



# CONNECT DURING COVID

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## MESSAGE FROM THE HERITAGE SOCIETY

Annika shared with me recently a Podcast regarding planned giving, and we wanted to share some interesting data with you here. Michael Kenyon, President and CEO of the National Association of Charitable Gift Planning, shared that donors now more than ever are more active and interested in their estate planning process and leaving their legacy to an organization because of the environment and circumstances of COVID-19.

At the beginning of 2020, less than half of Americans even had a will and only 20% of those had named a nonprofit in their will. The data from a late-2020 survey showcased that 2/3 of nonprofits were hearing from their donors about interest in planned giving and half of the donors were interested in designating a gift to their organization.

85% of nonprofits showed an increase in planned gifts from the year before. 40% of donors are now saying they do not want to wait to give their planned gifts but want to give them now.

It is evident that the pandemic has had an impact on planned giving. Because of the uncertainty of all of this, estate planning gives one a sense of security for one's future, and for leaving your legacy.

If you are like many others in the nation having similar thoughts, we would be very interested in speaking with you. Please feel free to contact myself, the foundation office, or any of the other member of the Heritage Society. Each newsletter from here on out will feature one of our committee members and their **WHY** of joining the WNHHS, as well as one quick and easy tip for how you can give a planned gift to William Newton Hospital.

If you have already included William Newton Hospital in your estate plans, please contact us or the foundation office to let us know, so that we can best steward your generous gift and keep you updated on the goings-on of William Newton Hospital.

We are grateful to all of our donors and for any size of gift that is given to William Newton Hospital. If you are so inclined, we would be very receptive to accepting your philanthropic gift, whether it be an outright gift or a deferred one.



Steve McSpadden  
WNH Board Member &  
Chair of Heritage Society

## UPLIFTING NEWS

**On the Cover: Cyndee Unger** shows off a few of the notes she has received from a pen pal recently. Cyndee says, "It's too cool that people care enough to do this. I have even discovered some mutual Oxford connections that we have, so it has been really fun. [...] It really gives you a good boost." If you'd like to get involved in the Pandemic Pen Pal Project, contact the Foundation offices. This project was started with the intention of providing words of thanks and encouragement for those who need it most. Employees are not necessarily required to write back (but they might!), but they do appreciate the community support!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- + **Free PAD Screening - Feb. 24:**  
See more info on page 5
- + **Wine-O Trail Run - May 22:**  
There's only about 100 spots left. Visit our Facebook page or click this box to register. Sign up before March 15 to secure your shirt size.
- + **Gala - October 16**

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# IMPROVING QUALITY CARE: THE IMPACT OF WNHF

## MINI GRANTS

To celebrate last year's mini grants and highlight how the funds are being used to improve care provided at WNH, we asked some of our department directors to submit a short update on the impact their mini grant has had on their department. We featured them on our bulletin board outside the Kitchen on Fifth, but we also wanted to share them with you! Catch the next newsletter to read more mini grant success stories.



WNHF Bulletin Board featuring 2020 Mini Grants



### DIETARY

"I was able to purchase diabetic cookbooks, meal planners/portion plates, and calorie count booklets. These items/tools help diabetic patients and weight management patients follow their meal plans, give the patient ideas on foods to prepare and how to fit these foods into meal plans. The Calorie Count booklet is a resource of foods that can also aid the patient with fitting different foods into their meal plans. I am very thankful to WNHF for the mini grants and for helping me provide these resources for my patients.

- Mary Beth Petrik, Dietician

### RADIOLOGY

In radiology, we use chairs for patient positioning on a daily basis for those who are unable to stand on their own. This helps relieve the stress on a tech's body from holding patients up and limits radiation exposure to everyone involved. These new chairs are an upgrade from our old ones. They are easier to clean, lighter weight, and easier to position. They are also wider and have a weight limit of 400 pounds, which makes them more accommodating to a larger variety of patients. We have already made good use of these new chairs and both patients and employees are greatly appreciative of this mini grant.

- Deb Ward & team



## THANKFUL THURSDAYS



**Kim Grant** was the lucky winner of a \$100 gift certificate to College Hill Coffee. These Thankful Thursday certificates are generously sponsored by an anonymous donor who wants to say thank you to their fellow coworkers.

