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A FAMILY AFFAIR

One Employee’s Story of Heartbreak and Survival
Letter from the President

Dear Friends,

WELCOME TO THIS ISSUE OF LANKENAU LEADERS!
The past few months have been an absolute whirlwind at Lankenau Medical Center. As you will read in Big Changes Keep Coming, there have been several more construction updates to public spaces and outpatient facilities on our campus. Most notably on July 25, Lankenau celebrated the Grand Opening of our new Heart Pavilion and introduced the Lankenau Heart Institute, our cardiovascular service line. This magnificent building – and the people and programs inside that make it so special – warrant their own issue of Lankenau Leaders, so we will focus the next magazine on introducing you to our newest addition.

In the meantime, this issue is once again packed with exciting developments at Lankenau Medical Center, from new awards to new leadership on our Foundation Board. Of course, at the heart of all we do are our patients and their families. Our cover story features someone near and dear to Lankenau – one of our own employees. Her experience transitioning from a member of our staff to someone in need of our Medical Center’s care is a touching reminder of how our patients become a member of the Lankenau family for life.

At Lankenau, we continue to develop stronger community programs and services which you can read about in On Your Doorstep. Lankenau is deeply committed to bettering the health and wellbeing of our neighbors, through educational programming, partnerships with local and national organizations, and innovative use of Lankenau’s resources. Keep an eye out for Lankenau programs in your area – we’re coming to you!

Lastly, Lankenau Medical Center would not be the institution it is today without the support of friends like you. Thank you for your continued dedication. Our recurring feature Focus on Philanthropy recognizes several individuals, foundations and organizations who have made recent leadership-level gifts. Many of these friends came together for our annual John D. Lankenau Society President’s Reception, photos of which can be found on page 14. If you’re interested in making an investment in Lankenau and our promising future, I encourage you to read our new feature, Ways of Giving. Each issue we will highlight a new method of making a philanthropic contribution that may be just what you are looking for.

Thank you again for choosing Lankenau. We are grateful for your friendship and support!

Sincerely,

Phillip D. Robinson, FACHE
President, Lankenau Medical Center
The brand-new LEED-certified expansion of the Lankenau Medical Center represents the latest and most exciting development in our 153-year dedication to cutting-edge technology and a time-tested human touch. With 5 innovative stories and 96 extraordinary private patient rooms engineered via evidence-based design, the new Heart Pavilion is the first of its kind to parallel the patient experience with advanced clinical care.

The next issue of Lankenau Leaders will feature the historic unveiling of this state-of-the-art facility, and an in-depth look at its impact on our community as well as its influential role in delivering world-class medical care to the Philadelphia region and beyond.
To Rose Marie Saunders, Lankenau Medical Center is home. An employee for more than two decades, Rose Marie has come to love Lankenau for its beautiful grounds, inspiring work, and passionate people. But what happens when the tables turn and one of Lankenau’s own becomes the patient?

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<th>Above: Rose Marie receives hugs from daughter Monica and granddaughter Amanda.</th>
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<td>Rose Marie remembers her childhood fondly. She grew up in the Fairmount neighborhood of Philadelphia, graduating from John W. Hallahan High School in 1965. Rose Marie remembers her graduation party as a day that changed her life forever. “My girlfriend brought her friend Robert to the party and introduced us. We just hit it off.” A couple of weeks later, Bob asked Rose Marie out. “Our first date was at a carnival! After that we would go to the movies and take turns picking what to see each week.” But they didn’t always agree. “I loved musicals and Bob liked action movies. He always hated musical week,” Rose Marie reminisces with a smile. Almost two years later in a little Hawaiian restaurant on City Line Avenue, Bob proposed. Rose Marie’s answer? “Oh yes!...Yes!” she proclaims.</td>
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The young couple moved to Drexel Hill to start a family. First came Bobby and then Monica. A close friend, Joyce, had recently started working at Lankenau Hospital in Wynnewood, and referred Rose Marie for a job. “I didn’t care much for our local hospital. To be honest, we used it because I didn’t know any better. It was just closer to home.” But a chance to work at Lankenau looked promising. “I had heard good things about Lankenau. Everyone I knew in the area liked the doctors and thought the hospital was beautiful. I wanted to be a part of it all.”

