



Tufts-New England Medical Center
Floating Hospital for Children

Neelys Reach \$2.3 Million on Historic \$5 Million Commitment

The Cam Neely Foundation for Cancer Care reached the \$2.3 million mark this fall on its landmark \$5 million commitment to the Medical Center to establish “The Michael Neely Center for Brain Tumor Care and Research.” Michael Neely, the father of Cam and Scott Neely and their sisters Shaun and Christine, lost his battle with brain cancer in November 1993. The Foundation’s gift equals the largest single philanthropic commitment in the hospital’s 210-year history.

With the Neely Foundation’s support, the Medical Center doubled the size of its neurosurgery department in 2005, creating one of the preeminent teams in the world. Upon completion of the Michael Neely Center, all services pertaining to brain tumor care—imaging, surgery, radiation, chemotherapy and clinical trials—will be coordinated from a single location. Medical personnel will be able to diagnose patients with increased sensitivity and privacy, while utilizing the most current diagnostic and treatment technology available.

In making their commitment, Cam and Scott Neely wrote, “We look forward to making our dream a reality and honoring the memory of our father. Launching this campaign and helping Tufts-New England Medical Center grow the Department of Neurosurgery is an exciting and very meaningful endeavor. We have the utmost confidence in the



expertise of this department and the institution to propel this Center into a world-class provider of care to neurosurgery patients and their families.”

Throughout its 11-year history with the Medical Center, the Foundation founded by former Boston Bruins’ star Cam Neely has given nearly \$16 million to support initiatives including The Neely House, The Neely Center for Clinical Cancer Research, a state-of-the-art Neely Cell Therapy Collection Center, and the Neely Pediatric Bone Marrow Transplant Unit, which is currently under construction.

The Neely House, the first initiative funded by the Cam Neely Foundation in 1997, remains an

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Working wonders

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NEW PLAYROOM KEEPS ACE BAILEY'S SPIRIT ALIVE

Ace's Place



At first glance, the brightly lit, colorful playroom could be anywhere. But look beyond the LEGOS, wooden trains, dolls, and table-top hockey and you'll notice children with pale complexions, hair loss, and IV tubes. This is Ace's Place—the new 6,500 square-foot play area at the Floating Hospital for Children—made possible by a \$1 million gift from the friends, family, and hockey colleagues of former Boston Bruin Ace Bailey.

On September 11, 2001, Bailey, then director of pro-scouting for the Los Angeles Kings, was on United Airlines Flight 175 when it crashed into the World Trade Center. His wife Katherine Bailey says she was “too devastated” to think past her grief; yet “Ace had so many friends who wanted to give money to a cause in his memory. They helped direct my grief into something positive,” she says.

That “something” turned out to be the refurbishment of Floating Hospital's existing playroom and the formation of the Ace Bailey Children's Foundation, a family-run organization that continues to fund projects at the hospital. According

to Ace's sister-in-law Barbara Pothier, who heads the foundation, “There was no doubt in the family's mind that whatever we did in Ace's memory had to be for kids. Ace adored kids. So when the idea of a playroom came up, we said ‘This is it.’”

With \$1 million raised by the foundation, the Floating Hospital revitalized the existing play space, created an arts and crafts area, and filled the room with new toys, a pool table, and comfy couches from which parents can observe their children laughing and having fun. “Ace's Place is a real oasis for these children and their parents, whose worlds are so different because their kids are ill,” Katherine Bailey says.

Since the opening of Ace's Place in March 2006, the foundation has supported other projects at Floating Hospital, including gifts to the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU), where Katherine and Barbara volunteer. Barbara, who calls Floating Hospital the “hospital with heart,” is amazed by the doctors and nurses who work every day to save the lives of babies and children.

Barbara knows Ace would have been thrilled by the chance to help sick children and give them a respite from focusing on their illnesses. The vibrant colors and joyful atmosphere of Ace's Place aptly reflect her brother-in-law's wonderful sense of humor and “zany” personality.

Katherine Bailey agrees. “When I see the kids in the playroom, I know that Ace's great spirit is still with us. It's living on in the beautiful smiles of the children.”

