If our Legacy Society reception was ever going to be threatened by rain, how ironic that it took place in the spectacular “Pad” of Duane and Kathy Jebbett, “Into the Woods,” with a delightful green amphibian providing a charming accent in décor, fountains and cookies.

Don’t “jump to conclusions.” This year’s Legacy Society reception committee “made a splash” creating an elegantly relaxed mood with flute and guitar music greeting guests as they arrived and delicacies such as spinach and fontina fondue, gorgonzola and fig strudel, wild mushroom lasagna and butternut squash ravioli. Blackberry rosemary mojitos were the evening’s specialty drink created by Sam Fittante of the Bistro. A key gathering space of the Jebbett’s lovely home was the grill station on the deck next to a candle-lit pergola surrounding the stone fireplace. Lanterns, moss and spectacular flower arrangements with amazing wood accents transformed the Jebbett’s home into a magical woodland scene.

“Stretching their legs,” guests made their way to the gourmet s’more bar to toast marshmallows and dare to create s’mores such as The Grasshopper, The Nutty Buddy and The Mexican Hot Cocoa, as well as The Classic. If your taste ran more to fine wine and cheese pairings, guests were treated to an outstanding array of choices.

The reception committee worked diligently to develop an evening worthy of the kindness and generosity shown to BVHS by our Legacy Society, and they really “hopped to it!” We extend deep appreciation to Marcia Armes, Amy Ballinger, Anita Fitzgerald, Jane Heminger, Jane Peak, Abby Hartman, Colleen Lazar, Marty Rotheny, and our wonderful host and hostess, Duane and Kathy Jebbett. We hope to see everyone at next year’s event hosted by Michael and Nancy Wilder.

Thank you for all you do!
WELCOME NEW LEGACY SOCIETY MEMBERS!

The Blanchard Valley Health Foundation would like to express sincere thanks to those who have joined the Legacy Society or increased their level of giving since the last quarterly newsletter:

LEGACY
Barbara & Scott Akers
Major James Bell & Dr. Carmela Osborne
Dr. Jim & Wendy Davidson
Findlay Chrysler/Sam Strausbaugh/Kable Derrow Fraternal Order of Eagles
Dr. Bradley & Carissa Gregory
Rob & Jenifer Keys
Ed & Kim Kort
Michael & Debra Momany
Thomas & Kathryn Raabe
Philip & Donna Ridenour
Neil & Barb Teatsworth
Mr. Lester Tesnow
Dr. Thomas & Dr. Samantha Zaciewski

SILVER LEGACY
Dr. Greg & Cynthia Arnette
Dr. Phil & Peggy Havens
Dr. Robert & Carol Hollis
Joyce & Emil Ziegler
GOLD LEGACY
Dick & Lynn McCord
GOLD HEALTH PARTNER
Roy & Marcia Armes

Individuals or businesses who pledge $10,000 or more to support BVHS are eligible for Legacy Society membership.

MEMBERS RECEIVE:
• A quarterly newsletter on BVHS programs and services
• Invitations to special local health-related programs and events
• Recognition in various venues
• “Sneak Peeks” of the newest BVHS programs and facilities
• An invitation to the Annual Reception hosted by BVHS President and CEO Scott Malaney and his wife, Margaret Sullivan Malaney

WHAT IS SNOEZELEN THERAPY AND IS IT HELPFUL IN ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE?

Snoezelen is a type of therapy that was developed in the Netherlands in the 1970s by institutions caring for severely disabled people. Using light, sound, scents and music to initiate sensual sensations, the idea of Snoezelen is to have both relaxing and activating effects that promote well-being. Snoezelen is used for people with Alzheimer’s disease, developmental disabilities, dementia and brain injuries to create a calming and soothing environment reducing anxiety and agitation.