Rose Marie was hired as a billing clerk and settled in immediately. “Once I started working at Lankenau, this was the place my whole family received their care. We never went back.”

Over the years, Rose Marie became a jack-of-all-trades, from billing clerk to administrative assistant, payroll administrator, working with robotic drugs, and finally, the employee pharmacy. “I loved the environment. When the employee pharmacy came into being it was great – I got to meet everyone. It’s a very sociable environment with lots of personal interactions. It’s a tight knit community.

Everyone cares about each other and everyone is part of the same team.” Involvement at Lankenau is a family affair. “Even my granddaughter, Amanda, started volunteering at Lankenau when she was 14.”

Unfortunately Rose Marie’s family did need to use Lankenau’s medical services when Bob was diagnosed with lung cancer in November 2010. Bob finished treatment in April 2011 but a year later, the cancer returned with a vengeance and had spread to his lymph nodes. And soon, the lives of the Saunders family were about to change forever.

Earlier in 2012, Rose Marie was at work at the employee pharmacy when she became lightheaded and dizzy. A coworker escorted her to the Emergency Department where a slew of tests were performed with no conclusive results. In February, it happened again. Every test came back negative. No one could understand why. In April – at the same time Bob’s cancer returned – Rose Marie slipped and broke her arm, leading her to undergo physical therapy. “Exercise was giving me heart burn. I’d never had it before in my life and thought it might be stress related because of Amanda’s upcoming graduation and my daughter Monica’s wedding that June.” Rose Marie’s primary care physician, Dr. Stephanie Hutchison, prescribed a stress test to see if there were any problems with blood supply to the heart.

The date was June 9. Bob was home recovering from treatment. Rose Marie went for her stress test. “I lasted on the treadmill for only one minute. They lay me down and were monitoring my
Something was terribly wrong. Rose Marie was told she needed an immediate cardiac catheterization. Dr. Eric Gnall performed this procedure which uses dye to watch blood flow to the heart, and uses a thin catheter to travel in blood vessels to the arteries in the heart. “Three hard-to-see arteries at the base of Rose Marie’s heart were almost completely blocked,” says Dr. Gnall. “We inserted special balloons to hold the arteries open until she could have triple bypass surgery.”

By Saturday morning, Rose Marie was in emergency bypass surgery with Dr. Scott Goldman when all of a sudden Rose Marie’s heart stopped. When Rose Marie’s eyes finally opened, she found that her life was forever changed. “I thought I had been asleep for the procedure – for one day. I couldn’t understand why the date on the board in my hospital room was weeks later.” Rose Marie’s granddaughter and son-in-law were at her bedside. “I could see them crying and was wondering ‘why are they so upset?’” Rose Marie quickly realized she couldn’t speak. A tube had been inserted through her neck and into her trachea to pump oxygen to her lungs. She had to use an alphabet chart to spell out words. A port was pumping fluids into her body. A heart and lung machine had been keeping her alive. Her body had shut down and she couldn’t move her head or legs.

During the surgery, Rose Marie’s heart had to be restarted and she had since been kept in an induced coma. She wasn’t expected to live. Ten days after her initial surgery, fluid and clots had built up around her heart and surgeons had to open up her chest once more to drain it. “Bob was home dying from cancer. I had only a 30% chance of surviving the procedure,” Rose Marie says. “My children were faced with losing both their parents.” Over the next two weeks, friends, family, coworkers and caregivers sat with Rose Marie to talk to her and pray. At one point, Bob was hospitalized at Lankenau for dehydration, and each day their son-in-law wheeled him from his inpatient room to Rose Marie’s so he could be by her side.

When it came time, Rose Marie was weaned off the medication that had kept her in a coma and she awoke. Her small frame had ballooned to 250 pounds because of the fluids. “My immediate thought was, how am I going to fit in my dress for Monica’s wedding?” But Rose Marie would soon face the reality that she couldn’t leave the hospital in time. It was less than ten days until the wedding. “Monica asked the nurses on the floor if they knew who she could contact to come to the hospital and do my hair for pictures. They said they would take care of it.” Take care of it they did. Moved by their compassion for Rose Marie, the staff of the cardiothoracic intensive care unit paid out of their own pocket for Rose Marie to have her hair styled, and nails and makeup done. “They went to the gift shop and bought me a scarf to cover my tracheostomy.”

