Since rejoining the hospital family in June, I have been so impressed by the steadfast friendship and support of our donors. I am heartened by the generosity and enthusiasm of the hospital’s many friends at both campuses and in the communities we faithfully serve.

At the heart of all we do is fulfilling the charitable needs of the hospital. The philanthropic commitment of our donors is vital to providing each and every patient with the highest level of care.

The support of our donors can be witnessed first-hand throughout the hospital. The more than 2,000 people who are listed on the following pages have helped support many vital projects at the hospital. These include recent renovations and expansions of the Emergency Department at both New Britain General and Bradley Memorial, and the cardiac catheterization lab; enhancements to existing programs and services; and the creation of new programs. It is with great pride that we provide the people who have helped make these projects possible with this public recognition of their thoughtful support.

As you read the stories in this issue, the true spirit of community is reflected in the charitable support of our donors. You will see evidence of that spirit in the donors we have profiled. All of these donors demonstrate their dedication to helping others and share how much their giving to The Hospital of Central Connecticut means to them.

I look forward to continuing the philanthropic mission of the hospital and working together to be part of the hospital’s promising future.

Sincerely,

Wendy M. Lux, CFRE
Executive Director of Development

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The annual Chairman’s Dinner was also held in October. Hospital Chairman of the Board Frank Miller welcomed guests and spoke about the growth and changes in the hospital over the past year. He then introduced guest speaker Dr. Ronald Mallett, an internationally recognized theoretical physicist from the University of Connecticut and author of Time Traveler, A Scientist’s Personal Mission to Make Time Travel a Reality.

All gifts, large and small, have touched the lives of many through compassionate care and advancements in medicine. We are proud that The Hospital of Central Connecticut is here for you, close to home, when you need us. Please consider making a gift today to the 2009-10 Annual Fund. Donations can be mailed to the hospital’s Development Office, or you can make your gift online at www.thocc.org/giving.

Laurence Tanner (right) with President’s Luncheon presenter, Dr. Thomas Lane (left), and Hospital board members Lindsey Wellman (back) and Marie Gustin.
When Daniel North was a teenager in the mid-1930s, he often took short walks from his home near Walnut Hill Park to the hospital on the hill. He liked to visit his father, James S. North, who was president of what was then known as New Britain General Hospital. James was a retired industrialist when he was named hospital president in 1935, and he had done well for himself and his family.

“My Great-Uncle Dan came from what you might call a privileged background,” says Ted Parsons of Plainville, Daniel North’s great-nephew. “But Dan’s father always taught him to share what he had. He instilled in his son a great desire to help people.”

And Dan North did — throughout his entire life, and even after his passing.

Sadly, Dan died in November 2008 at age 89, after a courageous battle with cancer. A longtime supporter of New Britain General Hospital (now The Hospital of Central Connecticut), Dan made arrangements before his death for a $100,000 planned gift to the hospital.

Dan’s was an unrestricted gift, which allows the hospital to dedicate funds to the areas of greatest need and provide a wide variety of services to patients and the community. “With his donations to the hospital during his life and his generous planned gift, Dan North left a legacy of health and well-being to the community where he grew up,” says Wendy M. Lux, CFRE, executive director of Development at the hospital. “This is what makes planned gifts so special — they allow a donor to make a difference in so many people’s lives for generations to come.”

Dan always made an enormous difference in the lives of others, supporting many causes near and dear to his heart throughout his life. After graduating from Avon Old Farms school, he attended Trinity College, was a highly decorated U.S. Coast Guard veteran and served on the Atlantic Coast during World War II.

Following his military service, he edited papers in Mystic and Cleburne, Tex., then moved to Litchfield in 1955, where he was the editor of the Litchfield Enquirer. There, he supported the Litchfield Community Center, Litchfield Library, Clearwater and the Willington Library. An avid outdoorsman who loved to hike and fish, Dan donated land to the town of Willington that’s been preserved in its natural state for future generations.

Dan never forgot his roots, supporting the New Britain Museum of American Art and New Britain General Hospital during his life, along with Trinity College.

According to his family, Daniel North was a true “Renaissance man,” who had a passion for literature, the environment, the arts, theater and music. He performed in local theater productions and was an avid runner, even into his later years. He often ran in mud races, and was an early sponsor of the Litchfield Road Race and the Goshen Turkey Trot.

But what Dan loved most of all was people — and they loved him, according to his great-nephew. “He was a much-revered man,” Ted says. “He had a great, sincere interest in all people. He told me, ‘You can always learn something from others.’”

New Britain native leaves legacy of health

As the name implies, planned gifts are donations planned ahead of time to support a charitable organization. Some planned gifts are made during the donor’s lifetime, but many become effective after the donor’s passing.

There are different ways to make a planned gift, including:

• Making a bequest in your will to a charitable organization
• Donating proceeds from a trust
• Designating a charitable organization the beneficiary of a life insurance policy or retirement account
• Donating real estate or other assets
• Establishing a gift annuity, which provides the donor an income during his or her lifetime, but also allows for an eventual donation to a charitable organization.

