

Neighbors & Friends

Physicians In Training at ECHN



Communities that provide medical student education tend to have more physicians, stronger medical systems and healthier economies. The greater Manchester area is becoming such a community.

In July 2011, Eastern Connecticut Health Network brought 15 third-year medical students from the University of New England (UNE) to Rockville General and Manchester Memorial Hospitals for a year of intensive clinical and academic training. This is the state's first teaching site for medical students east of the Connecticut River. According to *U.S. News & World Report*, UNE's College of Osteopathic Medicine ranks sixth out of 149 medical schools for primary care medicine.

UNE College Dean Marc B. Hahn, D.O. says that expanding health systems in this way has a positive impact on the quality of healthcare and on the local economy. UNE has 10 clinical campuses throughout the northeast. For example, the Kent County Hospital network in Rhode Island has provided physician education for more than 2,000 University of New England students over the years.

"An Amazing Place For Teaching"

"ECHN is an amazing place for a teaching program," says ECHN's Patricio G. Bruno, D.O. "It's a community-based healthcare system that has many excellent physicians and surgeons, many of whom have former teaching experience. This is ECHN's first significant development of a medical education program." Dr. Bruno, Director of Medical Education, will lead ECHN's partnership with UNE.

UNE medical students will rotate through all the medical disciplines at Manchester Memorial, Rockville General and ECHN medical staff offices and clinics such as the Community Health Centers in Manchester and East Hartford. The curriculum and clinical work will include family medicine, internal medicine, hospitalist medicine, obstetrics and gynecology, pediatrics, surgery, community health and

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Above left: The University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine students in the courtyard at Rockville General Hospital.

(Front-back, left-right) Sarah Arnone, Jacqueline O'Toole, Vanessa Katon, Lauren DelPrato, Lisa Tharler, Mona Doss, Jennie MP Wang, Andrew Murray, Yewande Adepoju, Mark Gilroy, Benjamin Levy, Matthew Sharbaugh, Jana French, Donald McNally, Katherine Menson, and Patricio G. Bruno, D.O., Director of Medical Education at ECHN

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Messages from the Director of Development and Foundation Chairman



In this issue of *Neighbors & Friends*, we are sharing stories of those who have contributed to our successes of the last year. You will read about the medical students from the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine who have come to study and become a part of our community. They are truly an impressive group of young people and we are happy that they are making our community their home for a time.

We celebrated the Second Annual Healum Ball to benefit the Nurse Navigation and Survivorship Navigation programs as part of the Eastern Connecticut Cancer Institute at the John A. DeQuattro Cancer Center. The story of Meg Berté Owen, an inspiration to the attendees, reminded us of the importance of continuing to fight the battle against cancer in our community. The success of the Ball these past two years has laid a strong financial foundation for our cancer programs.

Our two golf tournaments were combined into a single event, the ECHN Mason & Purcell Golf Classic, held this past July. Over two hundred people came out and supported the new event, and the golfers beat the rain drops into the clubhouse for a wonderful dinner and celebration of the mission of ECHN.

In the New Year, we will continue to share with you our challenges and opportunities. We will always be grateful for your response to our call for support. Your participation in our mission is critical to our success!

Nina Kruse

Administrative Director of Development
ECHN Community Healthcare Foundation, Inc.

As you can see from this issue of *Neighbors & Friends*, philanthropy gives us an opportunity to share many positive stories of success at ECHN. Our organization also faces many challenges in the current economic environment. Declining reimbursement and increased regulatory pressure, coupled with high unemployment and tight budgets at home are pushing us to deliver high quality care in the most efficient way possible. It has also put more emphasis on the importance of philanthropy.

Philanthropy allows us to continue to make investments in our facilities through capital improvements to access the latest technology. We invest in our staff through scholarships and educational conferences that allow them to bring the latest knowledge of best practices to the bedside. Patient safety and quality of care issues are at the forefront of healthcare reform, and philanthropy helps

us to ensure we are doing all we can on behalf of our patients and families.

We thank you for your generous response to our appeals for support. We will continue to share our needs and opportunities with you and hope that you will continue to respond. It is because of you that ECHN is able to provide high quality care to our community. For that, we are eternally grateful.

