



Summer 2022 Quarterly Newsletter



A Message from Mary Solomons, Executive Director, Saratoga Hospital Foundation

For so many people, Saratoga Springs is the summer place to be—and thanks in large part to your generosity, visitors have access to quality medical care should they need it.

The Cantina Kids Fun Run, which returned to Congress Park on Sunday, June 5, raised funds to enhance pediatric healthcare services in the Alfred Z. Solomon Emergency Center. In every one of our 28 locations, patients will benefit from highly trained nurses who took advantage of the nursing education scholarship, funded by the Saratoga Hospital Golf Invitational (scheduled for September 14, 2022).

And for the locals who love a Saratoga party, too, the Annual Gala is a major source of support for the Saratoga Community Health Center, which provides primary care, dental, behavioral health, and addiction medicine services to the community, regardless of ability to pay. Join us on August 3 for a Great Gatsby-themed celebration that will have a profound impact on thousands of patients and their families all year long. [Tickets](#) are on sale now.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support of Saratoga Hospital.

Upcoming Events



Annual Gala
August 3, 2022
Soccer Fields, Saratoga Casino
Tickets Now on Sale



Golf Invitational
September 14, 2022
\$10,000 Raffle
Tickets Now on Sale



Cantina Kids Fun Run
June 2, 2023
Save the Date!
Congress Park

Cantina Kids Fun Run Raises \$75,000 for Children's Healthcare



The 14th Annual Cantina Kids Fun Run drew 911 participants and raised \$75,000 to support children's healthcare at Saratoga Hospital—bringing the total raised to date to over \$756,000. The run returned to Congress Park June 5 after a two-year COVID-19 hiatus. Presenting sponsor for the event was New Country Motor Car Group. Read more [here](#).

2022 Saratoga Hospital Foundation 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 will be available later this summer for \$20. Contact [Madison Mendel](#) to pre-order or pre-order [online](#).

If you missed out on purchasing one of the other ornaments, take advantage of our Christmas in July sale. 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.

Grateful Patient Program



Patients and families often ask how they can best express their thanks for the expert, compassionate care they received while at Saratoga Hospital. One way to express your gratitude—and benefit other patients—is to make a gift to Saratoga Hospital through our Grateful Patient Program. Donations of any amount recognize our staff for their exceptional care and help us continue to provide that same great care to others.

If a provider, support staff, or entire department went above and beyond during your patient experience, please consider making a gift in their honor. They will be recognized as a Saratoga Hospital Hero and will receive a lapel pin acknowledging both their commitment to excellence and your gratitude. Their pins will be a source of personal pride and an inspiration to others. To make a gift or for more information contact [Lauren Balogun](#).

Foundation Funding Focus



Saratoga Hospital Backstretch Clinic

The Backstretch Clinic, opened in 2009, provides comprehensive healthcare services to backstretch workers each year during the Saratoga meet. These physicians serve as primary care providers for these patients who do not always have access to doctors, despite the fact that at least half suffer from preexisting conditions like diabetes and hypertension. The team at the Backstretch Clinic sees approximately 800 patients each season.

Saratoga Hospital, with financial support from John Hendrickson and in partnership with the New York Racing Association and BEST (Backstretch Employee Service Team of NY), will break ground on a new clinic space this July. They hope to complete the project in time for the 2023 season. If you are interested in donating funds for medical equipment and health education programs, contact [Mary Solomons](#).

To learn more about Dr. Alexander Cardiel, Medical Director for Backstretch Employee Service

Donor Spotlight



Saratoga Hospital was pleased to receive a generous bequest commitment from Bob and Debbie Jaffe, in support of the Hospital, and an endowment for Saratoga Community Health Center. The Jaffes were inducted into the Legacy Society in November 2021.

For more information on the Legacy Society, please contact [Lauren Balogun](#).



Since 2007, Kweilyn Taylor has personally donated \$50,000—including at least one month's pay per year—to support patients receiving care at the Mollie Wilmot Radiation Oncology Center. Her gifts primarily underwrite things insurance does not cover, including travel expenses to and from treatment and help with copayments. In honor of her dedication and generosity, the Radiation Oncology Center established the Kweilyn Taylor Survivor Retreat in 2017, where cancer patients, survivors, and caregivers gather together for mindfulness activities and other support.

Kweilyn's donation have made a significant impact on the lives of so many patients and families—but for her, it's not about the recognition. It is always about the people. "It know that it makes a difference," she says. "I've seen it."

New Mailing Address?

We don't want you to miss out on any of the upcoming events and initiatives.
Send to: foundation@saratogahospital.org

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