Still unable to speak, Rose Marie was determined
to be a part of her only daughter’s special day. “One of Monica’s friends sat with me in my room during the wedding. She brought her laptop and the church streamed the entire ceremony so I could see Bob walk Monica down the aisle,’” Rose Marie remembers. “He moved very slowly, but I was so proud of him. He was so very sick.”

After the ceremony, the entire wedding party came to Rose Marie’s hospital room at Lankenau for photos. “The staff on the unit had stretched a sheet between two IV poles and rearranged my room so that when the photographer came to take pictures, you couldn’t tell we were in a hospital room.” I am so grateful to everyone at Lankenau who made it possible for me to share that day with Monica, and who made it so special.”

“Everyone at Lankenau has given me kindness above and beyond what I could have imagined.” This kindness was once again overflowing when news spread of Bob’s passing. “I was still in rehab, but they gave me a pass to go home the day before Bob died so I could be with him one last time. There was such a genuine outpouring of support. I can’t begin to describe how many letters, cards, flowers and gifts I received from my caregivers at Lankenau.”

Some would think returning to Lankenau would be a painful experience for someone who suffered so much. However, at age 68, Rose Marie has no intentions of staying away. In October 2012 she returned to her job, part-time at first, then back to full-time after three months. Once unable to speak, Rose Marie’s voice – and her touching story – is now being heard. This soft-spoken woman has few signs of the trauma she has been through in the past year. “I thank God every day for giving me back my life,” she says. “It was easier for him to start my heart again than take Bob’s cancer away so that my children wouldn’t lose two parents in the space of two months – and for that I am forever grateful.”

So what about plans to retire? “My work at Lankenau is my life, and these people are my family! What else would I do?” Rose Marie is adamant. “I want to make sure that the people who got me through this get the recognition they deserve. Without them, I wouldn’t have made it.”

She even wrote a letter to Lankenau President Phil Robinson, recognizing her exceptional experience as a patient. And each day, Rose Marie continues to greet every employee with a smile at the pharmacy window – one of her ways to show appreciation for the team of which she is so proud to be a part.

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Looking back on her inpatient stay at Lankenau, Rose Marie has a new appreciation for her fellow employees – those who she used to pass in the halls, or hand prescriptions to at the employee pharmacy had become her lifeline. “All of the physicians, nurses, technicians, and staff were phenomenal,” she declares. Rose Marie is bursting with names to share: “Samantha, TJ, Karen, Linda, Todd, Brian, Jenna, Loredana, Vi, Elena, Tina, Cailin, Carolyn, Theresa, Mary, Jackie, Suzanne, Aquila, Lauren, Emily, Eden, Alpeth, Velma, Jen, Jacqui, Erin, Jean, Frank…” the list goes on and on as she recalls each member of the team that gave her hope, kept her strong, kept her alive.

By mid-July, when Rose Marie was transferred to Bryn Mawr Rehab Hospital, Bob’s health had worsened. “On my discharge day, my entire Lankenau team showed up with hugs and kisses to say goodbye.” Rose Marie’s face paints the picture of her appreciation for the “overwhelming compassion” she received as a patient.
Big Changes Keep Coming

The face of Lankenau Medical Center’s campus is changing!

Several important pieces of Lankenau Medical Center’s transformational Master Facility Project are now complete.

In March 2013, Lankenau opened its brand new Outpatient Lab and Pre-admission Testing Suite. This all-new suite combines the lab, pre-admission testing and registration departments into a single, easily accessible and much more accommodating space that features private registration stations; spacious waiting areas with natural light; and 14 private rooms for taking blood samples. This new facility – directly accessible from Visitor Parking Garage B – makes outpatient testing as quick and painless as possible!