On behalf of the ECHN Community Healthcare Foundation Board of Trustees and the staff of the ECHN Foundation, let me take this opportunity to wish everyone a healthy and prosperous 2012.

Tom Scanlon

Chairman

ECHN Community Healthcare Foundation, Inc.



Our Mission

The mission of the ECHN Community Healthcare Foundation is to promote and engage philanthropic support for our hospitals and affiliates to improve the health of our community.

“The motor runs but the undercarriage doesn’t keep up”—Allen Ward, Sr.

Here’s proof that good works can last at least 30 years. In February of 1981, orthopedic surgeon Michael Passaretti, M.D., performed surgery that enabled Allen Ward, Sr. to walk again after he’d fallen and broken his hip. Dr. Passaretti told him, “Honestly, I don’t know what to do. You may never walk again.” But patient and doctor agreed to try a then-new procedure. Allen has never had pain or discomfort in the hip since and has expressed his appreciation over the years. The latest thank-you came with a substantial financial donation to ECHN’s orthopedic surgery department and a first-ever public speech by Allen to a crowd of hundreds.

At age 95, Allen made his public speaking debut at the November 2010 ECHN Celebration of Giving. Understandably, he was nervous. Allen told his story, thanked the hospital and Dr. Passaretti, and displayed his strong sense of humor. He walks slowly with a cane but is in general good health. Describing his health, Allen told the audience, “The motor runs but the undercarriage doesn’t keep up.” The crowd of 200 ECHN donors, dignitaries and supporters roared, stood as one and applauded. “They made me feel 18 feet tall,” Allen says.

His health history sounds like a blockbuster movie. Six years ago Dr. Passaretti had to replace part of Allen’s left knee. In 1998, Allen was diagnosed with both lymphoma and prostate cancer. The doctor said that if his son, Allen Jr., hadn’t brought his father in when he did, Allen Sr. would have been dead in three months. Allen went through chemotherapy for the lymphoma at the same time he had radiation treatments for the prostate cancer.

Manchester Memorial Hospital helped Allen survive double pneumonia and a heart attack. The hospital also cared for him when he broke both of his heels. A ladder in his metal fabrication shop slid out from under him, and he crashed to his shop’s concrete floor. Then there was the time when a large firecracker exploded in his hand and left him blind for three days.



Yet, as he nears triple digits in age, Allen maintains a sharp mind and an active lifestyle. He splits his own wood. He mows the lawn and cares for the flowerbeds at the family home. He drives his 2007 pick-up during the day.

Hard work may be one of his health secrets. Allen describes himself as a workaholic. For decades the 69-year Manchester resident worked six days a week for the former aircraft company, Chance Vaught, and later at his own metal fabricating shop. He’s also worked hard at giving back to the community. Allen has been a member of the Manchester Rotary Club for 44 years—including 30 years of perfect attendance at their weekly meetings. But he also credits miracles for his long life.

“I’ve had eight miracles in my life,” he says. “One was a motorcycle accident when I was 20 years old. They wanted to amputate my leg that night. My father wouldn’t let them and I still have the leg. That was 75 years ago.”

Now Allen seems focused on giving back to institutions that have helped him through the years. “Giving makes me feel good. I know I’m doing something that’s appreciated,” he explains. “If I take my money to heaven there’s nothing I can buy up there. If I take it to hell it’s going to burn up. So I might as well give it where it will be appreciated.”

Allen Ward, Jr. and Allen Ward, Sr. in the family home. Between them is a painting of Allen Sr.’s late wife of 59 years, Marion.

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Allen Ward, Sr.

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The mission of the Business Alliance for Community Health is to provide philanthropic support for ECHN and a networking environment, while addressing current health issues facing businesses and their employees.



The Main Pub held a fundraiser in October to benefit the Emergency Department at Rockville General and Manchester Memorial Hospitals. The \$400 check was presented by Keith Beaulieu, far left, owner of The Main Pub, to Robert Carroll, MD (Chair, Department of Emergency Medicine). Joining in the presentation, from left to right, are Sue Godlewski, RN, Clinical Nurse Manager, RGH ED; Chris Petrone R.N.-B.C., M.A., Director of Women's, Infants & Emergency Services; and Karin Foley, RN, Clinical Nurse Manager, MMH ED.



