

United Hospital Foundation 2019 In Review Newsletter



Community Honorees:
Jan & Carl Kuhrmeyer



Physician Honorees:
Associated
Anesthesiologists, P.A.

Thank you



Thank you for the depth of support you have provided to United Hospital Foundation in 2019. You are the reason why United Hospital is able to provide world-class care and service for which it is known. Through your support, 2019 was another big year for United. Each of the philanthropic events held this year were highly successful through your generosity in time, talent and donations.

Thanks to your philanthropic support in key areas, United Hospital was again named in the U.S. News & World Report 2019-20 Best Hospitals ranking. The establishment of a Total Joint Replacement Center of Excellence and a Surgical Robotics Center of Excellence is more than halfway completed. United is the only accredited surgical robotics center in Minnesota in which we are very proud of.

Success like this isn't possible without the strong guidance and support provided by the United Hospital Foundation Board of Directors. Over the past two years, we've added nine new members and continue to enjoy the energy and ideas that grow from our dedicated group of esteemed business and community leaders.

The Foundation was proud to name Cyndi Leshner as Trustee of the year. You'll learn more of her contributions further in this newsletter.

Without you, none of this would be possible. The word "gratitude" doesn't remotely convey how thankful the Foundation is for your support. Thanks to each of you, United Hospital continues to provide the best care possible in the east metro area.

Warmly,

David Byrd

President, United Hospital Foundation



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		Projected cost	Foundation goal	Actual raised
1997-1999	Nasseff Heart Center	\$26M	\$12M	\$16M
2000-2001	East Ramp/Milton M. Hurwitz ExerCare	\$8M	\$8M	\$8M
2002-2005	Nasseff Neuroscience Center/ Specialty Center	\$21M	\$10M	\$20M
2006-2007	Peter J. King Family Health Center	\$25M	\$12.5M	\$15M
2008-2009	Peter J. King Emergency Care Center	\$25M	\$12.5M	\$13M
2011-2013	Elaine S. Larson Surgical Center	\$25M	\$18.5M	\$19.5M
2014-2016	The Mother Baby Center at United and Children's - St. Paul	\$24M	\$8M	\$8M
2016-2017	United Medical Specialties Clinic and Pain Clinic	\$12.4M	\$4.4M	\$4.4M
2016-2017	Cardiovascular Hybrid Surgical Suite and Electrophysiology/Catheterization Laboratory	\$5.199M	\$3.168M	\$3.168M
2018	United Heart & Vascular Clinic Expansion	\$2M	\$2M	\$2M
2018-2019	Robotic Surgery Center of Excellence	\$2.81M	\$2.81M	\$2.81M
2018-2020	Total Joint Replacement Center of Ex- cellence	\$2.7M	\$2.7M	
2020	Mental Health & Addiction Services	\$6.6M	\$6.6M	



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News from Our Campaigns



Surgical Oncology Update

United Hospital has been named a Center of Excellence in Robotic Surgery, with fifteen remarkable surgeons identified as Surgeons of Excellence in Robotic Surgery. United Hospital is the only hospital in Minnesota to receive this official recognition and one of only 60 hospitals world-wide to reach this achievement.

This accreditation is a testament to the hospital's dedication to using cutting edge technology to provide the best and safest care to our patients. United Hospital performs more robotic procedures than any other hospital in the region, and has distinguished itself as the leading hospital for robotic surgery in the Twin Cities.

The minimally invasive nature of robotic surgery means fewer complications, less pain and blood loss, quicker recovery and smaller, less noticeable scars.

This is exceptional news, as we continue the United Hospital Foundation Robotic Surgery Campaign. Our campaign is expanding the fleet of da Vinci robots available for our world-class physicians. The Center of Excellence designation is key for United Hospital, because it is a third-party validation of the high-quality care that is offered at United.

Welcome Dr. Schirmers!

The Total Joint Replacement Center at United Hospital welcomes Dr. Joseph Schirmers to the team! Dr. Schirmers joins us after completing his fellowship training at the University of California, San Francisco. Having earned degrees at Saint John's University and the University of Minnesota Medical School, Dr. Schirmers is back in Minnesota and ready to practice his philosophy.

Dr. Schirmers' philosophy is "to demonstrate my personal investment in the health of the patients I serve; to serve my patients with diligence, professionalism, humility and kindness. I am passionate about the intersection of quality collaborative patient care, social determinants of health, economics and technology. I find the restorative capabilities of orthopedic surgery profoundly and intrinsically rewarding. One of the challenges I enjoy most is solving complex ailments of the musculoskeletal system that permit my patients to return to the activities they enjoy with those most important to them."