Kim loves all the coffee and muffins at CHC and is very excited to support her local coffee shop. Kim works at Health Professionals of Winfield, but you might also see her helping out at some of our other clinics. We are happy to have her here at William Newton Hospital! We are also grateful to College Hill for all they do for our community and in keeping our employees caffeinated and happy.



**Brenda Smith** was last week's lucky winner of a \$100 gift certificate to Biederman's Bistro & Catering. These Thankful Thursday certificates are generously sponsored by an anonymous donor who wants to say thank you to their fellow coworkers.

Coincidentally, Brenda had just given Biederman lunch to her fellow coworkers in the Lab, and to Registration. She was thrilled to receive the unexpected gift from the anonymous donor. Brenda does a terrific job helping to keep things organized and running smoothly in the very busy lab, all while keeping a positive attitude and a smile about her. We are happy to have her here at William Newton Hospital! We are also grateful to Biederman's Bistro & Catering for being a great option for employees and community members alike to eat out/or carry out during this interesting time.

## OUTPATIENT INFUSION TREATMENT AVAILABLE AT WNH (+ A BIG THANK YOU)

Laura Frazier, BSN, RN-BC, WNH CNO, would like to give a big thank you to **Dr. Dennett** who asked if we (the hospital) would be thinking of offering this treatment at the hospital, essentially getting the ball rolling on making the treatment option available to local COVID patients. It is thanks to him as well as **Barb Humpert, Kelle Thompson, and Todd Wells** that we were able to get this process started. Thank you to all involved in this great team effort to provide quality care for our patients!

Since December, William Newton Hospital has been administering bamlanivimab, a monoclonal antibody treatment for COVID-19 on an outpatient basis. Some of the success witnessed by hospital staff include reduced severity of symptoms, fewer or shorter hospital stays and less oxygen demands.

"This treatment has helped COVID-19 patients at risk for developing more severe symptoms improve sooner and be less likely to be admitted to the hospital," said William Newton Hospital Chief Nursing Officer Laura Frazier, BSN, RN-BC. "There is no doubt in my mind this therapy has saved lives."

If you've tested positive for COVID-19 and might qualify for a bamlanivimab infusion, talk to your primary physician immediately as the timeframe to receive this treatment is limited. Visit [ctnewsonline.com](http://ctnewsonline.com), the WNH Facebook page, or [bit.ly/WNHnews](http://bit.ly/WNHnews) to learn more



### COVID VACCINE

"It was so wonderful for my 103-year-old mother to receive her vaccine. From start to finish of the process, the William Newton Hospital staff did a terrific job making us feel welcome calm and taken care of." - **Becky Long**



## WNHF VALENTINE'S GETAWAY RAFFLE

The foundation held their annual Valentine's Day Getaway Raffle for employees two weeks ago, raising \$255 towards the COVID Employee Relief fund for frontline workers. Congratulations to **Elliott Rodda** for winning the one-night stay at The Cattle Baron Inn (donated by **Shirley Black**), WSWCo. Wine, Timber Creek fudge, and a dinner for two. Thank you all for supporting the foundation!

## CURRENT FUNDING NEEDS

- + Surgery Center: 2 dinomaps - **around \$8,000 each**. One of these is partly funded by memorial gifts, Susan Meyer, and Dorothy Jay.
- + Emergency Department:
  - Two Mindray Acutors--**\$3,500-\$4,500 each**
  - Camera system for patient rooms for patient and provider safety - Total amount TBD
- + Wheelchairs - a few wheelchairs have already been purchased by a generous Auxiliary gift in memory of Elaine Barnthouse



# WNHF JACKETS

The WNHF team recently ordered fleece jackets for their board members as a gift. We've received so many compliments since then, we decided to place another order! However, since fleece isn't allowed in clinical areas, we've also added a polyester jacket option! Both jackets will feature the WNHF logo on the front left chest, and both styles are available to everyone. To order, choose your jacket and color, fill out the form below, and return to the foundation office. All proceeds will go towards providing care packages for staff.

