Message from President

Dear Friends:

Every day, Arnot Health hospitals and healthcare providers serve the needs of thousands throughout our region. Chances are that you, a family member or a friend has depended on us for care. We, in turn, depend upon the goodwill of those we serve, as it enables and encourages us to provide advanced comprehensive care.

Because giving really does make the difference, one of our important goals is to demonstrate how your contributions are wisely invested in truly exceptional healthcare services. Gifts – large and small help us to change and improve the lives of those who have entrusted their care to us.

In this issue of Traditions of Caring, we highlight some of our donors’ stories

• a family who is honoring the memory of their beloved mother by donating funds for an Omni Bed that provides a family-centered critical care environment for high acuity newborns in Arnot’s Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU)

• a retired perioperative nurse whose contributions are ensuring advanced educational opportunities for the OR staff

• an auxiliary that believes donating funds for computer simulated surgical training technology will help assure a new generation of skilled surgeons for our patients

• a foundation board member whose gift underscores the importance of rehabilitative therapy

There are many ways to donate and many areas you can support and we hope you will!

Many Thanks for Your Friendship and Generosity,

Robert Lambert, M.D.
President & CEO Arnot Health System

Rehab Services Benefit from Carl Gift

Linda Elias-Carl and her husband, Walter Carl have been long-time supporters of Ira Davenport and especially the Rehabilitation Services Department. Their generosity has enabled the department to keep ahead of the technology curve.

In December, Linda and Walter funded the purchase of a Vectra Genisys 9 Diode Cluster Laser. This equipment has become an integral part of the wound care program at the Taylor Health Center and is useful in treatment of many musculoskeletal and neurological conditions as well.

Another of their contributions enabled the purchase of four mobile charting units. This technology enables the transition to computerized documentation in the Joseph F. Meade Jr. Outpatient Rehabilitation Services Department. Linda and Walter directed a third contribution to acquire a LARK-2 complete kit and software. This equipment augments the provision of speech-language pathology services to our inpatients, outpatients and long term care residents.

Jim Watson, Ira Davenport CEO and Kim Sprague, Director of Development observed that each year, the Carls choose to support technology and services that are vital to patients’ needs.

Postscript: Shortly after making these important contributions, Walter passed on. We hope that you will remember both Walter and Linda in your thoughts and prayers, for the many kindnesses they have shown to the community. We believe that Walter will live on through the quality healthcare he (and Linda) have supported.
Nursing A Family Legacy

When Beverly Hulslander graduated from Amot School of Nursing, she became the third generation of her family to enter the profession. Born in the Troy area and growing up on a farm, Beverly was inspired by her mother’s and grandmother’s careers in nursing.

Her grandmother, Mildred Pine, was an LPN and nurse midwife and worked alongside Dr. Laurence Brown, the founder of the Troy Community Hospital. Beverly’s mother, Eloise Hulslander, became an LPN, and upon the retirement of her mother, Mildred, she worked with Dr. Brown, assisting him in the operating and recovery rooms. From time to time, young Beverly observed her mother’s work and found it fascinating. This instilled in her a desire to follow.

Upon graduation from Amot School of Nursing, Beverly determined that she too would become an operating room nurse. As she pursued her goal, she advanced her education as well, receiving a BSN from Elmira College. Over 42 years, from 1970 until 2012, as the manager of Perioperative Services and the Endoscopy Suite, Beverly dedicated her efforts to provide high quality patient care and to mentor staff.

She reflected that one of her career highlights was to be involved in the planning and design of two new operating room suites at Amot Medical Center. Further, she enjoyed the collegial relationships working side by side with staff and physicians to provide outstanding patient care.

To underscore her commitment to quality and learning, upon her retirement in 2012, Beverly made a gift establishing a fund that would support the training and education of perioperative staff – nurses, surgical techs and aides, respiratory therapists, anesthesia techs, clinical assistants and patient care techs in perioperative services.

Perioperative services encompass a multidisciplinary approach to patient care. One example is the perioperative nurse who works closely with the entire surgical team. She/he may act as a scrub nurse selecting and passing instruments and supplies used for the operation or as a circulating nurse managing the overall nursing care in the operating room and helping to maintain a safe, comfortable environment.

Beverly observed that the ‘OR’ is an ever changing environment. Technology is becoming more sophisticated and requires not only a solid knowledge base, but enhanced professional skills.

We salute Beverly and her mother and grandmother who inspired her and express our deepest thanks for her long and valued friendship, and her dedication to the care of patients through her generous support.