Friedman Foundation Supports Endocrinology Fellowship at Tufts-NEMC

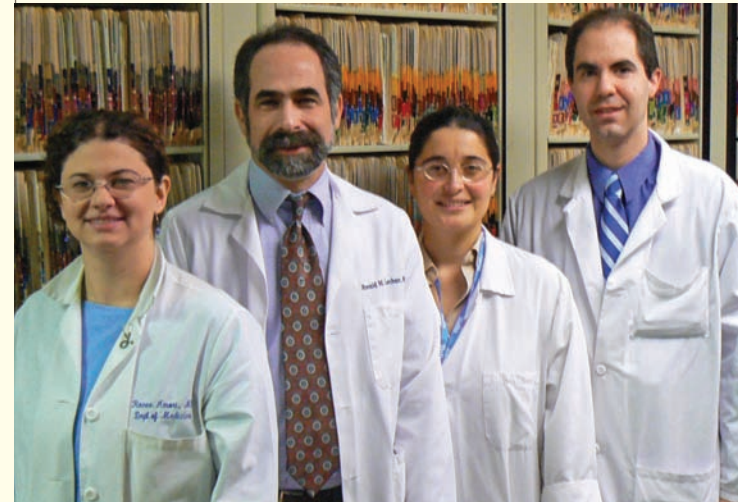
Diabetes research and education at Tufts-New England Medical Center enters a sixth year of fellowships, thanks to the wonderful support of the Gerald J. and Dorothy R. Friedman New York Foundation for Medical Research. Given to the Division of Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism, the \$250,000 grant supports an innovative fellowship, an annual visiting professorship in diabetes, and a diabetes research and education program.

According to Ronald Lechan, MD, Chief of the Division of Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism, “one of the most important missions of our division is to train young minds to become the outstanding clinicians and researchers of the future. The Friedman Foundation grant not only helps us

reach this goal, but also expands our education and community outreach programs. These programs follow the example of Dr. Gerald J. Friedman, who devoted much of his career to improving the wellbeing of diabetics.”

In recent years, the Friedman Foundation gift has supported the work of seven fellows, as well as brought renowned specialists to Tufts-NEMC to lecture about diabetes epidemiology and prevention. The gift also funds the Friedman Diabetes Education Program, which conducts classes and diabetes screenings for the general public.

For Jane Friedman, the niece of Gerald J. Friedman and a trustee of her family's foundation, supporting diabetes research and education at Tufts-NEMC upholds the Foundation's commitment to finding a cure for diabetes. Friedman chose to support endocrinology at Tufts-NEMC because of the confidence she and co-trustees Judith Kennedy and Lewis Bernstein share in the efforts of Dr. Lechan. According to Friedman, “My uncle's first love was research and diagnosis. His work in diabetes was groundbreaking and continues to be widely cited. What we at the Foundation admire about Dr. Lechan and his team is their stellar work in research, outreach and education, their devotion to their community, and their willingness to share, develop and exchange information among disciplines. Dr. Lechan's fellows have been consistently outstanding and we are so proud to share in this endeavor.”



RON LECHAN, MD, WITH FRIEDMAN FELLOWS (L-R) RENEE AMORI, MD, LISA CEGLIA, MD, AND NOAH LUBOWSKY, MD

Tribute Gifts Create Legacy

Friends and family of the late Abby Shevitz, MD, MPH, gathered early this fall to celebrate the dedication of an education fund in her memory. According to her husband Ronenn Roubenoff, MD, “Abby cared first and foremost about education, and about mentoring young people determined to devote their lives to medicine.” The first Young Physicians' Award recipient was Virginia M. Zaleskas, MD. The fund also supported the purchase of a state-of-the-art teleconferencing system for the Division of Hematology/Oncology's Grossman Conference Room to help increase training opportunities and the exchange of information with medical experts throughout the world.



L-R: RONENN ROUBENOFF, MD, AND SON ETHAN WITH JOHN ERBAN, MD

Diabetes Research

BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD MAKES \$300,000 GRANT TO

Combat Asthma

Children and teens with asthma often have to miss school, forgo family activities, or stay off the playground or sports field. They risk the ridicule of peers by carrying inhalers and sitting on the sidelines, but they don't feel well enough to join in the play. In the worst cases, their parents fear for their safety every morning as they board the bus for school.



