

Healthy Giving

Taking Wing Gala Celebrates Orchard Pavilion Renovation and Expansion

Friends and supporters of El Camino Health were thrilled to gather in person at Los Altos Golf & Country Club on May 14, 2022 for Taking Wing, a gala benefiting the renovation and expansion of the Orchard Pavilion for Maternal and Child Health. They mingled and dined in the outdoor courtyard overlooking the 18th hole before moving into the dining room for a short, inspirational program.

“Tonight is a celebration - of being together in person after such a long time apart, of El Camino Health’s best-in-class maternal child services, and of the new vision for mother, baby, and family care,” proclaimed Gala Chair Katherine Kennedy Allen, as she welcomed the guests. The grateful mother of a now thriving kindergartener who spent 63 days in our Mountain View hospital’s

neonatal intensive care unit, and survivor of a subsequent Caesarean section following a dangerous uterine rupture, extolled the hospital explaining, “Throughout the years, we have had experiences at other hospitals, but it is El Camino Health that has continuously made us feel like family, like a name, not a number, and always a priority.”

El Camino Health CEO Dan Woods proudly touted the hospital’s place on Newsweek’s lists of top hospitals in the world and top maternity hospitals in the country. “Tonight, we are investing in the next generation to give them the best and brightest start,” he said. He went on to describe the construction plans and process for the Orchard Pavilion renovation, crediting input from staff, physicians, patients and families like

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Grant Allen, Andrew Cope, Katherine Kennedy Allen, Barbara Kennedy

Orchard Pavilion Construction Update

[El Camino Health Chief Administrative Services Officer Ken King took Taking Wing attendees on a video hard hat tour of the Orchard Pavilion construction site.](#) The first stage of the three-phase renovation and expansion is well underway and is expected to be completed early next year. It encompasses the ground floor entry, expansion to the second and third floors (which previously housed physician offices), and general building upgrades.

The tour started at the Orchard Pavilion entry, which will have a new canopy, vestibule, and drop-off area to make the building feel more open and welcoming, as well as easier to find. Inside, visitors will stop at a check-in station that provides security for the entire building. There will be a café with indoor and outdoor dining areas, a welcome new amenity for visitors and staff.

The next stop was the neonatal intensive care unit, which will occupy the entire second floor. Unlike the current NICU, which has three crowded bays of six incubators each, the new unit will have 19 private rooms with space for parents to stay overnight, a five-bed pod for babies requiring shorter term care, and respite areas for family members. “The technology and equipment and the services in the room will make it easier for

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Message from the Foundation Chair

“Accept Nothing Less.” That is the slogan of El Camino Health’s recently launched marketing campaign. When patients and families come to our hospitals, they should expect good results and compassionate treatment. Your donations add the extra margin of excellence that support our doctors and nurses, who provide both in equal doses. The impact is evident at the Cancer Center and Norma Melchor Heart & Vascular Institute, in the Scrivner Center for Mental Health & Addiction Services and the Orchard Pavilion for maternal and child health – indeed throughout the El Camino Health system – and in the awards our hospitals continue to garner, most recently inclusion on Newsweek’s lists of the world’s best hospitals and the country’s best maternity hospitals.

For much of the past two years, you have been contributing from a distance. This spring, we have been delighted to see many of you at our special fundraising events in person. Red Envelope Celebration in March acknowledged Chinese Health Initiative’s 10th anniversary and raised vital funds for the program. In May, our Taking Wing gala benefited the Orchard Pavilion renovation and expansion, a new vision for mother, baby, and family care. Pulitzer Prize winning novelist Jane Smiley wowed a sold-out audience at the 10th anniversary Norma’s Literary Luncheon as this publication went to press.

This spring too, we held smaller in-person ceremonies to honor donors who recently dedicated spaces on our Mountain View campus. In March we gathered at the Taube Pavilion to unveil a plaque in the lobby and acknowledge the addiction services endowment Katherine Kim established in memory of her beloved daughter Pauline Partti. Foundation and Cancer Center staff joined together in May to dedicate an infusion bay for cancer survivor and longtime donor Jean Machado, a joyous reunion for the donor and her doctors.

The Orchard Pavilion construction project, which is clearly visible on

Hospital Drive, is the latest step in the redevelopment of our hospital’s Mountain View campus, which you have been supporting for more than a decade. You may not be aware that the Old Main Hospital is being carefully razed at the same time. When that is complete, the hospital will construct a corridor link between the new Main Hospital and Taube Pavilion, and commence landscaping the Taube Pavilion’s Satake Garden central courtyard. You can monitor the progress via webcam on the hospital’s website, elcaminohealth.org.