Calendar of Events

Ira Davenport Memorial Hospital

- Apr. 24 – 25 Swarovski Elements Jewelry Sale
- May Geranium Sale
- June 12 Golf Classic
- Sept. 13 5K/10K Race
- Nov. Friends Gala

St. Joseph’s Hospital

- May 2 Accessory Sale
- May 13 Girls Night Out
- June 12 – 13 Books R Fun
- June 19 – 20 Used Book Sale
- Aug. 7 In The Bag Accessory Sale
- Sept. 12 Wreath Auction
- Sept. 18 – 19 Books R Fun

Arnot Ogden Medical Center

- May 2 Sensational Seconds Rummage Sale
- May 30 Moonlight & Miracles
- Sept. 12 CMN Golf Tournament
- Oct. 3 Musical Memories with Rich Wilson
- Oct. 5 “Southern Charm” Trip
- Oct. 25 Honoring our Health Care Heroes Gala
AOMC Auxiliary Supports Residents Training

The AOMC Auxiliary recently made a gift of $46,000 for the acquisition of a Simbionix Lab Mentor Express after a presentation by Dr. Richard Terry, DO, MBA, FACOFP, Director of Graduate Medical Education.

The simulator will be used by the residents as they build their laparoscopic skill. Dr. Terry observed that currently up to 85% of general surgeries are done laparoscopically.

The Simbionix simulator offers clinicians the most realistic hands-on experience in performing Minimally Invasive Surgery (MIS) laparoscopic procedures, with no risk to patients.

This state of the art technology provides, nurses, residents, physicians and technicians a robust platform to learn and master the critical skills to ensure procedural efficiency and promote quality outcomes.

Surgeries that are typically performed through a laparoscopy are: cholecystectomy, appendectomy, incisional hemia repair, bariatric bypass, sigmoidectomy, hysterectomy and nephrectomy.

The auxiliary board’s vote was unanimous, and further endorsed by one of its members who had experienced a laparoscopic procedure and enthusiastically attested to its many advantages.

Arnot Health Receives More Than $40,000 in Grant Money

Local foundations are generous partners that support hundreds of community initiatives that impact the lives of people throughout our region. Arnot Health is honored to be the recipient of recent grant awards from the following organizations:

**The Anderson Foundation**
$10,000 for new computers and software upgrades for Arnot Health’s telephonic chronic disease management program.

**Community Foundation of Elmira-Corning and the Finger Lakes, Inc.**
$10,000 for software licenses for Arnot Health’s telephonic chronic disease management program.

**Hardinge Anderson Evans Foundation**
$4,000 for mobile blood collection managers.

**Raising Dough for Kids (Pizza Hut)**
$4,100 for a mobile game center for children in the hospital.

**Twin Tiers Affiliate of Susan G. Komen Foundation 2014-15**
$15,000 to assist breast cancer patients with out-of-pocket medical and insurance costs.

For more information call
Sue VanSickle, AOMC Auxiliary, 607-737-4267 or e-mail svansickle@aomc.org
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- Gifts of Compassion – $500 to $999
- Gifts of Courage – $100 to $499

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We make every effort to list donors’ names properly. If you would like to make a change, please contact the foundation office at 607-737-7004.

We are proud that Arnot Health employees give back generously. Payroll deduction gifts completed at the end of the calendar year will be recognized in the Spring Newsletter.

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Mothers hold our tiny hands for just a little while, but hold our hearts forever.

NICU Benefits from Joy C. Amisano Legacy

Having six children of her own was only the beginning for Joy C. Amisano. She was a mother to all the little ones who came into her life. Children held a very special place in her heart and her caring concern was boundless. As her children grew and had families of their own, she felt blessed to become a grandmother of seventeen children.

Two of Joy’s grandchildren were born prematurely and required specialized care. When her family began to consider a worthy cause to remember and honor their beloved mother, Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) at Amot Ogden Medical Center seemed ideal.

During a recent tour of the NICU and a meeting with Dr. Pratiba Ankola, Chief of Neonatology, Joy’s son Richard and his wife Marianne were convinced that their mother’s deep affection for children would best be honored and remembered by supporting the unit.

To that end, a wonderful gift of $41,000 was made to purchase an Omni Giraffe bed. This advanced technology and innovative design provides an excellent, developmentally supportive, family-centered critical care environment for our high acuity newborns. The Omni bed helps reduce the stress on our NICU babies while it enhances access for the caregivers. Since the average weight of the babies in the NICU is less than two pounds this is a tremendous enhancement for their care.

Joy’s love and caring for children will live on to help our tiniest patients. We are most grateful for this generous gift and we feel honored to help perpetuate Joy’s memory in this meaningful way.

Girls’ Night Out Garden Party

Spring has sprung
And the bees are humming!
We’re having a garden party
and hope you are coming!