Above: At the conclusion of Panera Bread's month-long "Pink Ribbon Bagel™" Campaign, the company presented a check for \$1035.12 to the ECHN Foundation to benefit the ECHN Breast Care Collaborative. Shown above, at the presentation are (l-r) Kristi Hulse, Catering Coordinator at the Buckland Hills location; Stan Kontogiannis, ECHN Corporate and Foundation Relations Officer; and Jennifer Cameron, Catering Coordinator of the Glastonbury Panera. 25 cents from each bagel sold and 10% from each catering order where ECHN was designated were donated.

Spotlight Business Alliance for Community Health Willis of Connecticut, LLC

Philanthropy is much more important today than it ever was. That's the opinion of ECHN Business Alliance for Community Health (BACH) member Salvatore J. Dominello, Senior Vice President at Willis of Connecticut, LLC.

A company merger factored into Sal's involvement with BACH. The insurance agency, Hilb, Rogal and Hobbs of Connecticut joined BACH about three years ago. In 2009, that agency became part of Willis, the world's third largest insurance broker and consulting firm. Sal has been active in BACH for almost 2 years. A 22-year veteran of the insurance industry, Sal sees a need for Willis to contribute financially to targeted non-profits in the local community and to raise community awareness about Willis. BACH meets both needs.

The well-being of Connecticut's large employers, like hospitals, is a particular concern for Sal. "If our large employers—like ECHN—have to struggle, the economy will not get better," Sal says. "It's important for businesses to support them in any way we can." The hospital facilities have become the largest employer and part of the fabric of their respective communities.

Must Foster The Success of Small Companies

Keeping smaller employers, like many BACH members, on solid financial ground is also important to Sal. "In this state, we've lost a lot of our large employers in the manufacturing sector. We're seeing a lot of start-up companies and smaller companies cropping up because of this. We need an economy and a state that will foster the success of these small, young companies."

Employers are critical to Sal because Willis exists to serve them by helping to identify and mitigate their risk in all aspects of their business insurance needs. Willis has 110

employees in its Asylum Street, Hartford office. Most of them assist employers with property and casualty insurance. Sal works in the employee benefits area within Willis' local office. He describes the Willis role as understanding the insurance needs of organizations with 100-5,000 employees and using Willis' broad array of insurance industry resources to best solve those needs.

"We are all going to be affected by health care, now and in the future."

Salvatore J. Dominello
Senior Vice President,
Willis of Connecticut, LLC

A recent BACH meeting proved especially beneficial to Sal and Willis. At that meeting, ECHN presented the healthcare system's perspective on the 2009 national health care legislation. Sal found the presentation impressive. It gave him a better understanding of the healthcare provider's view on the new law and how it will impact all of us over the next several years.

"For businesses, BACH is a good way to stay involved in the local community and understand what's happening in the healthcare arena. That's critical because we are all going to be affected by healthcare, now and in the future."

To learn more about Willis of CT, contact either Stephen Geib or Sal Dominello at 860.756.7369.

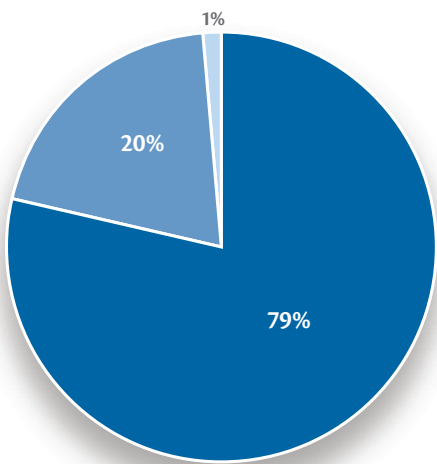
Companies interested in more information about joining the Business Alliance for Community Health should contact Stan Kontogiannis, ECHN Corporate and Foundation Relations Officer at 860.647.4754 or skontogiannis@echn.org.