Asthma is reaching epidemic proportions among young people across the United States, creating exponential societal and economic impact. For children of color or from families underserved by the healthcare system, asthma rates are even higher—more than twice the national average. With a landmark, multi-year \$300,000 grant to Tufts-NEMC to support The Asthma Prevention and Management Initiative, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation (BCBSMA) is taking a leadership role in addressing these issues.

BCBSMA, long committed to increasing access to healthcare for under-served and minority populations, released a proposal request in 2005 entitled *Closing the Gap on Racial and Ethnic Health Care Disparities*. Tufts-New England Medical Center and Floating Hospital responded with an innovative collaborative proposal partnering Floating Hospital's Asian Pediatric Primary Care Clinic, Pediatric Pulmonary Clinic, and the Josiah Quincy Elementary and Upper Schools.



The initiative's goal is to establish a comprehensive intervention approach that addresses the extremely high rates of asthma among children in the Asian American community, particularly among immigrant Chinese children. While studies of childhood asthma in the U.S. confirm that ethnic minorities and people of low socioeconomic status have asthma rates substantially higher than the national average, these studies have very rarely included Asian Americans, much less addressed specific treatment methods for this population.

Bak Fun Wong, member of the Tufts-NEMC Board of Governors and principal of the Josiah Quincy Upper School, emphasizes the importance of tailoring a program specifically for Asian American families. "With the BCBSMA Foundation's support of this collaboration, we will be able to effectively remove barriers and enhance the ability of these families to provide the best care for their children," he said.

Fall President's Forum Features Cardiology

Medical Center President and CEO Ellen Zane welcomed friends to learn about exciting new advances in cardiology, cardiovascular research and cardiac care at the fall President's Forum on September 27. In a presentation entitled *The HEART of Better Health: How Bench-to-Bedside Advances are Revolutionizing the Way We Diagnose and Treat Heart Disease*, Marvin Konstam, MD, and Michael Mendelsohn, MD, engaged guests with a lively presentation and discussion about Tufts-NEMC's clinical and research efforts. Diana Bianchi, MD, presented at the first forum last spring.



L-R: DEEB SALEM, MD, JUDY AND GEORGE CARMANY



L-R: MICHAEL MENDELSON, MD, ELLEN ZANE, MARVIN KONSTAM, MD

VICTOR PROGRAM RAISES AWARENESS OF

Ashkenazi Jewish Genetic Diseases

After Lois Victor's first child, Debbie, was born with Familial Dysautonomia (FD), she and her husband were told their daughter would not live past age five. They were advised to get pregnant again. Nine months later, their second daughter, Linda, was also born with FD, which is one of 11 Ashkenazi Jewish Genetic Diseases (AJGD). Ultimately, Lois lost both of her children to FD—Debbie at age 8 and Linda at age 35.

Lois' personal experience made her passionate about raising awareness of and providing screening for this devastating set of diseases. In 2002, Lois established The Victor Center, an AJGD outreach and screening center, at Albert Einstein Healthcare Network in Philadelphia. Recently, with a generous gift made over four years, Lois created the Victor Program at Tufts-NEMC. Both centers provide pre- and post-conception counseling and screening to young couples of Ashkenazi Jewish descent; they also raise awareness within their local Jewish communities by reaching out to rabbis, synagogues, and college campuses.

People of Ashkenazi Jewish descent, which includes most Jews of Eastern European heritage in the United States, have at least a one in five risk of being a carrier of an AJGD. If both members of a couple are found to be carriers, they have a 25 percent risk of having a child

with the disease with each pregnancy. All children with AJGD suffer serious health issues, and most die young.

Fortunately, advances in genetic medicine have made AJGD preventable, provided couples are screened before they become pregnant. According to Jodi Hoffman, MD, Director of The Victor Program at Tufts-NEMC, "If couples are screened for the 11 disorders seen more commonly in the Ashkenazi Jewish population, they can make educated reproductive decisions that allow them to have a healthy baby, rather than facing a difficult situation that was not planned."

For Lois Victor, eliminating AJGD is her dream—a dream she hopes to realize through The Victor Programs. She says, "My vision of the future is this: That all Jews of childbearing age are tested as a matter of course. That rabbis require testing before marriage. That physicians, family members, and community leaders promote testing. What better gift to give someone you love than a certificate for testing? These diseases are preventable. With one simple blood test, you can take responsibility for your life. I didn't have that choice."