In December 2012, after much anticipation, Lankenau’s Medical Office Building Atrium re-opened, bigger and brighter than before, and with a full-service Atrium Café. This sun-filled space features expanded seating and boasts views of the new courtyard gardens where patients, visitors and staff can relax and eat outdoors. The renovated corridor connecting Visitor Parking Garage B and the new and improved West Medical Office Building Lobby has also reopened, and is now more spacious and accessible than ever before.
Hospital food – and food in a hospital cafeteria – is notoriously unappetizing. That’s not the case at Lankenau! We recently, opened the doors to our new and expanded Food Court. Previously the Lankenau Cafeteria, our new Food Court features eight stations including a brick oven pizza station made from recycled Lankenau bricks. Whether you crave a home-cooked meal, a sensational salad or a Mediterranean feast, the Food Court has something for everyone. Digital greeter and menu boards now list daily menu selections with healthy icons and calories to help steer guests to nutritious food choices. Construction to our behind-the-scenes kitchen facilities is also complete, meaning hotel-style room service has arrived! Patients are now able to order the meal they want, when they want it, from a menu in their room. This transition is a small change that is making a big difference to our patients.

Each of these projects is an integral part of Lankenau Medical Center’s $465 million campus transformation – The Master Facility Project. This massive project has touched almost every part of our campus from private patient rooms, to public spaces and parking. Clinical areas, research and educational facilities – you name it, we’ve improved it. Thank you for your patience with us during these times of construction. There has been a significant amount of change – and more to come with the recent opening of Lankenau’s new Heart Pavilion – but we are reminded daily that these changes are already improving the experience of the patients, families and visitors who spend time on our campus.
Good news! The IRA Charitable Rollover provision was extended through December 31, 2013 as part of the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012. Individuals who have reached age 70½ can donate up to $100,000 to charitable organizations, including Lankenau Medical Center, directly from their Individual Retirement Account, without treating the distribution as taxable income.

How does this work? The first step is to contact your IRA custodian to learn their procedures. We can also send you a sample letter for your provider that will initiate a rollover. To qualify, your plan administrator must make the distribution directly from your IRA account to us. (If you have retirement assets in a 401(k), 403(b) etc., you must first roll those funds into an IRA, and then you can notify the IRA provider to transfer the funds from the IRA directly to Lankenau.)

What are the tax implications to me? On the Federal level, the donation to Lankenau is not recognized as taxable income, as is normally the case with IRA distributions. However, you cannot claim an income tax charitable deduction for your gift. Each state has different laws, so you should consult with your own advisors.

Does this transfer qualify as my Required Minimum Distribution (RMD)? Yes! One of the major benefits of this provision is that an IRA charitable rollover counts towards your RMD for the year. If you are at least age 70½ and do not need the additional income from your RMD, contributing your IRA distribution to Lankenau Medical Center may make good financial sense for you.

Lankenau can supply a sample letter of instruction that you can send to your plan provider to authorize a transfer. If you would like to request a copy, or have any questions about contributing from an IRA, please contact David Phillips at 484.476.8070 or phillipsda@mlhs.org.

Lankenau Medical Center Foundation recently received a $20,000 gift from an anonymous donor. This individual recognized the dual benefit of making a charitable gift to satisfy the minimum distribution requirement from her IRA, and supporting a worthy cause that she said is “so close to my heart.” This gift was made in recognition of and appreciation for how the Lankenau team has cared for the donor and her family over the years.

Visit www.mainlinehealth.org/lmcgiving to learn about other ways to give.
Lankenau Medical Center gratefully acknowledges the generosity of the below individuals, foundations and corporations. As a non-profit entity, Lankenau relies on charitable contributions to further our mission of providing the superior patient experience through patient care excellence, innovative research and academic excellence. The below gifts and grants are some of the most recent contributions supporting these endeavors.

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania made a $2.5 million grant to support Lankenau’s Master Facility Project (MFP) through its Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program.

$200,000 was received from The Charter Foundation on behalf of Joseph K. Gordon and Leila Gordon, towards a $1.5 million commitment to establish an endowed chair. The Charter Foundation contributed an additional $50,000, fulfilling a $150,000 pledge to help purchase a Fluorescence Activated Cell Sorter used in research endeavors at the Lankenau Institute for Medical Research (LIMR).

