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New Furniture Placed in Healing Garden

Table Purchased In Memory of Dan Cunningham



After suffering a heart attack in 2005, Mr. Daniel J. Cunningham, Sr., began attending the Cardiac Rehabilitation program at Cass Regional. Over the next twelve years, he and the nursing staff developed a camaraderie that lasted until his passing in June 2017. In honor of the nurses he dubbed his "Blue Angels," Mr. Cunningham's widow, Lee, directed the memorial gifts to support the Cardiac Rehab department.

One of the most attractive features of the Cardiac Rehab suite is a wall of windows that overlooks the Healing Garden and an outdoor terrace. Patients can enjoy the view as they undergo their rehab. In order to beautify the space and provide outdoor seating, funds were used to purchase a teak table for the terrace. Pictured below left, from left to right, are Cardiac Rehab manager Terry Johns, RN, Mrs. Lee Cunningham, and exercise specialist Jackie Politte, CNA. In addition to the table, four teak chairs were purchased from the Irene Webster Pippitt bequest fund (see page 3 for more information).

Chairs Purchased by Auxilian Ida Diefenbach



When interest was expressed in acquiring furniture for the Healing Garden at Cass Regional, Auxilian Ida Diefenbach was inspired to help. With a generous donation, Ida provided a portion of the funds to purchase two teak armchairs (pictured below right) for the Healing Garden terrace. The remainder of the cost was provided by the Irene Webster Pippitt bequest fund (see page 3 for more information).

Ida first started coming to Cass Regional as a patient. After befriending one of the volunteers, she was encouraged to join the Cass Regional Medical Center Auxiliary. She has volunteered since 2016 and continues to support Cass Regional with her time and her generosity. "I love this place," Ida said of Cass Regional. "The people are so caring and respectful. This is like my second home."



To learn more about how you can get involved, please contact Melissa Lattin, Foundation assistant, at (816) 380-5888, extension 4810, or via email at mlattin@cassregional.org.



Grin & Bear It 5K Run/Walk Raises Over \$2,900 for Cass Regional Patients

The eighth annual Grin & Bear It 5K Run/Walk was held on Saturday, September 30. The event netted over \$2,900 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.

More than 140 registrants signed up for the 5K. Chris Kurzweil, Foundation board member and hospital trustee, served a pancake breakfast to participants. Health screenings were provided by phlebotomist Casey

Keyton and massages were provided by chiropractors Dr. Alex Schatt and Dr. Rachel Porter of KC CORE. In addition to the run, a plant sale benefiting the Cass Regional Gardens was hosted in the Healing Garden courtyard (*see page 4 for more information*).

The Grin & Bear It 5K Run/Walk is held in memory of Cara Jo Roberts. Cara's nickname was "Care Bear," which is how the event got its name.

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: Hannah Jaloma of Belton, Missouri, and Bill Allen of Overland Park, Kansas



Bequest Continues to Benefit Cass Regional Patients



Throughout her life, Mrs. Irene H. Webster Pippitt dedicated herself to serving her community with steadfast devotion. She began as a teacher in the rural schools of Cass County, but continued on to work as an executive secretary. She helped found the Harrisonville Area Chamber of Commerce and the Cass County Historical Society. She served as a volunteer for dozens of organizations, including American Red Cross, Girl Scouts of America, Antioch Southern Baptist Church, and many more. She also volunteered and served as past president

for the Cass Regional Medical Center Auxiliary. For her many accomplishments, she was presented the "Missouri's Best" award in 1987.

Mrs. Pippitt passed away in 2001. Through a generous bequest to Cass Regional Medical Center Foundation, Mrs. Pippitt established a legacy of giving that continues through the years. Recently, funds from her bequest were used to help purchase six teak chairs for the Healing Garden at Cass Regional. Additional funds were provided by Auxilian Ida Diefenbach (*see page 1 for more information*). The new seating will allow patients and visitors to better enjoy the Healing Garden.

To learn more about how you can leave a lasting legacy through a bequest, please contact Sonya McLelland, administrative director, at (816) 380-5888, extension 4650, or via email at smclelland@cassregional.org.



It takes a noble man to plant a seed for a tree that will someday give shade to people he may never meet.

~D. Elton Trueblood

Bequests Provide a Lasting Legacy

Cass Regional Medical Center Foundation has been fortunate to receive several bequests over the years. 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. We honor these generous individuals who have left behind a lasting legacy of changing lives and saving lives.

Alma Brown

1908-1998

Funds used to provide scholarships for health care students

Will Ella Deacon

1904-2003

Funds used to purchase medical (cardiac) equipment in memory of her brother, Andrew G. Deacon

Evelyn Kirsch

1909-2003

Funds used to provide scholarships for health care students

Cleo M. McCoy

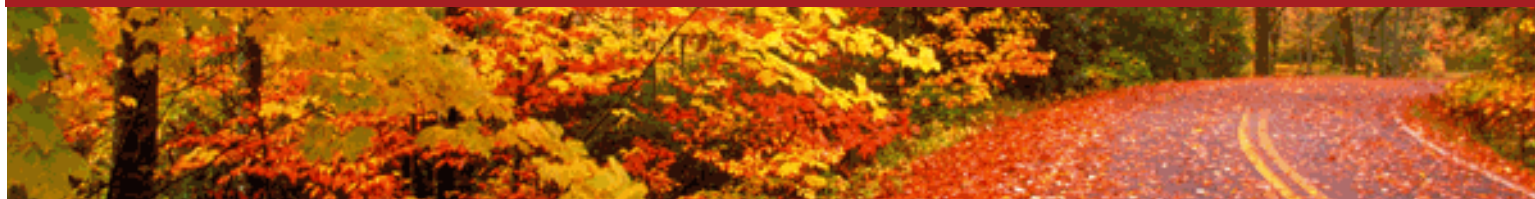
1907-2001

Funds used to purchase medical equipment and/or support area of greatest need

Irene H. Webster Pippitt

1906-2001

Funds used to support capital improvements and/or support area of greatest need



Annual Plant Sale Raises Over \$3,000 for the Gardens Fund

The eighth annual Plant Sale was held on Friday, September 29, and Saturday, September 30, in the Healing Garden at Cass Regional. Attendees shopped for their fall favorites, some of which were donated by community partners. Special thanks to Cass Regional's VIGs (Very Important Gardeners) and the University of Missouri Extension Master Gardeners, who staffed the sale and were on hand to answer plant-related questions. In addition to donating their time, the VIGs also divided and donated their own supply of perennials for the sale.

The sale generated over \$3,000 for the Gardens Fund. The fund, which supports the ongoing maintenance of Cass Regional's gardens, is supported solely by donations.

To learn more about how you can support the Gardens Fund at Cass Regional, please contact Melissa Lattin, Foundation assistant, at (816) 380-5888, extension 4810, or via email at mlattin@cassregional.org.



Event Update



We are pleased to announce the arrival of Trauma HAL, the latest addition to the Simulation Laboratory's family of training manikins. Trauma HAL, pictured above with Trauma Coordinator Paula McBride, RN, CEN, was purchased with proceeds from the Boots & Bar-B-Que fundraising dinner, which was held in April 2017. "Like" Cass Regional Medical Center Foundation on Facebook to keep up with 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.



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