My term as foundation board chair is coming to an end on June 30, and this is my last Healthy Giving Newsletter column. On July 1, Romina Ahuja, who currently serves as board secretary, will take over these rewarding responsibilities. Russ Satake has graciously agreed to step in as secretary for fiscal year 2023. We thank all our board members for extending their terms by an additional year in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. We will welcome two new board members, Laura Keller, who also serves on the Philanthropy Council for Mental Health & Addiction Services, and Sheetal Singhal, a longtime supporter.

I wish you and your family a healthy, safe summer. Thank you for contributing to ensure that patients and families can “Accept Nothing Less” when they turn to El Camino Health for care. I look forward to seeing you when our fundraising activities resume in the fall.

John A. Conover, Chair
 El Camino Health Foundation
 Board of Directors

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staff, nurses, and physicians to provide the care, provide the procedures, and do things that need to be done without taking the baby out of the room, a huge benefit,” he added.

The tour concluded on the third floor, which will have 26 capacious private mother-baby rooms, where mothers and babies recover for two to four days after delivery. Each room will have amenities that enable a partner to stay overnight. King pointed out the thick insulation that will provide sound attenuation, seismic and fire safety features, and a pneumatic tube system that will speed specimens to the lab at 80 miles per hour.

The general building improvements that are being made “will extend the life of the 30-year-old building well into the future,” King says. These include new double pane windows, and upgraded air handling equipment, elevators, and electrical systems.

The second and third stages of construction will focus on the first floor, where maternal-child health care is currently provided. Phase two is scheduled to begin in February 2023 and will include expanded labor and delivery, obstetrical emergency department, and antepartum (recovery) units. The final phase will commence in January 2024, when the first floor mother-baby rooms will be renovated and the remaining labor and delivery rooms refreshed. When the pavilion fully opens for patient care in summer 2024 it will have 44 percent more patient rooms in the mother-baby unit, 25 percent more patient rooms in labor and delivery that can flex into beds for antepartum care, and 20 percent more NICU beds.

“This new environment will provide the best in the Bay and likely the best in all of California,” predicts King.



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Rendering of a private NICU room



Rendering of the ground floor café



Rendering of the 2nd and 3rd floor lobby



Construction of the original building in the early 1990s

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Katherine's for a design that will "foster a vastly improved patient experience, improved operations, and a better environment for providing care."

The guests got to see construction progress for themselves during a video hard hat tour of the entry, second and third floors that was conducted by Chief Administrative Services Officer Ken King. The expansion to the upper floors, which previously housed physician offices, will significantly increase the capacity of the neonatal intensive care unit and postpartum mother-baby unit in a private room environment. When it is finished, "the new environment will provide the best in the Bay and likely the best in all of California," King asserted.

The increased capacity is needed, Dr. Anna Anderson, medical director of obstetrical services, told the audience, citing a 25 percent increase in delivery volume over the past year. "Our staff is a family," she explained and "we are bursting at the seams in our home away from home."

San Francisco 49ers punter Mitch Wishnowsky and his wife Maddie Wishnowsky made a special appearance by video to describe their wonderful birth experience at the Orchard Pavilion last October. "The quality of care at the hospital was incredible, the nurses were amazing," they said before thanking attendees for supporting the renovation and expansion, "a project that is close and dear to our hearts."

Guests also heard from NICU parents Anu Gururajan and Jay Vasudevan, who expressed gratitude to El Camino Health staff for saving their three-year-old son Sanjay's life following his emergency delivery at 20 weeks. "He was doing very poorly but the doctors and nurses worked tirelessly, thinking out of the box, and were able to save our son." After 84 days they were able to bring their "little miracle" home. The Fremont residents



EJ Shanks, Stefanie Shanks, Susan Kuo, Justin Lee



Mary and Doug Scrivner



Jake and Laura Keller

particularly appreciate that the new NICU will have a place for parents to stay with their babies. They were the first of many in the audience to enthusiastically raise their paddles when El Camino Health Foundation President Andrew Cope launched the fund-in-need appeal.

After the formal program concluded, guests continued the party in the casino and on the dance floor. The silent auction and raffle closed, and the happy winners picked up their prizes as they left to go home.

