

CIRCLE OF SUPPORT

*News for donors and friends of
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Thank You for Choosing Harrison



In 2010, more than 1,000 donors contributed nearly \$1 million to support exceptional health care in our community. Each and every gift makes a difference. Because of your generous support, the Foundation was able to fund several projects this year including our largest commitment to support nursing education opportunities. Additionally, the Foundation purchased needed equipment for Home Health, Labor and Delivery and Cardiovascular Services. And, we are able to offer ongoing program support for Complementary Therapies, Palliative Care, Spiritual Care, Pediatric Rehabilitation and the HOPE Bereavement Program. Charitable support is essential to the mission of Harrison Medical Center and makes the difference between good care...and the very best.

Mathis Guild Celebrates 50 years

Founded in 1961, the Dr. Maurice S. Mathis Guild has a long history of fundraising support for Harrison Medical Center. Over the years the Guild has engaged in many activities – from luncheons to fashion shows to operating a thrift shop. In recent years, the Guild's primary fundraiser has been an annual luncheon for women. Proceeds from the Guild's fundraising have supported many departments and programs at Harrison; the impact has been significant and far reaching for the hospital and the community. This year's luncheon and 50th anniversary celebration is Friday, May 6, 2011. For information, call the Foundation at (360) 744-6760.

Need a Unique Gift? Visit Harrison's Gift Shops

Harrison's Gift Shops – located on both the Bremerton and Silverdale campuses – offer a wide variety of unique and affordable items that make the perfect gift for that special person. Both locations are staffed by helpful volunteers who are always happy to assist you. The online gift shop makes it easy for those out of town to order a gift for same-day delivery in the hospital—and there is no delivery charge! Net proceeds from the gift shops are returned to the medical center to support special projects, most recently supporting the RN Nurse Residency Program through the *Great Nurses for a Great Community Campaign*. If you are interested in working in one of the hospital's gift shops, please call Volunteer Resources at (360) 744-6570.

Honor a Loved One

A memorial gift is a special way to remember a loved one. Memorial gifts generate a significant sum for the programs of Harrison Medical Center and provide for continued exceptional healthcare in our community. Individuals whose cumulative memorial gifts reach \$500 or more are commemorated with a memorial plaque on the Donor Wall. This is a unique way to remember a loved one and help your community. If Harrison has been special to you, please let others know that you wish the hospital to be included in your tribute gifting. For more information contact the Foundation at (360) 744-6760.

Educational Sessions for Attorneys, CPA, CFP's, and Insurance Brokers

Now more than ever, community support is essential to the medical center's mission to provide exceptional healthcare to our community. In response, the Foundation has launched a new quarterly "Lunch & Learn" series for our partners in estate planning. Sessions focus on some aspect of charitable enhancements to estate planning and include an hour of continuing professional education credit. For information or upcoming dates and topics contact the Foundation at (360) 744-6760.

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Great Nurses for a Great Community

3rd Cohort Graduates

In January, 16 newly hired nurses completed the intensive 18-week RN Residency Program. Since its inception in September 2009, 37 RN's have graduated from the program which provides critical "on-the-job" training and support to aid the transition from student to staff nurse. The program is funded in part by Harrison Foundation's *Great Nurses for a Great Community Campaign*. To learn more about the Campaign visit www.harrisonfoundation.org or call the Foundation at (360) 744-6760.



Design Plans Finalized for Oncology Healing Garden

Design plans have been finalized for the long-awaited Healing Garden to be implemented on a rooftop near the inpatient oncology unit on Harrison's Bremerton campus. The design process was facilitated by Kitsap County resident Mark Epstein of ESA Adolfsen who is recognized nationally for his work creating therapeutic garden designs. Implementation of the garden is being timed with the renovation of the hospital's dietary space which is scheduled to begin later this spring. The garden is being funded by community donors through the Harrison Medical Center Foundation. For more information or to make a donation, call (360) 744-6760. Visit www.harrisonfoundation.org to view a conceptual video.

Angie Harrison Memorial Guild

A new fundraising guild has been formed of community volunteers, many who live in north Kitsap County. The Guild's namesake is Angie Harrison, a Bremerton community member who along with her husband advocated passionately for the availability and support of local health care. Their generous gift is part of Harrison's legacy today. The Guild is currently planning their first fundraising event and is welcoming of new members! For more information call the Foundation office at (360) 744-6760.

Healing Songs

Musicians from Harrison Medical Center (staff and volunteers) showcase their talents in *Healing Songs*, a 16-track CD filled with instrumental rhythms intended for relaxation and comfort. The CD is available for purchase at Harrison's Gift shops (including online at harrisonmedical.org). Net proceeds from *Healing Songs* support Harrison's Complementary Therapy Program, including art and music therapies.

Festival of Trees

"Sweet Noel"



Thanksgiving weekend marked Harrison's 24th Annual Festival of Trees. This year we raised more than \$290,000 to benefit an upgrade to the "Code Blue" response system. This hospital-wide initiative includes replacement of 21 defibrillators currently in use on "crash carts" used to respond to patients needing immediate—and life saving—resuscitation. Thank you to the many volunteers, sponsors, patrons and donors who made this possible. The Festival's 24-year tenure has resulted in more than \$2.8 million in support for very important initiatives at Harrison. We have much to be thankful for as we begin plans to celebrate 25 years of trees.

Support Harrison Medical Center into the Future

The *Harrison Heritage Society* honors those who have made a planned gift. Each year Harrison receives gifts from individuals that have been made to the hospital through their wills. Some we are aware of, others come as a surprise. While all are welcomed, we would love the opportunity to recognize and thank these donors while we can — whether privately, or through membership in our *Harrison Heritage Society*. If you have made a gift or want to know more about how you can include Harrison in your will or other estate planning, please call the Foundation office at (360) 744-6760.

Subscribe to Harrison's eNewsletter

Our Marketing & Communications team has developed a complimentary online e-Newsletter that is distributed monthly to subscribers. The newsletter includes information about Harrison services, staff, events, and more. View the February issue by visiting <http://www.harrisonmedical.org/home/newsletters>. We encourage you to share this new e-Newsletter with family and friends.

As the philanthropic arm of Harrison Medical Center, the Foundation's purpose is to nurture relationships that inspire community support through charitable giving and volunteering. These gifts help support Harrison's mission to make a positive difference in people's lives by providing exceptional medical care ... now and in the future.