- Tay-Sachs Disease
- Canavan Disease
- Niemann-Pick Disease Type A
- Gaucher Disease Type I
- Familial Dysautonomia
- Bloom Syndrome
- Fanconi Anemia Type C
- Cystic Fibrosis
- Glycogen Storage Disease Type Ia
- Mucopolidosis IV
- Maple Syrup Urine Disease

VICTOR PROGRAM DIRECTOR JODI HOFFMAN, MD, AND GENETIC COUNSELOR JESSICA JONAS DISCUSS AJGD WITH A PATIENT.

BINGHAM TRUST Creates Adolescent Obesity Center with \$2.5 Million Commitment

In an effort to address one of the most urgent and escalating public health problems of our time, The Bingham Trust recently awarded Tufts-NEMC a \$2.5 million grant to create an Adolescent Obesity Outreach and Treatment Center. This multidisciplinary initiative will build and expand on more than 20 years of expertise in the prevention and treatment of adult obesity at the Medical Center's Obesity Consultation Center—a comprehensive obesity treatment program that is unique in New England and one of the most advanced in the country.

The Bingham family's support of the Medical Center dates back to the early 1900s, when William Bingham, 2nd became a principal benefactor for the early development of the New England Medical Center Hospital. He was also one of the main funders for the Pratt Clinic and Farnsworth Building, and for many years supported the Hospital's deficits for free care. The Bingham Trust, a private foundation, was established in 1935.

"The Bingham Trust and Tufts-NEMC share a long and distinguished history in collaborating to tackle major public health concerns, particularly those that disproportionately affect the disadvantaged, as obesity does," said Howard Spivak, MD, Vice President of Community Health Programs at Floating Hospital for Children.

Current data shows that the medical, social, and economic effects of the dangerously high rates of obesity among adolescents are enormous, and they threaten the long-

term health and well-being of an entire generation. The newly established center will launch a range of patient-centered community health and educational programs and treatment initiatives aimed at adolescent obesity, with a particular emphasis on the underserved populations in Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont.

This new obesity initiative will continue The Bingham Trust's commitments to Tufts-New England Medical Center and both medical and educational philanthropy.

Edward Saltzman, MD, Medical Director of Tufts-NEMC's Obesity Consultation Center, noted, "Given our track record and existing stature in the field of obesity, we expect that the new Adolescent Obesity Outreach and Treatment Center will be a leader in creating innovative programs that will advance knowledge in this critical area of health and could well become a model for other such programs nationwide."



Golfers Hit Links for 6th Annual Fall Classic

On a beautiful Monday in September, more than 140 golfers played the majestic course at Myopia Hunt Club in South Hamilton to benefit the Floating Hospital for Children. Long-time supporters and new friends raised over \$185,000 to support the Floating's Child Life Services—a nationally recognized program that helps young patients and their families deal with the stress of serious illness and hospitalization. After 18 holes and a spirited putting and chipping contest that netted the winner a custom set of golf clubs, participants enjoyed a reception, dinner, and silent and live auctions. They also met young patient Michael Lee and his parents, who were there to thank the golfers for their support. "Bennett Electrical, Inc. is proud to have been a leading sponsor of this annual event," said Don Bennett, "and to support the programs at Floating Hospital that are so important to young patients and their families."



L-R: JOE CAMPANELLI, ELLEN ZANE, ARTHUR SOLOMON, SALLY LAPIDES, LARRY BACOW, PHD

Leaders Gather for Annual Meeting

On Wednesday, October 25, Tufts-NEMC Governing Boards, senior leadership and longtime friends and supporters of the Medical Center joined together for the 2006 Annual Meeting. Joe Campanelli, President and CEO of Sovereign Bank and Chairman of the Tufts-NEMC Board of Trustees, Ellen Zane, President and CEO of Tufts-NEMC, and Larry Bacow, PhD, President of Tufts University, shared the stage to present highlights of the past year

and preview exciting initiatives for the future. Important efforts include innovative marketing efforts to physicians and the general public, planning for expansion to a suburban campus, and a commitment to securing major funding to advance groundbreaking medical research throughout the Tufts community. This was the first such gathering in Tufts-NEMC's recent history and promises to become an annual tradition.



