

Fall-Winter Events

OCTOBER 2006

Kaleida Health Lecture Series #1
Futuristic technology for today's Heart Care
Sharper, faster, more comfortable scans

October 17, 2006
5 - 7 p.m.
Buffalo General Hospital
Presented by: Charles Chung, M.D., and Kenneth Pearsen, M.D.

**Millard Fillmore Suburban
Women's Board Improv Comedy Night**
October 19, 2006
6 p.m.
Hearthstone Manor

NOVEMBER 2006

Kaleida Health Lecture Series #2
Get to Gates!
The best option for Stroke Treatment

November 2, 2006
5 - 7 p.m.
Millard Fillmore Gates Circle Hospital
Presented by: L. N. Hopkins, M.D., and Elad Levy, M.D.



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SPRING - SUMMER 2006

M&T Charitable Foundation makes \$500,000 pledge

Representatives from the M&T Charitable Foundation recently gathered together at Kaleida Health's Millard Fillmore Suburban Hospital to announce a \$500,000 pledge. Andrew Cohn, vice president of the Healthcare Services Group and Buford Sears, M&T Bank senior vice president and manager of the Healthcare Services Group, helped to unveil plans for a new lobby (the M&T Bank Atrium). This lobby is part of Kaleida Health's expansion and renovation project featuring a new Emergency Department, surgical suites, increased lab space and patient registration areas.

In addition, 60 patient beds will be transferred from within Kaleida Health to accommodate increased patient census.

"Knowing what's important to our community, our employees and their families is M&T Bank's motivation for lending our support to Kaleida Health," said Sears. "By investing in this expansion project, we are making an investment in Kaleida Health and the future of healthcare for everyone in our community. We are proud to be a part of this important project."

"Make ready" construction to prepare the campus for the expansion project began in January. This included the demolition of the residential properties at 1550 and 1600 Maple Road, re-alignment of the hospital's entrance and new parking spaces. Progress will continue on this incredible project in the coming months.



▲ Pictured: Edward F. Walsh, Jr. and Buford Sears unveil M&T Bank Atrium rendering



▲ Pictured: Edward F. Walsh Jr., chairman of the Kaleida Health Board of Directors; Buford Sears, M&T Bank senior vice president and manager of the Healthcare Services Group; Reginald B. Newman, II, Growing for our Community chair; and James R. Kaskie, Kaleida Health president and CEO.

The Hot Spot

Williamsville North High School
1505 Hopkins Rd.
Williamsville, NY 14221

June 21, 2006

The Kaleida Health Foundation
1260 Delaware Avenue
Buffalo, NY 14209

To Whom It May Concern:

Please accept this donation on behalf of the Williamsville North Hot Spot.

The Hot Spot is a student run business that is located in Williamsville North High School. Students are given the opportunity to learn to be entrepreneurs by handling all aspects of running a business including day-to-day operations, financial responsibilities and human resource functions.

Along with the responsibility of running a business, the students learn the importance of giving back to the community. Ninety percent of all profits have been donated to local charities this year.

This year, the Kaleida Health Foundation was one of the charities chosen by the students. We hope that this donation will help aid in your research to find cures for the many diseases that affect our loved ones.

Sincerely,



Alan Balsdon
Business Teacher
Williamsville North High School



MILLARD FILLMORE
SUBURBAN HOSPITAL
Women's Board

a night of *comedy improv.*
Relax. Laugh. Enjoy.

OCTOBER 19, 2006
Hearthstone Manor

For questions/ticket information, contact Sally at 634-5055

Women's Board



▲ Pictured: Members of the Women's Board and volunteers during the Millard Fillmore Suburban Hospital chicken barbecue

The Women's Board of Millard Fillmore Suburban Hospital continues its mission to support the care and treatment of people from the northtowns community at Millard Fillmore Suburban Hospital. Besides operating the Gift Harbour and Coffee Shop every day, the ladies hosted a summer chicken barbecue amidst the construction. Neither the heat, nor sounds of heavy machinery, deterred staff, visitors and neighbors from placing their lunch

and dinner orders. Thanks to the volunteers who made this barbecue a sell out. Watch your mail for information about a new event being held at the Hearthstone Manor on October 19 – a night of comedy improv – being hosted by the Women's Board. We hope you will join us at this event in support of your community hospital. Call (716) 634-5055 for further event details. •

64-slice CT scan

Kaleida Health is Western New York's leader in cardiac care, performing 75 percent of all heart procedures in the region (including over 1,000 open-heart surgeries and more than 10,000 catheterization procedures each year).