Main Line Health (MLH) Trustee Patty Holloway and her husband Gary made a gift of $350,000 towards their $1 million pledge in support of the MFP.

LIMR and Lankenau Trustee Wistar Morris and his wife Martha made a $200,000 gift through The Cotswold Foundation towards their $1 million pledge to support the MFP.

The Pincus Family Foundation made a gift of $50,000 to support Lankenau’s clinics and efforts to provide programs to those in the community that are underinsured and underserved. This latest gift brings the Foundation’s total support to $1 million.

Ira and Eileen Ingerman named Lankenau Medical Center as beneficiary of a $600,000 bequest through a Charitable Remainder Unitrust. This contribution is to endow the Chief Fellow position in Lankenau’s nationally-renowned Cardiovascular Diseases Fellowship.

Main Line Health Trustee Pam Schneider and her husband Tony contributed $100,000 through PTS Foundation towards their pledge of $500,000 supporting the MFP.

Distributions totaling almost $225,000 were received from the Augusta R. Reynolds Charitable Remainder Unitrust. These funds will support Lankenau’s MFP.

The Estate of Patricia M. Fry made a final distribution of more than $93,000, bringing the total contribution to almost $200,000 towards Lankenau’s Dr. J. Montgomery Deaver Fellowship.
Fred and Monette Robinson made their second gift of $30,000 towards their $150,000 pledge supporting the MFP.

The Robinson Segal Family Fund made a gift of $103,000 on behalf of Elissa “Lisa” R. Segal, to acquire Harvey®. The Cardiopulmonary Patient Simulator. “Harvey” will be housed in the Annenberg Simulation Center, a vital component of Lankenau’s MFP. This advanced mannequin will be a valuable addition to the state-of-the-art virtual learning devices utilized in the Cardiovascular Diseases Fellowship program, and other medical education endeavors.

The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation awarded the LIMR Chemical Genomics Center, Inc. (a subsidiary of LIMR) with a Grand Challenges Explorations Grant of $100,000. This grant will fund the research project “A Totally New Approach to Discover Malaria Combination Drugs,” led by Dr. Melvin Reichman.

Pamela Berkman and her husband David made a gift of $25,000 towards their $100,000 pledge to support the MFP.

Dominic Conicelli, Sr. made a gift of $20,000 towards his $100,000 pledge to support the Heart Pavilion.

Lankenau Emeritus Trustee Dan Green made a gift of $20,000 towards his $100,000 pledge to the MFP.

Lankenau Emeritus Trustee Edward L. Jones, Jr. and his wife, Lankenau Women’s Board member Meredith, made a $20,000 gift towards their $100,000 pledge to the MFP.

Lankenau physician and Trustee Dr. Jerry Santoro and his wife Wendy made an additional $25,000 pledge bringing their total commitment in support of the MFP to $75,000.

Ione A. Strauss made a gift of more than $75,000 to Lankenau. This gift, made in honor of Dr. Ned C. Carp, will support research and educational endeavors with which Dr. Carp is involved, including breast cancer and other cancer studies.

Lankenau Trustee Barbara Hauptfuhrer and her husband Robert made two gifts totaling $45,000 in fulfillment of their $50,000 pledge to support the MFP.*

Lankenau President Phil Robinson made an additional pledge of $25,000, bringing his total commitment in support of the MFP to $50,000.

Lankenau Trustee Barbara Seegul and her husband, continued on page 17

*Editor's note: Sadly, Robert Hauptfuhrer passed away shortly before this issue went to press.
In January 2013, Lankenau launched a series of free monthly physician-led seminars at the Kaiserman JCC in Wynnewood and at the Main Line Health Broomall location in the Lawrence Park Shopping Center. These wellness-oriented programs have been a huge success and give members of our community the opportunity to learn how to make healthy lifestyle choices. Now these seminars are expanding to Whole Foods in Plymouth Meeting. Anyone can attend – and it is free of charge!

Topics so far have included diet and exercise, preventing a heart attack or stroke, and tips for getting a good night's sleep, just to name a few. The summer sessions focused on getting ready for summer, controlling blood pressure and diabetes, and surviving the great outdoors.