Funding Utilization Report

As we had done in the last issue of *Neighbors & Friends*, we are reporting on specific programs and projects that were funded in FY2011 (October 1, 2010–September 30, 2011) through the community’s generosity to the ECHN Community Healthcare Foundation.

Unrestricted funds are expended on an ongoing basis for the most critical needs of the ECHN system. Donors who choose to make restricted gifts to ECHN for capital improvements, program support or other specific needs are looking to make an impact in an area of specific interest. The information presented here provides an overview of expenditures from the Foundation in support of a variety of needs at Manchester Memorial and Rockville General Hospitals, the John A. DeQuattro Cancer Center, Woodlake at Tolland, and the Women’s Center for Wellness.

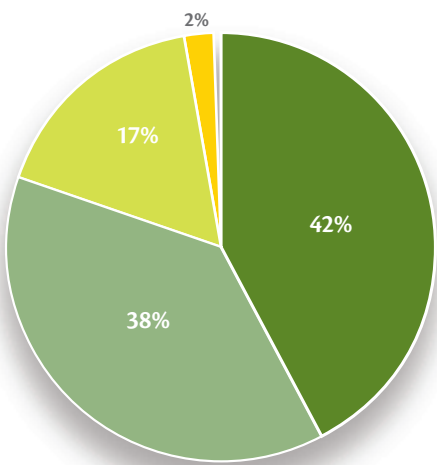
Capital Restricted Funds–FY2011



- Manchester Memorial Hospital
- Rockville General Hospital
- Woodlake at Tolland

- DynaCAD Radiology equipment for Rockville General Hospital
- Operating Room patient tracking systems at Manchester Memorial Hospital and Rockville General Hospital
- Laptop computers for clinical team meetings and treatment plan development for Behavioral Health Unit staff and students at the Adolescent Day School
- Family waiting room renovations on 3 North, 2 Hospice, 1 & 2 East and Emergency and Conference Rooms at Manchester Memorial Hospital
- Physical therapy suite renovations at Manchester Memorial Hospital
- Large screen television for dining room at Woodlake at Tolland
- Aesthetic upgrades to the front entrance at Rockville General Hospital

Program Restricted Funds–FY2011



- John A. DeQuattro Cancer Center
- Manchester Memorial Hospital
- Rockville General Hospital
- Women’s Center for Wellness
- Woodlake at Tolland (0.05%)
- ECHN (0.02%)

- Training and salary support for the Nurse Navigator & Survivorship Navigator positions at the Eastern Connecticut Cancer Institute at the John A. DeQuattro Cancer Center
- Support for nursing education through continuing education scholarships for 15 nurses
- Financial support for early detection programs for breast and prostate health at Rockville General Hospital
- Conference registrations for Care of the Peri-Anesthesia Patient and National Surgical Technology Conference

For more information, please contact the ECHN Community Healthcare Foundation at 860.647.4753.

The Auxiliary of Manchester Memorial Hospital Presents Gift of \$105,000



Above: Harriet Haslett, former President of Auxiliary of Manchester Memorial Hospital and Jeffrey Heidtman, former Chairman of the ECHN Board of Trustees

The Auxiliary of Manchester Memorial Hospital (MMH) held its annual meeting and luncheon on September 26, 2011 at the Manchester Country Club. Former auxiliary President Harriet Haslett presented a check for the ECHN Community Healthcare Foundation to Jeffrey P. Heidtman, former Chairman of the ECHN Board of Trustees, for \$105,000, which represents last year's annual gift from the Auxiliary. This is the largest gift ever received by the Foundation from the Auxiliary. Of that amount, \$55,000 will support the renovation of three patient rooms for the Joint Effort Program, specially designed for joint replacement patients.

The additional money will be used to purchase the following capital items for

MMH: a replacement drill for ear, nose and throat surgeries; a bladder scanner; a vital signs monitor; a replacement total of 17 three-position geri-chair recliners; a capsule endoscopy system; a sink for the overflow room for Emergency Department patients; and fifty antimicrobial keyboards and electronic mice for nursing computer stations. The Meg Berté Owen Survivorship Program at the John A. DeQuattro Cancer Center also received \$6,345.