Kiwanis Celebrates 25-Year Floating Partnership

The Kiwanis Foundation of New England celebrated 25 years of extraordinary support at Tufts-NEMC and Floating Hospital in 2006. The Foundation gave over \$290,000 this fall to fund annual initiatives and research efforts at the Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Institute. The Foundation also supports programs such as "Kiwanis Family Safety Day: Bicycle Rodeo," designed to teach children the importance of bicycle safety and wearing helmets. KPTI Director and Pediatric Surgeon-in-Chief Brian Gilchrist, MD, noted "The Kiwanis Foundation continues to keep the Floating Hospital at the forefront of global pediatric trauma efforts. Even as we celebrate our quarter-century partnership, we are working to launch new research programs together in 2007."

Kiwanis

Coming Soon!

Our 2006 Honor Roll of Donors will be posted soon on our website at www.tufts-nemc.org/development. Thank you to everyone who contributed so generously this past year. You help us to work wonders every day!

RESPIRONICS FUNDS Non-Invasive Ventilation Research

Respironics, Inc., a worldwide leading provider of innovative solutions for sleep and respiratory technologies, has awarded Tufts-New England Medical Center a three-year, \$1 million gift to advance work on noninvasive ventilation being done by Nicholas Hill, MD, and his colleagues in the Division of Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine. The funded project's aim is to create and assist in implementing a program for hospitals that are currently low utilizers of noninvasive ventilation (NIV).



NICK HILL, MD, WITH ALI KHODABANDEH, MD, PHIL ALKANA AND AYLIN OZSANCAK, MD

NIV helps patients with respiratory failure to breathe without having to insert a tube in the patient's throat. By using a mask, patients are less likely to suffer from airway injuries or be susceptible to hospital-acquired pneumonias. For patients with acute respiratory failure, NIV can reduce complications and improve survival. Despite clearly demonstrated benefits in helping to save and improve lives, NIV remains under-utilized throughout the health care system.

Tufts-NEMC's Division of Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine has been internationally recognized for its research on NIV. The Respironics gift will support the division's overall mission of studying outcomes and developing teaching methods to make NIV safely and effectively available to a much larger population of patients. As Dr. Hill explains, "We are committed to taking a leading role in meeting the critical need for enhanced efforts in this area of medicine. We are especially indebted to Respironics for its support of this project, which will help to save lives and improve the quality of life for many patients."



Restaurant Partnerships Yield Results

Boston restaurateur Steve DiFillippo opened his hot new venue Avila in the spring of 2006 at One Charles Street South in Boston, and quickly established a partnership with neighbor Tufts-NEMC. Avila donates a portion of daily lunch proceeds to fund hospital clinical and research needs. On Monday, September 18, DiFillippo presented the first Avila check to (L-R) Scott Neely, COO Ed Schottland and Katherine Bailey. Both Neely and Bailey serve on the hospital's Board of Governors.

This summer The Blue Room in Kendall Square also ran a unique promotion to support The Breast Health Center at Tufts-NEMC through the sales of all pink wines. Liz Valardi and Nick Zappia, owners of the beloved Cambridge dining spot, found that new and returning diners responded well to the special menu option. "Our customers sampled new wines they might not otherwise have tried, and we were able to raise awareness and funds for the hospital's terrific breast health programs. We can't wait to run another promotion next year."

McLaughlins Make \$1 Million Commitment to Breast Cancer Research



In the spring of 1998, Ed McLaughlin's wife, Barbara, and his mother, Carmel, were both diagnosed with breast cancer within a month of one another. Given the situation, the family felt it was imperative to find a leading-edge medical center with a comprehensive and sensitive professional support structure. They found what they were looking for in Tufts-NEMC and David E. Wazer, MD, Radiation-Oncologist-in-Chief.

In an effort to recognize the outstanding care they received and to help other women and their families battle the uncertainties of breast cancer, Ed McLaughlin, who serves on the Tufts-NEMC Board of Governors, created the David E. Wazer Breast Cancer Research Fund in 1999. Since that time the McLaughlins have energetically supported the fund by encouraging funders and making their own personal donations. Their most recent and largest commitment is a five-year, \$1 million gift.

