

Sibley Memorial Hospital Foundation

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Philanthropy In Action

May 2024

Monthly Update

Generous Gift to Support Nursing Education

On behalf of longtime volunteer and legacy society member Maria Iturbide, estate attorney and Young Professionals Board member Adam Moskowitz delivered a \$1 million check to support nursing education to Dr. Laura Hendricks, Chief Nursing Officer (both pictured), during the YPB's quarterly meeting.

We are grateful to our donors like Maria who support our expert, dedicated and caring nurses!

To help our dedicated nurses grow in their profession through continuing education, contact Kristen Pruski at kpruski@jh.edu.



A Gift of Gratitude: Snyder/Miller Family

When Rebecca Snyder and Stuart Miller's daughter, Sierra, was born at Sibley in 2012, she spent seven days in the Silberman Special Care Nursery (SCN). In gratitude for the care and support they received from their nurse Christina Fernandes and the entire SCN team, Rebecca and Stu made a gift to support the SCN, saying "The nurses were so dedicated and caring, during an especially challenging time. We felt compelled to give back to help the SCN care for other families, and we hope that

our story inspires other Sibley families to honor their caregivers."

For more than a decade, they have continued to support the SCN. Their support has provided SCN nurses neonatal education and training opportunities including training for the team through the Association of Women's Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nurses

(AWHONN). This organization helps empower and support nurses caring for women, newborns, and their families through research, education, and advocacy.

With the help of philanthropic support like theirs, Sibley's SCN continues to offer specialized care for all newborns who may need it. The unit is staffed with experienced neonatal nurses and neonatologists who are available round-the-clock, with state-of-the-art technology for use at their side. With their support and from others in the community, Sibley continues to be the most trusted hospital for parents-to-be, delivering more babies than anywhere else in the region.

Their most recent gift named a bench in Sibley's meditation garden for both of their daughters, Sierra and Olivia, to continue to invest in the SCN. Thank you, Stu and Rebecca, for your long-standing generosity which continues to be an inspiration to our dedicated physicians, nurses, and caregivers who work every day to provide exceptional and compassionate care to every baby and family in Sibley's SCN.

If you have any questions or wish to support Sibley's Special Care Nursery, please contact Andrea Travis, Director of Development at atravis@jh.edu.

Pictured L to R, back row: Michelle R. Bacon, BSN, RNC-LRN, Nurse Manager, Special Care Nursery; Christina Fernandes, BSN, RNC-LRN, Professional Development Specialist- Neonatal (daughter Sierra's nurse in the SCN); Andrea Travis, Director of Development, Sibley Foundation
Front row: Snyder/Miller Family



Mother's Day New Moms and Babies Necessities Campaign!

Did you know that Sibley delivers more babies than any other hospital in Washington? Last year alone, we welcomed more than 3,200 babies!

Did you *also* know that some new mothers do not have the most basic necessities to help set them and their baby up for success when they leave the hospital? The costs of diapers, wipes, equipment, and formula can present a challenge to some families in our community.

In honor of Mother's Day through the end of May, join us by making a donation to our "New Mom and Baby Necessities" campaign. With your generous donations, we can ensure that each mother and new baby born at Sibley has everything they need to start life healthy and supported.

Click the **video below** to learn more from members of Sibley's Maternal Health Access team! Thank you for your support!



Fund the Mother's Day Campaign TODAY by clicking here!

Sibley Legacy Society Luncheon

Join us for a conversation about best practices in preparing for surgery as an older adult and Sibley's expanded geriatric programs led by experts from Sibley Memorial Hospital including:

Dr. Hasan Zia, President, Sibley Memorial Hospital
Dr. Martin Paul, Geriatric Surgery Medical Director
Suzanne Dutton GNP-BC, RN, Geriatric Advanced Practice Nurse

Wednesday, June 12, 2024 from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
Chevy Chase Club
6100 Connecticut Avenue; Chevy Chase, Maryland

For more information, please contact Liza Boyd at 202/660-6539 or lizaboyd@jhmi.edu.

Staff Continue to Benefit from Sibley's Staff Certification Program: Dominique Bonhomme, PharmD, MS, BCPS

Pharmacist Monique Bonhomme recently pursued a Nutrition Support Certificate through the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) in collaboration with the American Society for Parenteral and



Enteral Nutrition (ASPEN). The program covers malnutrition, nutritional requirements for adult patients receiving nutrition support, a review of best practices for ordering, access, preparation and administration of nutrition support, an overview of potential complications that could result from enteral or parenteral nutrition (intravenous feeding), as well as ongoing monitoring and error reporting.

When asked why she chose to pursue this certification, Monique said: "No matter where a person is in their career, there is always room for growth. As Pharmacy Residency Program Director, I hope to lead by example and encourage my colleagues to pursue other certifications that will advance their careers. I strongly believe that education is an investment in yourself and your patients, and if given the opportunity for self-growth and learning, I encourage one to seize it."

"I am grateful to the Foundation's donors for their support of staff like me, so that I can grow in my career and continue to improve the care that I provide Sibley's patients."

Congratulations Monique on this certification and thank you to those donors who support Sibley's staff certifications program!



Young Professionals Board Events Success: Ladies Luncheon & Guy's Night

The year's Ladies Luncheon, hosted at Chevy Chase Club on May 1, was an astounding success with more than double last year's attendees and a record amount of funds raised to Support Sibley's Maternal Health Access Program. The event featured Sibley's women's health experts Drs. Shannon Green, Susan Scott,

and Virginia Colliver, as well as Martece Yates, BSN, RNC-MNN, High-Risk Patient Care and Outreach Nurse Navigator in Sibley's Women's and Infant's Services a member of Sibley's maternal health access team.

Guy's Night on May 9 featured Sibley physicians Drs. Brett Parker, Hamid Hassanzadeh, and Pat Mufarrij on men's health and was hosted at Columbia Country Club. This event also raised substantial funds to support the maternal health access program at Sibley. The two events inspired some friendly competition between the men and women and more than \$100,000. Job well done, YPB!

To support Sibley's Maternal Health Access programs, contact Kristen Pruski at kpruski@jh.edu.



Your Sibley Community: Events

Harvey Milk Day, May 24

Harvey Milk was a civil and human rights leader who became one of the first openly gay elected officials in the U.S. when he was won a seat on the San Francisco Board of Supervisors in 1977. Sibley will honor his legacy with the following:

Coffee, 7-9 a.m., Building B, Floor 1, Lobby

Cupcakes, 12-2 p.m., Building C, Floor G, Magnolia Cafe

Yoga for Cancer Survivors, Wednesdays, 10 a.m., Free

For Zoom link and other information please contact Pam Goetz, Oncology Survivorship Program Manager, at pgoetz4@jhmi.edu.

Support Group for Women with Bladder or Urothelial Cancer, 1st Thursday Monthly, 12 p.m., Free

Led by the Johns Hopkins Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center at Sibley Memorial Hospital's Center for

Patient and Family Services' program manager and genitourinary oncology social worker, this group is meant to help patients gain support and friendship by meeting others going through similar experiences. Space is limited; for Zoom link, please RSVP to Samantha Rockler, M.S.W. at srockle1@jhmi.edu.

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