Recently, the BVHF Board viewed a presentation by Chris Steffan, RN, assistant director of nursing at Birchaven Village. Chris and her team at Birchaven recently were awarded a grant from the BVHF Undesignated Fund, established through a gift from Madeleine Thomas Schneider, to purchase a sensory rover cart. The rover cart has equipment which creates a Snoezelen environment and can be moved from one location to another. The cart contains a panel of colorful lights, aroma diffuser, bubble tube, mirrors, sound system, fiber optic spray, a projector and color wheel which throws images, usually pictures, across the ceiling and walls of the room.

Chris stated the sensory rover is used daily both in group and individual settings impacting more than 70 cognitively impaired individuals in the Julien A. Faisant Adult Day Center and Birchaven Village. Many times, the use of the sensory rover will decrease the need for anti-anxiety medications since it naturally calms the patients therefore reducing the risk for patient falls and staff injuries. Chris states, “It is definitely making a positive impact.”

In a continued effort to provide exceptional care, the sensory rover cart is another example of BVHS associates researching and implementing current best-practice information to enhance the lives of our patients.

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CANCER CARE CENTER UPDATE

The BVHS internal leadership phase of the Cancer Care Center fundraising campaign is winding down. BVHS and BVHF board members, auxiliaries, associates, physicians and the medical professional community have contributed generously to the $2.5 million capital campaign. We have been encouraged and humbled by their support for this much-needed center benefiting the more than 12,000 people in Hancock County living with, or who have a history of, cancer.

This fall you will hear about the launch of the public phase of the capital and endowment campaign. Please contact us at 419.423.5457 for more information. Groundbreaking is expected to take place November 2014 with completion in 2015.
It may have been the skilled neuro-surgeon who repaired their aneurysm or the compassionate smile of a nurse during chemotherapy. Perhaps it was the hug that eased a child’s fears, or a visit from a volunteer who treated them more like an old friend than a hospital patient.

There are dozens of ways members of the BVHS health care team make a difference in the lives of our patients. We hear about them every day – through letters, phone calls and other expressions of gratitude from trays of cookies to charitable gifts. That is why BVHF established Gifts from the Heart, a Grateful Patient program, in 2012.

Gifts from the Heart is a special way for individuals and/or families to recognize a nurse, doctor, volunteer or any associate who has gone the extra mile to care for a patient or their loved one. Through a $25 minimum gift in this person’s name, the exceptional care, skill and talent of that employee is recognized.

When a gift honors a BVHS associate, volunteer or doctor, the individual receives a personalized certificate from Scott Malaney, a special clip for their ID badge so they stand out among their peers, and a small box of Dietsch’s chocolates. Through these recognitions, the caregiver and others know that person has made a difference.

Since initiation of the program, 47 associates and medical professionals from 19 different service areas of BVHS have been recognized. Two associates have been recognized twice! Donors have gifted $2,770 to designated departments, typically the area where they received exceptional care. Gifts from the Heart brochures are included in admission packets and available in common areas and waiting rooms throughout BVHS. All gifts are tax deductible.

This exciting program provides the avenue for our grateful patients and their families to share their heartfelt thanks and recognize a special caregiver for the compassion and skill they share every day. It’s a win-win for everyone!

For more information about Gifts from the Heart, please contact Melanie McHaffie at 419.423.5457.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON MINIMUM DISTRIBUTIONS

Once you reach age 70 1/2, you generally must start taking required minimum distributions (RMDs) from traditional IRAs and employer-sponsored retirement plans (an exception may apply if you’re still working and participating in an employer-sponsored plan). Take any distributions by the date required—the end of the year for most individuals. The penalty for failing to do so is substantial: 50% of the amount that should have been distributed. You may consider making a gift to the Blanchard Valley Health Foundation with your distribution to support better health care in our community. Please contact 419.429.7605 or clazar@bvhealthsystem.org today!
Christmas arrives at the Blanchard Valley Hospital Gift Shop on November 3!

Stop in to see new gift items, holiday décor, specialty food items, winter apparel boutique items and more!

Don’t know where to start your shopping? Try using this coupon!

**Legacy Society Members**
15% off regular priced items in the BVH Auxiliary Gift Shop
*Some exclusions apply*  
Expires 12/31/2014

Does not include fresh flowers, candy, sundries, cards, and magazines.

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