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NICU parents Jay Vasudevan and Anu Gururajan with images of their son, Sanjay



Julie Satake Ryu and Edwin Ryu



Anita Lusebrink, Russ Satake, Mark and Carolyn Thorp, Rich and Andrea Martoglio



Top L-R: Jill Byrne, Dr. Lynn Gretkowski, Jody Charles, Dr. Anna Anderson, Indira Mackay, Ellen Keohane. Bottom L-R: Dr. Folake Oshodi, Heather Freeman, Dr. Alissa Erogbogbo



Kamal Ahmed and Nahid Aliniaze, CEO Dan Woods



Chris and Melissa Hutchinson, Sara Joushanpoosh and Pete Caputo (Truebeck Construction)

A Gift of Gratitude

Cancer survivor Jean Machado returned to El Camino Health's Mountain View campus on May 11, 2022 to dedicate Cancer Center infusion bay 16. "Today is a coming together of incredible generosity and an exceptional care team," El Camino Health Foundation President Andrew Cope told the small gathering of Cancer Center physicians and staff who gathered at the picnic tables outside the Oak Pavilion before going inside to admire the plaque.

Following diagnoses of rectal cancer and lung cancer in February 2011, Jean underwent a year of arduous treatment that included chemotherapy, radiation therapy, multiple surgeries, and 57 days in the hospital. From the beginning, her oncologist Dr. Shane Dormady told her, "We are going to lick this." His confidence fueled hers, and today Jean is cancer free. She remains grateful to all the people at the Cancer Center who provided love and support, and cared enough to give her the possibility of a long life. And she has been making annual donations ever since.

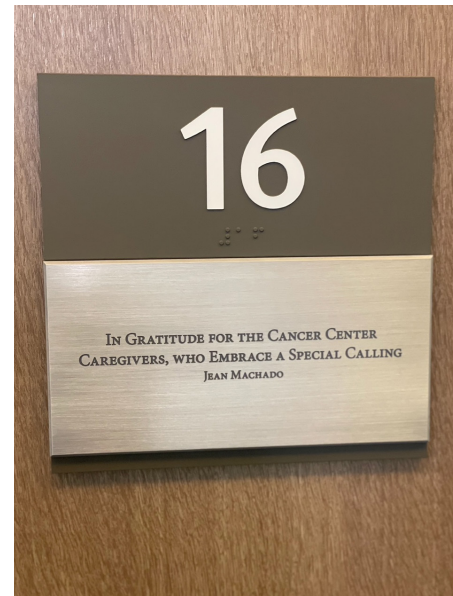
"You had a self-described stubborn patient combined with a doctor who doesn't give up. Jean's experience at our Cancer Center is the confluence of excellent care with respect and kindness that makes each individual feel seen and heard. This dedication recognizes her 11 years of generosity since treatment. We hope it will inspire another stubborn patient," the foundation president concluded.

Jean, Dr. Dormady, and Dr. Shyamali Singhal, who was her surgeon, bantered back and forth, as they traded affectionate reminiscences. "You aren't a billionaire but what you have you give," Dr. Dormady told her as he expressed heartfelt appreciation.

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Shane Dormady, MD, Jean Machado, Shyamali Singhal, MD



A small group of Cancer Center physicians, staff and foundation staff joined donor Jean Machado for snacks and reminiscences at the picnic tables outside the Oak Pavilion.

Remembering Gene Strom

El Camino Health Foundation fondly remembers Gene Strom, a longtime donor, Legacy Society member, and supporter of El Camino Health, who passed away earlier this year. Her memory will live on through the good work her planned gift will do to impact the health and wellbeing of so many in our community.



Katherine Kim Dedicates Taube Pavilion Main Lobby

Los Altos resident Katherine Kim has made a gift to establish the Pauline Partti Endowment for Addiction Care in memory of her beloved daughter Pauline. The fund will allow the Scrivner Center to further invest in the addictions program, provide education and follow-up, and continue to ease the stigma associated with substance use and chemical dependency disorders. On March 18, 2022 Katherine, her children, and some of her grandchildren gathered to dedicate the Taube Pavilion lobby. El Camino Health CEO Dan Woods, Scrivner Center Chief Medical Director Kalpana Nathan, MD and members of her team, Katherine's Auxiliary colleagues, members of the foundation's Philanthropy Council for Mental Health & Addiction Services, and foundation staff were on hand to honor the family, remember Pauline, and applaud as Katherine cut the green ribbon.

"These programs are typically under-resourced across the country and the stigma associated with these conditions is great," CEO Dan Woods told the guests. "Philanthropic support from concerned, visionary donors like Katherine has made all the difference to our patients, our staff, our organization, and our community. This beautiful pavilion and the lobby she has named in memory of Pauline are evidence of that impact, as is the higher quality of patient care we provide."