This speaker series is just one of the ways in which we are embracing our role as providers of healthcare, to not only treat those in sickness, but also provide for our community in times of wellness.

If you would like more information on upcoming topics or to register for a free seminar you can visit: www.mainlinehealth.org/events.

Lankenau Medical Center Foundation received more than $5.7 million in charitable gifts to support programs and services at Lankenau Hospital, the Lankenau Institute for Medical Research (LIMR) and the Walter & Leonore Annenberg Conference Center for Medical Education in fiscal year 2012 (July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012). In order to be better stewards of our resources, which include your charitable donations, we now list the annual Donor Report online rather than in print.

You can visit: www.mainlinehealth.org/LankenauDonors for Lankenau statistics and leadership, and a listing of the incredibly generous community members who supported our institution.
The Lankenau Medical Center Foundation Board recently welcomed four new Trustees, each of whom has a unique and personal dedication to Lankenau. We are honored to welcome these distinguished individuals during such a pivotal moment in Lankenau’s history.

Carol Cutler received her Bachelor of Arts in geography from Bucknell University and worked with several financial institutions in the commercial market lending divisions over the course of her career including Fidelity Bank, Mellon Bank, and Daiwa Bank. Carol credits Chief of Cardiac Surgery, Dr. Francis Sutter, with saving her life after a heart attack, and was featured in the video Tomorrow, which was produced for the 150th Anniversary celebration of Lankenau Medical Center. Mrs. Cutler is involved in Lankenau’s Women’s Heart Initiative, the mission of which is to raise women’s awareness of their risk of heart disease—the number one cause of death in women.

Leonid “Leon” Frenkel is Founder and Senior Managing Member of Triage Capital Management, LP and was a former Director of Tasker Products Corp. Mr. Frenkel achieved his Master’s degree in Engineering from Kiev University before he and his family emigrated to the United States from Russia in 1976. He has also studied business and accounting at both Columbia University and Drexel University.

Frank C. McGeehin, III, MD is Director of Clinical Cardiology for Main Line Health and a member of the Lankenau Heart Group. A graduate of Temple University School of Medicine, Dr. McGeehin received his Internal Medicine and Cardiovascular Disease specialty training at Lankenau and joined the medical staff in 1985. Dr. McGeehin is a former member of the Board of Main Line Health and the Jefferson Health System Board in addition to holding a number of other positions at Lankenau. Dr. McGeehin is frequently cited as a “Top Doctor” in U.S. News & World Report, Philadelphia magazine and Main Line Today magazine.

Devang Kantesaria, MD is a general partner at Valley Forge Capital and Devon Park Bioventures. Previously he was a Principal at TL Venture. He serves on the Boards of several biotechnology companies. Dr. Kantesaria completed his Bachelor of Science in Biology at MIT and earned his MD degree from Harvard Medical School. He was selected as a “Top 40 Under 40” in the Philadelphia metro area by the Philadelphia Business Journal.

The Lankenau Medical Center Foundation is a charitable, tax-exempt organization benefiting Lankenau Hospital and the Lankenau Institute for Medical Research.
Dr. Francis Sutter, Chief of Cardiac Surgery, Lankenau Medical Center and his wife Marilu hosted the John D. Lankenau Society President’s Reception at their home in Gladwyne in November 2012. This annual event honors supporters and members of the John D. Lankenau Society – donors of $1,000 or more annually. This year, the almost 200 attendees enjoyed a brief program highlighting recent Master Facility Project developments, and a testimonial from a patient of Dr. Sutter’s followed by a medical-themed buffet dinner. The members of the John D. Lankenau Society contributed gifts in excess of $5 million in fiscal year 2012.

For more information, visit: www.mainlinehealth.org/JohnDLankenauSociety.