Planned gifts offer many advantages, including reduced taxes, and can help donors realize their personal philanthropic and financial goals, while providing lasting support for The Hospital of Central Connecticut.

To learn more about planned giving at The Hospital of Central Connecticut, contact Wendy Lux in the Development Office, (860) 224-5567 or wlux@thocc.org.
In its 68 years of giving, the Community Foundation of Greater New Britain has helped improve countless lives. It has also helped save some.

Two Community Foundation grants in recent years have supported expansion and renovation of The Hospital of Central Connecticut’s Emergency Department, ensuring the hospital is ready, 24/7, to treat everything from cuts and bruises to heart attacks and other life-threatening emergencies.

“When we’re considering funding requests, two things we ask are, ‘Will it benefit the entire community?’ and, ‘Is the project meeting a need?’” says James G. Williamson, Community Foundation of Greater New Britain president. “There’s no question the Emergency Department projects met both criteria.”

Both Community Foundation grants for the ED, $150,000 in 2004, and $50,000 in 2008, were challenge grants that matched hospital employee donations.

“The wonderful response the hospital received from its employees and physicians clearly motivated us to support these projects,” Williamson says. So did the statistics on emergency department use.

Locally and nationwide, more and more people have been using EDs as their main source of care. Many of those people are uninsured or have insufficient health insurance coverage. They’re the kinds of people the Community Foundation of Greater New Britain was established to help. The Community Foundation’s founding purpose was—and continues to be—to provide a permanent “safety net” for the community.

The Community Foundation (then called the New Britain Foundation for Public Giving) started in 1941, with $30,000 in gifts from The Stanley Works and New Britain Machine. In 2004 its name was changed to the Community Foundation of Greater New Britain to reflect its service to four communities: New Britain, Berlin, Plainville and Southington.

Now one of the oldest community foundations in the country, the Community Foundation of Greater New Britain has assets totaling $26 million and awards nearly $1 million annually to support health, social services, education, arts and culture, civic affairs, community and economic development and the environment.

It does so through more than 150 different funds, including scholarship funds, discretionary funds and The Catalyst Fund, in which donors pool their resources and make grants as a group. The Community Foundation also has 28 donor-advised funds, established by individuals, families or local businesses.

In 1997, Marie Gustin established a donor-advised fund, The Susie and Charles Gustin Memorial Fund, in memory of her parents. The Fund donates to The Hospital of Central Connecticut, Hospital for Special Care and education and art initiatives in the city.

“I have very high regard for The Hospital of Central Connecticut,” says Gustin, former New Britain Schools superintendent and a member of the hospital’s board of directors. “My parents received good care, and I’m glad the hospital was there when we needed it.”

She’s grateful for the Community Foundation’s assistance, which allowed her to establish a fund that supports her community and honors her parents’ generous spirit.

“My parents were the sunshine in my life,” she says. “Hopefully, through the grants we’ve made through the Community Foundation, we can bring rays of hope to other people.”

The Gustin Fund is one of several Community Foundation donor-advised funds that benefit The Hospital of Central Connecticut, along with other local organizations.

These funds highlight one of the unique features—and strengths—of community foundations, Williamson says. In addition to supporting organizations in need, community foundations provide expertise and assistance to donors—everything from research to help with legal and financial matters.

“We’re like the Swiss Army Knife of philanthropy. We have all these little tools we can use to help donors,” Williamson says.

That assistance is highly personalized, he adds. “Before any grants are made, we have long conversations with donors about their intent. Some donors know exactly where they want their money to go; others ask us to help identify a need in the community and which organizations are addressing it.”

Recently, the Community Foundation was contacted by a donor who had left New Britain, but still wanted to help families in need here. After talking at length with the donor, Community Foundation staff did some research and matched the donor with the Mayor’s Work Plan to End Homelessness in New Britain.

“That’s what we do at the Community Foundation,” Williamson says. “We connect donors who care with causes that matter.”

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An educator for 35 years, Bruce Rudolph taught many subjects, including math, science, English, and probably a bit about life, to countless 5th, 6th and 7th graders in the Wallingford school system.

His wife, Katherine, also a long-time teacher, specialized in helping children with learning disabilities at Thomas Hooker Elementary School in Meriden. Altruistic in nature, Katherine liked doing things for people, Rudolph recalls, having coordinated school activities like student council and talent shows.

Her penchant for giving and their passion for teaching are woven together in a gift to The Hospital of Central Connecticut (HCC) that will both educate and ideally help save lives from diseases like ovarian cancer, from which Katherine died in 2007 at age 54.

With a lead gift of $250,000 from Bruce Rudolph in 2008 in memory of his wife, the Katherine Ann King Rudolph Hereditary Cancer Genetics Program aims to identify adult patients at increased risk for cancer due to their genetic makeup. It empowers them, through counseling, to make decisions regarding possible treatment. Led by HCC, the program is part of a regional genetic counseling and testing program begun in October that includes Hartford Hospital and St. Francis Hospital and Medical Center. The fund, which includes a state grant and has a $1 million goal, will help provide access to genetic counseling for patients in central Connecticut and greater Hartford.