Dr. Schirmers joins Drs. Mark Heller and Tony Anderson as they change the lives of those hindered by joint pain. The Total Joint Replacement Center of Excellence is made possible thanks to the generosity of donors.



You've made a difference!



Your philanthropic dollars are making a difference to United Hospital and our patients through the funding of RAPID software and mobile app.

RAPID is a tool that notifies our neuroscience physicians within 90 seconds following a stroke patient's scan to deliver critical images which will shape treatment plans and improve patient outcomes. This additional tool, combined with our physicians' knowledge and experience, makes an impact every day for our patients and their loved ones. Your donation helps us deliver the highest value, complex care possible.

What's to come in 2020?

United Hospital Foundation is proud to announce a new campaign to revitalize our Mental Health Facilities

Mental Health & Addiction Services



PHASE I

Transition outpatient mental health programs to the Doctors Professional Building on United Hospital's campus and create limited program enhancements on 5th floor inpatient unit.



PHASE II

Full remodel of United Hospital's Inpatient Mental Health unit on 5th floor including improvements focused on patient and staff safety.



The 2019 Service to Humanity Gala

An interactive robot, incredible live and silent auction items, entertaining games and many generous donors all contributed to the great success and rave reviews of the 2019 United Hospital Foundation Service to Humanity Gala!

It was quite impressive seeing more than 1,200 guests gathered at the Saint Paul RiverCentre to celebrate and recognize Associated Anesthesiologists, P.A. as the Physician Honorees and Jan & Carl Kuhrmeyer as the Community Honorees.

This event continues to be one of the most successful philanthropy events in the Twin Cities. Through your generosity, nearly \$1.3 million was raised to support United Hospitals Centers of Excellence programs. In a record-breaking moment, the night's Fund-A-Need raised the most to date with an astounding \$315,600. A universal gasp could be heard across the ballroom as patient Todd Rosewell shared his miraculous story of United Hospital saving his life as he suffered a stroke at just 45 years of age, only to have his 16 year-

old daughter suffer cardiac death twice just 7 weeks later. Funds raised from a previous gala for United's Telestroke program saved Todd's life.

Heartfelt thanks to the 2019 Gala Committee for giving their time and talent in making this an extraordinary event. Committee members: Beth Cummings, Ann Gaertner, Ann Heller, Helene Houle, Jill Johnson, Roberta Keller (Gala Chair), Carol March, Alyson Moss, Krista Palmquist, Shelley Palmquist, Connie Paquette, Nancy Moeller, Peggy Radio (Gala Chair), Linda Schroepfer, Eddy Sharif, Julia Struve, Nathalie Ulrich, Tom Walrath, Kay Zibrowski.

Mark your calendar

Service to Humanity Gala
September 26, 2020

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SERVICE TO HUMANITY GALA

COMMUNITY HONOREES

Jan & Carl Kuhrmeyer

“We’ve been very blessed.”

That is the sentiment you hear over and over again when talking with Janet and Carl Kuhrmeyer of North Oaks, Minn. If you live in the Twin Cities, especially in St. Paul and the east metro area, you’ve most likely benefitted from the couple’s decades of philanthropic contributions.

The Kuhrmeyer’s connections with United Hospital began decades ago. In fact, Carl and all three of the Kuhrmeyer children – Karen, John and Paul -- were born at St. Luke’s Hospital, which would later merge with Miller Hospital to become United Hospital.

Carl had a distinguished career with 3M, where he worked as an engineer and senior administrator. Janet

had a career as a nurse, and gave back for more than 17 years as a volunteer at the Mother Baby Center of United Hospital.

In 2018, the couple donated a lead gift to United Hospital’s Surgical Oncology campaign to purchase a da Vinci robot. The family legacy continues to benefit United Hospital where son John Kuhrmeyer is a United Hospital Foundation board member. “Both of my parents are very involved in philanthropy. They have a heart for those things that help people,” said John Kuhrmeyer.

Thanks to the generous spirit exemplified by Janet and Carl, and the Kuhrmeyer Family Foundation, the future of United Hospital and its patients continues to look bright.

SERVICE TO HUMANITY GALA

PHYSICIAN HONOREES

Associated
Anesthesiologists, P.A.



Dr. Destache, Dr. Berget and Dr. Derechin accepting the Service to Humanity award.