As Chairman and CEO of United Systems Integrators Corporation, which was acquired in 2005 by Johnson Controls, McLaughlin not only encouraged the company to support the fund, but also directed many colleagues to seek Wazer's care.

"We appreciate all of Dave's efforts in supporting, advising, and guiding our family, friends, and associates in dealing with cancer and cancer-related concerns and issues," says Ed McLaughlin of his old Holy Cross roommate and good friend. Though his mother did not survive, Ed is grateful for the care she received. And he's especially grateful to be enjoying



BARBARA AND ED MCLAUGHLIN

life with his wife Barbara, who is now a seven-year survivor of breast cancer.

The McLaughlins' most recent contribution will continue to support ongoing breast cancer research at Tufts-NEMC's Department of Radiation Oncology. As one of the country's pre-eminent cancer treatment and research facilities, the department strives to advance understanding of the causes of breast and other cancers and to rapidly translate these findings into better diagnostic tools and effective treatments. Specific expenditures include the direct support of scientists, the purchase of essential research equipment and supplies, and the development of an endowment to allow for continued research program expansion.

As Wazer explains, "Having the support of Ed and Barbara has meant so much to our work over the last several years—and with their recent gift of \$1 million we can do so much more. Their generosity allows us to provide the most comprehensive and coordinated treatment possible, so we can save and improve lives. I don't know what we'd do without them."



Skipper the Bear Collectible

Share the Floating Hospital's adorable mascot, "Skipper" the Bear, with friends and family by purchasing a collectible ornament to benefit Floating Hospital for Children. Ornaments can be purchased for \$20 at the Medical Center gift shops or directly through the Development Office by calling 617-636-7656.

(Neely, continued from cover)

integral part of the Tufts-NEMC Cancer Center's patient-focused program. The Neely House is a first-of-its-kind bed and breakfast style home away from home for both adult and pediatric patients undergoing cancer treatments. The 16 apartments within the Neely House have been home to hundreds of families receiving cancer care at Tufts-NEMC.

"We are enormously grateful to Cam and Scott for their unwavering support and inspiring vision," said President and CEO Ellen Zane. "All of us at Tufts-NEMC are so pleased and proud to partner with the Neely family and the Foundation."



Amelia Peabody Foundation Advances NICU

The Amelia Peabody Charitable Fund generously supported continuing upgrades to the Floating's state-of-the-art neonatal intensive care unit (NICU) with the purchase of 11 new incubators this past year. "These incubators further the highly specialized and technically advanced care we offer our youngest and most frail patients," noted Medical Director John Fiascone, MD, "and we thank the foundation for its generosity." The Floating Hospital NICU is a 41-bed Level III unit renowned for its treatment and outcomes for premature, critically ill, and high-risk newborn babies. In April 2006, Floating's NICU was selected through a competitive process to be a member of the prestigious Neonatal Research Network (NRN), a branch of the National Institutes of Health. It was the only NICU in Massachusetts chosen to participate in the NRN for its 2006-2011 clinical trials. The elite national network of 16 neonatal research centers conducts coordinated and timely research studies to investigate the efficacy and outcomes of treatment strategies for premature and critically ill newborns.

10th Annual Cycle for Life Spins On

On Sunday, September 9 the sun shined on nearly 200 cyclists and volunteers at the 10th Annual Cycle for Life as they raised close to \$150,000 to support the Floating Hospital's Children's Cancer Center and Child Life Service Program. After riding the North Shore route from Marblehead to Gloucester, participants and their families enjoyed a cook-out at beautiful Devereux Beach in Marblehead. Top individual fundraiser Rick Hill, who has been involved with the event for eight years and raised over \$12,000 this year, was happily greeted by his family at the beach. Says Hill of his involvement with the Cycle for Life, "My son was a patient at the Floating Hospital when he was very young, and we're all extremely grateful for the care he received there. What's interesting is that I didn't get involved with the Cycle for Life until years later when we were visiting my parents in Marblehead and I saw all the cyclists ride by. I thought it looked like a fun event. Now I ride it every year and work to raise more money every year. It's just a great day with great people supporting an important program." Team Fast Foodies led the pack as the highest fundraising team with 13 riders raising nearly \$10,000.

L-R: TOP INDIVIDUAL FUNDRAISER RICK HILL IS CHEERED ON BY HIS 3 SONS AND WIFE SUSAN.