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Jane Kim, Walter Kim, Justine Partti, Katherine Kim, Michael Eugeni, Shelly Kim, Alison Kim, and Doug Kim



Dedication ribbon-cutting



Kalpana Nathan, MD, Katherine Kim, Dan Woods, CEO

"With the prolonged pandemic, there has been a great need for mental health treatment and more awareness of struggles of isolation and loneliness, which has helped us realize that we are all susceptible to mental health and addiction challenges, especially when we experience overwhelming stressors, be it the collective trauma of the pandemic or our own individual traumas of grief and loss," added Dr. Nathan. "Pauline's memory anchors and guides us to bear witness to the suffering, to provide the very best care, and to restore hope."

Pauline's brother Doug shared a few reminiscences of his sister. He noted that three generations of the Kim family have received care at El Camino Health over 60 years. "We are especially proud

to be a partner on this facility... This will continue to be a gateway to serving those in need in our community for generations to come."

"At El Camino Health Foundation we have spoken about the impact of donations on mental health and addiction care by telling our community they are helping to fulfill a promise – El Camino Health's commitment to provide compassionate, expert care, which will give more members of our community a better chance to achieve their fullest potential," El Camino Health Foundation President Andrew Cope concluded. "Katherine, you are helping to fulfill the promise in a significant, transformative, and enduring way. We are humbled and grateful."

Red Envelope Celebration Marks Chinese Health Initiative's 10th Anniversary

El Camino Health Foundation marked Chinese Health Initiative's 10th anniversary milestone with Red Envelope Celebration, a benefit tribute at Los Altos Golf & Country Club, on Saturday evening, March 26, 2022.

Hospital board members and executive leaders, Chinese Health Initiative (CHI) Advisory Board and Philanthropy Council members, allied physicians and grateful CHI participants, and friends and admirers of honoree Chef Lawrence Chu and the Chu family, gathered in the festively decorated courtyard overlooking the 18th hole. They leisurely dined and mingled before donning their masks and moving into the dining room for the formal program. Two lion dancers ushered in good luck and good fortune as they pranced and leaped down the aisles, accompanied by the traditional rhythmic percussion of drums, gongs, and cymbals.

"El Camino Health launched Chinese Health Initiative 10 years ago to address health risks and disparities in Silicon Valley's Chinese community, and to provide culturally appropriate screenings and health education," explained Cecile Currier, Vice President of Corporate and Community Health Services, as she welcomed everyone and acknowledged the many partners who helped build the program. El Camino Health CEO Dan Woods reiterated the importance of the "team effort," citing "the El Camino Hospital and El Camino Healthcare District Boards of Directors, community

Larry Chu Jr. acknowledged the legacy of giving to and being part of community that his parents have instilled. "You get more than you give. We have an amazing hospital that cares enough to invest in this community. Thank you."



Jolie Cruz, Jennifer Cruz, Braden Cruz, Christina Chu, Ruth Chu, Lawrence Chu, Larry Chu Jr., Larry Chu III, and Susanna Kwan-Chu

partner organizations, an engaged Advisory Board and Philanthropy Council, a growing Mandarin-speaking Physicians Network, generous donors, a dedicated cadre of volunteers, and a small but mighty professional staff," for their involvement over the decade. He and CHI Manager Jean Yu led the tribute to Chef Lawrence Chu and the Chu family, noting their many contributions to our community, particularly their support for CHI and the thousands of meals the restaurant has prepared for hospital staff throughout the pandemic.

"The secret to being here 50 years is to treat workers well, treasure my customers, support my community," Chef Chu told the audience after crediting his wife Ruth for all their accomplishments. "Today is about the power of love. Tonight I want to tell my children and grandchildren to follow your dream, work hard, focus in, and with a little luck your dream will come true." Larry Chu Jr. acknowledged the legacy of giving to and being part of community that his parents have instilled. "You get more than you give. We have an amazing hospital that cares enough to invest in this community. Thank you."

It is a Chinese custom to put money into red envelopes and give them to children at the New Year or any special celebratory occasion as a gesture of good luck. The tradition stems from the legend of the red envelope, which dates to ancient times, when child mortality was high. Afraid their children wouldn't survive another year, parents would leave money to bribe or make peace with the New Year monster. "We ask that, like the parents who leave money to protect the health of their children, you become a guardian of Chinese Health Initiative and make a donation to protect the health of our community for the decade to come," CHI Advisory Board and Philanthropy Council member Tenny Tsai appealed.

The event raised more than \$120,000. These proceeds will support expanded programming and outreach, with the aim of making Chinese Health Initiative the leading provider of comprehensive, holistic healthy lifestyle programs that enhance the physical and emotional health of the community.