Patients with a history of two or more cancers breast, ovarian or colon, or a family history strong in certain cancers are potential candidates for counseling and genetic testing. “Information is empowering, it seems to me,” says Rudolph, who notes the importance in coupling counseling with genetic testing. “Counseling and genetic testing seem, absent a test for certain cancers, to be the best way to proceed in breaking the mystery of breast, ovarian or colon cancer.”

Rudolph views the lead gift as an extension of his wife’s personality. “She was a very purposeful person and much of what she spent her time doing had somebody else’s benefit in mind,” he says. “This program continues her willingness to help other people and will, hopefully, continue in perpetuity.”

Rudolph is grateful to Dr. Hoffman and HCC staff, including President and Chief Executive Officer Laurence A. Tanner for his wife’s care.

“The gift is going where I think Katherine would want it to go,” says Rudolph. “It’s Dr. Hoffman’s footsteps that put the program together.”

For more information about the genetics program, please contact genetic counselor Linda Steinmark, B.A., M.S., at (860) 224-5900 x6630 or visit www.thocc.org/services/cancer.

To donate to either the Katherine A. & Bruce A. Rudolph Hereditary Cancer Genetics Fund or the James S. Hoffman, M.D., Gynecologic Oncology Fund, please contact Wendy Lux in the Development Office at (860) 224-3557 or wlux@thocc.org; or, you may give online at www.thocc.org/giving/.
Bradley Memorial campus Auxiliary

- The Bradley Memorial campus Auxiliary held their Fashion Show, “A World of Fashion,” on Sept. 30 at the Aqua Turf Club in Southington. Our board members and employees worked diligently to sell tickets and secure raffle prizes for the event. The Auxiliary thanks all of the Bradley Memorial campus employees and physicians, town officials, and all the other models who did a wonderful job showing off all the fall fashions on the runway, as well as our loyal sponsors for their support. A special thanks to Laurence A. Tanner, president and CEO of HCC, and Clarence Silvia, senior vice president of operations, who served signature drinks to our guests.

- The show drew more than 450 people and raised nearly $14,000 toward the acquisition of new cardiology ultrasound technology and equipment for the Bradley campus.

- Our final check in the amount of $10,000 was presented at our joint auxiliary meeting on Nov. 17. (photo 1)

- In June 2009 the Auxiliary lost lifetime member Patricia D’Angelo. A scholarship fund was set up by her family in her memory to grant financial assistance to a worthy high school student going into the medical field.

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New Britain General campus Auxiliary

- Faced with unprecedented fundraising challenges, the incredible spirit within the talented and committed auxiliary board propelled us to carry on the rich tradition of providing financial and service support to the hospital.

- This year, the Kathleen Boudreau Scholarship was awarded to Lindsay Piotrowicz, a graduate of Berlin High School who will enter the nursing program at Quinnipiac University. The $500 scholarship was established in honor of Kathleen Boudreau, a former LPN and hospital volunteer at HCC, New Britain General campus. (photo 2)

- The 19th Annual Auxiliary Golf Tournament was held at Tunxis Plantation in Farmington on June 9, 2009. The tournament raised $70,000 to help defray the cost of a Maternal fetal medicine ultrasound machine for the hospital’s birthing unit. (photo 3)

- As part of the Auxiliary’s newly adopted strategic plan, an afternoon tea in March established a Presidents’ Council. The meeting was held at Shuttle Meadow Country Club and was a wonderful opportunity not only to rekindle special friendships, but to share ideas and explore ways that the Auxiliary Board of Directors and the Presidents’ Council can work together. Seventeen past presidents comprise the Council, which is busy planning fundraising activities to augment the work of the Auxiliary.

- The largest Chrysanthemum Ball in our 100-plus year history was held on November 7, 2009 at the Aqua Turf in Southington. The gala was in honor of Laurence A. Tanner, President and CEO of HCC and the Central Connecticut Health Alliance. The event was a huge success, allowing the Auxiliary to provide funding to help establish the hospital’s Comprehensive Breast Center. (photo 4)

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The Hospital’s most recent Capital Campaign, which took place between 2003 and 2005, raised more than $7.8 million in contributions for four capital projects at the hospital: the new American Savings Foundation Radiation Oncology Treatment Center, our new special procedure suites for Interventional Radiology and Cardiac Catheterization, and the expansion and renovation of our Emergency Department on the New Britain General campus.

A number of individuals, businesses, foundations and local organizations continue to generously provide funds to make this campaign and we’d like to recognize those donors who made gifts to the campaign during our most recent fiscal year of October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009. If your name is inadvertently misspelled or omitted, please accept our apologies and notify us by calling our Development office at 860-224-5567. Thank you.

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