DiReeno and Flanagan Rooms Named in 2006

Jen's Room, located on Pratt 1, recently opened in memory of the late Jennifer DiReeno, who lost her battle with melanoma at the age of 21. The unique space was designed by Jen's friends and family based on their experience during Jen's illness. Enhancing programs that already exist across the Medical Center to serve adolescent patients, Jen's Room gives teens and young adults a comfortable setting within the hospital environment.

The Michael H. Flanagan Foundation Patient and Family Room also opened in 2006, with a special ribbon cutting and dedication ceremony. Located on North 8, the room creates a welcoming and comfortable environment for Tufts-NEMC Bone Marrow Transplant patients and their families. Created to honor

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CHRISTINE GRIFFIN, MICHAEL FLANAGAN'S SISTER, AND HIS MOTHER KATHLEEN FLANAGAN OPEN THE ROOM CREATED IN HIS MEMORY THIS PAST SPRING.

the memory of Michael H. Flanagan, the Foundation also supplies "Comfort Bags" to new BMT and leukemia patients to help them during their treatments. For more information on naming opportunities, please contact Steve Perna, Donor Relations Coordinator, at 617-636-5219.

Employees Break Records for 2006 WE CARE Campaign

Every fall, Tufts-NEMC joins with thousands of other Massachusetts companies in supporting workplace giving efforts. Employees have the opportunity to give to the United Way of Massachusetts Bay, the Medical Center, or both. This fall, employees more than doubled their participation rates and contributions over the previous year. **Thank you to everyone for supporting our community as we continue to work wonders!**



Governors Spur Biewend Renovations

Tufts-NEMC's Board of Governors helped improve the experience for patients and families visiting the Medical Center's outpatient clinics by renovating the first and third-floor main entrances to the historic Biewend Building during 2006. Led by board members Bob Merowitz (R) and William Hodgins (L), pictured here with President and CEO Ellen Zane, the renovations included efforts to maintain the beautiful brass and artistic finishes of the first floor Art-Deco lobby. The Biewend Building, named for longtime benefactor Cameron Biewend, also houses the Wang Theatre at the Citi Performing Arts Center, whose main entrance is adjacent to the Biewend Lobby on Tremont Street.



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Available at all Massachusetts RMV locations or online at www.mass.gov/rmv. Proceeds benefit breast cancer research at Tufts-NEMC.



CALENDAR

4th Annual Rising Stars Gala
Thursday, February 8, 2007
Westin Boston Waterfront

Join Tufts-NEMC for this special benefit evening to recognize notable champions and pioneers in advancing medical care, research, education and the Medical Center's broader community. 2007 honorees include John Hynes, Boston Celtics and NBA star Paul Pierce, and physician Katie Wakeley, MD.



Betting On A Cause & A Cure
Saturday, February 24, 2007
Charles Hotel, Cambridge

This premiere black-tie Monte Carlo Night benefits The Cam Neely Foundation for Cancer Care, The Leary Firefighters Foundation and the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research. For information please contact The Neely Foundation at 617-346-5900.

Face Off for Ace
Tuesday, February 27, 2007
Radisson Hotel, Boston

National and local hockey legends gather at this annual dinner, auction and awards ceremony to support the Ace Bailey Children's Foundation. For information call 401-847-1063.

A Celebration of Tufts Medicine in Palm Beach
Thursday, March 1, 2007
Palm Beach, FL

Join Tufts-New England Medical Center and Tufts University School of Medicine for an informal evening at one of the most unique locations on Florida's east coast.

Spring President's Forum
Thursday, May 17, 2007
Woff Auditorium

Ellen Zane, President and CEO, hosts evening presentation and discussion on groundbreaking clinical and research efforts in cancer featuring physician-researchers from the Tufts-NEMC Cancer Center.

5th Annual HarborWalk and Festival
Sunday, June 10, 2007
Cars on Place, South Boston

Walk a beautiful stretch of South Boston Harbor in this 5th annual event to benefit Tufts-NEMC and the Floating Hospital for Children. The day includes a spirited family festival with fun for all ages!



For more details on any of our events, please contact Special Events Coordinator Becca Romish at bromish@tufts-nemc.org or 617-636-9846.

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