The annual gift is made possible by revenues from the Manchester Memorial Hospital Gift Shops, the John A. DeQuattro Cancer Center Boutique and Café, and The Penny Saver Thrift Shop on Broad Street in Manchester.

Physicians

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psychiatry. Fourth year UNE students will also be able to choose electives like emergency medicine, radiology, anesthesiology, pathology and some medical and surgery specialties.

"Whenever you have learners in a medical institution, the bar is set higher," Dr. Bruno explains. "Attending physicians take on a dual role. They are both doctors and teachers who keep up with the latest medical research and developments." ECHN doctors will receive faculty appointments as Professors by the University of New England.

Positive Reaction From ECHN Physicians

Physicians on the ECHN medical staff have displayed a "tremendous positive response" to the medical education partnership with UNE according to Joel J. Reich, MD. ECHN's Senior Vice President for Medical Affairs, Dr. Reich says physicians and hospital staff are enriched by the questions medical students pose and the different perspectives they bring.

Medical education isn't entirely new to ECHN. For more than 40 years, Manchester Memorial and Rockville General have participated in academic programs. But past programs for physicians, nurses, EMTs, nurse practitioners and others have been short-term training sessions. Factors that make the University of New England program very different are the one year length, the academic rigor and the extensive exposure to so many aspects of

medicine. For eastern Connecticut, the UNE medical education program is unprecedented.

Remaining A Community Hospital Setting, Not A University Hospital

Both Dr. Reich and Dr. Bruno stress that the ECHN hospitals are not becoming university hospitals or academic medical centers. ECHN will remain a community hospital setting with a focus on primary care. That's one reason why UNE and ECHN are a good match. Like ECHN, UNE focuses on primary care medicine. More than 50 percent of the college's medical school graduates enter the primary care field, and eastern Connecticut needs more primary care physicians. In fact, a national study by the American Association of Medical Colleges shows that the nation will face a shortage of primary care physicians that could top 46,000 by 2020.

Many, perhaps most, medical students end up practicing medicine in a community where they trained. By having a medical education partnership with UNE, eastern Connecticut will be "home-growing our own physicians," Dr. Bruno says.

The national health reform law passed by the U.S. Congress focuses on community-based primary care according to Dr. Reich. "Educating our own primary care physicians will enable ECHN and our communities to perform well as national health reform is implemented," he says.

The patient experience will remain the same during the time that the medical education program occurs. But the potential future of the patient experience will grow brighter.

D.O. or M.D.: What's the Difference?

Many people don't know there are two types of physicians. Some physicians receive an M.D. (Doctor of Medicine) designation. Others, like the physicians who train at the University of New England, receive a D.O. (Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine). While M.D.s outnumber D.O.s, ECHN has many of both types of physicians on staff caring for patients together. The curriculum, requirements and length of training for both are the same. The difference is that D.O.s are taught a "whole person" approach during medical school and receive extra coursework in manipulation, a special medical discipline whereby the physician uses his or her hands to diagnose and treat musculoskeletal problems (similar to physical therapy). Rather than specializing in one area of the body, they focus on how all of the body's systems are interconnected. After graduating with the D.O. degree, they then pursue specialty training in any discipline of medicine from primary care, to ob/gyn, surgery, psychiatry or any other specialty alongside their M.D. colleagues.

All physicians (D.O.s and M.D.s) must pass a state medical board exam. Both D.O.s and M.D.s are fully trained and licensed to prescribe medication and to perform surgery. Dr. Hahn says the osteopathic medical profession has grown by more than 400 percent over the last 30 years. Now about 25 percent of all U.S. physicians are D.O.s.

The Honor & Memorial Program



Making a donation in honor or memory of someone special in your life is a meaningful gesture. These gifts help to provide enhanced healthcare services for other patients of ECHN.

The ECHN Community Healthcare Foundation values the relationships that are connected to the donation. To that end, we continue our program that will acknowledge each gift made in honor or memory of someone with a greeting card that captures the sentiment of the gift. The honoree or the family of the deceased will receive one of

the cards as pictured here with a listing of the people who have made tribute donations. Donation amounts will not be disclosed. Upon the donor's request, all contributions can be designated to benefit the program of their choice or will be contributed to the Annual Fund which serves the greatest needs of our patients.