On May 23, 2006, Buffalo General Hospital unveiled its latest investment in cardiac imaging. The \$1.75 million LightSpeed Volume



▲ Pictured: Kenneth Pearsen, M.D., chief of imaging services; James R. Kaskie, Kaleida Health president and CEO; and Charles Chung, M.D., director of cardiac CT imaging

Computed Tomography (VCT), also known as "64-slice" cardiac imaging, is the most advanced multi-slice technology in clinical practice. With this technology, Buffalo General now offers a non-invasive way for physicians to obtain

information to diagnose disease and life-threatening illnesses. LightSpeed VCT allows physicians to capture images of a beating heart in five heartbeats, an organ in one second and perform whole body trauma in 10 seconds – more than twice as fast as conventional "CT" (computed tomography).



▲ Pictured: The LightSpeed Volume Computed Tomography (VCT)

"This system allows physicians to perform new procedures needed to diagnosis patients with acute chest pain," said Kenneth Pearsen, M.D., chief of imaging services for Kaleida Health. "Volume CT is patient friendly and helps reduce patient stress and anxiety." •

Shanor Golf Tournament

On July 17, 2006 the Shanor family hosted the Fourth Annual Rick Shanor Memorial Golf Tournament at River Oaks Golf Club. Since 2003, the golf tournament has raised over \$65,000 for the Richard and Genelle Shanor Transplant Patient Care Fund. The fund supports the Multi-Organ Transplant Unit at Buffalo General Hospital headed by Mark Laftavi, M.D., and Oleh Panekwycz, M.D., and provides direct financial resources for patients waiting for an organ transplant. •



▲ Pictured: Mark Laftavi, M.D.; James Shanor; Mike Nagowski; Mrs. Susan Shanor; Mr. Jack Shanor, Jr. and Oleh Panekwycz, M.D., celebrate a \$25,000 check representing proceeds of the Shanor Memorial Golf Tournament

New MRI Center

The Buffalo Niagara MRI Center is proud to provide the highest quality MRI (magnetic resonance imaging) service in a comfortable and relaxing setting. The use of MRI is

often critical to the early detection and more accurate diagnosis of a variety of illnesses and injuries, which allows physicians to provide the most appropriate and timely treatment possible.

The Buffalo Niagara MRI Center, located on-site at Buffalo General Hospital, is the only one of its kind in the region with 1.5T and 3.0T HD System MR technology, some of the most powerful imaging technology available. •



▲ Pictured: The Buffalo Niagara MRI Center

Clambake

The Chamber of Commerce of the Tonawandas annual clambake took place on August 16. More than 475 area residents and guests from the Kaleida Health family of hospitals came to The Shores Waterfront Restaurant & Marina to taste delicious

food, hear and enjoy the music of Randy Jackson and participate in the silent and live auctions – all to benefit the Skilled Nursing Facility at DeGraff Memorial Hospital.

The chamber has been hosting the clambake since 1998. •



▲ Pictured: Paul Flach, executive director, Chamber of Commerce of the Tonawandas



▲ Pictured: Paul Flach, director of the chamber; Robin Schimminger, assemblyman; Doug Taylor (Taylor Devices) and his wife Linda



▲ Pictured: John Fuez, clambake master of ceremonies

Model employees

The DeGraff Memorial Hospital Auxiliary transformed some of its members (as well as DeGraff staff) into fashionable runway models during the fund raising event “A Carousel of Fashion” on April 29 at the Buffalo Marriott in Amherst.

Participants modeled fashions from the Jacqueline Shoppe in Williamsville and

were escorted by either Chris Lane, DeGraff Memorial Hospital president, or a DeGraff physician. WGRZ-TV (Channel 2) News Anchor Mary Alice Demler was master of ceremonies.

Proceeds from the event will go towards the purchase of a new electroencephalogram machine and furniture for the DeGraff Skilled Nursing Facility.

The auxiliary celebrated 60 years of dedication and service by raising nearly \$7,000 at this event. •



▲ Pictured: Ann Sarkovics, DeGraff Memorial Hospital auxiliary member escorted by Michael Vasquez, M.D.

▲ Pictured: Michelle Day and Chris Lane, DeGraff Memorial Hospital president

Gates unveils new angio suite

Millard Fillmore Gates Circle Hospital recently hosted a ribbon cutting and open house to unveil its latest investment, a \$1.8 million state-of-the-art angiography suite. Angiography is a medical procedure where photographs are taken of a patient’s blood vessels to check for blockages (clots), discover leaks (hemorrhages) and determine if blood is flowing through them properly. Gates Circle is the only facility in Western New York to have this new equipment, which enables surgeons to operate with greater precision than ever before. •



► Pictured: Elad Levy, M.D. co-director, Kaleida Stroke Care Center, director, endovascular stroke service at Millard Gates and L.N. Hopkins, M.D., chief of service, neurosurgery at Millard Gates

A gift of gratitude

Onuoha Nwokoro traveled to Buffalo from Nigeria, Africa in 1982. His mission was to work hard, study and earn a degree at Buffalo State College. Among the many things he learned during his time in our city was a lesson in human compassion. This lesson was not delivered by a professor, but by the incredible staff at Kaleida’s Millard Fillmore Gates Circle Hospital.