The Annual GNO sponsored by St. Joseph’s Auxiliary will be held on Tuesday, May 13th from 6:00 to 9:00 pm at the Chemung Valley History Museum at 415 E. Water Street in Elmira. Gather your girlfriends for a festive evening. The Museum will be decorated with touches of spring. Soft pastels and fresh flowers will remind us all of the soft breezes and gentle warmth of spring.

Enjoy a glass of wine, music and hors d’oeuvres while spending time with your friends viewing Wedding Traditions and Embroidery exhibits. Discover the local treasure that is our museum in the company of your best girlfriends. There will be door prizes as well!

Come dressed in your garden party attire. It is not required but it will certainly be fun to put on a pretty frock and perhaps even a Kentucky Derby worthy hat! Who is not ready for sandals, flowing floral dresses and touches of lace after this winter of bundling up?

Tickets are $15 per person and will be available at the St. Joseph’s Hospital Gift Shop. St. Joseph’s Hospital Auxiliary Board members will also have tickets available or you may contact the volunteer office at 607-737-7819 or at ekirkpatrick@stjosephs.org to make arrangements.

We hope to see you there!
Third Annual Radiothon Raises $92,000!!!!

The Children’s Miracle Network Radiothon held March 5, 6 and 7 was special in many ways. While it raised funds to support Amot Health’s programs and services for infants and children, it was also a time to learn firsthand the wonderful work made possible through your contributions to Children’s Miracle Network.

Throughout the three-day event, many of our guests were children and their families who benefitted from the services made possible through CMN contributions. We heard real life stories about how highly skilled, compassionate caregivers enabled with advanced technology are making miracles happen. One dramatic example – a little girl, who was born weighing a little more than a pound! As a graduate of the hospital’s NICU (Neonatal Intensive Care Unit), and through the high level of care she received, today she is a healthy thriving three-year-old.

We also learned of the important educational outreach for children with diabetes and the array of services and programs that impact our children who are battling illness and injury.

The generosity of our phone-in donors is reassuring and we are grateful to them. Many of the calls we received were from family members, relatives and friends of infants and children who have received care.

A big “shout out” and special thanks to Pathway’s Kids Adventure Club who visited the Radiothon during the broadcast. This year the club’s bake sales raised $800 and members made blankets and knitted caps for our NICU (Neonatal Intensive Care Unit) babies.

“Hats off” to our many community groups who volunteered their time, answering phones. Their efforts added to the event’s great success as well: H & R Block – The Jackals – Arctic League – Texas Roadhouse – First Arena Staff – Dr. Melissa Brown – Coming Credit Union – Hibemians – Horseheads Kiwanis – Horseheads High School Honor Society – IBEW Local #139 – Navy Recruiting Station – Sheet Metal Workers Local #112 – Rite Aid Mt. Zoor – Army Recruiting Station – Finger Lakes Health Care Credit Union – Chemung County Deputy Sheriffs’ Association.

Kudos to our friends who contributed gifts in kind – raffle prizes and refreshments:
– East Coming Road Dandy Mini Mart
– Braun’s Pour House – Walmart’s – TLC Limo
– Swarthout’s Recycling – Dr. Maureen Gonta
– Palace Theater – Buffalo Wild Wings
– First Arena – Multi Media – Tops
– Kid’s Adventure Club.

We are thrilled to report that contributions to this year’s Radiothon totaled $92,000... $12,000 more than last year!

Children’s Miracle Network at Amot Health is dedicated to our most precious resource – the health and well-being of the children in the many communities we serve.
Leaving a Legacy – Think Outside the Box

The current gifts that we receive from our friends and donors really make a difference in the quality of care we may provide. But did you know you can make a difference with a “gift of the future”?

These gifts are commonly referred to as “planned gifts.” Depending upon your circumstances, there are a number of planned gift methods that can be especially attractive.

A gift of retirement plan assets
Your retirement plan is subject to federal and estate taxes, however, if you leave it to support one of the Arnot hospitals, taxes are eliminated and 100 percent of the asset can be used to insure high quality care.

A gift through a charitable remainder trust
This gift allows your beneficiaries to receive income for life or for a stated period not to exceed twenty years. At the end of that time, the balance of the trust is transferred to support the hospital that you have designated as the recipient. You, or your estate if done through your will, receives a charitable deduction for the portion of the gift that is projected to be left in the trust.

A gift of an existing life insurance policy
This is a simple and powerful method to make a gift of the future. With this method, you designate one of the Arnot Health hospitals as the beneficiary.

With good planning, there are ways to ensure the financial security for your loved ones and the healthcare mission of the organization you value.

If you would like more information about the different ways to provide support and leave a lasting legacy to one of the Arnot Health hospitals – St. Joseph’s, Arnot Ogden Medical Center or Ira Davenport – please contact Susan Rigo, M.A., FAHP Chief Development Officer Arnot Health @ 733-6541 ext 2368.