Individuals interested in more information about the Honor & Memorial Program at ECHN are invited to contact Nina Kruse, Director of Development, at 860.647.4767 or nkruse@echm.org.

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Mason & Purcell Golf Classic Was A Hole-In-One



ECHN held its first combined Mason & Purcell Golf Classic on July 25 at Tumble Brook Country Club in Bloomfield, Connecticut. This new tournament raised more than \$135,000 to benefit Manchester Memorial and Rockville General Hospitals. The day of golf included lunch on the course, cocktail reception, a live and silent auction and dinner attracting close to 220 golfers.

The Jack Mason Memorial Golf Tournament and the Daniel Paul Purcell, MD Memorial Golf Classic were separate events held annually since the early 1980s. Both tournaments have attracted strong support from local businesses and community representatives. This year, the tournaments were combined to reduce expenses, make better use of resources, illustrate the unification of the ECHN organization, celebrate the historical merging of two established families in the eastern Connecticut community and provide an even greater opportunity for community involvement.

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Upcoming Events

To benefit ECHN Community Healthcare Foundation, Inc.



Community Fundraiser

Wednesday, March 28, 2012
Funny Bone Comedy Club
To benefit Woodlake at Tolland,
Visiting Nurse & Health Services
of CT and Hockanum Valley
Community Council.



ECHN Mason & Purcell Golf Classic

Monday, July 23, 2012
Tumble Brook Country Club



Bike Connect— 10th Anniversary

Sunday, May 20, 2012
8 Keynote Drive, Vernon
Register at echn.org/bike
Generously hosted by Visiting Nurse
& Health Services of CT



SALUTE!

Sunday, September 9, 2012
Cavey's Restaurant, Manchester

Celebration of Giving

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Friday, November 16, 2012
Hartford Marriott Downtown

For more information regarding sponsorship or participation in these, or any of our ECHN fund raising events, please contact Richard Silvia, Development Officer, at 860.872.5305 or rsilvia@echn.org



Healum Ball

Saturday, June 9, 2012
Connecticut Convention
Center, Hartford



Don't Miss an Issue

If you would like to receive *Neighbors & Friends* at your home or business, please contact the ECHN Community Healthcare Foundation directly at 860.647.4753.

Correction: In the fiscal year 2010 edition of the *Annual Report on Philanthropy*, Alice Rodner should have been included in the listing of Bike Connect Committee members. We apologize for the oversight.



From left to right: David and Joanne Yandow, Anna and Kevin Murphy, Bill McGurk.

ECHN's 13th Annual Salute! Wine Tasting Event Benefits Women's Center for Wellness!

ECHN held its 13th annual Salute! An Evening of Fine Wines and Gourmet Cuisine fundraiser on September 18 at Cavey's Restaurant in Manchester. Net proceeds from the event of \$50,000 will benefit ECHN's Women's Center for Wellness, located in South Windsor, Connecticut. The Women's Center for Wellness offers an array of health and wellness services, including digital mammography; bone density scans; alternative therapy services such as acupuncture and therapeutic massage; a print and video resource library filled with books, brochures, and videotapes on many aspects of women's health; and the services of a Breast Health Navigator, a nurse dedicated to guiding women through the healthcare system with support and education.

The evening consisted of tastings of fine wines, beer and champagne, as well as an assortment of gourmet tapas created by Cavey's, and live and silent auctions. Live music was provided by the Goza Latin Trio from East Hartford.

The event was made possible through the generosity of our corporate and individual partners. We extend our appreciation to First Niagara, *Presenting Sponsor*; Robinson & Cole, LLP, *Vintner Sponsor*; Ambulance Service of Manchester, American Eagle Federal Credit Union, Siemens Medical Solutions USA, Inc., and TD Bank, *Registration Table Sponsors*; and Fuss & O'Neill, Inc. and The Chartis Group, *Silent Auction Sponsors*. We also thank all of the individuals and organizations who supported the event with donations of wine, auction items and additional financial contributions.