The 2019 Physician Honorees, Associated Anesthesiologists, P.A., provide exceptional anesthesia care with patient comfort, safety and satisfaction as their number one priority. Mayor Melvin Carter proclaimed Saturday, September 28th as Associated Anesthesiologists, P.A. Day recognizing AAPA for their devotion and contributions to United Hospital, the east metro Twin Cities’ community and humanitarian efforts around the world.

AAPA is one of the largest private anesthesia practices in the Midwest, providing education and training in

our community and making life-changing surgical procedures possible world-wide. Well-respected within the medical community, AAPA providers are consistently listed among leading doctors in the Twin Cities.

AAPA are dedicated to their patients, financially strengthening United Hospital programs and services and making a difference in our community.

United Hospital Golf Classic



Thank you to all the golfers and sponsors who participated in our annual tournament. The White Bear Yacht Club was the perfect setting for 142 golfers to enjoy a beautiful day on the course. The morning format was two-man best ball. The winning twosome was Thomas Radio and Thomas Nelson. The afternoon's format was a step aside scramble with representatives from Hallblade Realty coming out on top. Congratulations, Brian Hallblade, Kyle Endres, Scott Endres, and Matt Endres! More than \$156,000 was raised to support the United Hospital Centers of Excellence programs: Total Joint Replacement and Surgical Oncology Center of Excellence.

Mark your calendar for the 30th annual United Hospital Golf Classic: July 27th, 2020 at White Bear Yacht Club.



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Welcome Ann Heller

United Hospital Foundation is thrilled to welcome Ann Heller to our Board of Directors.

A graduate of the University of St. Thomas, Heller continued her education earning a law degree at the University of Minnesota Law School. Building a career in trademark and general business law, Heller brought her skills to the private practice serving franchise groups before joining West Publishing. While at West Publishing, Heller's expertise and talent developed a first generation trademark law software for lawyers.

Taking a sabbatical from practicing law to raise her family, Heller remained actively involved in various community philanthropic efforts. This includes serving three years on the Board of Directors for the North Oaks Golf Course, three years as a School Board Member and PAA President for St. Odilia School, six years as a Board of Trustee member for Hill Murray High School. In addition to her role on UHF's board, Heller also currently serves on the Foundation Board for Hill Murray High School.

Heller began volunteering with United Hospital Foundation in 2018 on our Service to Humanity Gala, leading efforts to increase physician involvement and philanthropy at the event and year round. Heller also co-chairs the Total Joint Replacement Center of Excellence Task Force.

"I bring a unique perspective to the United Hospital Foundation Board of Directors in that I am both a community member who sees the consumer side and strives to help bring quality and affordable healthcare to all, especially those who are most vulnerable. Yet am also married to a provider, giving me the opportunity to see the obstacles and challenges those in the delivery of healthcare face. It's this combination, a passion for affordable healthcare and a realistic perspective of how to provide this care that I am most looking forward to bringing to the board."

Trustee of the Year: Cyndi Leshner



United Hospital Foundation's Trustee of the Year award was presented to Cyndi Leshner. Leshner is currently serving a second time with UHF in addition to serving on the Allina Health Subcommittee for Philanthropy. Leshner previously

served on the United Hospital Foundation Board of Directors and with the Allina Health Board of Directors.

Leshner is retired president and CEO, Northern States Power Company-Minnesota, an Xcel Energy company. She was appointed Volunteer Chair for the 2017 Super Bowl charged with recruiting, training and managing 10,000 volunteers. In January 2007, Leshner was named President of the Host Committee for the 2008 Republican National Convention, responsible for raising \$58 million to fund the convention and to showcase Minneapolis, St. Paul and Minnesota to the world.

She was appointed chair of the Governor's Workforce Development Council in 2004 by Minnesota Governor Tim Pawlenty. In 2003, she was inducted into the Women's Economic Roundtable, comprising the top 100 women leaders in Minnesota.

Leshner's leadership style has greatly benefited multiple nonprofits and organizations in the Twin Cities and beyond through her board involvement. "When there's a problem to solve, I'm not concerned with dogma or ideological preconceptions; I'm interested in what works. That's how I've approached my career in corporate leadership, and it's how I've approached my public service, including my work on the U of M Board of Regents and my tenure as chair of the Governor's Workforce Development Council."

We are grateful for Cyndi's leadership, passion and dedication. Congratulations, Cyndi!

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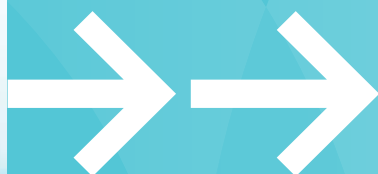
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and the communities
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**\$1.46
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brought to United
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performed - many of which
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