## FLEECE



**PRICE: \$30**

### COLOR OPTIONS



The fleece jackets are made from a 100% polyester fleece material with zippered pockets, an open hem and cuffs, and a full-zip design. Available in men's and women's cuts. If you'd like to see the jacket in person before you order, visit the foundation offices.

## POLYESTER



**PRICE: \$40**

### COLOR OPTIONS



These lightweight jackets are made from an easy-care 7.6-oz 100% polyester mesh material with UltraCool moisture-wicking technology. This jacket has two front pockets, an open hem and cuffs, raglan sleeves, and a full-zip design. Available in men's and women's cuts.

## HOW TO ORDER

- + Fill out the form below
- + Payment: cash or check (payable to William Newton Hospital)
- + Return order form and payment to the WNHF offices (2West near Wound Care)

### Working from home?

If you're working at home and/or need to make alternate arrangements to pay or pickup your jacket, please contact the foundation office.

## QUESTIONS?

Call or email Brittney or Annika

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**Orders due Friday, Feb. 26 @ noon**

Jackets should arrive around the middle of March and will be delivered to your department.

## WNHF JACKET ORDER FORM - DUE FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26 @ NOON

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Dept.: \_\_\_\_\_ Ext.: \_\_\_\_\_ Paid:  Cash  Check

### FLEECE JACKET - \$30 EACH Ladies, we recommend ordering a size up for best fit

CUT:  Ladies  Men

SIZE:  S  M  L  XL  2X  3X  4X

COLOR:  Maroon  Navy  Gray  Black

Extra sizes available - XS-6XL; LT-4XLT. Please add a note if you need a size not listed above

Total # of jackets: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$30 = \_\_\_\_\_

\*Price includes tax

### POLYESTER JACKET - \$40 EACH

CUT:  Ladies  Men

SIZE:  S  M  L  XL  2X  3X  4X

COLOR:  Navy  Gray  White  Black

Additional colors available: Ladies purple & Mens forest green

Total # of jackets: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$40 = \_\_\_\_\_

\*Price includes tax

# FREE SCREENING

for Peripheral Arterial Disease



Call 620.222.6264 to schedule

## What is PAD?

Peripheral Arterial Disease (PAD) is a common disease in which narrowed arteries reduce blood flow to your limbs. This occurs when extra cholesterol and other fats build up in the arteries that supply blood to your limbs. The majority of people suffering from PAD experience difficulty walking as fast or as far as they could before PAD. In the early stages, many people do not experience symptoms, which is why early detection is so important. Once symptoms appear, the disease may have already progressed significantly.

## Symptoms:

- Painful leg cramping
- Numbness, weakness or heaviness in the legs
- Burning or aching in feet and toes
- Cooling of skin on legs or feet
- Loss of hair on legs or feet
- Foot sores or foot ulcers

## FEBRUARY 24

10AM to 2 PM

William Newton Cardiology  
Physicians Pavilion

1230 E 6th Ave, Suite 2D | Winfield

## Why do I need a PAD Test?

Since the majority of PAD cases go undetected and many people with PAD do not even experience symptoms—at least in the early stages—a simple, non-invasive test can assist your doctor in assessing the possible presence of PAD. Early detection of PAD is critical for preserving access to a variety of treatment options that can help restore and sustain blood flow.



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# WINE-O TRAIL RUN

## VOLUNTEER INFORMATION



### WHAT TO EXPECT:

By volunteering at the Wine-O Trail Run, you'll be part of a community of top-notch individuals focused on bringing this event to life. Now in its 9th year, the Wine-O Trail Run has seen thousands of runners and walkers, and an event of this scale would not be possible without people like you. Volunteer duties can include registration and bag pickup, wine servers, crowd control, trail helpers, and more.

### WHAT YOU'LL GET:

- volunteer t-shirt
- glass of wine
- commemorative Wine-O Trail Run wine glass
- scones & coffee on the day of the event

**INTERESTED?** Contact Brittney Carson at [brittney.carson@wnmh.org](mailto:brittney.carson@wnmh.org) or call 620.222.6275

*\*we reserve the right to postpone or cancel this year's event if deemed necessary by local health officials.*