George Ting, MD, Terri Lewis, CEO Dan Woods



Morris Ruan, Pauline Chen, Tenny Tsai



Antony King, Kitty King, Dr. Hsing Kung, Rose Tseng, Franny Wang, Stanley Wang, Cathy Liu, Michael Liu, Vivian Wang, James Wang, Lee Lin, Jing Lin



Dr. Peter and Julia Fung



Michele Kirsch and Kristi Bowers



Frederick St. Goar, MD, Larry Chu III, Larry Chu, Jr., Karla Lacey, John Zoglin



CEO Dan Woods, Lawrence Chu, Larry Chu, Jr., Jean Yu



Dr. Gary Lee, Dr. Art Lee, Dr. Jane Lombard, Vivian Low, RN, Dr. Dennis Low, Cheryl Reinking, DNP



Guests mingled and dined in the courtyard overlooking the 18th hole.



Top: L-R: King Shaw, Julia Hsiao, Alex and Jen Tsao, Maggi Li, Michael Hseith, Bottom L-R: Kitty Geiger, Bernis and Dr. Larry Kretchmar



Dr. Mark Adams, Julia Miller, CEO Dan Woods

Your El Camino Fund Gifts at Work

In April, El Camino Health Foundation allocated \$863,450 of unrestricted donations to the following programs:

- **Laudio's Intelligent Leadership Solution** – New software that will help El Camino Health's frontline managers better support the emotional health and wellbeing of their teams by freeing time that can be redirected toward more frequent, timely, and meaningful interactions with them. It will enable these leaders to precisely interact with staff who need their attention – to give recognition, address behavior issues, and provide coaching and support exactly when warranted. The software also measures and benchmarks variability in management practice, providing opportunities to coach and develop each leader, with the aim of increasing management best practices across the entire leader group at El Camino Health. The software is expected to foster employee retention and bolster leadership, which will support El Camino Health's strategic goal of becoming a high reliability organization.
- **Nurse Leader Scholar Program** - Scholarships for El Camino Health nurses who wish to pursue advanced studies for a Master's of Science in Nursing or a Doctorate of Nursing Practice degree. These advanced degrees better prepare nurse leaders to face the complex healthcare management landscape. The scholarships allow interested nurses deterred by expensive tuition to enroll in graduate programs that will teach the advanced leadership capabilities and competencies our organization needs. The aim is to reduce nurse leader turnover. The allocation will provide tuition for three nurse leaders over the next year.



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- **Philips Biosticker Remote Patient Monitoring** – A pilot program that will enable El Camino Health clinicians to remotely monitor the health of patients who are discharged with chronic health conditions. The funding will cover the initial implementation costs and one year of device costs for 40 patients. The goal is to leverage technology to intervene in the patient's health before an emergency department visit or readmission is needed, and to reduce the lengths of stay for patients who can be monitored and treated at home.
- **Sweet Success** – A gestational diabetes support pilot program for women with pre-diabetes or diabetes prior to pregnancy, or those who develop diabetes during the course of pregnancy. The goal is to improve maternal and newborn outcomes for a significant, vulnerable portion of the community's population, which will also affect their health for years to come. This program will add to El Camino Health's suite of comprehensive services to help mothers from conception to delivery through a smooth, healthy pregnancy.

El Camino Health Foundation allocates unrestricted donations to the El Camino Fund two to three times per year. These gifts are used to meet the greatest emerging needs at our hospitals, funding innovative pilot projects, the purchase of new equipment and technologies, nursing excellence initiatives, and compassionate services like music and art that our hospitals provide free of charge. All programs that receive funds are vetted by the hospital's executive leadership to ensure they advance the organization's strategic goals before being evaluated by the Foundation Allocations Committee.

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Creating or updating your estate plan?

Do you want to help ensure the continuation of healthcare for present and future generations at El Camino Health?

Are you facing decisions about retirement planning, capital preservation, and the direction of the assets in your estate? Please consider including a gift to El Camino Health Foundation. When you make a gift intention through your estate to the foundation, you are making an investment in your community – and providing the margin of excellence necessary to sustain a caring, compassionate, and technically advanced medical center.



There are several ways you can provide for El Camino Health Foundation in your estate:

- Name El Camino Health Foundation as a beneficiary of your will or trust.
- Include El Camino Health Foundation as a beneficiary of your retirement plan or life insurance.
- Make a donation to El Camino Health Foundation from your IRA when you need to make a required minimum distribution.