

# FOUNDATION FORWARD

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## MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Whew! What a busy time of the year for all of us! There are many things happening here in the foundation and the hospital, and this newsletter is full of them. Keep reading to hear about updates on our most recent fundraisers, local and international recognitions, and an opportunity to meet our newest physician, Dr. Ryan Beard.

It is only through positive and productive partnerships of all kinds that we are as strong as we are today.

I invite you to take a moment to look through this newsletter and figure out how you might be able to help right now, whether that be through monetary donations, volunteering to help or participate in an event, or simply putting a 'We Are William Newton' yard sign in front of your house. We appreciate all of your support, and look forward to seeing you virtually at our 14th annual Gala on October 16!



Annika Morris | WNH Director



## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**SEPTEMBER 23** - Meet & Greet with Dr. Beard - see more info on pg. 4

**SEPTEMBER 30** - Second Century Campaign Phase 2 Visioning Session with Rogge + Associates - 5-6:30pm - Please contact the foundation office to RSVP by Wednesday, September 29.

**OCTOBER 2** - Art in the Park - come see us and your friendly neighborhood PHBH crayons to celebrate this year's 'Putting the HeART Back Into Healthcare' coloring contest winners and play a couple rounds of BINGO!

**OCTOBER 16** - Virtual Gala - RSVPs due by October 4 - see more info on pg. 2

**OCTOBER 25** - Paint Your HeART Out - watch for class info coming soon!

### CONTACT US

# THE ~~GRAND~~ FRIGHTENING AFFAIR

COVID STRIKES...AGAIN



## GALA 2021: THE ~~GRAND~~ FRIGHTENING AFFAIR

As many of you are aware, we have made the difficult decision to go virtual again for this year's gala in response to the current COVID-19 status.

This year's virtual gala will be Halloween themed - but don't worry, we're saving our 20's theme for next year! You should've received an email with all the details regarding how to view this year's livestream, your party box, watch parties, and RSVP information. If you did not receive this information, please let us know and we'd be happy to send it to you personally or click here to view the invitation in your web browser.

It is donors like you who make this event possible, and we are grateful for your philanthropic support. See you—virtually—soon.

## THANK YOU FOR 'LIFTING UP' YOUR LOCAL HOSPITAL

Nearly 40 donors participated in our first ever Facebook fundraiser last month and we'd like to take a moment to recognize them for their contributions to quality care at WNH! We're so excited to share that the 'Lift Up Your Local Hospital' fundraiser reached its \$5,700 total goal and our new patient lift was personally delivered by EZ Lift representative Heather Palermo yesterday!

Over 76% of the donors for this project were our very own employees, who understand the importance of this piece of equipment and how it will impact patient and employee safety here at William Newton Hospital. We are blessed to have employees who care so much about their facility and the quality of patient care they are able to provide.

Not only did we have internal and external donors who participated, the vendor themselves (EZ Lift) donated, and then an anonymous donor stepped up in the final hour to cover the remaining balance!

Our foundation team is privileged to work with donors like you who are committed to making a WNH a strong hospital, so that we can be here to take care of you for a second century and beyond.



## WE'RE GOING INTERNATIONAL!

WNHF Director Annika Morris has been invited to speak at the 2021 AHP Virtual International Conference in October. Annika's presentation is titled "Beyond Campaign Mechanics: Igniting Community Innovation to Transform Perspective". Annika filmed her presentation last week and the AHP team is currently working on post-production. Thanks to the WNH Marketing team for their expert help in preparing the presentation and setting up the video call. WNHF is one of 35 presenters this year at the conference, which was originally scheduled to take place in Boston, MA.



## YARD SIGNS AVAILABLE

'We Are William Newton' yard signs are still available! Show support for your local hospital from the comfort of your own home! Contact us to reserve your sign. We can drop it off at your house, or we'll arrange a time for you to stop by and pick it up.



## LEGACY FOUNDATION AWARD

The WNH SANE Department has been selected by the Legacy 25th Anniversary Task Force and Board of Directors to receive a grant to be presented at the Legacy Foundation's 25th "Silver" Anniversary celebration. If you'd like to support our SANE Department as they receive their grant funds, the event will be on Friday, September 24 from 2-4pm under the Wilson Park Rotunda in Arkansas City.

## MINI GRANTS

We awarded over \$10,000 in mini grants to 21 departments earlier this week! Stay tuned to learn about how these mini grants will impact patient care at WNH, and watch our Facebook page to see photos of all the mini grant recipients.



## WNH AUXILIARY FUNDRAISING UPDATE

The WNH Auxiliary has had a busy month hosting not one, but two big fundraisers to support their \$250,000 pledge to the Second Century Campaign. The annual Golf Scramble on August 27 raised nearly \$9,000 from 18 team registrations (a new record!), special contests, raffles/donations, and a few players donating their prize money back to the auxiliary at the end of the day. Around the same time, the auxiliary's first mum sale sold 400 mums raising another \$2,000 towards their overall goal. Find more photos of both events on the WNH Auxiliary's Facebook page!



# meet and greet DR. RYAN BEARD

TWO OPPORTUNITIES...TAKE YOUR PICK!



WE ARE EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE THE ADDITION OF BOARD-CERTIFIED, INTERVENTIONAL CARDIOLOGIST, RYAN BEARD, MD TO WILLIAM NEWTON CARDIOLOGY BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 7.

DR. BEARD IS A KANSAS NATIVE WHO RECEIVED HIS MEDICAL DEGREE FROM THE KU SCHOOL OF MEDICINE IN 2008. AFTER COMPLETING HIS RESIDENCY AND FELLOWSHIP, HE BEGAN PRACTICING IN WICHITA AS AN INTERVENTIONAL CARDIOLOGIST IN 2015.

AS A DAILY PRESENCE ON THE WILLIAM NEWTON HOSPITAL CAMPUS, DR. BEARD WILL ACT AS THE MEDICAL DIRECTOR OF OUR CARDIAC CATHETERIZATION LAB AND ATTEND TO PATIENTS IN THE HOSPITAL AND CLINIC.

JOIN US AT ONE OR BOTH OF THESE EVENTS TO GET TO KNOW DR. BEARD AND WELCOME HIM TO TEAM WNHI

TUESDAY, SEPT. 21

Spots are still available for today's meet & greet at Wheat State Wine, Co! If you're interested, please contact the foundation office so we know you'll be there!



RSVP TO BRANDY CUEVAS BY SEPTEMBER 14  
CALL 620.222.6202 OR EMAIL  
BRANDY.CUEVAS@WNMH.ORG

THURSDAY, SEPT. 23

5:30PM - 7PM

WHEAT STATE WINE CO.

\*MASKS ENCOURAGED

#### SCHEDULE:

5:30 | SOCIAL

6:00 | INTRODUCTIONS & BRIEF PRESENTATION

- + LIGHT HORS D'OEUVRES AND WINE
- + EAGLEMED AMBULANCE AND HELICOPTER ON SITE WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO MEET THE CREWS
- + PRIZE DRAWING SPONSORED BY MEDTRONIC
- + THE **FIRST FOUR EMPLOYEES** TO RSVP WILL RECEIVE AN EAGLEMED GOODIE BAG & T-SHIRT

RSVP TO WNHF BY SEPTEMBER 14

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