized was Kirsten Stanley who received the Lifetime Achievement Award for her contributions to the Junior League of Boca Raton. She is a 16-year member of the organization, and also served as its President in 2015 and 2016. Kirsten is the immediate past President of Impact 100 Palm Beach County, and she currently serves on the Board of Directors of Komen Florida and the National Society of the Arts and Letters Florida East Coast.



Michelle Stallone



Kirsten Stanley



Donor Spotlight... *Holidays Around BRRH*

If you have ever been around Boca Raton Regional Hospital (BRRH) during the Holiday Season, you know that we do our best to make it festive. What you might not know is that all of the decorated trees featured in our Institutes and the main lobby of our Hospital were donated by philanthropists, **Annie and Lou Green**. In addition, we also have a one-of-kind, gorgeous menorah donated by **Charlotte and Morris Robinson** that is displayed in the Christine E. Lynn Women's Health & Wellness Institute. The menorah is lit each night of Chanukah. All the decorating is done by volunteers. Whether it's hospital staff taking time off from their busy schedule or our beloved Debbie Rand Memorial Service League... we all believe in decking the halls and making the season bright and cheery!

The Debbie-Rand Memorial Service League will be hosting its annual Holiday Open House on Thursday, December 5, 2019 from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the main lobby of the Hospital. Please join us to kick-off the holiday season with caroling, musical performances from local schools, shopping in the Debbie-Rand Gift Shop and enjoying punch and cookies at the event.

Boca Raton Regional Hospital also knows that during this time of year it's better to give than to receive. Jan Dymtrow, Coordinator, Oncology Support Services and Community Outreach, organizes gift drives for the following local organizations to bring holiday happiness to many children and adolescents in our community:

Pearl City C.A.T.S. Program at Dixie Manor

Over 40 years ago, the nurses in our OR got together and donated shoes to the children of Dixie Manor. We continue the tradition today by providing the elementary school age children with socks, underwear and PJ's – shoes are now provided by our giving partner – In Jacob's Shoes.

Florence Fuller Child Development Center

Economically challenged infants and toddlers in day care at Florence Fuller – BRRH provides them with a Wish List Gift.

American Association of Caregiving Youth (AACY)

The Medical Staff purchases toiletry kits for 50 female and 50 male middle and high school students who are the primary caregivers in their homes.

We also collect "regiftables" for the children to shop for their family members (at no charge!) at their annual Holiday Party.

Angel Tree

The Angel Tree is a long time Hospital tradition initially coordinated by Joann Wade and Leslie Kins in our Medical Staff office. Now, along with Jan Dymtrow, this outreach program is overseen by the Leadership Boca Alumni team.





Gifts Given In Honor Of Physicians, Nurses and Staff

Individuals and families whose lives have been touched by the care they or a loved one received while at Boca Raton Regional Hospital often make a gift in honor of a physician, nurse or staff member.



The Foundation is very grateful to have recently received gifts:

- In honor of Cardiac Rehabilitation Center Staff from Sheila and David Dershewitz
- In honor of the Nursing Staff of CCU and Step-Down Unit from Sheila and David Dershewitz
- In honor of Dr. Lloyd Berkowitz from Marjorie Goldbaum
- In honor of Dr. Philip Oranburg from Helen and Jack Rubens, Rubens Family Foundation
- In honor of Dr. Aaron Klein from Arthur Metzger and Carole Weller
- In honor of Darci McNally from Jennifer Zeurner

If you would like to give a gift in tribute to your healthcare provider, please [click here](#) or call the Boca Raton Regional Hospital Foundation at 561-955-4142.

Upcoming Events, Classes and Support Groups...

Christine E. Lynn Women's Health & Wellness Institute

Saturday Mammograms
First Saturday of each month. For appointments, call 561.955.4HER (561.955.4437) to schedule your appointment

Tuesdays, 12:00pm – 1:30pm and Fridays, 1:30pm – 3:00pm
Breast Feeding Support Group; [click here](#) for more information

Tuesdays, 6:00pm – 7:30pm Tai Chi; [click here](#) for more information

Wednesdays and Fridays, 10:00am - 11:00am
Yoga with Certified Instructor, Wendy Webberly; [click here](#) for more information

Eugene M. & Christine E. Lynn Cancer Institute

Breast Cancer Support Group
Fourth Monday of every month | 5:00pm – 6:00pm
For more information, call 561.955.4501

Meditation Hour: Twice a Month
For the schedule and more information, call 561.955.5406

Nutritional Classes
Multiple classes are offered monthly.
Registration: Call 561.955.5637

For a complete list of all cancer support groups and wellness program offerings, please [click here](#).



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SAVE THE DATE *Insights in Medicine: Exclusive Community Awareness Meetings*

Be sure to mark your calendar and plan to attend one of the following community awareness meetings:

Tuesday, February 4, 2020, 7:00- 9:00PM • The Club at Boca Pointe, Boca Raton, FL

Wednesday, March 11, 2020, 5:30- 7:30PM • The Polo Club, Boca Raton, FL

Wednesday, March 25, 2020, 5:30-7:30PM • St. Andrews Country Club, Boca Raton, FL

Refreshments will be served.

For more information or to RSVP, please contact the Foundation at 561-955-4642.

These are non-solicitation events.

Boca Raton Regional Hospital Foundation Team

The Boca Raton Regional Hospital Foundation Development team is always available to help our donors, patients and their families. Should you need assistance or information regarding the Hospital or Foundation, please contact one of our team members.

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