1. L to R: Alice Chase, President, Women’s Board of Lankenau Medical Center (LMC); Louise Havens; Peter Havens, Lankenau and Main Line Health Trustee and Chair of the Lankenau Institute for Medical Research (LIMR) Board; Marilu Sutter; Dr. Francis Sutter, Chief of Cardiac Surgery, LMC; Phil Robinson, President, LMC.
Awards and Recognition

**100 Top Hospitals® 2013**
Lankenau Medical Center was named one of the nation’s 100 Top Hospitals® by Truven Health Analytics, formerly the health care business of Thomson Reuters. Truven Health researchers evaluated nearly 3,000 hospitals across the country for their performance in 10 areas including clinical outcomes, patient safety and patient satisfaction. This is the second consecutive year that we have been recognized with this honor, and Lankenau is one of only two hospitals in all of Pennsylvania to have earned this exclusive ranking.

**Top Quintile of Health Systems 2013**
Main Line Health (MLH) has been named among the top 20% of health systems in the nation by Truven Health Analytics. Listed in the “medium health systems” category, MLH is the only health system in Pennsylvania recognized.

**100 Great Hospitals in America 2013**
Becker’s Hospital Review recently announced its 2013 list of “100 Great Hospitals,” that are “home to medical breakthroughs and anchors of health within their respective communities.” Lankenau was one of only three institutions in the Philadelphia area to have made this list. Lankenau President Phil Robinson was also recognized by Becker’s as one of the “100 Leaders of Great Hospitals in America.”

**Distinguished Hospital Award for Clinical Excellence 2013**
This award from Healthgrades places Lankenau among the top five percent of more than 4,500 hospitals nationwide for clinical performance.

**Get With The Guidelines® Stroke Gold Plus Quality Achievement Award 2013**
This is the third consecutive year Lankenau has received the Stroke Gold Plus recognition from the American Heart Association. The award recognizes our commitment and success in implementing a higher standard of care by ensuring that stroke patients receive treatment according to nationally accepted guidelines.

**Blue Distinction Centers for Specialty Care®**
Independence Blue Cross has named Lankenau a Blue Distinction Center for Knee and Hip Replacement and Cardiac Care. Research confirms that the newly designated Blue Distinction Centers demonstrate lower rates of complications and readmissions than their peers.
For information about purchasing tickets or sponsoring the Gala, please contact Sue Williamson at 484.476.2139 or visit www.mainlinehealth.org/deaver.

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David made a $50,000 multi-year pledge in support of the MFP. They recently made a $10,000 contribution towards this pledge and an additional $10,000 gift in support of Lankenau’s highest priority needs.

Penny Weiner made a $50,000 gift to support the Master Facility Project.

Lankenau Trustee Chuck Pennoni and his wife Annette made a gift of $30,000 through the Pennoni Family Foundation to support the MFP – specifically the cardiovascular program. The Pennonis made an additional $10,000 gift through the Foundation to support the cardiovascular program’s highest priority needs.

Vincent and Veronica Piazza made a gift of $20,000 to support the new Heart Pavilion. This gift brings their total support of the Pavilion to $40,000.

Aetna, Inc. contributed almost $32,000 to support the ER@MyHealthAcademy educational enrichment program for inner-city high school students, started by Dr. Barry Mann, MLH Chief Academic Officer.

Lankenau Medical Center Foundation Board Chairman Alfred W. Putnam, Jr. and his wife Kathleen made a gift of stock totaling almost $27,000 to support the MFP.

Lankenau physicians Drs. Mary and Jim Burke made a $25,000 commitment to support Fellowship programs at Lankenau. The Thomas H. and Barbara W. Gale Foundation of Ohio made its sixth $25,000 grant since 2007 in support of Lankenau’s Cancer Risk Assessment and Genetics program. The gift was in honor of Dr. Terri McHugh, director of the program, and will support her work.

Lankenau physician and Trustee Dr. Bill Lewis and his wife Nancy made a $25,000 pledge to support the MFP. An anonymous donor made a contribution of $20,000 from her IRA in gratitude for the care she and her family have received at Lankenau. This was made possible through a special provision in the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012. For more information on how you can make a similar gift see page 9.

For the third consecutive year, the students of Belmont Hills Elementary School held a “Walk for the Cure” to raise money for cancer research at Lankenau. The proceeds from the walk, in combination with fundraising activities performed by students – such as making the bed, walking the dog or donating their pocket money – totaled more than $3,000.