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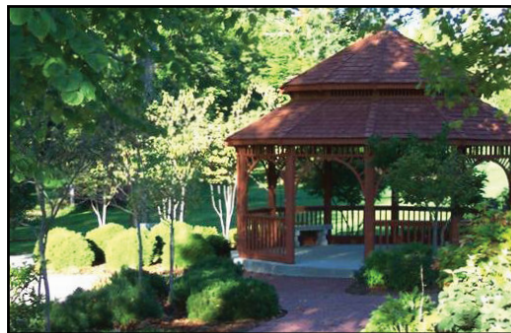
Memorial Garden Gazebo Receives an Upgrade through Charitable Gift

When Rosemary Kauffman, supervisor of the Medical/Surgical Unit, passed away in 1996, friends, family and co-workers sought to create a meaningful way to memorialize her. Through the efforts of Rosemary's husband, David, and many generous volunteers, the first Memorial Garden was created in 1997 on the site of the former hospital at 1800 East Mechanic in Harrisonville, Mo. (pictured below, top left).

When Cass Regional moved to its facility in 2009, the Memorial Garden was re-created on the northeast side of the hospital. Bricks and benches were relocated and a new gazebo was constructed (pictured below, top right).

Thanks to a generous gift from David Kauffman, the gazebo, which has long stood as the focal point of the Memorial Garden, recently received some needed maintenance and upgrades. David Carver was the project's contractor. In addition to power washing and staining the structure, he will be installing a metal roof to complement the aesthetic of the hospital and surrounding grounds.

Cass Regional Foundation extends sincere thanks to Mr. Kauffman for contributing to improve the gazebo. It is through gifts such as his that the garden remains a beautiful tribute to the lives of those we love and respect.



The ground-breaking ceremony of the original Memorial Garden in October 1997.



Grin & Bear It 5K and Family Fun Run Raises Over \$1,600 for Patient Assistance Fund

The sixth annual Grin & Bear It 5K was held on Saturday, September 26. The event netted over \$1,600 for the Patient Assistance Fund, which helps disadvantaged Cass Regional patients with resources such as medications, home care supplies and transportation after they leave the hospital.

Over 150 registrants signed up for the 5K and Family Fun Run. Other activities included the Rotary Train hosted by the Harrisonville Rotary Club and a children's coloring station hosted by the Harrisonville Kiwanis

Club. Chris Kurzweil, trustee and Foundation board member, served breakfast to participants. Health screenings were provided by Erin Newport, MA; Dr. William Cruce; Drs. Visoslav and Marija Tonkovic-Capin; and John Hoffman, PT. In addition to the run, a plant sale benefitting the Cass Regional Gardens was hosted in the Healing Garden Courtyard. Over \$2,700 was raised for the ongoing maintenance of Cass Regional's gardens.

Cass Regional Foundation would like to thank all of the participants,

volunteers, donors and sponsors who helped make this event a success!

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*Overall 5K winners:
Patrick and Charlotte Matthews of Olathe, Kan.*

Charitable Bequests Offer Donors an Opportunity to Make a Lasting Gift

Simply put, a charitable bequest is a gift made from your estate through your last will and testament. While a wealthy individual may have a large estate, planned giving through a bequest allows even those of modest means to make a significant and lasting gift.

When making a bequest, you can choose a specific amount or a fixed percentage of the estate. Funds can be directed as requested to support the cause of your choice. Once your wishes are determined, it is always wise to review your terms with a professional trained in handling estates.

To assist you, we've provided a sample of bequest language: *"I give, devise and bequeath [written amount or a percentage of the estate or described property] to Cass Regional Medical Center Foundation of Harrisonville, Missouri, to be used by the Foundation for the benefit of Cass Regional Medical Center. It is my desire that these funds be used for [specific purpose]; however, the use of such funds shall be entirely within the discretion of the board of directors of the Foundation."*

To learn more about supporting Cass Regional Foundation through a bequest or to learn of other ways to give, please contact Sonya McLelland, CFRE, at (816) 380-7915 or via email at smcllland@cassregional.org.

Healthy Angels Ride Raises Over \$3,800 for Patient Assistance Fund

The 11th annual Healthy Angels Ride was held on Saturday, August 15. The event raised over \$3,800 for the Patient Assistance Fund.

Nearly sixty motorcycles departed from the hospital and traveled through 100+ miles of beautiful Cass County scenery. The riders made stops at

Pleasant Hill, Garden City and Drexel Medical Clinics before returning to Cass Regional for lunch, door prizes and a performance by two-time "American Idol" contestant, Joe Dahman.

Cass Regional Foundation would like to thank the riders, donors and volunteers who helped make this event a success!





Wanda's Favorite Recipes - Available Soon!

In November, Cass Regional Foundation and the Cass Regional Auxiliary will host a kick-off in the Cass Regional Rotunda to begin selling *Wanda's Favorite Recipes: Collector's Edition*, a cookbook honoring Wanda A. Brown. Wanda is a longtime supporter of Cass Regional and served as a volunteer in the Auxiliary. For many years, Wanda contributed the "Wanda's Favorite Recipes" column to the *Cass County Democrat-Missourian* newspaper. The recipes became so popular that Wanda compiled two cookbooks, one of which served as the first fundraiser for Cass Regional Foundation.

With generous support from Wanda's daughter, Jeanie Snider, the third and latest installment will be available in

November. For \$15, you can purchase your own copy of this highly anticipated cookbook. Proceeds will support the Wanda Brown Scholarship, which is offered annually to Cass County students pursuing education in nursing, the Helping Hands Project, which provides handmade comforts such as lap throws, caps and cough pillows to Cass Regional patients, and the Patient Assistance Fund.

For an exact date and time for the kick-off, please see the Events Calendar at www.cassregional.org. For more information about the cookbook or the Wanda Brown Scholarship, please contact Melissa Lattin at (816) 380-5888, extension 4810, or email mlattin@cassregional.org.



LADY FINGERS

(a Brown family favorite)

7/8 cup (15 tablespoons) of butter
5 tablespoons sugar
1 tablespoon water
2 cups flour
1/2 teaspoon vanilla
1/2 cup chopped nuts

Cream butter, sugar and water until fluffy. Add flour, vanilla and chopped nuts. Use about 2 heaping teaspoons of dough, roll between hands and shape like a finger. Put on ungreased cookie sheet, approximately 2 inches apart. Bake at 350° until light brown (about 8 to 10 minutes). Roll in powdered sugar. Be sure that they are not over-baked; take them out of the oven just as they begin to turn a light golden color.

Upcoming Events

Wanda Favorite Recipes: Collector's Edition Cookbook Sale Kick-Off

(See above for more details)

Date and time to be announced. Visit www.cassregional.org or Cass Regional Foundation's Facebook page for exact date and time.

Benefitting the Wanda Brown Scholarship, the Helping Hands Project, and the Patient Assistance Fund.

Cass Regional Medical Center Foundation now has a Facebook page. "Like" us to keep up on the latest information and upcoming events.

Our Mission

The mission of Cass Regional Medical Center Foundation is to support the medical center in its quest to provide exceptional quality health care for the community. The Foundation encourages private philanthropy to further the vision, values, and goals of the medical center, especially in community outreach.



Cass Regional Medical Center Foundation is an IRS-designated 501(c)(3) charity (EIN 43-1501416).



Please remember Cass Regional Medical Center Foundation in your will.

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