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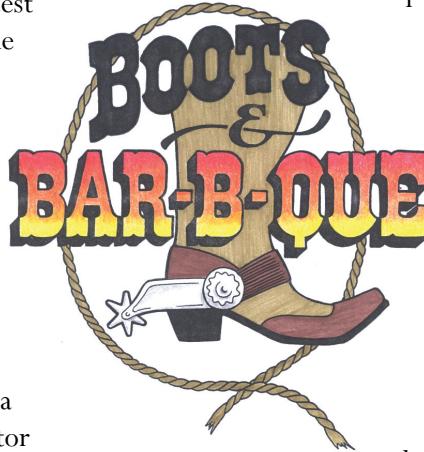
Cass Regional Foundation will host the Boots & Bar-B-Que fundraising dinner on Saturday, April 29, at Big Iron Town in Pleasant Hill, Missouri. Tickets are \$30 each and the fundraising goal is \$60,000. The event will begin at 5:30 p.m. with a social hour and the opening of the silent auction. Live entertainment will be provided by the band Damaged Goods. A barbecue buffet will be served at 6:30 p.m., followed by raffle drawings and a live auction. Dress up for a chance to win prizes in the look-alike contest. Contest rules can be found on the Foundation's Facebook page. Other activities include caricature art, a corn hole toss competition and a two-step contest.

Proceeds from Boots & Bar-B-Que will be used to purchase a trauma patient simulator for the ongoing training and preparedness of Cass Regional's Emergency Department staff and area EMS professionals.

The manikin, called Trauma HAL, is a rugged and resilient trauma patient simulator that was originally designed for teaching care on the battlefield. The simulator mimics an adult human, weighing 88 pounds and measuring 70 inches long. From a wireless tablet, HAL can be programmed to exhibit multiple neurological, airway, breathing, cardiac, circulation and trauma symptoms,

including injury site arterial bleeding in the arm and/or leg that is in sync with "his" heart rate and blood pressure.

HAL's eyes open and close, and he has light-reactive pupils. His heart beats, he breathes and he can give pre-recorded verbal responses via streaming audio. Some of the other symptoms HAL is able to mimic include convulsions; secretions from the eyes, nose and mouth; and airway constriction. Clinical personnel can use HAL to practice emergency airway opening procedures, such as intubation and tracheotomy, and can perform a number of interventions on him, including needle decompression of the lungs, CPR and defibrillation.



Regardless of the symptoms HAL displays, he responds accordingly to the applied interventions, making him a safe and comprehensive training tool for clinical personnel. His durable construction can also withstand complete decontamination, which allows emergency preparedness personnel to practice procedures in response to biohazard and chemical exposures.

For more information, or to make a reservation, please contact Melissa Lattin, Foundation assistant, at (816) 380-5888, extension 4810, or via email at mlattin@cassregional.org.



Bench in Memory of Dr. Marvin C. Cohen Placed in Healing Garden

Retired general surgeon Marvin C. Cohen, MD, died Aug. 11, 2016. To honor his memory and his dedication to Cass Regional, his wife, Denise Ashby-Cohen, purchased a bench and concrete pad for the walking path in the Healing Garden. "The gardens at Cass Regional have always been a special place for Marvin and myself," Denise stated.

Per her request, the Surgery staff chose where to place the bench. "The bench overlooks the fountain that he loved," said Denise. "In 2010, he purchased the lighting system for it so those driving on the highway could see it at night. It also faces the office he last occupied in the adjacent Rock Haven Medical Mall. It was the

perfect spot, encompassing all of his favorite things on the grounds of Cass Regional."

The concrete pad on which the bench is mounted provides additional space to accommodate a wheelchair. In the last few years of Dr. Cohen's life, he had to use a wheelchair, and he and Denise spent a significant amount of time wandering around the gardens and enjoying the landscape.

To learn more about how you can honor or memorialize a loved one with the purchase of a bench, please contact Melissa Lattin, Foundation assistant, at (816) 380-5888, extension 4810, or via email at mlattin@cassregional.org.



Other Ways You Can Make a Difference

For over 50 years, Cass Regional has strived to provide outstanding patient care to Cass County and the surrounding regions. If you would like to support the medical center's efforts, please consider donating funds to one of the following areas:

Cass Regional Gardens

Engraved Paver Bricks

Engraved Benches

Trees/Plants

Kinetic Wind Sculptures

Rocking Chairs for Terrace

Automatic Door Openers to Garden

Fountains/Bird Baths

Electrical Lighting

Benches with Concrete Pads

Equipment (inquire for current equipment needs)

Facility Improvements

Planter in the Rotunda

Stained Glass Window in Chapel

Campus Walking Path with Benches

Covered Drive at Main Entrance

Interventional Radiology Suite

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Assistance Programs

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To assist you, we've provided a sample of bequest language: *"I give, devise and bequeath [specific 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."*

Cass Regional Medical Center Foundation is fortunate to have been the recipient of several generous

planned gifts, most of which have been in the form of bequests. At the direction of the individual donors, these gifts have been used to establish scholarships for health care students, obtain life-saving equipment for Cass Regional, or furnish certain areas of the medical center.

To learn more about supporting Cass Regional Foundation through a bequest or to learn of other ways to give, please contact Sonya McLellan, CFRE, at (816) 380-5888, extension 4650, or via email at smclelland@cassregional.org.

Upcoming Events

Boots & Bar-B-Que

5:30 p.m., Saturday, April 29
Big Iron Town, Pleasant Hill, Mo.
See more information on page 1

*If you haven't got any charity
in your heart, you have the
worst kind of heart trouble.*

~Bob Hope

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