Onuoha was in need of medical attention for a badly injured foot following a terrible motorcycle accident. He turned to the professionals at Millard Fillmore Gates Circle Hospital for his care. Onuoha did not have health insurance, but this did not deter the staff from helping him. He was admitted and treated for his injuries, and to Onuoha’s



► Pictured: Millard Fillmore Gates Circle Hospital

surprise, his care was provided with great dignity and respect – despite his inability to pay. This moved him deeply, and he vowed to never forget. Eventually, he recovered and returned to his studies.

While Onuoha was unable to pay his \$1,600 in medical expenses at the time, he kept those bills close to remember the excellent

treatment, care and kindness bestowed upon him. He hoped to one day repay this debt and honor those who had helped him.

On June 29, 2006 – more than 24 years later – Onuoha returned to Buffalo and proudly donated \$7,500 to Millard Fillmore Gates Circle Hospital. While many of the faces at Millard Fillmore Gates Hospital have changed over the years, the value of kindness and the importance of treating all patients with respect and dignity remains. A gift from a grateful patient captures the spirit of Gates’ staff. Thanks to Onuoha for remembering the hospital and honoring the excellent care he received. *Onuoha currently serves as a certified public accountant in Washington, DC. •*

Foundation Board annual meeting

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At the 2006 Kaleida Health Foundation Board annual meeting, held on May 18, Kaleida Health President and Chief Executive Officer James R. Kaskie expressed his appreciation of the board's time and talent. He also gave an overview of the exciting medical accomplishments happening throughout Kaleida Health, a sentiment reinforced immediately by a presentation from Charles Chung, M.D. Dr. Chung, the Kaleida Health director of cardiac CT imaging, presented a PowerPoint slideshow demonstrating Kaleida Health's new 64-slice CT scan and MRI technology that allows for non-invasive diagnosis.

After welcoming new Board Member Dorothy Ferguson to a three-year term, Foundation Board Chair Peter Marlette concluded the meeting by warmly expressing "The Foundation Board is proud to support Kaleida Health." •



▲ Pictured: New Kaleida Health Foundation Board Member Dorothy Ferguson with Betty Munschauer, Norma Marlette and Foundation Board Chair, Peter Marlette

 KALEIDA HEALTH

Empower Yourself with Knowledge Lecture Series

Learn about you, your treatment options and the exciting world of today's medical technology • October 17 and November 2, 2006

The 2006 Kaleida Health Lecture Series, **Futuristic Technology – Kaleida Health Today**, features a stellar line-up of physicians who will empower and excite you about the world-class treatment options available right here in Western New York. Topics include the latest advances in heart and stroke care – available only in Kaleida Health hospitals – by leading experts in their fields.

This is a lecture series you don't want to miss!

For more information and to register, visit us online at www.kaleidahealth.org or call the Kaleida Health Foundation at (716) 881-8260.

Presentations held at Buffalo General Hospital and Millard Fillmore Gates Circle Hospital ■ Free valet parking ■ Refreshments provided

KALEIDA CLASSIC

Kaleida Health Foundation tees off

Daniel D. Dy and William H. Pearce joined efforts for a second year to present the Sixth Annual Kaleida Classic – a golf tournament held on June 12 at the Country Club of Buffalo. More than 200 golfers teed-off to raise important dollars for the nursing scholarship program at Kaleida Health. Over \$193,000 was generated to provide scholarship funding, education and training programs for the more than 2,400 nurses

who make health care for the families of Western New York a priority at Kaleida Health. Lead sponsors for the event included Key Bank/Victory Capital Management, Aramark, Cardinal Health, Eclipsys, Gibraltar Industries, Guidant Corporation, LP Ciminelli, Practice Management Center, Sodexo and St. Jude Medical. •



▲ Pictured: Andras Vari, M.D., Millard Fillmore Gates Circle Hospital vice president and chief medical officer; Connie Vari, executive vice president and chief administrative officer; Peter Marlette, Kaleida Health Foundation board chair



▲ Pictured: Ed Cudney, Robert Beck, Rich Mueller, Kevin Reilly and Lou Piccone



▲ Pictured: Bill Pearce, tournament co-chair, with winning foursome: Ted Walsh, Kaleida Health board chair, Kevin Reilly, Sam Narins, Clarke Narins with Tim Eliason (CCB Pro) and Dan Dy, tournament co-chair



▲ Pictured: Cash Cunningham and Reginald B. Newman, II



▲ Pictured: First Niagara Bank foursome Gerry Wenzke, John Koelmel, Pat Burke and Steve DePerrior



▲ Pictured: James R. Kaskie, Kaleida Health president and CEO presents memento of the 2006 tournament to co-chairs Dan Dy and Bill Pearce