



## Mary Solomons, Executive Director Saratoga Hospital Foundation

- There is something about fall that feels like the start of a new year, even more so than January 1. At Saratoga Hospital and the Foundation, we recently celebrated several new beginnings.
- We welcomed Jill VanKuren as our new CEO and President; Jill brings a wealth of knowledge from her 17 years with MedStar Franklin Square Medical Center, one of the largest integrated healthcare systems in the DC-metro area.
- We presented our first Grateful Patient pin. Has a Saratoga Hospital staff member or department made a difference in your care? A gift in their honor will designate them as a Saratoga Hospital Hero with permanent recognition in the form of a pin.



- And for those who like to get a start on their holiday shopping, do not miss the opportunity to order your Saratoga Hospital ornament now! This year's ornament recognizes the iconic Stewarts Shop.

## Saratoga Hospital Welcomes Jill VanKuren as President and CEO

Jill VanKuren joined us as president and CEO of Saratoga Hospital in September.

VanKuren has over 17 years of experience with the largest integrated healthcare system in the Baltimore-Washington metropolitan area. Most recently, She served as senior vice president of operations and chief operating officer at MedStar Franklin Square Medical Center, one of 10 MedStar hospitals. Click [here](#) for full press release.



## Grateful Patient Program

Patients and their families often ask how they can best convey their thanks for the expert, compassionate care they received while at Saratoga Hospital or satellite offices. As an expression of their gratitude, many patients choose to make a gift to Saratoga Hospital

through the [Grateful Patient Program](#). When you make a gift to the Grateful Patient Program, you can recognize the staff member or department as a Saratoga Hospital Hero.



Cara Milde's daughter, Lizzie, hands Dr. Dorothy Reynolds her Saratoga Hospital Hero pin.

"By the time we met Dr. Dorothy Reynolds in November 2021, we'd taken our daughter, Lizzie, to numerous ophthalmologists and hadn't been able to resolve her problem. Within moments of meeting Dr. Reynolds and describing my daughter's symptoms, she was able to provide a diagnosis and, a short while later, perform a simple surgery that dramatically improved Lizzie's vision and quality of life.

Dr. Reynolds' team is so friendly, kind, and knowledgeable. We always felt we were in the best possible hands. We're eternally grateful to Dr. Reynolds for her expertise and the exceptional care she provided to Lizzie. There is no thank you big enough, but each day when we look into our daughter's beautiful eyes, we're reminded of how lucky we are to have Dr. Reynolds at Saratoga Hospital." Cara Milde

To make a gift or for more information, contact [Lauren Balogun](#).

## Donor Spotlight



Left to Right: Lisa West, MSN, RN, administrative director of emergency and urgent care services, Robert Nemer, Nemer Motor Group, Dr. Robert Donnaruma, chair of the Department of Emergency Medicine, Eric Nemer, Nemer Motor Group, Mary Solomons, Executive Director Saratoga Hospital Foundation

[Nemer Motor Group](#) and the Nemer family have once again [stepped up](#) to support cardiac care at Saratoga Hospital—this time, with equipment to help meet increased demand for cardiac monitoring in the Hospital's Alfred Z. Solomon Emergency Center.

"Chest pain is the second most frequent complaint of Emergency Department patients worldwide," said Lisa West, administrative director of emergency and urgent care services at Saratoga Hospital. "Thanks to the Nemers' generosity, we now have an additional cardiac monitor—an invaluable tool for giving patients the best chance for a positive outcome."

## Saratoga Hospital Foundation Summer Events



The 40th Annual Gala raised over \$500,000 for Saratoga Community Health Center, with nearly 900 guests. This includes generous support for the Sam Calbone Addiction Medicine Patient Fund which pays tribute to Angelo Calbone's accomplishments as President and CEO of Saratoga Hospital; acknowledges the essential support of his wife, Kate; and memorializes their son, Sam. Presenting sponsor for the event was Julie & Co Realty & Bonacio Construction.

## 2022 Holiday Ornament



This year's collectible ornament honors Stewart's Shops, a chain of convenience stores owned and operated by the Dake family since 1945.

Ornaments are now available at Crafters Gallery, Impressions and Treasures for \$20. Ornaments will also be available at Adirondack Trust at the end of the month. Contact Madison Mendel to order or purchase online.

Past ornaments seen here are \$15 each, or you may purchase four (of your choosing) for \$50. All proceeds support Saratoga Hospital's Cancer Patient Fund.



The Golf Invitational drew 208 golfers and raised \$214,000 to support Saratoga Hospital's Nursing Scholarship Program. Currently there are 59 employees in the program. Presenting sponsor for the event was AOW Construction, with top sponsors including Pepsi, Saratoga National Golf Club, Northcountry Janitorial, Adirondack Trust and Death Wish Coffee.

## Giving Tuesday



Join the movement and give – each Tuesday and every day – whether it's some of your time, a donation, or the power of your voice in our community. Stay tuned to our social media to see how you can help the Foundation on this Giving Tuesday, November 29th.

## UPCOMING EVENTS





**Cantina Kids Fun Run**

**June 4, 2023**  
Congress Park

**Gala**

**August 2, 2023**  
Saratoga Casino

**Golf Invitational**

**September 13, 2023**  
Saratoga National Golf Club

**New Mailing Address?**

We don't want you to miss out on any of our latest news or upcoming events.  
Send new address to: [foundation@saratogahospital.org](mailto:foundation@saratogahospital.org)

**SHOW YOUR SUPPORT**

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